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**Scott Harman, 10, swims the butterfly at the Northern Lights swim meet in Grande Prairie, Alta., Feb. 8-12.**

## Athletes 'swimming hot'

*Three Polar Bear club members finish in top three at Alberta meet*

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In 10 years of coaching, Ian Legaree is still surprised at how well his swimmers perform after long drives to swim meets in Alberta.

The Northern Lights swim meet in Grande Prairie, Alta., Feb. 8-12 was no exception.

"It always amazes me how well they do," said Legaree, head coach at the Polar Bear Swim Club.

Of the 39 club swimmers

that participated, 10 came away with medals, and three swimmers earned group aggregate awards.

"They were swimming pretty hot all weekend," said Legaree.

Scott Harman, 10, won three first- and three second-place ribbons at the meet.

He also received an age group aggregate award of second place overall in his division.

"It's such a nice reward to be recognized like that," said Legaree.

Tanner Dolynny, 12, also received a second place age group aggregate

In 10 races, he received

three firsts, one second, and four third-place ribbons.

Noah Colford, 12, received two firsts, five second-place ribbons, and one third, also earning third place in his age group overall.

Legaree said swimmers' skills and abilities always improve after each swim meet.

He wasn't surprised at the success of the swimmers who won awards.

"We figured they would be top three," said Legaree.

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