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Collins and Brigman Win 5K Junior National Championships

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SARASOTA, Fla. – The second day of the 2023 Open Water National Championships featured top finishes in the Junior 5K from North Carolina Aquatic Club’s Daisy Collins and Bolles School Sharks’ Dillon Brigman. The three-day event concludes tomorrow at Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota, Florida.

Junior Women’s 5K – FINAL

- 1 – Daisy Collins (Chapel Hill, N.C./North Carolina Aquatic Club), 1:03:14
- 2 – Rylee Erisman (Port Orange, Fla./Laker Swim), 1:03:28
- 3 – Jane Wheeler (Dracut, Mass./Crimson Aquatics), 1:04:16

Collins on her approach: “I had no idea what I was doing going into it, but it was definitely tough going (south) because of the sun and the boats that were pushing towards the shore. It was hard to not give up when you get tired like that.”

Junior Men’s 5K – FINAL

- 1 – Dillon Brigman (Jacksonville, Fla./Bolles School Sharks), 59:01
- 2 – Max Stewart (Irvine, Calif./Irvine Novaquatics), 1:00:17
- 3 – Colin Jacobs (Sarasota, Fla./Sarasota Sharks), 1:00:47

Brigman on his race: “I just wanted to stay with everyone for the first lap and I was getting kind of trampled, so I just decided to go off alone and then finish it.”

Brigman on winning the 5K Junior Championship: “It’s great. I knew I could get that. I’m just glad I did.”

More than 240 athletes from across the country, as well as competitors from Spain, Sweden and Japan have descended on Sarasota for this Open Water National Championships. Swimming concludes tomorrow with the 7.5K Junior National Championship and 5K National Championship.

Start lists for this weekend’s competition can be found [here](#). For a complete schedule and timeline, [click here](#). Action in Sarasota can be streamed at www.usaswimming.org/watch. For results, water quality and more, visit the [meet information page](#).

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