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Kelowna Gymnasts Dominate in Kamloops

A group of young gymnasts from Okanagan Gymnastics Centre competed in Kamloops over the weekend dominating the competition by winning every category entered. Julia Pasutto, 9, Emma Morel, 10, Karlee Keewatin-Smith, 12, and Christine Furrer, 14, all took home the all around title for their category.

Pasutto won the Provincial 1 Argo (10 & under) category taking home a gold medal on the vault and silver medals on the uneven bars, balance beam, and floor exercise. Lindy Drope, 9, finished right behind teammate Pasutto taking home silver on the vault, a gold on the bars and a bronze on the floor. Muriel Stroda, 7, finished with the bronze medal all around and on the bars. Okanagan Gymnastics took home the top six spots in the all around. Other highlights in the Provincial 1 argo category was a tie for the gold medal on the floor exercise for Hunter Geiger, 10, and Hannah Butcher, 9. Emaree Handley, 9, took home the gold on the balance beam.

Emma Morel finished with top spot in the Provincial 2 Argo (10& under) category. She also took home gold medals on the vault and floor a silver on the bars and a bronze on the balance beam. Carissa Sebelius, 9, finished with a bronze in the all around with a gold on the bars and bronze medals on both the vault and the floor. Brielle Culbert, 8, finished with a gold medal on the beam and a silver on the floor.

In the Provincial 3 Tyro (11-12 year old) category Karlee Keewatin-Smith, 12, finished with a gold on the vault and balance beam as well as taking the top spot in the all around. She also took home a silver medal on the bars. Stephanie Hill, 11, finished with a gold medal on the bars and silver medals on the vault, floor and all around. Shanti Leblanc, 11, took home two bronze medals on the beam and floor.

Christine Furrer, 14, won the Provincial 3 Novice (13-14 year old) category. Furrer finds her home in Vernon, but trains at the gymnastics centre in Kelowna. She took home gold medals on the bars and beam, a silver on the floor exercise, and a bronze on the vault.

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