

## The big swim

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The big meets keep coming for the Fairview girls swim team, which won its 20th Boulder County Invitational in 20 tries on Saturday.

The second-ranked Knights host No. 1 Cherry Creek at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the South Boulder Recreation Center.

The dual will be the Knights' last as members of the Centennial League, as they move to the Front Range League next year. But Fairview coach Bob Smartt said Cherry Creek has tentatively agreed to keep facing his team on a nonconference basis in future seasons.

"We're hoping we can keep the competition up with them," Smartt said.

The Knights and Bruins have had quite the rivalry in recent years. Cherry Creek has won the last two Class 5A state titles. But Fairview has beaten the Bruins in dual action in four of the past six seasons.

The Knights have won 17 duals in a row overall dating back to their loss to Creek in 2006.

Although Fairview will be missing a couple of swimmers due to club obligations on Thursday, this year's version of the dual should be tight once again.

Two of the better matchups should come in the 200 medley relay, in which the Bruins are ranked first in the state, and the 100 butterfly, where Creek's Jennifer Oster and Fairview's Sophie Lucas are two of the best.