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GYMNASTS WIN GOLD AND MEET OLYMPIANS

EWA's USAG women's gymnastics team competed at the Texas Prime Meet in Coppell January 23-25, where two Level 7 gymnasts earned gold, lots of gold.

In the Senior A division, Natalie May was the champion on each individual event and the all-around. She earned 9.825 out of a possible 10 on vault, 9.375 on floor exercise, 9.175 on balance beam, and 8.7 on uneven parallel bars, giving her a score of 37.075 all-around.

Isabella Gordillo competed in the Level 7 Junior A division, earning first place on vault (9.725), beam (9.575), floor (9.5) and all-around (38.30). She also earned a bronze medal on bars with a score of 9.5.

Level 10 Casey Dreyer earned a silver medal on vault (9.525) and bronze all-around (36.625) in the Junior division.

Makenzie Johnson, in the Senior division, won third place on vault (9.7), beam (9.3) and all-around (37.050). She was one of the top eight Level 10 gymnasts at the meet, and qualified to compete in the Legendz Classic the following evening. Three World and Olympic champions, Bridget Sloan, Samantha Peszek, and Courtney Kupets, served as team captains. They each had a total of five Level 9 and 10 girls on their team, which took turns competing each of the four events. Johnson was on Team Kupets, which won second place. Team Sloan took first place, and Team Peszek took third.

"Being on Team Kupets was awesome and gave me a taste of what college gymnastics is like," said Johnson. "Courtney was so energetic and fun to be around."

The USAG women's team at EWA is coached by Helen Verucchi and head coach Alex Atamas.