

together and that's what enabled me to get the lead for good. On the last turn I looked at Pablo, he looked over at me, and we both knew it was going to be a dogfight to the finish."

—By Bill Bell

5:27 p.m.

Women's 200 Fly

With the Mary T. Fan Club on hand, Miss Meagher did not disappoint.

She clocked 2:07.53 for the sixth fastest performance of all time (she holds the other five as well) and the fastest time in the world this year.

The race was actually for second, but even runner-up Nancy Hogshead, 22, of Concord-Pleasant Hill, had a distinct margin over 14-year-old Erika Hansen of Germantown, 2:11.25 to 2:13.78.

Both Meagher and Hogshead, members of the 1980 Olympic team which couldn't compete in Moscow because of the boycott, will now

have their chance at Olympic gold in Los Angeles.

"One thing that's for sure is that I'll never look back on this year and wonder if I could have swum faster," Mission's 19-year-old Meagher said. "I'm doing the best I can right now."

"I'd like to echo what T. said," Hogshead commented. "I'll never look back on this year and not think I did every single thing possible."

With their 200 fly performances, Meagher qualified in both butterflys while Hogshead claimed her third individual Olympic berth, having already won the 100 free and placed second in the 200 IM.

"I'm not completely pleased with the time," Meagher said. "I need to make a few adjustments in my stroke. Looking at the ABC-TV film, I could see that."

For someone who is constantly striving for the perfect race, Meagher couldn't admit to satisfaction after the 200 fly.

"No, I'm not satisfied," Meagher

said. "I want the world record. It would have been nice (to do it here) because I had a big home crowd, and they've been so supportive."

"I'm hoping for the best (in Los Angeles). Deep down, I can't see myself going to the Olympics and not swimming my best times. I can only hope for that."

—By Ann Ingram

5:49 p.m.

Men's 1500 Free

The oldest American record in the books is now history.

George DiCarlo, 20, of Tucson Farmer John in Arizona, swam a 15:01.51 before nearly 4,000 delirious American flag-waving fans to become the second fastest performer of all time behind Soviet world record holder Vladimir Salnikov.

Brian Goodell relinquished his claim as the fastest American miler, a title which he held for nearly eight years when he won the gold medal

Nancy Hogshead got off to a flying start at Olympic Trials when she won the 100 free opening night. And she kept up the pace by making the Olympic team in the 200 IM and 200 fly. Hogshead, Pablo Morales and Tracy Caulkins were the only swimmers to qualify in three individual events.

