

Area's best prep swim times



Olympic lunacy

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judges. The judges claimed to be impartial, even when confronted with proof that they had received free food stamps and color television sets from the Soviet government.

1983 — Carter, who had been re-elected in 1980, was incensed about the turn of events in the 1980 Moscow Olympics. His statement showed he meant business.

"If you're not going to play fair, we're not going to play," he said. Carter also said something about taking his ball with him, too.

The 1984 Olympics were set in Los Angeles, and this time it was the Americans who swept the events. Russians complained about one curious U.S. athlete who won 15 golds in the competition.

The athlete in question was punctured by a stray javelin while warming up for the mile run. He calmly pulled the spear from his chest, walked over to the trainers' bench and was patched up with a vinyl iron-on repair kit.

1985 — Both nations shouted threats of escalated athletic warfare unless guidelines were followed. Carter, now the head of the U.S. Olympic Committee, vowed, "American dollars will always overcome Soviet aggression."

The year was also marked by the disappearance of the entire Russian Olympic hockey team. The Soviets nev-

er found them, but the coaches suspected their whereabouts when they got postcards from Hawaii with the message: "Having a wonderful time — glad you're not here."

Russia started a new phase of athletic warfare by striking up a pact with several African nations. The deal was simple: the Soviets supplied nuclear weaponry, the Africans gave athletes.

1987 — Just months before the headline in the paper I was holding was written, Carter had put into gear his answer to the Soviets trade for African athletes.

Under the slogan "American dollars shall overcome," the U.S. government backed the buying of the continent of Australia as a training facility for our athletes.

The price wasn't too high. We gave each and every Australian — all 16 million of them — some swampland in Florida and an American Motors Jeep. The Australians laughed in their agreement, packed up their kangaroos and left.

Under the guise of a "giant athletic training center for anyone to use," Carter's plan was simple. Once an athlete started training in the new USA, he would eventually compete for us.

"What about winter sports?" Carter was asked after the transaction was completed.

"We thought of that, don't worry," he said. "If there aren't any mountains, we'll build some."

Boys' swim coaches from the Birmingham-Bloomfield, Southfield, Troy, Rochester, Farmington and West Bloomfield communities are asked to report their best boys' swim times to Southfield-Lathrup coach Pete Biglin. The Chargers' coach can be reached at the Lathrup pool weekdays after 3 p.m. at 344-7555 or at home at 679-3494. The Observer & Eccentric sports sections hope to publish the best swim times weekly with the help of our area coaches.

200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY	
1. B.H. Anderson (Guy DelFranco, Scott Hammond, Dan Davis and Tom Armstrong)	1:44
2. Birmingham Groves	1:45
3. Birmingham Seaholm	1:45.5
4. Brother Rice	1:46.6
5. Southfield	1:46.9
6. West Bloomfield	1:47.5
7. Southfield-Lathrup	1:49.1
8. B.H. Lahser	1:49.6
9. North Farmington	1:50.6
10. Rochester	1:50.2

200-YARD FREESTYLE	
1. John Russell (Harrison)	1:47
2. Kevin Knight (Groves)	1:47.7
3. Shawn Keating (Rice)	1:47.8
4. Dan Clements (Groves)	1:47.9
5. Rob Mackle (Rice)	1:48.6
6. Tom Maten (W. Bloom.)	1:48.6
7. Mike Schmidt (Groves)	1:49.6
8. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	1:49.8
9. Martin Holland (Seaholm)	1:51
9. Tim Olson (Groves)	1:51

200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY	
1. Kevin Knight (Groves)	2:01.7
2. Mike Schmidt (Groves)	2:05.4
3. Todd Avery (Lathrup)	2:07.4
4. Guy DelFranco (Anderson)	2:07.6
5. Bill Brooks (South)	2:08.3
6. Ben Stern (Rochester)	2:08.6
7. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	2:08.7
8. Manuel Baruch (Seaholm)	2:08.7
9. Bob Biele (Rice)	2:08.9
10. Tom Maten (W. Bloom.)	2:09.2

50-YARD FREESTYLE	
1. Kevin Knight (Groves)	22.4
1. Jon Roberts (Lathrup)	22.4
3. Tom Maten (W. Bloom.)	22.7
4. Todd Avery (South)	23.0
4. Shawn Keating (Rice)	23.0

4. Jeff Lundy (Seaholm)	23.0
7. Scott Heskamp (Groves)	23.2
7. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	23.2
7. Guy DelFranco (Anderson)	23.2
10. Steve Becker (W. Bloom.)	23.3

DIVING	
1. Mike Wastock (Anderson)	311.7
2. Bob Claster (Groves)	290.45
3. Jay Waterbury (Seaholm)	286.55
4. Andy Webb (Harrison)	279.1
5. Todd Winston (Lathrup)	262.2
6. Steve Noren (South)	242.6
7. Josh Sherbin (Groves)	235.4
8. Joe Shanahan (Groves)	234.3
9. Brian Rubin (Lathrup)	225.8
10. Scott Wheeler (S. Farm.)	225.6

100-YARD BUTTERFLY	
1. Mike Schmidt (Groves)	55.3
2. Rob Mackle (Rice)	56.0
3. Jeff Lundy (Seaholm)	56.0
3. Guy DelFranco (Anderson)	56.7
5. Todd Avery (South)	57.1
6. Terry Smith (Rochester)	57.2
7. John Roberts (Lathrup)	57.4
8. Tim Newman (Groves)	57.5
9. Bill Eagan (Groves)	57.5
10. Dan Keizer (Groves)	57.8

100-YARD FREESTYLE	
1. Kevin Knight (Groves)	48.0
2. Shawn Keating (Rice)	48.4
3. Tom Maten (W. Bloom.)	49.6
4. Guy DelFranco (Anderson)	49.7
5. Todd Avery (South)	50.1
6. Scott Heskamp (Groves)	50.5
7. Bill Eagan (Groves)	50.9
8. Eric Shirley (Groves)	51.0
9. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	51.1
9. Jeff Lundy (Seaholm)	51.1

50-YARD FREESTYLE	
1. John Russell (Harrison)	44.9
2. Dan Clements (Groves)	45.14
3. Rob Mackle (Rice)	45.2
4. Mike Schmidt (Groves)	45.7
5. Rick Kramer (Rice)	45.8
6. Paul Keong (Groves)	50.0
7. Marty Holland (Seaholm)	50.23
8. Ben Stern (Rochester)	50.29

9. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	50.24
10. Walt Griffin (Anderson)	50.49

100-YARD BACKSTROKE	
1. Kevin Knight (Groves)	56.4
2. Guy DelFranco (Anderson)	57.3
3. Dan Davis (Anderson)	58.2
4. Kip Kimble (Seaholm)	58.9
5. Kevin O'Connor (Rice)	59.0
6. Todd Avery (South)	59.2
7. Dan Clements (Groves)	59.5
8. Dart Maceas (Rice)	1:00.4
9. Allan Babcock (Harrison)	1:00.7
10. Lee Smith (Groves)	1:01.1

100-YARD BREASTSTROKE	
1. Scott Hammond (Anderson)	1:02.2
2. Tom Armstrong (Anderson)	1:05
3. Tom Maten (W. Bloom.)	1:05.8

4. Keith Gardner (Seaholm)	1:05.9
5. Jim Gesser (S. Farm.)	1:06.2
6. Jeff Martin (Rochester)	1:06.6
7. Bernie Staples (Anderson)	1:07.3
8. Steve Kane (Groves)	1:07.7
9. Rob Kramer (Rice)	1:07.9
10. Ken Lynchey (South)	1:08
10. Greg Hummel (Lathrup)	1:08

400-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY	
1. Birmingham Groves (Kevin Knight, Dan Clements, Eric Shirley and Scott Heskamp)	3:20.2
2. B.H. Anderson	3:21.9
3. Brother Rice	3:22
4. West Bloomfield	3:28
5. Birmingham Seaholm	3:29.2
6. Southfield	3:32.4
7. Southfield-Lathrup	3:33.5
8. B.H. Lahser	3:35.6
9. North Farmington	3:37.2
10. Rochester	3:42

Mercy spikers win

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy's volleyball team scored 13 of the last 15 points in its match with Detroit Dominican to win in straight games, 15-11, 16-14, last Monday at Dominican.

Trailing 12-3 in the second game of the match, Mercy started a comeback behind the serving of Kelly Devers and net play of Marcy McGarrigle to clinch the victory.

Mercy coach Linda Barber called Dominican "very tough to beat at home" and was pleased with her squad's overall effort.

"The whole team pulled together to win that game," Barber said.

The victory raised Mercy's record to 7-2 in the Catholic League. The Marliners are tied for first place with Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher. One game behind the frontrunners is Birmingham Marian with a 6-3 record.

Mercy's final regular season contest is tonight at Bishop Gallagher. Gallagher won in the first meeting of the two teams, 15-10, 15-13, at Mercy.

The top three teams will qualify for the Catholic League playoffs, which start Saturday. If Mercy beats Gallagher Thursday, it will earn a first-round bye in the playoffs. The playoffs will continue on Feb. 16, 21 and 23.

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