



## Blue Group EXceeds EXpectations at IMX Challenge

The Blue Group had a fantastic meet at the IMX Challenge on February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The 9 year old girls were especially big winners! Claire McNeary was the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest overall point scorer for the 9 year old girls with a total of 2,699 points. Claire achieved three new JO cut times in the 200 IM, 100 back, and 100 breast and was awarded the Blue Group Swimmer of the Meet for her outstanding swimming. Kathleen Duong was the 4<sup>th</sup> highest overall point scorer for the 9 year old girls with 2,262 points. Kathleen dropped over 20 seconds and set four new best times. Emily Liang came in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall with 1,948 points. She dropped over 15 seconds, setting three new best times in the process.

Beth Caruana represented the 10 year old girls with an 8<sup>th</sup> place overall finish and 2,482 points. Beth also achieved a new qualifying time in the 100 back. Beth will now be swimming five events at Zone Quals! Connor Fitzpatrick also earned a new zone qual cut in the 200 free, adding to his previously established qualifying time in the 500 free. Connor also earned two new JO qualifying times in the 100 fly and 100 breast. Sean McClellan earned his first zone qualifying time in the 100 fly and became part of LIAC's 500 club! Bridget O'Shaughnessy earned her first zone qualifying time in the 100 breast while Max Scalamandre earned his second cut in the same event.

Congratulations to Alec Huang who was the Blue Group Male Swimmer of the Meet. Alec dropped over 37 seconds in four events and will so far be racing in six events at JO's. New JO cut times were achieved by Ian Fitzpatrick in the 200 free and 200 IM, Caroline Munn in the 100 back, and David Villani in the 200 IM.

The Blue Group has been having a great season and has been swimming better than ever in practice. March promises to be a very exciting month of fast swimming at our championship meets!

