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## Boys swimming: North Penn coasts to another SOL title

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WARRINGTON – On a bleak and windy Friday the 13th, the Suburban One League Continental Conference held its boys swimming championships in the pool at Central Bucks South.

According to a widely held opinion, Central Bucks East, South and West would combine with Souderton to jinx North Penn, the new kids on the conference block, with one of the others emerging to win the team title.

It didn't work - they could have released a couple crates of black cats in front of the Knights' bus for all the difference any of it made.

North Penn, the team that has dominated the SOL the way Alexander the Great once dominated the known world, piled up 393 points to 265 for CB East; Souderton (198), CB West (147) and host CB South (137) rounded out the top five.

Though he didn't admit it, Knights coach Brian Daly heard the pre-meet speculation.

"We told the guys if they want to be where they (expect) to be two weeks from now or four weeks from now, they had to take some steps in that direction," said Daly, referring to the District One and PIAA championship meets, respectively. "We (knew) we can't rest on what we've done so far; we had to take another step toward our destination and I think as a team we did that."

After North Penn's Peter Kolokithias, Nick Ortlieb, Stephan Hoch and Jason Deana set a pool record in winning the 200 medley relay, the first two individual events produced upsets. CB West's Sean Cook won the first of his two events, upsetting the Knights' top seeded, Jack Else, in the 200-yard freestyle, while CB East's Colson Ferrari took advantage of a declared false start by Nick Ortlieb - who is recovering from the flu - to win the 200 individual medley.

"I felt awesome," said Cook, whose time of 1 minute, 46.44 seconds broke the pool record set by North Penn's Brendan Fanslau in 2005. "I was really excited for this race; I knew there was a lot of really good competition coming in so I was ready to go."

Ferrari made like his namesake and won going away, his 2:02.86 nearly two seconds in front of runner-up Ilan Khyat of CB South.

"I tried to take the (butterfly) leg out really fast," said Ferrari, a Patriots senior. "In the backstroke I tried to stay where I was and then in the breaststroke and the free I went all out with whatever I had left."

Despite those unexpected setbacks, North Penn began flexing its muscle in the 50 free, where Stephan Hoch set a pool record with a 22.20 before coming back in the next race - the 100 fly - with a 53.47 to set a record there, too.

"I've kind of been relaxing and stretching all day," Hoch said. "I really had these races mentally down and I planned to win. The pool record (in the 50) got me excited for the (100 fly), and my last race I hoped to get first also (because) I planned to get four wins."

His last race was the leadoff leg of the closing 400 free relay, and, yes, the Knights did win and set a pool record.

"Stephan was trying to send me a message in terms of what he wants to swim at districts," Daly said. "That was kind of the deal, that he had to

show me what he was capable of because (the 50 and the 100 fly) are his preferred events.

"Overall the guys knew the competition that was here, they knew it coming in and I'm very pleased with where they are."

### Suburban One League Continental Conference Boys Swimming Championships

**Team standings:** 1. North Penn, 393; 2. Central Bucks East, 265; 3. Souderton, 198; 4. Central Bucks West, 147; 5. Central Bucks South, 137; 6. Hatboro-Horsham, 101; 7. Pennridge, 64; 8. Quakertown, 30.

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. North Penn (Peter Kolokithias, Nick Ortlieb, Stephan Hoch, Jason Deana), 1:40.66 (pool record); 2. Central Bucks east, 1:42.67; 3. Souderton, 1:44.98; **200 freestyle:** 1. Sean Cook (CB West), 1:46.44 (pool record); 2. Jake Radcliffe (Souderton), 1:46.68; 3. Jack Else (North Penn), 1:46.77; **200 IM:** 1. Colson Ferrari (CB East), 2:02.86; 2. Ilan Khyat (CB South), 2:04.87; 3. Kolokithias (North Penn), 2:05.22; **50 freestyle:** 1. Hoch (North Penn), 22.20 (pool record); 2. Kyle McLaughlin (CB South), 22.71; 3. Craig Hennessey (North Penn), 22.80; **Diving:** 1. Zac Nees (North Penn); 2. Ozzie Moyer (Souderton); 3. Michael Kohler (North Penn); **100 butterfly:** 1. Hoch (North Penn), 53.47 (pool record); 2. Mark Dilemmo (CB East), 54.07; 3. Antonio Dovali (CB West), 54.95; **100 freestyle:** 1. Riley Weber (CB East), 49.10; 2. Hennessey (North Penn), 49.78; 3. Lee Stiles (Souderton), 50.21; **500 freestyle:** 1. Else (North Penn), 4:48.19 (pool record); 2. Radcliff (Souderton), 4:48.31; 3. Brendan Hatfield (North Penn), 5:00.41; **200 freestyle relay:** 1. North Penn (Hennessey, C.J. Millonig, Deana, Else), 1:30.70 (pool record); 2. Central Bucks East, 1:32.40; 3. Souderton, 1:32.74; **100 backstroke:** 1. Cook (CB West), 55.38; 2. Kolokithias (North Penn), 56.82; 3. Tim Ware (CB South), 56.98; **100 breaststroke:** 1. Nick Ortlieb (North Penn), 1:01.59; 2. Ferrari (CB East), 1:02.22; 3. Sean Corcoran (Souderton), 1:04.46; **400 freestyle relay:** 1. North Penn (Hoch, Else, NickOrtlieb, Hennessey), 3:19.14 (pool record); 2. Souderton, 3:19.74; 3. Central Bucks East, 3:23.14.

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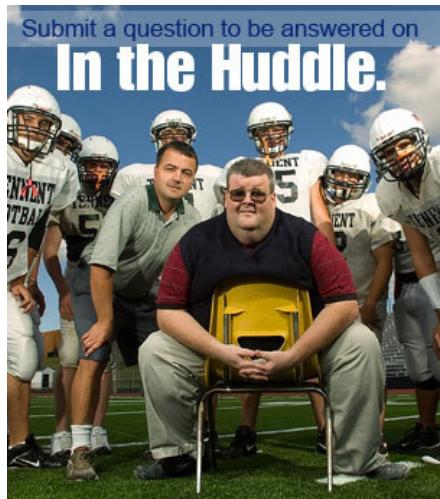
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