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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 environment to be champions in life through excellence in swimming.

May 1, 2024

Neil's Notes

We are back in action this weekend for the first long course of our new season! The coaching staff is excited to see everyone race this weekend!! Please note, no practice this Saturday. If you would like your swimmer entered in the meet this weekend, please email me by 8 PM tomorrow night. Take advantage!

Our Annual Team Picture is scheduled for Monday, June 24 at the Racine Aquatic Center beginning at 5:00 PM. ALL athletes who are currently on the team and/or swam with TEAM SEA last Fall & Winter Season are welcome to attend. The process is simple. VIP will take an individual picture of all our swimmers/coaches and composite those pictures into a team picture. Additionally, VIP will take individual posed pictures for all families interested (can be sibling or friend pictures too). Families will be able to order pictures online ... information will be shared when received.

RAC is closing down for cleaning and we will be transplanting to Park High School during the closure. We are scheduled to swim at Park from May 13 to June 7. It's going to be crowded (especially during the Gold and Senior practices, but we are blessed to have a pool to use during the shutdown). We will need to be flexible and patient.

Save the date ... our annual banquet is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13. More information can be found on our website.

Please ensure your swimmer is registered for our current season ... either signed up online through our website and/or have submitted the first payment. Additionally, all our athletes need to carry a YMCA membership while training with TEAM SEA.

During this season, we will be hosting three meets and unfortunately all three are out of town. In swimming, Spring & Summer Season is known as the long course season and most meets are contested in a 50-meter pool. In our area, there are no 50-meter pools. Please save these dates as we'll continue to

need help running our meets which are teamwide fundraisers ... Early Bird (May 4-5 in Brown Deer), Pirate Plunge (May 31-June 2 in Brown Deer), and Summer Sizzler (June 21-22 in Pleasant Prairie).

Our Swim for a Cause event information has been handed out during practices and is available on our website. If your swimmer did not bring home a packet, they are available for pick-up at practice. Save the date, Sunday, May 19.

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) and Facebook (SEA Swim Team - this page is set to private and you'll need to request to join).

Upcoming Meets

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meet</i>	<i>Entry Deadline</i>
May 4-5	SEA Early Bird	Closed
May 15-18	Atlanta Classic	Closed
May 19	Conference Meet	5/10
May 31-2	SEA Pirate Plunge	TBA
Jun 21-22	SEA Summer Sizzler	TBA
Jun 28	Conference Meet	TBA
Jul 11-14	Speedo Sectionals	TBA
Jul 12-14	Bird Bath Invite	TBA
Jul 19-21	Regionals	TBA
Jul 23-27	Junior Nationals	TBA
Jul 26-28	12&U State	TBA
Jul 30	Conference Champs	TBA
Aug 1-4	13&O State	TBA
Aug 8-11	14&U Zones	TBA

Early Bird Meet Information

This weekend in Brown Deer (9240 North Green Bay Road) at the Walter Schroeder

Aquatic Center we will host our 15th Annual Early Bird meet!

Saturday warm-ups begin at 10:00 AM, meet begins at 11:05 AM and is scheduled to finish at 4:52 PM.

Sunday warm-ups begin at 8:00 AM, meet begins at 9:05 AM and is scheduled to finish at 2:35 PM.

Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!

RaiseRight Fundraising Information

SEA offers RaiseRight (formally 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! RaiseRight 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 RaiseRight 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.

RaiseRight 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

<i>Order By</i>	<i>Delivery On</i>
May 12	May 16-17
June 9	June 13-14
July 14	July 18-19

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.

April Birthdays

Juliana Aburto, Jett Adams, David Binder, Grayson Kirchenberg, Andy Krug, Emma Masaya, Tennyson Morey, Eleni Schrik, Kylie Thomas, Finley Thompkins, Luke Waddle.

May Birthdays

Jack Borzynski, Sylvie Carlson, Haylee Clouse, Ezra Coughlin, Emma Ebert, Aisling Fahy, Sophie Gutknecht, Adriana Hotchkiss, Carter Justman, William Martin, Makenna Menken, Molly Staniger, Zack Steenrod.

Extended Calendar

May

- 4-5 SEA Early Bird
- 19 Swim for a Cause
- 27 No practice, Memorial Day
- 31-2 SEA Pirate Plunge

June

- 11 Last day of school (RUSD)
- 12 AM practice begins for Seniors
- 21-22 SEA Summer Sizzler
- 24 Team Picture, 5 PM at RAC

July

- 4 No practice, Happy Independence Day
- 11-14 Speedo Sectionals
- 19-21 Regionals
- 26-28 12&U State
- 31 Last day of Spring & Summer practice

August

- 1-4 13&O State
- 8-11 14&U Zones
- 13 Annual Awards Banquet

September

- 23 Tryouts
- 23 First day of practice for Fall & Winter
- 28 40th Anniversary TEAM SEA Celebration

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. \$20 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
Build * Promote * Achieve