

## CARIFTA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014

Jamaica added another ten (10) medals (three silver and seven bronze) to finish day 2 of the CARIFTA Swimming Championships with two (2) gold medals, seven (7) silver and ten (10) bronze. Jamaica is in sixth position with 185 points.

Two silver medals were earned in the 15-17 boys age group, and both established new national age group records. First was Nico Campbell in the 200m freestyle. He stopped the clock at 1:55.22 to better the old mark of 1:57.20 held by Brad Hamilton. Then Keanan Dols smashed the 36-year old record in the 400m individual medley by finishing the race in 4:40.14. The old record of 4:41.80 was set back in 1978 by Andrew Phillips.

The other silver medal was won by Laura Limsang in the 400m individual medley for 11-12 girls. She touched in 5:38.86. Laura had earlier finished seventh in the 200m freestyle in 2:23.06.

The boys 13-14 and 15-17 400m medley relays each won bronze medals. The older boys (Keanan Dols, Xavier Philips, Sidrell Williams, Nico Campbell) finished in 4:02.77 to beat the old national age group record of 4:04.23 set last year at CARIFTA Jamaica. Joseph Black, Sean-Douglas Gooden, Jesse Marsh and Christian Alberga combined for 4:18.00 in the 13-14 group. The other relay, the girls 13-14 team finished sixth in 4:48.67.

Danielle Boothe, swimming in the 15-17 girls events, won bronze medals in the 100m backstroke (1:08.02) and the 400m individual medley (5:16.89). Nicholas Vale earned his bronze medal in the 200m freestyle (2:13.22) for 11-12 boys and Sidrell Williams (25.71) in the 15-17 boys 50m butterfly.

Keanan Dols finished in third position in the 100m backstroke event for 15-17 boys, stopping the clock at 1:01.16. He was followed home in the race by Matthew Lyn (1:04.34) in seventh place.

Other swimmers in action in day 2 finals were Joseph Black who finished seventh (2:03.72) in the 13-14 boys 200m freestyle, Michelle Dols (2:10.97) fifth and Leanne McMaster (2:15.75) seventh in the 15-17 girls 200m freestyle, Joseph Black (27.50) seventh in the 13-14 boys 50m butterfly, Leanne McMaster (30.87) eighth in the 15-17 girls 50m butterfly, Nico Campbell (26.13) eighth in the 15-17 boys 50m butterfly, Annastazia Chin (1:12.54) eighth in the 13-14 girls 100m backstroke and in the 400m individual medley timed final were Annabella Lyn (5:34.98, sixth in 13-14 girls), Annastazia Chin (5:40.47, eighth in 13-14 girls), Jesse Marsh (5:14.64, eleventh in 13-14 boys), Matthew Lyn (4:59.93, seventh in 15-17 boys).