

## 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 environment to be champions in life through excellence in swimming.*

May 1, 2025

### Neil's Notes

We are looking forward to kicking off our long course season this weekend in Brown Deer during our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Bird meet. If you have not signed up to volunteer please do (each family is charged to cover two spots during the weekend). Thanks in advance for supporting your swimmers' team!

Today is the finally day to enter your son or daughter in our meet this weekend ... take advantage! Forward an email stating which day(s) you plan on attending.

The 13&O Training Trip is fast approaching. We will conduct a meeting for all swimmers and at least one of their parents on Monday, May 12 beginning at 6:00 PM in the south bleachers at RAC. Please plan on attending!

You may see another coach on deck this season helping out during our Gold practice sessions. No stranger to TEAM SEA, Frank Michalowski has coached many years with us in the past and at many of the high schools in our community. We are lucky to have him back and look forward to him sharing his knowledge of the sport with our athletes. Welcome back!

Reminder, please ensure your swimmers carry a YMCA membership - either a youth membership or part of your family membership.

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

### Early Bird Meet Information

This weekend we'll be hosting our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Bird meet in Brown Deer (9240 North Green Bay Road).

Saturday warm-ups for all athletes begin at 10:00 AM, meet begins at 11:05 AM and is scheduled to end at 3:12 PM.

Sunday warm-ups for all athletes begin at 8:00 AM, meet begins at 9:05 AM and is scheduled to end at 1:03 PM.

Heat sheets will be posted Friday. Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!

### Upcoming Meets

Date	Meet	Entry Deadline
May 3-4	SEA Early Bird	5/1
May 16	Conference Meet	5/10
Jun 6-8	SEA Pirate Plunge	5/18
Jun 20-21	SEA Summer Sizzler	6/8
Jun 27	Conference Meet	6/19
Jul 10-13	Speedo Sectionals	TBA
Jul 18-20	WI LSC Regionals	TBA
Jul 25-27	12&U State	TBA
Jul 29	Conference Champs	TBA
Jul 31-3	13&O State	TBA
Aug 7-10	14&U Zones	TBA
Oct 10-12	OZ Fall Classic	TBA
Nov 2	SEA Pentathlon	TBA
Jan 10-11	SEA Penguin Challenge	TBA
Feb 20-22	Regionals	TBA
Feb 27-28	10&U State	TBA
Feb 28-1	Senior State	TBA
Mar 6-8	11-14 State	TBA
Mar 14-15	YMCA Sectionals	TBA
Mar 20-22	YMCA State	TBA

### Practice Moving To Bradford High School

We will lose use of RAC during the week of May 19 (the building will be closed for its annual cleaning). We have secured time at Bradford High School (Carthage is not available and the YMCA cannot accommodate our numbers). Here are the practice times for the week of May 19 (Monday-Friday):

Bronze: 5-6 PM

Silver: 5-6 PM

Gold: 5-6:30 PM

Senior: 6-8 PM

Please enter the building using door 5 (north fieldhouse doors). We hope to SEA you there!

## **AM Training For Seniors**

AM practice for Seniors will begin June 16 (weather permitting). Practices are conducted at the SCJ outdoor community pool, Monday-Friday, 7-9 AM. The decision to cancel practice will be made at 6:15 AM and pushed out via email and social media (Facebook and Instagram).

Swimmers will need to secure a membership to the pool, \$25 for the season. This pass can be purchased online or at the check-in desk at the facility.

## **2025 13&O Training Trip**

Since 1999, every two years all athletes' 13&O are extended the opportunity to attend a week-long training trip with their teammates and TEAM SEA.

Our next trip is tentatively scheduled for June 22-29. A minimum of 14 athletes must attend this trip for it to take place. This year's trip is "sold out."

The trip has averaged out to \$1200-\$1500 per swimmer over the years and we usually drive, stay, and train in the Panama City Beach, FL area.

Attending (if you have not yet, please forward \$100 for the down payment) includes:

### **GIRLS**

Kealey Aalderks, Hannah Daams, Ash Fahy, Jessica Gonzalez, Lindsey Hohnl, Fiona Marini, Sophia Marini, Ashlyn Malzewski, Allie Mertins, Morgan Pankow, Gabi Peterman, Kaylee Staniger, Aubree Van Dyke, Molly Warren

### **BOYS**

Caleb Bergman, Jack Borzynski, Nathan Breit, Max Carlson, Nathaniel Foster, Nicholas Foster, Zach James, Levi Jansen, Grayson Kirchenberg, Ryan McGillis, Brennen Meyer, Brady Moore, Zack Steenrod

### **CHAPERONES**

Maria Peterman, Melissa Hohnl, Kim Wright

### **COACHES**

Parker Palermo, Neil Wright

### **OPEN SPOTS**

None at this time.

## **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](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.

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**

<i>Order By</i>	<i>Delivery On</i>
May 11	May 15-16
June 9	June 12-13
July 13	July 17-18

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).

## **May Birthdays**

Jack Borzynski, Aram Buchaklian, Sylvie Carlson, Haylee Clouse, Ezra Coughlin, Emma Ebert, Aisling Fahy, Sophie Gutknecht, Olivia Hayes, Adriana Hotchkiss, Carter Justman, Makenna Menken, Alanna Peterson, Molly Staniger, Zack Steenrod.

## **Extended Calendar**

### May

3-4 16<sup>th</sup> Annual SEA Early Bird  
12 13&O Training Trip meeting, 6 PM  
16 Conference Meet  
26 No practice, Memorial Day

### June

6-8 10<sup>th</sup> Annual SEA Pirate Plunge  
16 AM practices begin for Seniors  
20-21 16<sup>th</sup> Annual SEA Summer Sizzler  
22-29 13&O Training Trip  
27 Conference Meet

### July

4 No practice, 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
10-13 Speedo Sectionals  
18-20 WI LSC Regionals  
25-27 12&U State  
31-3 13&O State

### August

7-10 14&U Zones

4-28 OST

### September

22 Tryouts for new families

23 Fall & Winter Season begins

### October

24 Annual Halloween Party

### November

2 16<sup>th</sup> Annual SEA Pentathlon

15 WIAA Division 2 Girls State

16 WIAA Division 1 Girls State

### December

13-14 Single Age State

### January

10-11 20<sup>th</sup> Annual SEA Penguin Challenge

### February

20 WIAA Division 2 Boys State

21 WIAA Division 1 Boys State

20-22 USA Regionals

### March

14-15 YMCA Sectionals

20-22 YMCA State

### April

20 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. \$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 the 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 reach out to Coach Neil at 262.994.3157.

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