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JAMAICA'S ALIA ATKINSON MAKES IT TWO GOLD AND DOMINIC LEE ANOTHER BRONZE AS RECORDS FALL

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JAMAICA HAD MIXED FORTUNES IN CCCAN 2005 COMPETITION IN SANTO DOMINGO AS THE SWIMMERS ADD A GOLD AND BONZE MEDAL, BREAKING SIX (6) JAMAICAN RECORDS, WHILE ALL THREE WATER POLO TEAMS LOSE.

ALIA ATKINSON CLAIMED HER SECOND GOLDS IN TWO SWIMS WHEN SHE TOUCHED FIRST IN A FAST 28.87 IN THE 15-17 50 M BUTTERFLY. ATKINSON NOT ONLY BROKE THE CCCAN MEET RECORD, BUT ALSO THE JAMAICAN NATIONAL RECORD AND HER OWN 15-17 NATIONAL AGE GROUP RECORD (29.01). DOMINIC LEE SCORED HIS SECOND BRONZE MEDAL SWIMMING 2:21.63 IN THE 18 AND OVER 200 M INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY.

JASON ADAMS JUST MISSED THE MEDAL PODIUM WHEN HE PLACED FOURTH IN THE 50 M BUTTERFLY, WITH A JAMAICAN 11-12 NATIONAL AGE GROUP RECORD TIME OF 28.69. 15 YEAR OLD BRAD HAMILTON, WILL HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME IN HIS FIRST YEAR OF THE 15-17 AG GROUP. DESPITE PLACING 12TH IN THE 15-17 50 M BUTTERFLY, HIS TIME OF 26.84 WAS FAST ENOUGH TO BREAK THE NATIONAL RECORD AND NATIONAL AGE GROUP RECORD (26.89).

OTHER FINALISTS WERE TODD JOHNSON WHO FINISHED 6^{TH} IN THE 15-17 200 M BACKSTROKE (2:18.26), TAMARA SWABY, 4^{TH} IN THE 18 AND OVER 50 M BUTTERFLY, KHALILAH ROBINSON, 7^{TH} IN THE 18 AND OVER 50 M BUTTERFLY AND NATASHA MOODIE, 8^{TH} IN THE 13-14 200 M BACKSTROKE (2:46.03).

JAMAICA'S WATER POLO TEAM HAD A BAD DAY AS ALL THREE TEAMS CAME UP ON THE LOSING END. PUERTO RICO BEAT THE JAMAICA'S 18 AND UNDER GIRLS (7-6) AND THE 15 AND UNDER BOYS. IN A SURPRISE FINISH, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO DEFEATED JAMAICA FAST IMPROVING 18 AND UNDER MALE TEAM (4-7)...

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CCCAN 2005 WATER POLO RESULTS - DAY 2

18 & Under women = JAM vs PUR: 6-7

Yanique Thompson 4, Rochelle Bair 1, Sachelle Taylor 1;

18 & Under men = JAM vs T&T : 4 - 7

Marlon McIntyre 2, Jamie Smith 2;

15 & under boys = JAM vs PUR : 3 - 12

Akua Walter 3.

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