

McNary out swims West Salem

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McNary's swim team dove back into the pool for two meets in three days.

The Celtic boys edged West Salem 87-83 on Tuesday, Jan. 2 at the Kroc Center.

Sophomore Kyle Hooper won the 100-yard freestyle in 54.38 seconds and junior Harrison Vaughn took first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:12 to lead McNary to victory.

Vaughn, Grant Biondi, Brock Wyr and Wyatt Sherwood also won the 200 free relay in 1:42.64.

Freshman Bella Beard

touched the wall first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:15.63, the 200 free in 2:10.38 and swam on the winning 200 free relay with twin sister Alex, sophomore Alyssa Garvey and senior Haley Debban in 1:51.32.

But that was not enough for the Lady Celts to defeat West Salem, who came out on top 95-74.

Alex Beard also won the 500 free in 5:43.53 and Debban had the fastest time in the 50 free, finishing in 27.68.

Alex Beard won two more events on Thursday, Jan. 4 against McMinnville. She took

first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:16.65 and the 200 IM in 2:25.24.

Hooper again led the boys, winning the 200 IM in 2:13.16 and the 100 free in 54.23.

McMinnville swept the meet as a team with the boys winning 119-51 and the girls outscoring McNary 113-57.

The Celtics are back at the Kroc Center on Thursday, Jan. 25 against West Albany at 4:30 p.m. and then Tuesday, Jan. 30 versus North Salem at 2 p.m.

The district meet is Feb. 9-10 at the McMinnville Aquatic Center.



McNary sophomore Kyle Hooper won the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 freestyle against McMinnville on Thursday, Jan. 4 in the Kroc Center.



McNary sophomore Nicolette Parra has started the season 18-3 thanks to hard work and a desire to win.

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"I think I got tired of losing and I usually go and work out after practice, too," Parra said. "I don't want to lose. I shouldn't be losing. I've definitely gained muscle and lost fat. I don't think I'm a good wrestler. I just think I have a lot of heart."

McNary coach Jason Ebbs

has seen a big difference in Parra this season.

"Between last year and this year, her desire to win has grown tremendously," Ebbs said.

"Last year, she was just all smiles and having a good time and good teammate and all those great things. But this year you can see a different tone to her. She's coming around and she's got a lot or promise ahead of her and just

looking forward to her opportunities to keep growing."

Para's goals for the rest of this season include wrestling her way into McNary's varsity lineup and then qualifying for the first OSAA sanctioned girls state wrestling tournament.

McNary took three girls to Reno. All three placed as Brooke Burrows took fifth at 100 pounds and Tia Vincent finished fifth at 170.

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with 1:38 remaining and McNary never looked back.

The Lady Celts outscored West Salem 20-11 in the fourth quarter.

Downer led the Lady Celts with 13 points, three rebounds, three assists and three steals.

Alfaro added 10 points and five rebounds. Emma Kinler gave McNary a boost on

the boards, pulling down six rebounds to go a long with seven points. Leah Doult had seven points, four rebounds and four assists. Kailey Doult had nine points and three rebounds.

"The scoring was very even tonight," McNary head coach Elizabeth Doran said. "That's great to see. That's something that we really haven't had, a lot of people contributing in scoring and today it was more people contributing, which was awe-

some." After playing too much one-and-one ball in the second quarter, the Lady Celts did a better job of distributing in the second half.

"They (West Salem) made a run and we were back on our heels and turned into more of a one-on-one game," Doran said.

"We talked to them about that at halftime, getting the best shot that we can get as a team instead of trying to go one-on-one."



McNary freshman Leah Doult scored seven points to go along with four rebounds and four assists in a 52-38 win over West Salem on Friday, Jan. 5.

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