

## **North Shore Boys' Team Shines at the Twin Cities Invitational**

The North Shore Gymnastics Association boys team headed to the State Fairgrounds for the Twin City Invite hosted by Mini Hops on January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.

On the chilly Saturday morning, the Level 5 and 6 boys kicked off the meet and set the stage for an exciting weekend of competition! Máté Toth (8, Orono) delivered an impressive performance as he soared to first place on the Vault and a solid fifth place on the Still Rings in the Level 5 Jr A division. In the Level 6 Junior Elite category, Hudson Arvizo (10, Maple Plain) and Cable Farley (11, Long Lake) demonstrated that hard work and determination pay off. Arvizo secured second place in the Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, Vault, and Horizontal Bar events while finishing third on Parallel Bars. His strong performance also earned him second place in the All-Around competition. Farley demonstrated his exceptional skills with a stellar performance on the Horizontal Bar, where he claimed first place. Additionally, he finished in second place on the Parallel Bars and third place in the Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, and Vault and in the All-Around competition.

Saturday afternoon allowed Levels 7 -10 to showcase their talents. In the Level 7 Sr division, Kaiden Kochar (16, Watertown) highlighted his skills and determination by finishing fourth on Parallel Bars and fifth on Vault.

The Level 9 team delivered an outstanding performance. Oliver Berg (15, Mound) excelled by finishing in first place in both the Pommel Horse and Horizontal Bar events. He also secured third place on the floor and fifth place in both the Vault and Parallel Bars. His remarkable performance earned him a well-deserved second place finish in the All-Around. Tobin Dykoski (14, Minnetrista), also delivered a strong performance, placing second on the Pommel Horse, third on the Horizontal Bar, fourth on the Vault and Parallel Bars, and fifth on the Still Rings. His outstanding efforts secured him a third-place finish in the All-Around competition. Peter Davis (16, Minneapolis) performed exceptionally, finishing second on the Parallel Bars and Still Rings, fourth on the Pommel Horse, and fifth in the All-Around competition. Owen Johnson (14, Delano) excelled by winning first place on the Parallel Bars, second place on the Horizontal Bar, and fifth on the Pommel Horse. This outstanding performance earned the Level 9 team achieved second place in the team awards.

The Level 10 team delivered an impressive performance as well, ensuring they were not outdone. Marek Dykoski (16, Minnetrista) excelled with a second-place finish on the Horizontal Bar and a third-place finish on the Floor and Pommel Horse. Additionally, he finished fourth on the Still Rings and Vault, fifth on the Parallel Bars, and earned a commendable third in the All-Around category. Ian Laughlin (18, Carver) dominated the

Floor and Vault, taking home first place in both. He also achieved a fourth-place finish on the Pommel Horse, Still Rings, and Horizontal Bar. His exceptional performance earned him a hard-fought second place in the All-Around competition.

The Level 3 team started the Sunday competition. Decan May (7, Delano) performed well, finishing in second place on the Parallel Bars, fourth on the Horizontal Bar, and fifth on both the Floor and Still Rings, ultimately earning him third in the All-Around in the Jr. A division. Sam Loeck (7, Plymouth) also participated with great determination in the Jr B division against tough competition.

The Level 4 boys' team was in final session of the meet. In the Jr A division, Cameron Glad (8, Wayzata) placed first on the vault and sixth on the pommel horse. Harrison Bergstrom (8, Orono) finished in fifth place, while Owen Perez (8, Eden Prairie) took seventh on the Pommel Horse. Aiden Eng (9, Minnetrista) excelled in competition by earning second place on the Horizontal Bar, third on the Pommel Horse and Vault, and fourth in the All-Around in the Jr B division. In the highly competitive Sr A division, Leif Nelson (10, Delano) won first place on the Vault, while James Christianson (10, Long Lake) finished strong with seventh place finishes on the Floor, Pommel Horse, and Horizontal Bar events. Christopher Glad (11, Wayzata) soared to fourth place on the Horizontal Bar, seventh on the Floor, and finished sixth in the All-Around category in the competitive Sr B division.

The next meet will be the John Roethlisberger Iceberg Invitational, which will be held at Concordia University in the Gangelhoff Center on February 1-2.



Level 4 boys' team from left to right: Christopher G, Leif N, James C, Aiden E, Harrison B, Owen P, Cameron G

*North Shore Gymnastics Association, Orono, was founded in 1974 and is a 501c3 non-profit organization. It is the club's purpose to acquaint children at all levels of physical ability, potential and growth with the sport of gymnastics in an atmosphere of safe, fun, positive learning and to help each child develop gymnastic skills, good sportsmanship, and discipline. North Shore Gymnastics Association is also the practice facility for the ISD #278 (Orono) girls' high school gymnastics team. For more information, please call 763-479-3189 or visit us at [www.northshoregym.org](http://www.northshoregym.org).*