

Stumpf's boys win at Coed Classic in Pittsburgh

The boys teams from Stumpf's Gymnastics Center recently traveled to Pittsburgh, Pa. to compete in the 2006 Coed Classic.

Stumpf's competed against 12 gyms hailing from four different states. Even with the stiff competition, the boys were dominant at the team level, fielding three first place teams and two third place teams. At the individual level, they were also presented with three all-around champions.

The Level 4 team fielded four gymnasts and won third place in the team competition. Additionally, Hunter Sullivan and Anthony Gallo of the 7 and Under division placed third and fourth respectively. Sullivan was also second on rings and third on pommel horse, vault and parallel bars. Gallo was third on rings and high bar. They tied for third place on floor exercise.

Brandon Colley and Mitch Penelstein of the 8-9 year old division placed ninth and 11th, respectively.



Stumpf's Gymnastics Level 8 and Level 9 teams recently took first place at the 2006 Coed Classic in Pittsburgh, Pa. Members of the team, pictured from left — front row - Jon Zirna, Adam Cole, Adam Arena, Aaron Benson; back row - coach Dan Molnar, Joey Lysen, Cody Stumpf, Nathaniel Roberson, and Level 10's Jimmy Pezzino.

Colley's performance was highlighted by an 8.80 score which earned third place on rings, while teammate Penelstein won the event with an 8.90.

The Level 5 team also captured third place honors. Veteran Joshua Menegaux led the 9 and Under team and posted the level's highest all-around score with a 50.750. Menegaux placed fifth in the all-around competition and earned second place on both floor exercise and rings. Spencer Henely was seventh all-around with a 50.250 and earned third place on rings. Teammates Griffin Ingerson, Dylan Arena (Clarence) and Nicholas Rey (Clarence) also turned in solid performances and placed 17th, 18th and 20th in all-around.

Bram Houston and Matthew Salvati (Clarence) of the 10 and 11 age group, placed second and third in all-around competition. Houston was second on pommel horse and rings, third on high bar and floor exercise and won the vault with a 9.200. Salvati was third on pommel horse and fourth on floor exercise and high bar.

The Level 6 team of Mack Lasker, Noah Roberson and Connor Story (Clarence) dominated the competition, earning first place as a team and placing all three gymnasts on the all-around podium.

Nine-year old Lasker earned first place overall with a 51.50. He was

also first on floor exercise, pommel horse, rings, and parallel bars. Roberson competed in the 10-11 division and was the all-around champion with a 51.85. His floor exercise and rings also won first place honors. Story competed in the 12 and over group and earned third place overall. Furthermore, his vault score of 9.20 earned first place in the event finals.

Adam Cole and Joey Lysen, of Level 8, also brought home first place team honors. Additionally, Cole and Lysen placed third and fourth, respectively, in the all-around competition. Cole's performance was highlighted by second place finishes on rings, parallel bars and high bar while Lysen earned third place on pommel horse, and vault.

Level 9 was led by Aaron Benson, who was named all-around champion, with a score of 49.60. Benson was also first on pommel horse, and parallel bars. Teammate Jon Zirna was third overall and captured first on vault with a stunning 9.50. Adam Arena (Clarence) and Cody Stumpf earned seventh and eighth place respectively, while helping their team earn first place team honors.

Jimmy Pezzino, competing for level 10, was fourth in all-around competition. Additionally, Pezzino was named vault champion, as well as earning second place on parallel bars and third on high bar and floor exercise.

Stumpf's Level 6 girls begin strong on the road

The Level 6 girls from Stumpf's Gymnastics Center have begun traveling for their 2006-2007 competitive season.

In November, they kicked off the season with a solid performance at the "Turkey Time" meet, where they

earned a third place team trophy. They also earned many individual honors, including Shannon Martinsen being named the all-around champion for the 10-11 year old division and Callie Flannigan winning the all-around title for the 12 and over division.

Also finishing in the top 10 were Taylor Balsler, who was seventh for the 10-11 year olds and Ashley Materise and Kristen Kelly who finished seventh and eighth for the 12 and over division.

In December, the girls traveled to Brockport State College to compete in the Candy Cane Classic hosted by Bright Raven Gymnastics.

Martinsen led the 11-year old age group with a 36.50 all-around score and a second place finish. Martinsen was also second on the balance beam, third on the floor exercise, fifth on the vault and was the uneven bars champion with a 9.025.

Teammate Amber Moser was fourth overall as well as third on the uneven bars and the vault with a 9.000. Michaela Stumpf finished sixth in the all-around as well as sixth on the vault and seventh on the uneven bars. Flannigan posted an impressive 36.125 to capture third place overall in the 12-year old group. Flannigan was also fourth on the balance beam, third on the uneven bars and was crowned the floor exercise champion with a 9.475.

Teammate Ashley Materise finished in the top-15 overall and was awarded 10th place on the uneven bars. Rookie Taylor Balsler, competing in the youngest age group, finished 14th overall and captured ninth place on the uneven bars.

In January, the girls will travel to the Niagara Falls Conference Center to compete in the Graffiti Invitational.



The Level 6 girls from Stumpf's Gymnastics won third place at the Turkey Time meet held in November. Members of the team, pictured from left - front row - Kristen Kelly, Ashley Materise. Middle - Callie Flannigan, Taylor Balsler, Shannon Martinsen; back row - coach Leah Recor.



The Level 5 girls team from Stumpf's Gymnastics recently competed in the Candy Cane Classic at Brockport State College. The Level 5 team placed several girls in all-around competition and crowned three separate event champions. Members of the team, pictured from left, are: front row - Lacey Woite, Christina Smith, Kaily Martens; top row - Alison Scumaci, Katie Uba and Miranda Roberson.

Stumpf's Level 5 girls finish well at Candy Cane Classic

The Level 5 team from Stumpf's Gymnastics Center competed in the Candy Cane Classic hosted by Bright Raven Gymnastics.

The two-day event took place at Brockport State College and included five teams from Western and Central New York State.

The Level 5 team gave a strong performance, placing several girls on the all-around podium and crowing three separate event champions.

The team was led by Christina Smith, whose 35.300 all-around score earned third place in the 13 and Up age group. In the event finals, Smith was second on the uneven bars and third on the vault with an impressive 9.000.

Kaily Martens competed in the 10-year old age group and earned a seventh place finish. Furthermore, Martens' strong 8.900 on the uneven bars was awarded a second place medal.

The 7-9 year old group fielded five gymnasts and combined for 10 medals in the event finals. Six weeks after wrist surgery, Lacey Woite returned to score a 35.000 and earn second place all-around. In addition, Woite was the uneven bars champion, scoring a meet-high 9.400. She was also third on vault and fourth on balance beam.

Teammate Allison Scumaci also stood on the all-around podium with a fourth place finish of 34.850. Furthermore, Scumaci was named floor exercise champion after a beautiful 9.300 routine. She also earned medals on the uneven bars and the vault. Miranda Roberson executed a strong routine on the balance beam, earning a 9.000 and first place honors. Roberson was also fourth on uneven bars and third on floor exercise with a 9.250.

Competing in their first away meet were Katie Uba and Mackenzie Donner. Uba scored an impressive 9.200 on the floor exercise and was awarded a fifth place medal. Donner finished fifth on vault and sixth in all-around.

The girls next meet is the Graffiti Invitational on January 5-7.

Gleason's Gymnastics

Aronica, DeCicco excel at invitational

The Niagara Gymnastics team from Gleason's Gymnastics recently attended the Candy Cane Classic held at Brockport State College.

The Level 4 team was very strong, led by Meghan Aronica, of Amherst. Aronica, a fifth grader at Willow Ridge Elementary, had an outstand-

ing floor exercise to earn a score of 9.0 and the bronze medal. She also earned 9.1 on bars and placed fifth in the all-around competition with a score of 35.30. Aronica competed in the 11-year old division.

In the 6-8 year old division, Abigail DeCicco, also of Amherst, had a ter-

rific showing. A second grader at St. Christopher School in Tonawanda, DeCicco was stellar on bars, earning 8.825. She was also very strong on the balance beam with a score of 8.850, good for a sixth place finish. Her all-around score of 34.275 was good for eighth place.

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over the Hurricanes.

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Amherst. BIHG will begin its second season in January and is seeking players in the junior (13 and under) and major (16 and under) divisions. For more information, call 773-1188 or 689-4090.