

## Serpent Times

newsletter for  
Southeastern Aquatics  
Racine Family YMCA Swim TEAM  
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### TEAM SEA's Mission:

*To empower the youth of southeastern Wisconsin in a safe and supportive way to be champions in life through excellence in swimming.*

January 13, 2023

### Neil's Notes

Good luck this weekend during our 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Penguin Challenge!

Please note we will be training at Sealed Air YMCA this Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> since RUSD's pools are closed for MLK Day. Practice times are: Senior 12:30-2:30 PM, Gold 2:30-4:00 PM, Bronze and Silver 4:00-5:00 PM.

We are currently working on pool time at Park High School on the following days January 17, 24, and February 10 as RAC will be unavailable. Emails will be sent out when we know if Park is available.

Congratulations to Jordan Borzynski who represented Team Wisconsin in last weekend's Mid-States All Star Championships in Indianapolis. Jordan helped the 10&U boys 200 Freestyle Relay finish 4<sup>th</sup> overall with a time of 1:55.90. Way to go!

Beginning February 20, we will be able to move all practice times 30-minutes earlier. Bronze and Silver will train 5:00-6:00 PM, Gold 6:00-7:30 PM and Senior 6:00-8:00 PM.

Beginning next season, Bronze swimmers will be able to train Friday nights!

If you ordered a TEAM SEA towel, please be sure to forward payment. \$40 per towel. Towels should arrive in 2-4 weeks.

Save the dates for the Spring & Summer meet we will be hosting ... May 6-7, June 2-4 and June 23-24.

The 13&O Training Trip is scheduled and still has a few spots open for any female athletes on the fence about attending. Take advantage of this great opportunity!

If you have a Facebook account, please consider joining TEAM SEA. We use Facebook to send out reminders and post pics from the meets and events we attend. Joining will help you stay in the loop with all things TEAM SEA related.

I can be reached at 262.994.3157 or [south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com](mailto:south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com). Please contact me when you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

Are you social? TEAM SEA is - find us at Instagram (seaswimteam), Facebook (SEA Swim Team - this page is set to private and you'll need to request to join), or Twitter (@SEAWisconsin).

### 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Penguin Challenge Meet Info

This weekend we'll be hosting our first meet of 2023 at the Racine Aquatic Center.

Warm-ups for Saturday and Sunday begin at 8:00 AM, meet begins at 9:05 AM and is scheduled to end at 12:02 PM and 11:48 AM respectively.

Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!

### Upcoming Meets

Date	Meet	Entry Deadline
Jan 14-15	Penguin Challenge	Closed
Jan 20-22	LCB Prelim/Final	Closed
Jan 29	Conference	1/22
Feb 3-5	A+	1/18
Feb 5	J-HK 8&U All Star	1/7
Feb 12	Conference	2/5
Feb 17-19	Regionals	2/5
Feb 24-26	Senior State	TBA
Feb 25-26	10&U State	TBA
Mar 3-5	11-14 State	TBA
Mar 11-12	YMCA Sectionals	3/1
Mar 17-19	YMCA State	TBA
Apr 3-7	YMCA Nationals	3/27
May 6-7	SEA Early Bird	TBA
Jun 2-4	SEA Pirate Plunge	TBA
Jun 23-24	SEA Summer Sizzler	TBA

### SCRIP Fundraising Information

SEA offers SCRIP sales as a fundraising option for our families. This has proven to be an easy way for many families to meet their fundraising requirement! SCRIP offers gift cards for many favorite merchants and restaurants, including Kohl's, Walmart, Pick 'n Save, Target, Kwik Trip, Starbucks, Amazon, iTunes, and many more. They make great gifts and are easy for families to use for personal use while fundraising. Take a look at the list, watch for specials, and see how easy it is to

raise funds while you shop. Read the “how to” pages linked on our SCRIP webpage ([www.sea-y.org/scrip](http://www.sea-y.org/scrip)) – you can also read about PrestoPay on that page too.

Your order can be placed at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) by use the SEA enrollment cord (please email Coach Neil at [south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com](mailto:south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com) for the code) and registering for PrestoPay at least two days before placing your first order. DO NOT place your first order until the PrestoPay registration process is complete. PrestoPay is safe, simple and the only payment method accepted by SEA.

SCRIP delivery is in the pool balcony/bleachers, but individual arrangements can also be made. You may also take advantage of re-load and ScripNow options in between deliveries. Thank you for shopping!

#### Order Dates for Spring & Summer

Order By	Delivery On
February 5	February 9-10
March 5	March 9-10

If you have any questions or need help, please reach out to Coach Neil at 262.994.3157 or at [south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com](mailto:south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com).

#### TEAM SEA Amazon Smile

TEAM SEA has had an Amazon Smile account for many years, but it has been a while since we have reached out to families for support.

If you would like to support TEAM SEA via purchases when ordering from Amazon Smile please go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1580537>.

Once there, please click on the Start Shopping button to support TEAM SEA. Thank you for supporting one of Racine’s Hidden Gems.

#### 13&O Training Trip

Every two year’s all athletes 13&O are extended the opportunity to attend a week-long training trip with their teammates and TEAM SEA.

Our next trip will take place in June of 2023, 9<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. A minimum of 12 athletes must attend this trip for it to take place. Athletes interested in attending include: Jordyn Tran, Rylie Bergemann, Sophia Marini, Brady Moore, Lindsey Hohnl, Gabi Peterman, Jack Borzynski, Alice Stratman, Nathaniel Foster, Nicholas Foster, Andy Krug, Sofia Badillo, Caleb Bergman.

The trip has averaged out to \$1000 per swimmer over the years and we usually drive to Panama City Beach, FL. This year’s trip is

currently sitting at \$1350 (plus expenses for food).

We will also need two chaperones with priority given to those parents who have not had an opportunity to attend. Eric Bergemann, John Marini, Ben Foster, Maria Peterman, Sarah Foster are interested.

Please contact Coach Neil if you would like to attend or need more information.

#### January Birthdays

Sofia Badillo, Ireland Byrne, Eli Coughlin, Amalia Ehmcke, Nicholas Foster, Fion Marini, Allie Mertins, Evan Olson, Elli Palermo, Ellie Staniger, Jordyn Tran.

#### Extended Calendar

##### January

14-15 SEA Penguin Challenge  
20-22 LCB Prelim/Final  
29 Conference Meet

##### February

3-5 A+  
5 J-HK 8&U All Star Meet  
11 WIAA Boys Sectionals  
12 Conference Meet  
17-19 Regionals  
24-26 Senior State  
25-26 10&U State

##### March

3-5 11-14 State  
11-12 YMCA Sectionals  
17-19 YMCA State  
21 Tryouts, 5-6 PM @ RAC

##### April

3-7 YMCA Nationals  
18 Spring & Summer Season begins

#### F.A.Q.

- Where can I get one of those awesome TEAM SEA swim caps and how much do they cost?
  - Coach Neil
  - \$17 for silicone, \$5 for latex
- How do I sign-up my swimmer for a meet?
  - Email Coach Neil and let him know you would like your swimmer entered in “x” meet (please indicate what days of meet if it takes place on multiple days)
- I’m new to the team ... how many practices should my swimmer attend per week?
  - Bronze and Silver = 2-3
  - Gold = 4-5

- c. Senior = 5-6
- 4) I'm not receiving emails; how can I be placed on the email list? Contact Coach Neil and he'll be happy to add your email address to the list.
  - 5) Where do I sit if I plan on sticking around during practice? Please sit in the stands.
  - 6) Got a question you need an answer to? Please text Coach Neil at 262.994.3157.

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***Respect \* Responsibility***  
***Build \* Promote \* Achieve***