

PRESS RELEASE

JAMAICAN SWIMMERS ADD MORE MEDALS ON DAY II

The Jamaican swimmers were in sizzling form on Day II of the XXIV CARIFTA Swimming Championship in Aruba when they captured an additional eleven (11) medals (3 Gold, 6 Silver and 2 Bronze) to bring the country's medal haul to twenty-two (22).

Jamaica's had a 1-2 finish in the 11-12 Girls 50M butterfly when the talented Danielle Boothe smashed both the CARIFTA and National Age Group Records stopping the clock at 29.93 ahead of teammate Stefani Webley 30.95. Boothe erased her previous mark of 30.21 for both records set earlier in the day in the Preliminaries. Although placing fourth in the 400M Individual Medley, Boothe set a new National Age Group Record in a time of 5:33.68.

The sensational double-medalist Timothy Wynter increased his medal tally to four (4) when he won silver in the 50M Butterfly and the 100M Backstroke in setting new National Age Group Records in 28.33 and 1:06.45. In a nail biting finish in the 100M Backstroke, Wynter was touched out by a finger nail, $01/100^{\text{th}}$ second, to Trinidad and Tobago's Dylan Carter 1:06.44 and erasing the Jamaican 14-year National Age Group record. His time was also within the CARIFTA Record. Wynter was also featured in the gold medal performance of the 11-12 Boys 4 x 100M Medley Relay (4:45.02) when he swam the first leg to put Jamaica safely in front. Jamaica's other gold came in the 13-14 Girls 4 x 100M Medley Relay in 4:42.95, a new Games and National Age Group Record.

Kendese Nangle was a double silver medallist when she clocked 30.54 and 1:10.16 in the 13-14 Girls 50M Butterfly and 100M Backstroke respectively. The 11-12 Girls 4 x 100M Medley Relay claimed silver in a time of 5:01.23. Antoine Young won bronze in the 11-12 Boys 200M Freestyle in 2:15.04 while Brittany Kenny also won bronze in the 400M Individual Medley in 5:33.09.

Day III will see twenty-eight events contested when Jamaica will once again seek to add to their medal haul.

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