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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.

November 24, 2021

Neil's Notes

Happy Thanksgiving! Please remember, no practice Thursday and Friday this week.

Entries are past due for the upcoming Y-Finalist meet (December 3-5 in Brown Deer). Please contact me if you would like your swimmer(s) to race in this event .. hard deadline is this Saturday, November 27.

We will attend our final Conference Meet of 2021 on Sunday, December 12 in Lake Geneva. Entries are due by December 6.

For those on Facebook, please take a moment and request to join our private page ... SEA SWIM TEAM. Sometimes, if information needs to get out fast and I don't have an opportunity to send an email, our Facebook page is a great resource. Thanks!

You can order personalized TEAM SEA swim caps through November 28. Take advantage!

Do you know of someone who would make a great addition to our coaching staff here at TEAM SEA? Please reach out to me and let me know. Thanks.

I can be reached at 262.994.3157 or 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).

Upcoming Meets

| Date | Meet | Entry Deadline |
|------------|------------------|----------------|
| Dec. 3-5 | Y-Finalist | 11/27 |
| Dec. 11-12 | 12&U State | 12/5 |
| Dec. 12 | Conference Meet | 12/6 |
| Jan. 15-16 | SEA Penguin Meet | TBA |
| Jan. 22-23 | SHOR Meet | TBA |
| Jan. 30 | Conference Meet | TBA |
| Feb. 4-6 | SSTY A+ Meet | TBA |
| Feb. 13 | Conference Meet | TBA |
| Feb. 18-20 | Regionals | TBA |

STAT/WAUN Meet Recap & Highlights

We had another great showing during last weekend's meet in Beloit. As a team we finished with 67% best times (18/27 swims) and only one DQ (Backstroke).

Sophie Gutknecht picked up a new State qualifying time in the 50 Freestyle, 33.89 and dropped 10.15 in the 100 Backstroke.

Alessandra Arteaga posted the 10th fastest time in the 9-10 100 Breaststroke in our team's history, 1:28.39.

Evelyn Gutknecht dropped 13.29 in the 200 IM.

Lindsey Hohnl dropped 21.29 in the 400 IM and won two events.

We have two more weeks before our next big meet ... take a moment and contact Coach Neil to have your swimmers race in the Y-Finalist Meet, December 3-5 in Brown Deer.

Meet Support Requirements

Now that the swimming community is finally getting back to normal, here's a reminder about the requirements for TEAM SEA families to help out during team hosted meets.

We are hosting three meets this season ... November 7 at the RecPlex, January 15-16 in Brown Deer, and March 12-13 could be at the new RUSD pool or Aug Prep.

Requirements for each family is one session at our November meet and two sessions at our January meet and two sessions at our March meet.

You can already sign-up to work at our November meet (on our website at MEETS/Meet Worker Sign-up).

Why are families required to help support TEAM SEA in this manner? It's strictly financial ... the income generated through SEA hosted meets equals 40% of our operating budget and helps keeps our swim tuition low.

Families can opt out of meet support via a \$100 payment per session. Please now, we need workers at our TEAM hosted meets, not your \$100.

Please support your swimmers TEAM by volunteering!

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 helping one of Racine's Hidden Gems.

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) - you can also read about PrestoPay on that page too.

Your order can be placed at www.shopwithscrip.com by use the SEA enrollment cord (please email Coach Katie at coachkatiejames@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 Fall & Winter

| <i>Order By</i> | <i>Delivery On</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| December 5 | December 10 |
| December 12 | December 17 |
| January 23 | January 28 |
| February 20 | February 25 |
| March 13 | March 18 |

If you have any questions or need help, please reach out to Coach Katie at 262.822.2966 or at coachkatiejames@gmail.com.

November Birthdays

Jordan Borzynski and Macie Ritter.

Extended Calendar

November

19-21 STAT/WAUN Prelim/Final meet

25-26 No practice

December

3-5 Y-Finalist meet

11-12 12&U State meet

24-25 No practice

30-1 No practice

January

15-16 SEA Penguin Challenge

22-23 SHOR meet

30 Conference meet

F.A.Q.

- 1) Where can I get one of those awesome TEAM SEA swim caps and how much do they cost?
 - a. Coach Neil
 - b. \$15 for silicone, \$5 for latex
- 2) How do I sign-up my swimmer for a meet?
 - a. Email Coach Neil and let me know you would like your swimmer entered in "x" meet (please indicate what days of meet if it takes place on multiple days)
- 3) I'm new to the team ... how many practices should my swimmer attend per week?
 - a. Bronze and Silver = 2-3
 - b. Gold = 4-5
 - c. Senior = 5-6
- 4) Got a question you need an answer to? Please text Coach Neil at 262.994.3157.

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