

## New England Zone Team Report 2008

The New England Zone Team had a successful long course championship meet in Rockville, MD. The team placed eighth with 88 athletes swimming. Girls placed fifth and boys placed eighth, overall, the team was eighth.

The team traveled with 72 athletes, 8 coaches and 6 chaperones. Sixteen (16) ten and younger swimmers met the team in MD under the supervision of their parents. Sherry Wingfield, Alex Cronin, Chris Woolridge, and Jamie Bloom coached the 13 and Over swimmers; Tim Thompson, Chris Sheppard, Lisa Arsenault, and Denise Foster were coaches of the 12 and Under swimmers. All chaperones and coaches did an excellent job managing the daily schedules of the athletes, supervising their safety and behavior on the bus and in the hotel and supporting the coaches and athletes for optimum performance.

The team achieved many best times (67 out of the 88 NE swimmers achieved best times). The following NE swimmers won events:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
Tasijas Karosas (12)	200 Back 200 IM
Linea Lemmerise (10)	50 Back 100 Back 200 IM
Kellie Pennington (16)	50 Free
Meriza Werenski (12)	50 Breast ***** (Broke the NE Res record) ***** 100 Breast 200 Breast

Overall, the coaches, swimmers, parents and chaperones felt that the trip went very well and provided an outstanding opportunity for New England's developing swimmers to experience the next level of competition.

Respectfully submitted,

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