SWIMMING

Mantas medal at Stingray meet

Kenneth Ng led the Burnaby Mountain Mantas at the Ladner Stingrays Super 7 swim meet last month.

Ng won both the Division 4 boys' 50 and 100 metre breaststroke, while placing third in the 100m individual medley.

Div. 3 Mantas Bryan Yu and Harvey Lee also won the 200m IM and 50m freestyle, respectively.

Yu also placed second in the 50m backstroke and and third in the 100m butterfly. Lee was runner-up in the 50m fly.

Jun Jay Liu medalled in four Div. 6 races, winning the 100m IM, placing second in the 50m back and third in the 50m butterfly and 100m free.

Hannah Chu, a first-year swimmer, won the Div. 1 200m IM. Chu also was third in two other races.

Teresa Peng, Shelly Clemente, Bryan Cheung and Jacky Tung all came home with third-place ribbons.

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Provincials coming: Minor lacrosse will be holding its provincial championships, beginning next week with the peewee boys in Vernon and the girls' divisions in Port Coquitlam.

Field Selects go on tour

Holy Cross Elementary midfielder Lucas Greene accompanied the under-13 Burnaby Mountain Selects field lacrosse team to the University of Denver team camp last week.

Burnaby juniors Austin Catalano from STM, Danny Spagnuolo from Notre Dame and Moscrop's Keir Yonge will be travelling to Syracuse University Summer Shootout in New York July 5 to 10.

Senior elite attackmen Tyler Kirkby and Burnaby Central student Thomas Moffat will both be on the Burnaby Mountain roster at the Champ camp in Baltimore with the Selects later in July.

Kendo: Saturday at BCIT

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where she achieved top-eight status.

"I love kendo because you don't need to verbalize to compete, although for kendo you really have to yell to score the point," Tsuyoshi said.

The martial art's rich tradition and multi-layered mystique has earned it many followers. The aim is to outscore your opponent with hits to four key striking points – the head, wrist, torso and throat.

"I've always been fascinated with the sword, so kendo was a natural fit for me," Greissel said.

It's become a family event, with 11-year-old daughter Jusdia and 12-year-old son Mason taking to the art. Jusdia placed third last year at the B.C. junior competition.

Although he isn't expecting any major run in the kendo court at the nationals, Greissel aims to give his more experienced rivals a good test as they try to impress Canada's top coaches.

"The nationals will be quite intense, with competitors also looking to catch the eye of the national team coach. Everyone will be bringing their A-game."

Greissel will be competing in the mudansha, or black belt, division. Clubmate Woojin Cho of Burnaby will be challenging in the men's yudansha, or second degree black belt division.

Burnaby will be represented by three local clubs at the nationals. Renbu Kendo Club will be sending 23 competitors to the championships, while Vancouver and Simon Fraser University have 14 members between them competing at the one-day championship.

The event runs July 2nd at BCIT in Burnaby.

Dan Olson is sports editor for the Coquitlam NOW.

Knight trio named to B.C. squad

Three St. Thomas More Collegiate football players were named to B.C.'s 40-man roster to the under-18 Canada Cup championships in Lethbridge, Alta. July 9 through 16.

STM linebacker Kyle Madden and quarterback Mikey Carney, and Grade 11 receiver Giovanni Trasolini will be in uniform when B.C. takes on Manitoba on July 9.

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