

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – APRIL 14, 2002

JAMAICAN SWIMMERS FINISH SECOND AT CARIFTA, HAULING IN 13 MORE MEDALS AND FOUR RECORDS ON THE FINAL DAY

LED BY SOME SPECTACULAR SWIMMING BY BRAD HAMILTON, JAMAICA SURPRISED EVERYONE IN BARBADOS BY FINISHING SECOND WITH 605 POINTS BEHIND TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO (764). THE JAMAICANS HAULED IN 13 MORE MEDALS ON THE FINAL DAY.

HAMILTON SWAM 4:38.26 TO BREAK THE CARIFTA MEET RECORD AND THE JAMAICAN 11-12 NATIONAL AGE GROUP RECORD OF 4:41.44 SET BY DEREK MARKS 26 YEARS AGO (1976). HE RETURNED TO WIN THE 100 M BREASTSTROKE AND THEN TEAMED UP WITH JONATHAN WONG, ALFORD GREEN AND ROBERT CHEN TO WIN THE 4X50 FREESTYLE RELAY IN 1:52.60, ALSO IN A NATIONAL AGE GROUP TIME.

IN THE 15-17 100 M BREASTSTROKE, JAMAICA' S DOMINIC LEE AND BAJAN ANDRE CROSS SWAM NECK AND NECK TO THE 50 M MARK BUT CROSS EDGED AWAY AFTER THE TURN CROSS EDGED AWAY TO WIN IN A CARIFTA RECORD TIME OF 1:06.81 WITH LEE TAKING THE SILVER IN 1:09.68, GOING BELOW 1:10 FOR THE FIRST TIME. LEE' S TIME WAS JUST .2 SECOND OFF ADI ATKINSON' S JAMAICAN NATIONAL RECORD.

OTHER MEDALISTS WERE: TIMOTHY WONG, RENE WRIGHT, LEMONE LOWE, TAMARI FARGUHARSON, ROBERT CHEN, MARIANA CHUCK, THE 11-12 GIRLS 200 FREE RELAY TEAM AND THE 15-17 GIRLS 200 M FREE RELAY TEAM.

BRAD HAMILTON WON THE LANDON TROPHY FOR WINNING THE 11-12 200 M AND 400 M FREESTYLE. THE TROPHY WAS IN HONOUR OF CAYMANIAN SWIMMER LANDON VON KANEL WHO DIED IN A CAR CRASH LAST YEAR.

SEE ATTACHMENT FOR A SUMMARY OF THE JAMAICAN SWIMS.

THE TEAM WILL RETURN ON AIR JAMAICA FLIGHT 080 ON MONDAY APRIL 15.

RESULTS SUMMARY FOR THE JAMAICA SWIMMERS

Event 69 Girls 11-12 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:50.48 * 2000 CORALIE BALMY

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
2 Wright, Renee	12 JAM		4:54.22	7
			1:12.12 1:15.56 1:14.93 1:11.61	
5 Stewart, Gillian	11 JAM		5:09.39	4
			1:14.06 1:19.86 1:19.26 1:16.21	

Event 70 Boys 11-12 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:39.67 * 2001 SHAUNE FRASER

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
1 Hamilton, Brad	12 JAM		4:38.26 * 9	
			1:08.00 1:13.06 1:11.05 1:06.15	
7 Green, Alford	11 JAM		4:58.94	2
			1:10.50 1:16.71 1:17.55 1:14.18	

Event 71 Girls 13-14 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:34.18 * JANELLE ATKINSON

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
8 Walton, Tiffany	13 JAM		5:10.09	1
			1:13.46 1:19.08 1:19.93 1:17.62	

Event 72 Boys 13-14 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:13.11 * 1998 DAMIAN ALLEYNE

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
3 Lowe, Lemone	14 JAM		4:31.57	6
			1:05.29 1:09.28 1:08.68 1:08.32	
5 Smith, Dave	14 JAM		4:38.56	4
			1:04.93 1:09.77 1:11.73 1:12.13	

Event 73 Girls 15-17 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:18.63 * 1999 JANELLE ATKINSON

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
8 Thompson, Amelia	16 JAM		4:58.75	1
			1:09.74 1:14.65 1:17.41 1:16.95	
11 Robinson, Khalilah	16 JAM		5:11.45	
			1:13.36 1:15.65 1:20.62 1:21.82	

Event 74 Boys 15-17 400 LC Meter Freestyle
Carifta: 4:03.22 * 2000 DAMIAN ALLEYNE

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
2 Wong, Timothy	16 JAM		4:20.93	7
			1:02.69 1:06.84 1:06.26 1:05.14	
6 Stewart, Matthew	15 JAM		4:25.94	3
			1:03.24 1:08.56 1:07.89 1:06.25	

Event 75 Girls 11-12 100 LC Meter Breaststroke
Carifta: 1:14.60 * CERIAN GIBBES

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
3 Farquharson, Tamari	12 JAM		1:25.70	6
8 Robinson, Kheri-Ann	12 JAM		1:32.43	1

Event 76 Boys 11-12 100 LC Meter Breaststroke
Carifta: 1:17.47 * 2001 JOEL REFOS

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
1 Hamilton, Brad	12 JAM		1:19.16	9
3 Chen, Robert	12 JAM		1:21.95	6

Event 78 Boys 13-14 100 LC Meter Breaststroke
Carifta: 1:09.62 * 1996 SCOTT SEALY

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
5 Smith, Dave	14 JAM		1:17.04	4

Event 79 Girls 15-17 100 LC Meter Breaststroke
Carifta: 1:17.82 * 1996 DENYSE MONTROSE

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
6 Paulson-Andrews, Raine	15 JAM		1:22.31	3

Event 80 Boys 15-17 100 LC Meter Breaststroke
Carifta: 1:06.93 * ALARIC ROLLE

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
2 Lee, Dominic	15 JAM		1:09.68	7

Event 81 Girls 11-12 200 LC Meter Backstroke
Carifta: 2:37.88 * 2000 ANDREA BALDERAMOS

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
5 Stewart, Gillian	11 JAM		2:49.77	4
			1:23.00 1:26.77	
8 Wright, Renee	12 JAM		2:54.69	1
			1:24.29 1:30.40	

Event 82 Boys 11-12 200 LC Meter Backstroke
Carifta: 2:31.36 * 1997 CHRIS VYTHOULKAS

Name	Age	Team	Time	Finals
4 Wong, Jonathan	12 JAM		2:40.46	5
			1:17.95 1:22.51	

Event 85 Girls 15-17 200 LC Meter Backstroke

Carifta: 2:25.68 * 1999 SHAUNA POWELL

Name	Age	Team	Finals Time
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Finals

2	Chuck, Mariana	17 JAM	2:34.00 7
	1:14.70 1:19.30		
6	Bardowell, Allison	15 JAM	2:41.71 3
	1:18.39 1:23.32		

Event 86 Boys 15-17 200 LC Meter Backstroke

Carifta: 2:08.74 * 2001 GEORGE BOVELL

Name	Age	Team	Finals Time
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Finals

6	Atkinson, Jevon	16 JAM	2:21.50 3
	1:08.43 1:13.07		

Event 87 Girls 11-12 200 LC Meter Freestyle Relay

Carifta: 1:57.83 * 1996 TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Team	Relay	Finals Time
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Finals

3	JAM	A	2:01.89 12
	1:01.43 1:00.46		

Event 88 Boys 11-12 200 LC Meter Freestyle Relay

Carifta: 1:53.78 * 1997 BAHAMAS

Team	Relay	Finals Time
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Finals

1	JAM	A	1:53.60 * 18
	57.54 56.06		

Event 90 Boys 13-14 200 LC Meter Freestyle Relay

Carifta: 1:44.11 * 1999 BAHAMAS

Team	Relay	Finals Time
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Finals

5	JAM	A	1:49.83 8
	54.21 55.62		

Event 91 Girls 15-17 200 LC Meter Freestyle Relay

Carifta: 1:51.70 * 1996 TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Team	Relay	Finals Time
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Finals

2	JAM	A	1:53.80 14
	57.00 56.80		

Event 92 Boys 15-17 200 LC Meter Freestyle Relay

Carifta: 1:38.59 * 2001 TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Team	Relay	Finals Time
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Finals

5	JAM	A	1:42.50 8
	51.08 51.42		