

McNary sweeps 200 free relays in first meet

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McNary's swim team came up short in its first dual meet of the season, falling to Forest Grove on Thursday, Nov. 30 at the Kroc Center.

The girls' standings were the closest with the Vikings edging McNary 93-71.

Alyssa Garvey, Emma Garland, Emily Alger, and Haley Debban won the 200 yard free relay in 1:54.53. Debban finished second in the 50 free in 27.25, followed by Garvey in third in 27.66.

Freshmen twins Alex and

Bella Beard were limited due to a club meet the following weekend but were still able to make their mark.

Alex won the 100 backstroke in 1:08.48. Bella and Alex also took first and second in the 50 free junior varsity race in 27.40 and 27.53, respectively.

"Considering our short amount of time in the pool, I thought we looked good," McNary head coach Casey Lewin said. "It will be exciting to see how we improve."

McNary's boys, which lost 101.5-58.5, were missing club

swimmers Kyle Hopper and Harrison Vaughn.

Grant Biondi, Brock Wyer, Wyatt Sherwood and Jabez Rhoades won the 200 free relay in 1:44.32, edging Forest Grove by less than a second.

Lewin was also impressed by McNary's times in the 50 free JV race, which should add depth to the boys team. Nikita Martushev won the event in 26.26. Collin Wentworth took second in 27.25 and Ethan Whalen placed third in 27.94.

The Celtics next host Sprague at the Kroc Center on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 2 p.m.



McNary senior Lizzie Bryant finished third in the 200 IM in 2:59.87 on Thursday, Nov. 30. KEIZERTIMES/Derek Wiley



Freshman Grady Burrows went 2-1 at 106 pounds in his first high school wrestling tournament. KEIZERTIMES/Derek Wiley

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Vincent said he just had to keep his composure.

"I knew it was going to be tough and it definitely was," Vincent said.

"I tried to keep my cool and just calm down and think about what I needed to do. I kind of shut down for a second. I waited until the last second to get ahead because there was no way I was going to be able to hold him down for a minute. I'm out of shape still. I just waited until the last 30 seconds, took him down, got lucky and got a near fall to

win the match."

At 106 pounds, McNary freshman Grady Burrows went 2-1, earning a 16-12 decision to open the tournament and finishing it with a pin in the first period.

"It's always nerve-racking to send a freshman out in the lineup," coach Ebbs said. "If I had my way, I might not ever do it because there's so many other factors that play into that with the confidence and the strength and the development. I believed in him and he got after it and that speaks to his years that he spent coming up through (Celtic) Mat Club."

Noah Grunberg (145),

Garrett Wampler (182), and Randal Nordberg (195) all went 2-1 as well, each getting a win by forfeit.

At 220 pounds, sophomore Anthony Garcia Reyes earned a pin in his first match before dropping the next two.

"His confidence is pretty high and I'm pretty proud of him," coach Ebbs said of Reyes. "He ran into a couple big, mean guys after that, that reminded him that we're not done getting better yet."

McNary hosted its first Greater Valley Conference dual on Thursday, Dec. 7 against McMinnville and then travels to Silvertown for a tournament on Saturday, Dec. 9.

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"I want to play them together when I can," Doran said.

"They'll be playing together for the next four years so it's fun to see them on the floor together."

Doutt led the freshmen with nine points. Proctor added four.

"Stepping in the freshman year and getting into a varsity

game, there's some nerves associated with that but I think they've stepped up, especially Leah, you wouldn't know anymore," Doran said. "The first game you could kind of tell but these last two games she's really comfortable out there, played really hard, been great defensively for us and offensively. She made some really great passes."

Kailey Doult and Paige Downer led the scoring, each finishing with 12 points.

The Lady Celts began the season with a 56-24 win at

Barlow on Thursday, Nov. 30.

Kailey Doult had 20 points, 11 rebounds and three steals. Downer finished with 11 points, four rebounds and four steals.

Hawley added nine points and three assists.

McNary defeated Tualatin 50-33 in its home opener.

Leah Doult had eight rebounds and nine assists. Hawley scored nine points.

The Lady Celts begin Greater Valley Conference play on Friday, Dec. 8 at 7:15 p.m. against West Albany (1-0).

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"We were tired but made mental mistakes, too," Kirch said. "We acknowledge it and our kids see that. We've just got to get better."

Kirch played 10 different guys with eight getting in the scorer's book.

Senior guard Andrew Jones had eight points. Noah Hudkins added six points and eight rebounds in the post.

"Noah's done a really good job for us," Kirch said. "He's very smart. He's not real flashy but he's effective. He made a real nice tip pass on an offensive rebound. For the most part he was able to play without fouling. He shoots a high percentage. In fact, we probably need to get him the



McNary senior Andrew Jones scored eight points against Grants Pass on Thursday, Nov. 30. KEIZERTIMES/Derek Wiley

er Valley Conference play at home on Friday, Dec. 8 against West Albany at 5:45 p.m.



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