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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.

December 9, 2022

Neil's Notes

Hello from Austin, Texas. Winter Junior Nationals is rolling into its third day this morning with Hugo Arteaga racing the 100 Butterfly and time trialing an event as well. He raced the 50 Freestyle and 100 Backstroke yesterday (21.52 and 53.34 respectively; he broke his team record in the 50 Freestyle and posted the second fastest time in our team's history in the 100 Backstroke).

Now is the time to sign-up your swimmer to attend our second hosted meet of the season, 17th Annual Penguin Challenge!

Don't forget to consider attending this season's team travel meet. We are heading to St. John, IN (about two hours southeast of us) the weekend of January 20-22. Deadline to enter is December 20 (more information can be found on page two of this).

For those who ordered SCRIP cards, they will be received this coming week.

The deadline to declare your intentions to attend 2023's 13&O Training Trip is January 2. Please contact me if you plan to have your swimmer attend so plans can be made. There must be a minimum of 12 swimmers signed up to attend for this event to take place. Please read additional information on page three of this newsletter.

Save the date ... we have added an 8&U meet on February 5th. It would be amazing if all our 8&U swimmers attended this meet in Whitewater

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. 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).

Single Age State Meet Information

This weekend we'll be racing at Verona High School (234 Wildcat Way).

We have designated warm-up times and will be in lanes 3-4 for all warm-ups.

Saturday AM (boys, events 1-25), 9:25-9:50 AM in the warm-up pool, meet begins at 10:05 AM and is scheduled to end at 1:17 PM.

Saturday PM (girls, events 26-50), 1:35-2:00 PM in the warm-up pool, meet begins at 2:40 PM and is scheduled to end at 6:28 PM.

Sunday AM (boys, events 51-73), 9:25-9:50 AM in the competition pool, meet begins at 10:05 AM and is scheduled to end at 1:33 PM.

Sunday PM (girls, events 74-96), 1:35-2:00 PM in the competition pool, meet begins at 2:40 PM and is scheduled to end at 6:13 PM.

Ten minutes before the start of the meet, all lanes will be available for one way starts.

Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!

Conference Meet Information

Sunday we'll be racing at the Lake Geneva YMCA during the first of three Conference meets this season.

Warm-ups begin at 9:30 AM and the meet gets underway at 10:30 AM.

The time line and heat sheet will be emailed when received from the meet host.

Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!

Y-Finalist Recap & Highlights

We finished 10th of 16 teams scoring 192.5-points, 46% best times (63 of 137 swims), and only one DQ (picked up from an early relay takeoff).

New State qualifying times were picked up by Ale Arteaga in the 100 Breaststroke 1:23.01, 100 Freestyle 1:03.24, 100 IM 1:12.04, Jack Borzynski in the 500 Freestyle 5:12.85, 100 Fly 55.41, 200 Backstroke

2:07.87, and Evan Steenrod in the 100 Freestyle 1:21.63.

Notching some of the fastest times in our team's history included Hannah Scherwinski 5th 500 Freestyle, 10th 100 Breaststroke, 5th 200 Breaststroke, 8th 200 IM, Sofia Badillo 5th 200 Backstroke, Zoe D'Alessandro 6th 100 Breaststroke, 4th 200 Breaststroke, and Jack Borzynski 8th 100 Freestyle, 5th 200 Freestyle, 4th 500 Freestyle, 3rd 200 Backstroke, 8th 100 Breaststroke, 100 Butterfly 4th.

Achieving 100% best times were Ale Arteaga, Jack Borzynski, Levi Jansen, Brennan Meyer, and Kaylee Staniger.

Cutting five or more seconds in a single event included David Binder -21.50 100 Freestyle, Jack Borzynski -15.77 500 Freestyle, Sophie Butknecht -11.50 100 Breaststroke, Levi Jansen -6.52 100 Backstroke, Sophia Marini -9.80 200 Backstroke, Brennan Meyer -5.08 100 Backstroke, Gabi Peterman -14.68 500 Freestyle, Ellie Staniger -10.94 100 IM, and Aubree Van Dyke -8.56 100 Freestyle.

Gold medalist: Hugo Arteaga, Jack Borzynski, Mac Thomas

Silver medalist: Jack Borzynski,

Bronze medalist: Jack Borzynski, Ireland Byrne, Zoe D'Alessandro, Zack Kopsea

We are in action again this week with Winter Junior Nationals in Austin, TX, Single Age State in Verona, and a Conference Meet in Lake Geneva.

Great job TEAM SEA!

TEAM Travel Meet Scheduled, January 20-22

This season's TEAM travel meet will take place on January 20-22. We are heading to St. John, Indiana (roughly two hours southeast of Racine County).

The meet is Prelim/Final in nature and is open to all athletes (meet information is posted on the website).

TEAM SEA has a block of 25 rooms at the Hilton Hampton Inn & Suites at a rate of \$172 per night. Rooms have two queen beds and the hotel offers free hot breakfast, indoor pool, is pet friendly, fitness center, and free parking. Deadline to reserve a room is December 20. The pool is 7-minutes from the hotel.

The block is reserved under Southeastern Aquatics. Call 219.440.7591 or use the online link forward via email today.

Upcoming Meets

Date	Meet	Entry Deadline
Dec 7-10	Winter Junior Nats	Closed

Dec 10-11	Single Age State	Closed
Dec 11	Conference	Closed
Jan 14-15	SEA Penguin Challenge	1/3
Jan 20-22	LCB Prelim/Final	12/20
Jan 29	Conference	TBA
Feb 3-5	A+	12/1
Feb 5	J-HK 8&U All Star	1/7
Feb 12	Conference	TBA
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	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) - 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 Neil at 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
December 4	December 8-9
January 8	January 12-13
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.

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.

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, 9th-16th. 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.

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

We will also need two chaperones with priority given to those parents who have not had an opportunity to attend. Eric Bergemann and John Marini are interested.

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

December Birthdays

Savannah Allison, Ale Arteaga, Caleb Bergman, Ethan Bergman, Logan Buska, Hannah Daams, Nathaniel Foster, Ava Kerbawy, Ian Lopez, Brennan Meyer, Mac Thomas, Logan Walker, John Westfall.

Extended Calendar

December

7-10 Winter Junior Nationals
10-11 Single Age State
11 Conference Meet

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 @ Sealed Air YMCA

April

17 Spring & Summer Season begins

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. \$17 for silicone, \$5 for latex
- 2) How do I sign-up my swimmer for a meet?
 - a. 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)
- 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) 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
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