

Law Repeats as SCC Gymnastics Champion

It took three days and five separate locations, but when all was said and done, it was Jonathan Law that emerged victorious and repeated as SCC Gymnastic champions.

Law edged out runner-up Daniel Hand, outsourcing the Tigers 135.15-130.95. Mercy, Foran, and Hamden rounded out the top five. This year's championship meet was held virtually with each school competing in their own facility.

As has been the case throughout her career, Catherine Burns led Law to victory. She won the vault scoring 9.05 while placing second in the uneven bars (8.6) and balance beam (8.95). For her performances, Burns totaled 35.2 points and was named the Most Outstanding Gymnast.



“It means a lot to end my gymnastics career for my team and for myself with a championship. We support each other on all the events and I’m going to miss it,” Burns told GameTimeCT.com, who was named the championship meet Most Outstanding Gymnast. “This year we had a lot of young talent. We had confidence in each other with all the new skills the girls were able to do.”

In fact, the first three gymnasts in the overall standings were from Law. Emma Nelly and Natalie Morrell placed second and third respectively. Nelly placed one point behind Burns (34.2), while Morrell, as well as Daniel Hand’s Hadley Reiss, tied for third with 33.9 points. Reiss won the floor exercise with a 9.0 score.

Morell might be the heir apparent to Burns as the freshman was the only gymnast to take home two first-place performances. She won the uneven bars (8.7) and the balance beam (9.05).

COACHES QUOTE:

“All of our meets were virtual with no other teams in the gym,” Law head coach Pat Simon told GameTimeCT.com. “It was hard to get used to as it seemed more like a practice scrimmage. The last few meets restrictions were improved to allow two spectators per gymnast, and it felt more like a meet. The girls worked very hard and came through in the last meet (SCC championship).”

Team results:1. Jonathan Law, 135.15; 2. Daniel Hand, 130.95; 3. Mercy, 127.1; 4. Foran, 119.45; 5. Hamden, 85.6.

Individuals

Vault—1. Catherine Burns, Jonathan Law, 9.05; 2. Paige Dean, Daniel Hand, 9.0; 3. Emma Nelly, Jonathan Law, 8.5; 4. Jessa Cappiello, Mercy, 8.45; 5. Charlie Weaver, Mercy & Mackenzie Powers, Jonathan Law, 8.4 Tallulah Malz, Mercy; Ella Esposito, Guilford; Morgan McMahan, Daniel Hand; Bella Romano, Hamden & Jenna Hanson, Jonathan Law, 8.2.

Uneven Bars — 1. Natalie Morrell, Jonathan Law, 8.7; 2. Catherine Burns, Jonathan Law, 8.6; 3. Hadley Reiss, Daniel Hand, 8.45; 4. Tallulah Malz, Mercy, 8.1; 5. Paige Dean, Daniel Hand, 8.05; 6. Emma Nelly, Jonathan Law, 8.0.

Balance Beam — 1. Natalie Morrell, Jonathan Law, 9.05; 2. Catherine Burns, Jonathan Law, 8.95; 3. Emma Nelly, Jonathan Law, 8.9; 4. Ella Esposito, Guilford, 8.7; 5. Tallulah Malz, Mercy, 8.5; Jessa Cappiello, Mercy; 6. Emma Jerue, Foran, 8.4.

Floor Exercise — 1. Hadley Reiss, Daniel Hand, 9.0; 2. Emma Nelly, Jonathan Law, 8.8; 3. Morgan McMahan, Daniel Hand, 8.75; 4. Jessa Cappiello, Mercy, 8.7; 5. Ella Esposito, Guilford, 8.65; 6. Catherine Burns, Jonathan Law, 8.6.

All Around — 1. Catherine Burns, Jonathan Law, 35.2 (**Championship meet Most Outstanding Gymnast**); 2. Emma Nelly, Jonathan Law, 34.2; 3. Tie: Natalie Morrell, Jonathan Law ; Hadley Reiss, Daniel Hand, 33.9; 4. Tallulah Malz, Mercy, 33.0; 5. Ella Esposito, Guilford, 32.95; 6. Paige Dean, Daniel Hand, 32.9