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Thunder Bay Thunderbolts Swim Club

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THUNDER BAY – Thunderbolts Rock the Fort.

Twenty-five Thunder Bay Thunderbolts swimmers combined for 97 medals this past weekend to take first place at the Fort Frances Aquanauts Winter Chill Invitational swim meet.

In short, the weekend belonged to the boys. Bolts junior swimmers Nathan Hay and Jonas Hurlen dominated the Boys 10 and under events leading the team to an overall point total of 2,847 – more than 650 points over the second place host Aquanauts. Hay came home with gold medals in 50m, 100m, 200m, and 400m freestyle, 100m and 200m backstroke, 200m breaststroke and 200m individual medley while Hurlen won 3 gold and 5 silver medals in his events.

Continuing a very strong performance by the Thunderbolts boys, Scott Gosselin won 1 gold and 7 silver medals in his eight events in the Boy's 13-14 age group. Michael Gosselin and Ryan Krueger also medaled in all 9 of their events in the Mens 16 and over category.

The Bolts girls were not to be outdone. Kaitlyn Hay took 5 gold, a silver and a bronze medal and Sandra Dusolt won 3 gold and 2 silver in their events in the girls 13-14 age category.

Coach Kathryn McEwan noted that “all the Bolts swimmers contributed to the team win this weekend. It was great to see all our swimmers, especially the younger ones, competing at such a high level in advance of Regional Championships”.

Other Thunderbolts with strong performances included Carter Morash and Shaylyn Bishop with 6 medals each and Taylor Speziale, Evan Pelletier, Kate Adams and Morgan Labelle each with 5 medals

The Thunderbolts swimmers will now focus on hosting the NWO Regional Championships February 26 – 28 at the Canada Games Complex.

Thunder Bay Thunderbolts provides an environment in which swimmers of any age or level may reach their fullest potential. This growth is designed to go beyond swimming and carry over into personal development. Thunder Bay Thunderbolts offers the facilities and means to enable participants in the program to strive for and attain their own personal goals and to work together as a group to achieve team goals.

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