

Fairview girls roll to Front Range swimming title

Monarch wins eight events

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LOVELAND -- With the state meet on tap next week, Fairview girls swimming coach Bob Smartt opted to rest 14 of his top swimmers for Thursday's Front Range League championship finals.

It didn't matter.

Fairview's depth shined through anyway as the Knights won the conference title in their first year in the league.

The Monarch Coyotes ruled the top of the podium, winning eight of 12 events at the Mountain View High School pool and breaking three meet records. Fairview, meanwhile, didn't win an event but managed enough solid finishes to score 787 points -- 87 more than the runner-up Coyotes.

Boulder, also racing without a host of its top swimmers, took sixth with 375 points.

"I was really pleased -- a lot of these girls aren't even club swimmers -- that we were able to swim this well," Smartt said. "Monarch dominated. It's just a question of numbers."

Fairview's best finish came from Nisa Sedaghat in the 100 freestyle, where she took second in 56.21 seconds.

It was Monarch's Anna Labozan, though, that stole the show in that event. The Coyote sophomore won in a meet-record time of 52.64 seconds.

Labozan also combined with teammates Melissa Tillman, Whitney Dougherty and Blair Kacynski to set the meet record in the 400 free relay in a time of 3:40.80. And Dougherty, Kacynski, Kajsa Bank and Audie Balue broke the meet record in the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:51.76.

Monarch's other individual wins came from Labozan (200 free), Dougherty (200 IM, 100 breast), Kacynski (500 free) and Tillman (100 back).

The state meet is Feb. 12-14 at Edora Pool and Ice Center in Fort Collins.

Front Range League

swimming championships

Team scores -- Fairview 787, Monarch 700, Fort Collins 613, Loveland 548, Legacy 457, Boulder 375, Rocky Mountain 341, Poudre 325, Mountain Range 234, Northglenn 170, Horizon 117.

200 medley relay -- 1. Monarch (Audie Balue, Whitney Dougherty, Blair Kacynski, Kajsa Bank) 1:51.76*#; 2. Fairview 1:59.58*; 3. Boulder 1:59.75*.

200 freestyle -- 1. Anna Labozan, Monarch, 1:55.69*; 2. Andrea Kacynski, Monarch, 1:58.91*; 3. Maddie Tyler, Fort Collins, 2:03.47*.

200 IM -- 1. Whitney Dougherty, Monarch, 2:11.44*; 2. Jennie Maydew, Legacy, 2:16.20*; 3. Callie Anstett, Rocky Mountain, 2:17.18*.

50 free -- 1. Tricia Nelson, Fort Collins, 24.41*#; 2. Jordan Mathews, Loveland, 24.87*; 3. Shirin Sedaghat, Fairview, 24.91*.

Diving -- 1. Maxelise Thorn, Loveland, 406.30; 2. Felicia Graff, Loveland, 374.25; 3. Chanley Burge, Loveland, 369.65.

100 fly -- 1. Jordan Mathews, Loveland, 59.42*; 2. Jennie Maydew, Legacy, 1:01.38*; 3. Erica Wood, Fairview, 1:01.44*.

100 free -- 1. Anna Labozan, Monarch, 52.64*#; 2. Nisa Sedaghat, Fairview, 56.21*; 3. Laura Kollar, Fort Collins, 56.52*.

500 free -- 1. Andrea Kacynski, Monarch, 5:14.81*; 2. Gretchen Christoph, Boulder, 5:35.38; 3. Geneva Mueller, Rocky Mountain, 5:36.65.

200 free relay -- 1. Fort Collins (Laura Kollar, Lexy Lowery, Maddie Tyler, Tricia Nelson) 1:42.51*; 2. Monarch 1:43.06; 3. Fairview 1:43.71.

100 backstroke -- 1. Melissa Tillman, Monarch, 59.56*; 2. Tricia Nelson, Fort Collins, 1:00.49*; 3. Erica Wood, Fairview, 1:01.37*.

100 breast -- 1. Whitney Dougherty, Monarch, 1:06.34*; 2. Whitney Fletcher, Monarch, 1:07.08*; 3. Callie Anstett, Rocky Mountain, 1:10.37*.

400 free relay -- 1. Monarch (Melissa Tillman, Whitney Dougherty, Anna Labozan, Blair Kacynski) 3:40.80*#; 2. Fort Collins 3:43.43*; 3. Loveland 3:46.99*.

* -- State-qualifying mark.

-- Meet record.

