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Locals take NYS gymnastics championship

On Saturday, Jan. 28, two local girls representing Gold Medal Gymnastics Center of Huntington took the All-Around medals for USAG New York State Level 5 under the direction of director and head coach, Tammy Marshall.

Scoring a 37.975, Katie Finnegan, 8, from Kings Park, earned first place in bars and floor; second in beam and vault; and

walked away with the championship All-Around medal for juniors.

Nicole Riccardi, 9, of East Northport scored a 37.9 to earn her championship All-Around win in the Intermediate Division. Nicole finished first place in bars and vault, and is pictured above left at center.

Twenty-five teams from New York competed in this statewide competition. Both

girls are members of the Level 5 team from Gold Medal Gymnastic Center in Huntington that triumphed with a hard-earned first-place finish.

Pictured above right, from left: Kayla Deveau, coach Ashley Lugo, Michelle Pirozzi, Baylie Larson, Gianna Grave, coach Jeanette Diakakis, Kasey Dutton, Erin McLaughlin, Bella Thompson, Nicole

Riccardi, Katie Finnegan, Isabel Coscia, and director-head coach Tammy Marshall (not pictured).

Their Level 7 teammates also competed on Sunday, Jan. 29, and walked away with All-Around wins and another team championship. As well, Level 10 has just won the team award at one of the biggest meets in the country, Parkettes.