

Serpent Times

weekly newsletter for
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Neil's kickboard

Tomorrow is the last chance to sign-up for our February 7th meet – take advantage!

Pictures are posted from DTT, Tri-dual and the gymnastic outing.

DTT was EXCELLENT! Well attended (most swimmers ever)! Combined, swimmers were exposed to 63 new events! Great job swimmers and thanks to all the parents who helped out.

If you have never attended the tri-dual meet held annually in Lake Geneva, you are missing out on a very fun event. A quick meet (warm-ups at 7:00 a.m. and we were out by 11:30 a.m.) most swimmers competed in three events and a relay or two ... free of charge – can't beat that. New state cuts achieved by Ben Gabbey (25Ba) and Alec Smith (2IM). Ivar Iverson broke Andrew Griffey's 2003 11-12 1Ba record of 1:05.10 with his swim of 1:04.02. Sara Bollendorf pulled off the hat trick and achieved all best times. Cutting 3+ seconds in an event included Hannah Curty (-4.66 in the 50Bf), Libby Gabbey (-3.37 in the 25Ba), Taylor Herman (-3.33 in the 1Bf), Abby Polzin (-10.70 in the 2Fr), Olivia Siudak (-3.25 in the 50Fr), and Alec Smith (-8.75 in the 2IM). Keep it up!

Bowling outing is this Saturday from 2-4 p.m. Come join the fun!

25th Anniversary clothing order should be in late this week or early next week ... still no word from the company producing personalized caps :(Will continue to try and get in touch with them.

Curious as to what meets we will be hosting this Spring & Summer Season? Here they are:

April 27 – Sprint Time Trials @ a local high school here in Racine

May 1-2 – 2nd Annual SEAY Early Bird Special @ Schroeder Aquatic Center in Brown Deer

June 22 – Dual w/GYST @ a local high school here in Racine

July 16-19 – Silver State @ RecPlex in Pleasant Prairie

Need a team suit? This year's team suit is Speedo Endurance Pacific Rhythm. Any swim outlet should have this in stock. There are a couple of links (Speedo, All-American and Kiefer) on the links page of the SEAY website.

Upcoming Meets & Events

Most swimmers currently on the team are ready for meets ... if you are interested in competing, please contact Neil. Driving directions, meet information, entries and fees can be found on the website.

- 1) **Bowling Party** at Castle Lanes will be held Saturday
 - a. \$14 gets you 2 hours of bowling and shoes
 - i. This is an all ages event
 - b. Speak with Neil if you are planning on attending
- 2) **SSTY A+** will be held in Brown Deer February 5-7
 - a. Entry deadline has passed
- 3) **SEAY Open** will be held in Waukesha February 7
 - a. **ALL** swimmers should attend this meet (unless they are swimming A+)
 - b. Entry deadline is January 21 – extended to tomorrow
- 4) **Dual w/OZ** will be held Case February 12
 - a. **ALL** swimmers should attend this meet
 - b. Entry deadline is February 8
- 5) **Regionals** will be held in Mequon February 19-21
 - a. If you are close to USA State qualifying times, you want to swim this meet as it's the last chance to make State
 - b. Entry deadline is February 1
- 6) **12 & Under State** will be held in Madison February 26-28
 - a. Entry deadline is February 21
- 7) **13 & Over State** will be held in Brown Deer March 4-7
 - a. Entry deadline is February 20
- 8) **YMCA Sectionals** will be held at YMCA at Pabst Farms in Oconomowoc March 13-14

- a. ALL swimmers are encouraged to swim this season-ending event
- 9) **YMCA State** will be held in Brown Deer March 19-21
 - a. Entry deadline is March 14
- 10) **YMCA Nationals** will be held in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida April 7-10
 - a. Entry deadline is March 22

Bowling party scheduled this Saturday

Mark your calendar, SEAY will be hitting the lanes **Saturday, January 30** from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This event is open to all swimmers (bummer bowling will be available for the little ones) and will take place at Castle Lanes. Cost will be \$14 and covers shoes and bowling for 2 hours. Forward your name to Neil if you plan on attending. To date: Caitlin Mertins, Alyssa and Hannah Curty, Ria Hernandez, Steph Schwartz, Smith kids x 3, Sara and Emily Bollendorf, Taylor and Tessa Pham, and Alice Pennings

Swim Clinic picks up another Olympic swimmer

We will be sponsoring a Breakout Swim Clinic at Carthage College on April 25. The two Olympic presenters will be Josh Davis and Mark Gangloff. Mark is a two-time Olympic gold medallist and current American world holder in the 50 Breaststroke. Josh is a three-time Olympic gold medallist and pervious world record holder in numerous events. Save the date and look for an informational flyer to be posted in the near future.

Annual Team Picture scheduled

This year’s team picture will be held at Case on March 11. The event begins with individual and buddy pictures starting at 5:30 p.m. and the group shot following shortly after. Order forms will be handed out a week prior to the event.

13&O training trip information

Tentatively the trip is planned for June 13-20 (dates may change depending on snow days). Traveling by bus to Seagrove Beach, FL. (between Panama City and Destin in the panhandle). Staying in condos across the street from the Gulf of Mexico. Training in an outdoor 50-meter pool. Possibility of a swim meet. More information will be made available in the next couple of months. Planning on attending? Let Neil know. To date, Paige and James Weslaski are attending and Mr. Weslaski has signed on to chaperone. Depending on the number of swimmers attending, 1-3 chaperones may be needed.

12 & Under State hotel

Families attending this season’s 12 & Under USA State can now reserve their hotel room. \$89 per night (includes hot breakfast buffet, pool & hot tub, 2 blocks from West Towne Mall). Release date is Friday, February 5. Call 608.662.1990, ext. 7603 and ask for the SEAY rate to book a room.

Americinn Madison West
516 Grand Canyon Rd.
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SCRIP fundraising program

Questions?? Deb Weyers at Weyers@ameritech.net. *REMINDER-You must go to www.shopwithscrip.com and register for Presto Pay at least 2 days before placing your first order. We do not accept checks or credit cards for SCRIP payments. SEAY’S Enrollment Code is 173DF3A917711. Thank you for supporting SEAY by participating in our new Scrip fundraising program.

Happy Birthday!

Cassie Bote (1/6)	Lindsey Flynn (1/10)	Becca Wilbershide (1/20)
Michael Young (1/20)	Sofia Badillo (1/28)	Marlee Reischl (1/29)
Abby Kortendick (1/31)		

SEAY Schedule

Jan .30	Team bowling party
Feb. 5-7	SSTY A+ Open
Feb. 7	SEAY Open
Feb. 8	Entry deadline for the dual w/OZ
Feb. 12	Dual w/OZ
Feb. 18	Board Meeting at Case, 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 19-21	Regionals
Feb. 20	Entry deadline for 13 & Over WI USA State

Feb. 26-28	12 & Under WI USA State
Mar. 4-7	13 & Over WI USA State
Mar. 6	Last day for diving practices
Mar. 11	Team Picture at Case, 5:30 p.m.
Mar. 13-14	YMCA Sectionals
Mar. 19-21	YMCA State
Mar. 22	Entry deadline for YMCA Nationals
Mar. 22-24	Back & Free Stroke Clinic w/Neil – more information to follow
Mar. 29-31	Breast & Fly Stroke Clinic w/Neil – more information to follow
Apr. 7-10	YMCA Nationals
Apr. 12	New swimmer tryouts – time and location tba
Apr. 12-15	FAST Clinic w/Myra – more information to follow
Apr. 19	First day of practice
Apr. 23	Entry deadline for Sprint Time Trials
Apr. 24	WI LSC Swimposium
Apr. 27	Sprint Time Trials
May 1-2	2 nd Annual SEAY Early Bird Special
May 13	Annual Team Banquet

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