



2004 NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE  
Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving Championships  
Thursday-Saturday, February 12-14  
C.T. Branin Natatorium; Canton, Ohio

**2004 NCAC Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving Championships**  
**DENISON WOMEN CLAIM FIRST NCAC TITLE;**  
**KENYON LORDS WIN 19TH MEN'S CROWN**

**For Immediate Release**  
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**CANTON, Ohio** – The Denison University women have done something only on other team has done in 20 years of North Coast Athletic Conference swimming competition – win a women's NCAC Swimming & Diving Championship. The Big Red women won four events and recorded 33 top-five finishes to total 1,604 points to best perennial champion Kenyon. The Ladies won 11 events to finish second with 1,548.50 points. Wooster placed third, for the seventh year in a row, with 1,083.50 points. Wittenberg placed fourth with 957 points, followed by Ohio Wesleyan (590), Allegheny (576), Hiram (425) and Oberlin (406) in positions five through eight, respectively.

The Lords won nine events and recorded 35 top-five finishes to total 1,580 points to best perennial runner-up Denison. The Big Red men recorded six first-place finishes to go with 28 top-five finishes on the way to 1,513 points and their 18th second-place finish. Wabash placed third with 796 points; Wooster compiled 758.50 points to place fourth, followed by Wittenberg (718), Allegheny (638.50), Oberlin (494), Hiram (381.50) and Ohio Wesleyan (306.50) in positions five through nine, respectively. The Lords, who have claimed 24 consecutive NCAA Division III titles, have won 19 of 20 NCAC crowns and 50 of their last 51 conference championship meets.

Kenyon freshman **Jessica Connors (Cedarburg, WI/Divine Savior Holy Angels)** established a new mark with her win in the 200 breaststroke (2:21.44).

Hiram sophomore **Beth Groselle (Hiram, OH/Crestwood)** was named Female Swimmer of the Year in balloting by the league coaches. In addition to the 100 free (51.86), she earned a conference championship in the 100 breast (1:05.4) and met the NCAA Division III automatic qualifying standards in both events.

Kenyon senior **Marc Courtney-Brooks (Columbus, OH/St. Charles Prep)** was named Male Swimmer of the Year by league coaches after setting NCAC marks in the 200 IM (1:52.43), 100 free (45.44) and 200 free (1:37.86) as the anchor in the winning 800 free relay. He also claimed a win in the 100 back (51.48).

Allegheny senior **Kelley Anderson (Beaver, PA/Beaver)** won her seventh and eighth NCAC championships with wins in the one- (402.65) and three-meter (433.60) boards to become the first female four-time NCAC Female Diver of the Year, Wittenberg freshman **Cody Nicely (Knoxville, TN/Bearden)** claimed the one-meter board (309.40) to earn Male Diver of the Year honors.

Denison's **Gregg Parini** swept the Women's and Men's Coaches of the Year, respectively. Denison's **Anne Gillie** was named Women's Diving Coach of the Year after her divers finished second, third and fourth on both boards. Wittenberg's **Ian Hershey** was named Men's Diving Coach of the Year.

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**FINAL TEAM STANDINGS**

*(Saturday, Feb. 14)*

**MEN**

1. Kenyon (KEN)	1580.00
2. Denison (DEN)	1513.00
3. Wabash (WAB)	796.00
4. Wooster (WOO)	758.50
5. Wittenberg (WIT)	718.00
6. Allegheny (ALL)	638.50
7. Oberlin (OBE)	494.00
8. Hiram (HIR)	381.50
9. Ohio Wesleyan (OWU)	306.50

**WOMEN**

1. Denison (DEN)	1604.00
2. Kenyon (KEN)	1548.50
3. Wooster (WOO)	1083.50
4. Wittenberg (WIT)	957.00
5. Ohio Wesleyan (OWU)	590.00
6. Allegheny (ALL)	576.00
7. Hiram (HIR)	425.00
8. Oberlin (OBE)	406.00

**EVENT RESULTS**

KEY: \* = NCAC Record

^ = NCAA Division III Automatic Qualifier

Event #29 Women's 200 Back

1. Lauren Clark, DEN	2:04.43 ^
2. Beth Galloway, KEN	2:05.48 ^
3. Megan Cassell, DEN	2:07.42
4. Jennie Miller, KEN	2:07.82
5. Rachel Smith, KEN	2:09.51

Event #30 Men's 200 Back

1. Fernando Rodriguez, KEN	1:51.79 ^
2. Adam Ulrich, DEN	1:53.17
3. Rob Lisy, DEN	1:53.38
4. Zach Huggins, HIR	1:55.12
5. Travis Brennion, KEN	1:57.07

Event #31 Women's 100 Free

1. Beth Groselle, HIR	51.86 ^
2. Agnese Ozolina, KEN	52.27 ^
3. Sarah Peck, DEN	52.69
4. Steph Sabo, DEN	52.78
5. Kayla Heising, WOO	52.82

Event #32 Men's 100 Free

1. Marc Courtney-Brooks, KEN	45.44 *^
2. Jade Sobek, DEN	46.19
3. Jimmy Berger, KEN	46.32
4. Bryce Peterson, DEN	46.62
5. Brad Voreis, DEN	46.86

Event #33 Women's 200 Breast

1. Jessica Connors, KEN	2:21.44 *^
2. Maggie Wertz, DEN	2:28.54
3. Liz Whittam, WOO	2:28.97
4. Emily Rees, DEN	2:29.34
5. Diana Spahlinger, KEN	2:30.02

Event #34 Men's 200 Breast

1. Matt Wilson, ALL	2:05.55
2. Gabe Rodrigues, KEN	2:07.67
3. Alex Murray, DEN	2:08.12
4. Jim Bell, KEN	2:08.19
5. Jeff Skladzien, DEN	2:08.47

Event #35 Women's 200 Fly

1. Jill Boo, DEN	2:08.34
2. MC Dain, DEN	2:09.30
3. Danielle Korman, KEN	2:09.61
4. Jenny Swank, DEN	2:11.30
5. Lucy Sheridan, DEN	2:13.00
Amy Clark, WOO	2:13.00

Event #36 Men's 200 Fly

1. Steve Rader, WIT	1:53.35
2. Joel Rector, DEN	1:54.77
3. Michael Hewitt, WAB	1:55.37
4. Lain Shakespeare, KEN	1:55.84
5. John Wells, HIR	1:59.50

Event #39 Women's 400 Free Relay

1. Kenyon	3:29.05
2. Denison	3:30.05
3. Wooster	3:32.53
4. Wittenberg	3:42.07
5. Ohio Wesleyan	3:43.30

Event #40 Men's 400 Free Relay

1. Kenyon	3:03.60 ^
2. Denison	3:05.56
3. Wabash	3:11.72
4. Wittenberg	3:11.82
5. Wooster	3:11.86

Event #27 Women's 1650 Free

1. Hillary Strong, KEN	17:08.03 ^
2. Rachel Smith, KEN	17:20.40 ^
3. Kristin Landry, KEN	17:27.16
4. Elizabeth Roesch, WOO	17:29.13
5. Becca Searcy, WIT	17:31.19

Event #28 Men's 1650 Free

1. Andy Hoffman, DEN	16:06.27
2. Matt Jacobsen, KEN	16:09.47
3. John Schutt, DEN	16:09.79
4. Davod Gold, KEN	16:17.07
5. Peter Gosselar, KEN	16:28.87

Event #38 Men's 3-Meter Diving

1. Todd Koenig, WOO	283.80
2. Fran Kelley, DEN	273.60
3. Jacob Priest, OWU	255.85

Event #9 Women's 1-Meter Diving

1. Kelley Anderson, ALL	402.65 ^
2. Nikki Weaver, DEN	347.75
3. Cathy Dugan, DEN	340.35

**NCAC INDIVIDUAL  
AWARD WINNERS**

Men's Swimmer of the Year

Marc Courtney-Brooks, Kenyon

Women's Swimmer of the Year

Beth Groselle, Hiram

Men's Diver of the Year

Kelley Anderson, Allegheny

Women's Diver of the Year

Cody Nicely, Wittenberg

Men's Swim Coach of the Year

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