# 9<sup>th</sup> YMCA International/National Swimming & Diving Championship March 27-28, 1931

**Editorial Note:** There were two (2) YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championship Meets that were conducted in 1931. Both meets were sanctioned by the National YMCA Physical Education Committee. The first championship meet was held on March 27-28 at the Anderson, Indiana YMCA and the second championship meet was held on June 6, 1931 at 3:00 PM and was the first ever "Outdoor" National YMCA Swimming and Diving Championship Meet. This meet was hosted by the San Bernardino, California YMCA and was held at "The Colton Plunge" in Colton, California.

The 9<sup>th</sup> YMCA International/National Swimming & Diving Championship information is presented first, then the results of the 1<sup>st</sup> YMCA National Outdoor Swimming & Diving Championship.

# The 9<sup>th</sup> YMCA International/National Swimming and Diving Championship Meet

Held at the Anderson, Indiana YMCA (20 Yard Pool) under the direction of the Anderson Y Swimming Committee on March 27-28, 1931, there were 23 Associations and 112 participants registered for the meet. There were an additional 14 Associations that had planned to participate, but they were forced to withdraw due to the lack of finances. Officials secured for the meet were George Scheuchenpflug, referee from Chicago and the starter was John Slater from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

#### **Championship Events**

160 Yard Freestyle Relay	100 Yard Backstroke
200 Yard Breaststroke	100 Yard Freestyle
40 Yard Freestyle	Fancy Diving (Low Board 1 Meter)
440 Yard Freestyle	220 Yard Freestyle
300 Yard Medley Relay	·

#### **Meet Results**

#### **160 Yard Freestyle Relay**

Place:	Names:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	Gibson, Page, Munro, Waters.	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	1:19.6
2 <sup>nd</sup>	McCoy, Davies, Burke, Norton.	Pittsburgh, PA	NT
3 <sup>rd</sup>	R. Stevens, Griffin, Culmer, Brown.	South Br. Chicago, IL	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mucha, Wiese, Chutro, Cy Nelson.	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	NT

#### 200 Yard Breaststroke

<u>Place</u>	: Names:	<u>Association:</u>	Time:
$1^{st}$	Donald Horn	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	2:36.8*
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aubin	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	NT
$3^{rd}$	A. Swaney	Uniontown, PA	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Haladner	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	NT

#### **40 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place:</u>	Names:	Association:	Time:
$1^{st}$	Munro	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	19.6
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Shaller	Downtown Br. St. Louis, MO	NT
$3^{rd}$	Nabis	Wilmington, DE	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Norton	Pittsburgh, PA	NT

# **440 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place</u>	: Names:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	Ewell	Central Br. Toledo, OH	5:24.4
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cy Nelson	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	NT
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Roth	Downtown Br. St. Louis, MO	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	McCatty	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	NT

### **100 Yard Backstroke**

<u>Place</u>	: <u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	Danny Zeher	Fort Wayne, IN	1:05.0*
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wyatt	Uniontown, PA	NT
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Adams	Central Br. Toledo, OH	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Boyer	Pittsburgh, PA	NT

#### 100 Yard Freestyle

<u>Place</u>	: <u>Names:</u>	Association:	Time:
$1^{st}$	Danny Zeher	Fort Wayne, IN	58.4
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Norton	Pittsburgh, PA	NT
$3^{rd}$	Munro	Central Br. Toronto, CA	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ernst	Downtown Br. St. Louis, MO	NT

# Fancy Diving (Low Board) 1 Meter

<u>Place</u>	: Names:	Association:	Points:
$1^{st}$	Alf Phillips	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	?
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Leonard	Evanston, IL	?
$3^{rd}$	Whyte	Central Br. Dayton, OH	?
4 <sup>th</sup>	Strauch	South Br. Chicago, IL	?

### 220 Yard Freestyle

Place:	: <u>Names:</u>	Association:	Time:
$1^{st}$	Cy Nelson	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	2:30.2
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Roth	Downtown Br. St. Louis, MO	NT
$3^{rd}$	Ewell	Central Br. Toledo, OH	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mucha	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	NT

<sup>(\*)</sup> New YMCA National Record time.

# **300 Yard Medley Relay**

Place:	Names:	Association:	Time:
$1^{st}$	Horne, Valentine, Foote.	111th Street Br. Chicago, IL	3:18.8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gibson, Aubin, Griffin.	Central Br. Toronto, Canada	NT
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wyatt, McDowell, A. Swaney.	Uniontown, PA	NT
4 <sup>th</sup>	Holt, Nabis, Lennig.	Wilmington, DE	NT

# Meet Scoring

<u>Place</u> :	<b>1</b> st	<b>2</b> <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
Individual Events:	5	3	2	1
Relay Events:	8	6	4	2

# <u>Team Standings:</u> <u>Points:</u> <u># Men Entered:</u>

1st Place	Central Branch Toronto, Canada	31	10
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	111 <sup>th</sup> Street Br. Chicago, IL	24	10
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Pittsburgh, PA	11	7
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Fort Wayne, IN	10	2
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Downtown Br. St. Louis, MO	(Tied) 9	6
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Central Br. Toledo, OH	(Tied) 9	10
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Uniontown, PA	(Tied) 9	4
8 <sup>th</sup> Place	South Br. Chicago, IL	5	8
9 <sup>th</sup> Place	Wilmington, DE	4	6
10 <sup>th</sup> Place	Evanston, IL	3	1
11 <sup>th</sup> Place	Central Br. Dayton, OH	2	5

#### **Non-Scoring Teams**

Team:	# On Team:	<u>Team:</u>	# On Team:
Anderson, IN	3	North Side Br. St. Louis, I	MO 3
Cincinnati, OH	6	South Bend, IN	2
Erie, PA	9	St. Paul, MN	1
Flushing, NY	3	Terre Haute, IN	1
Huntington, IN	7	Tulsa, OK	2
Muncie, IN	1	Central Br. Youngstown, C	)H 4

# 1<sup>st</sup> National YMCA Outdoor Swimming and Diving Championship Meet - June 6, Colton, CA

This 1<sup>st</sup> Outdoor National YMCA Swimming and Diving Championship was sanctioned under the auspices of the National YMCA Physical Education Committee was hosted by the San Bernardino YMCA. The meet was held at The Colton Plunge pool in Colton, California. Seven associations with 65 participants and nearly 750 spectators observed the meet.

**Rules:** National Collegiate Athletic Associations rules governed the meet. (Note: there was a difference in diving rules). Teams consisted of members who were amateurs, not association employed officers, and members in good standing of the association which they represent, thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meet. Associations represented had to have a National Eligibility Certificate.

**Fees:** Entry Fee of \$2.00 per Association, plus \$1.00 per individual.

<u>Prizes:</u> A permanent trophy was awarded the team scoring the highest number of points. YMCA National Championship Medals for gold, silver and bronze were awarded the first, second, and third place winners in each event, relays included. <u>Scoring:</u> Relays- 1<sup>st</sup> Place 8 points: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 6 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 4 points; 4<sup>th</sup> Place 2 points.

All other events:1st Place 5 points; 2nd Place 3 points; 3rd Place 2 points; 4th Place 1 point.

**General Information:** The pool was 80 ft. by 160ft. 1 length of the course was 26 2/3 yards); Diving was from a one meter board as sanctioned by the A.A.U. and Inter-Collegiate Rules. No changes could be made on entry list once received by the committee. No entry fees refunded.

# **Southern California YMCA Swimming Commission**

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# **Championship Events:**

1. 213 1/3 Yard (4 laps) Freestyle Relay	6. 100 Yards Freestyle
2. 200 Yard Breaststroke	7. Fancy Diving
3. 40 Yard Dash	8. 220 Yards Freestyle
4. 440 Yard Freestyle	9. 320 Yards (6 laps) Medley Relay
5. 100 Yards Backstroke	Backstroke, Breaststroke, and
	Freestyle. Three men on each
	Team swimming 106 2/3 yards.

### **Event Results**

213 1/3 Yard Freestyle Relay
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<u>Place</u>	:: Names:	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	Medlicott, Forbes, Skeet, White.	Hollywood, CA	1:54.8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lingegren, Timmerman, Stevenson, Brown	n. San Pedro, CA	1:55.0
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Davenport, Smithson, Magee, Foss.	Glendale, CA	1:58.6
4 <sup>th</sup>	Olds, Hadley, Weston, Luffo	San Francisco, CA	1:59.0

#### **200 Yard Breaststroke**

<u>Place:</u>	: <u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	A. Van Gilse	Glendale, CA	2:48.8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	N.O. Skeets	Hollywood, CA	2:52.5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Spellman	San Francisco, CA	2:56.9
4 <sup>th</sup>	J. Spragins	San Bernardino, CA	3:00.7

# **40 Yard Freestyle**

Place:	Names:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	B. Lindengren	San Pedro, CA	19.8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	T. Robertson	San Bernardino, CA	19.9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	J. Walton	San Bernardino, CA	20.1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Hadley	San Francisco, CA	20.2

# 440 Yard Freestyle

Place	e: <u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
$1^{st}$	B. Olds	San Francisco, CA	5:33.3
2 <sup>nd</sup>	T. Smithson	Glendale, CA	5:34.4
3 <sup>rd</sup>	W, Stevenson	San Pedro, CA	5:51.0
4 <sup>th</sup>	O. Kulakowich	San Pedro, CA	5:52.0

# **100 Yard Backstroke**

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Place: Names:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> S. Alexander	San Pedro, CA	1:12.4
2 <sup>nd</sup> J. Wolvin	San Bernardino, CA	1:14.3
3 <sup>rd</sup> O. White	Hollywood, CA	1:14.4
4 <sup>th</sup> N. Skeets	Hollywood, CA	1:21.3

### **100 Yard Freestyle**

Place:	Names:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	T. Robertson	San Bernardino, CA	57.4

2 <sup>nd</sup> 3. 4 <sup>th</sup>	B. Timmerman T. Medlicott J. Woodruff	San Pedro, CA Hollywood, CA San Pedro, CA	1:00.1 1:00.2 1:01.4		
_	Diving (Low Board) 1 Meter Names:	Association:	Points:		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	D. Campbell C. Bryant	Hollywood, CA Hollywood, CA	? ?		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	O. French	Central Br. Los Angles, CA	?		
4 <sup>th</sup>	Weston	San Francisco, CA	?		
220 Y	220 Yard Freestyle				
	Names:	Association:	Time:		
<b>1</b> <sup>st</sup>	T. Dobertson	San Bernardino, CA	2:28.6		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	B. Lindengren	San Pedro, CA	2:31.5		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	T. Smithson	Glendale, CA	2:38.6		
4 <sup>th</sup>	N Skeets	Hollywood, CA	2:41.4		
320 Y	ard Medley Relay				
Place:	Names:	Association:	Time:		
1 <sup>st</sup>	No Names	San Francisco, CA	3:51.2		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No Names	San Bernardino, CA	3:53.2		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No Names	Glendale, CA	4:01.2		
4 <sup>th</sup>	No Names	Hollywood, CA	NT		

Place: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th
Individual Events: 5 3 2 1
Relay Events: 2 6 4 Relay Events: 2

Team Standings:		<u>Points:</u>	# Men Entered:	
$1^{st}$	Place	Hollywood, CA	27	12
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Place	San Pedro, CA	26	18
$3^{rd}$	Place	San Bernardino, CA	25	8
4 <sup>th</sup>	Place	San Francisco, CA	19	10
5 <sup>th</sup>	Place	Glendale, CA	18	7
6 <sup>th</sup>	Place	Central Br. Los Angles, CA	2	5
7 <sup>th</sup>	Place	San Diego, CA	0	5

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