

1998 IHSAA GIRLS SWIMMING

& DIVING STATE FINALS

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I.U. Natatorium, Indianapolis

Freshman Breaks 10-Year-Old Meet Record

To Highlight Friday Preliminaries

Freshman Lacey Boutwell of Noblesville set the pace in two races Friday night in the preliminary round of the 24th Annual IHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving State Finals at the I.U. Natatorium in Indianapolis.

Boutwell, who posted the state's top sectional time in the 50 freestyle last week, turned in a 23.03 to break the state meet record of 23.08 held by Allison Bock of Lafayette Jefferson since 1988. It was the oldest individual swimming record still on the books.

Boutwell came back to take top honors in the 100 freestyle as well, with a time of 50.94.

Junior Rebecca Wilson of Homestead matched Boutwell's feat by turning in the top times in the 200 freestyle in 1:51.77 and the 500 freestyle in 4:56.42.

The top eight finishers from the preliminary round advanced to compete in the championship race on Saturday. The next eight finishers qualified to compete in the consolation round. No team points are earned in the preliminary round.

Three swimmers from top-ranked and 11-time defending state champion Carmel were clocked in the fastest times in their events. The Greyhounds were led by two-time defending state champion Lindsay Carlberg, who went 56.58 in the 100 backstroke.

Junior Michala Kwasny of Fort Wayne Snider, the two-time defending state champion and the meet record holder in the 200 individual medley took top honors in that event at 2:01.41.

Saturday's action begins at 9 a.m. with preliminary competition in diving. Consolation and finals races begin at 1 p.m.

BEST PRELIMINARY TIMES

200 Medley Relay -- Carmel, 1:48.02.

200 Freestyle -- Rebecca Wilson, Homestead, 1:51.77.

200 Individual Medley -- Michala Kwasny, Fort Wayne Snider, 2:01.41.

50 Freestyle -- Lacey Boutwell, Noblesville, 23.03 *meet record*.

100 Butterfly -- Erica Watts, Carmel, 55.82.

100 Freestyle -- Lacey Boutwell, Noblesville, 50.94.

500 Freestyle -- Rebecca Wilson, Homestead, 4:56.42.

200 Freestyle Relay -- Center Grove, 1:37.98.

100 Backstroke -- Lindsay Carlberg, Carmel, 56.58.

100 Breaststroke -- Katie Simmons, Carmel, 1:03.69.

400 Freestyle Relay -- Center Grove, 3:34.64.