



**YMCA National Swimming & Diving Championships
Hall of Fame Aquatic Complex
Fort Lauderdale, Florida**

**HIGHLIGHTS
Monday, April 14, 2003**

- 4 YMCA National Records Fall on first day of YMCA National competition.
- 25 Years - YMCA Nationals has held their National Championship in Fort Lauderdale

TRICIA WEANER

Tricia Weaner, age 14 as of Friday...set a new YMCA National Record in the Women's 100-yard Backstroke in the preliminary heats today with a 55.12 Weaner went on to win the championship final in 55.15, just .03 off her morning record swim.....Weaner swims for the West Shore YMCA of Camp Hill, Pa, - outside of Hamilton, Pa.....Weaner has already swum under the YMCA National record in the 200-yard Backstroke at the Pennsylvania High School State Championships....the 200-yard backstroke event will be swum Wednesday, April 16...of note, the National High School record for the 100-yard Backstroke is 53.68, set by 2000 Olympic Gold Medalist (200m butterfly) Misty Hyman in 1996.

KEVIN NEAD

Kevin Nead....age 17.... from Cincinnati, OH.... swims for M.E. Lyons YMCA....defending champion in the Men's 500-yard Freestyle....won the event this year and set a new YMCA National Record of 4:22.95.

GARY GRANT

Gary Grant...age 17... swims for Lakeland Hills YMCA...set a new YMCA National Record in the Men's 50-yard Freestyle with a time of 20.34...old record of 20.41 dates back to 1990.

BRITTANY: JOHNSON

18 year old from the Winston-Salem YMCA... the defending champion in the Women's 200-yard Individual Medley...won the event again this year and set a new YMCA National Record in the process with a time of 2:00.23...shattering the old record of 2:01.12 from 1988.