

Local women break masters swim marks

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Ida Hlavacek and Laverne Anderson of Mountain Home broke records at the Arkansas masters Swim Club's mid-winter short course meet at Little Rock Jan. 21.

Hlavacek won five events in the women 40-44 age group, setting records in the 200-yard breaststroke with a 3:34.57 and the 400 individual medley with a 7:08.93.

Hlavacek also won the 100 freestyle, the 100 backstroke and 100 individual medley.

Anderson, competing in the 65-69 age group, set records in the 50-yard backstroke, 0:56.75; the 50 breaststroke, 0:57.04; 100 breaststroke, 2:09.08; and 200 breaststroke, 4:40.38.

Sally Moore (40-44) finished first in the 100 breaststroke, second in the 100 freestyle second in the 100 individual medley and was on the

winning age-group women's 200 medley relay.

Two competitors, Rick Field of Conway and Larry Meyer of Little Rock, swam times that rank them in the top 10 in the nation in their age groups.

Field is fourth in the breaststroke for men (40-44) and ~~Field~~ is sixth in the backstroke (50-54).

Swim club members will have an opportunity to improve their strokes and techniques Saturdays from Feb. 18-March 10 at the Central Arkansas YWCA at Little Rock.

At least Hlavacek, Moore and Anderson will compete in the Region VIII championships, March 24-25 at Norman, Okla.

Feb. 25 there will be a 1,500-meter swim at the Little Rock YWCA, Hlavacek said.

Masters swimmers

Ida Hlavacek of Mountain Home set five Arkansas Masters long course state swim records for women 40-44, July 14 at Little Rock. They were in the 100, 200, and 400-meter freestyle and the 50 and 100 breaststroke.

In the same meet, Hope Vowell set records in the 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley for women 35-39. Sally Moore set a record in the 200 freestyle for women 45-49.

Other area swimmers scoring at the meet were Richard Tigchelaar of Mountain Home and Robert Lear of Cotter. In all, 44 new age-group records were set.

At the zone swim championships held Aug. 4-5 at Plano, Texas, Ida Hlavacek, 42, and LaVerne Anderson, 65, both of Mountain Home took high point honors in their age groups. Hlavacek broke two state records in that meet.

Zora Caple, 55, of Lakeview, was third overall in her age category.

Anderson, Caple and Hlavacek each set first-time state records in several events.