



**Serpent Times**  
weekly newsletter for  
**South Eastern Aquatics**  
**Racine Family YMCA Swim Team**  
established September 1984



November 12, 2008

### Warm-up

The big news that came out of the board meeting last night was our December meet has been canceled. Although we are non-profit, we do have a budget to adhere to and with only 2-3 teams planning on attending our meet, it was not financially wise to host a meet that could possibly lose money. What's next? Coach Neil is looking for another meet and will post information when he has it. Keep a close eye on the homepage of the website.

The second of three new parent meetings took place last Thursday at Case; our final new parent meeting is scheduled for December 4<sup>th</sup> at Case beginning at 6:00 p.m. Each new parent meeting covers new material; please continue to attend them even if you have attended one or two already. Also, please use Coach Neil as you would a library. He's been at this gig since 1990 and can pretty much help you out with anything revolving around the operations of SEAY.

The order form for new suits can be found on the homepage of the website – place your order by November 24. Contact Lydia Bollendorf for more information 553.1949. Lydia will have suits to try on at Case (or Park if we are combined) Monday-Thursdays (6:00-7:30 p.m.).

Caps should be here in a week or two. They're pretty cool!

Speaking of caps, ALL swimmers must wear SEAY caps at the meets we attend. You can purchase a cap from Myra or Neil (\$5 for the white caps and \$10 for the cool green and black ones).

Remember, parents are not permitted on the pool deck during practice.

If you are reading this newsletter and did not receive it via email, but would like to receive email updates and the newsletter via email, please send a request to [s\\_e\\_a\\_y@yahoo.com](mailto:s_e_a_y@yahoo.com) and your email address will be added to the database.

SEAY's email address is [s\\_e\\_a\\_y@yahoo.com](mailto:s_e_a_y@yahoo.com) and the office phone number is (262) 635-3843.

### Upcoming Meets

If you are interested in competing in meets, please contact Coach Neil. All swimmers currently on the team are ready for meets. Driving directions and meet information for all SEAY attended meets can be found on the website.

- 1) **SSTY Invite** will be held at WSAC in Brown Deer on Sunday, November 16
  - a. This is a single session meet (all swimmers regardless of age swim in the same session)
  - b. Please be on deck ready to swim at 8:45 a.m.
  - c. Warm-ups begin at 9:00 a.m., meet begins at 10:00 a.m.
  - d. The heat sheet will be available on the home page of the website soon
  - e. Neil will work this meet
- 2) **BST Open** will be held at Carthage College in Kenosha on Friday-Sunday, November 21-23
  - a. A great meet close to home
  - b. Entries are closed for this meet
- 3) **SWAT Open** will be held at Waukesha South High School on Saturday, December 6
  - a. Scored/awarded against swimmers the same age (7 & U, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and Senior)
  - b. Entry deadline is Nov. 18

### Meet Recaps

**BST Dual** – What a great meet! Thanks to all the parents and past parents (that's right, we had parent's helping out during the meet who don't have swimmers involved with SEAY anymore) who helped out. Crazy good results ... 72% best times and only 7% DQs (we're getting better)! **Hottest List (all best times)** – Laura Barron, Tommy Benish, Collin Flynn, Lindsey Flynn, Emily Gaitens, Jarred Glaser, Benji Gordon, Christian Halstead, Ivar Iverson, Alaina Kruse, Marissa Kruse, Ella Lazzeroni, Jason Lewis, Kararina Liddell, Tony LoCurto, Will Mattison, Anicka Purath, Eilis Purath, Kadin Purath, Madison Richards, Sinclair Richards, Quinn Shannon, Carly Weiss, Victoria Westman, and Lauren Zenisek. **Hotter List (3 best times)** – Bailey Bleser, Kate Jacobson, Jacqueline Johnson, Graham Kilmer, and Hannah Molitor. **Hot List (2 best times)** – Natalia Badillo, Emily Bollendorf, William Buhler, Sally Carmody, Jacob Chartrand, Maxanna Collen, Maggie Danzer, Alex Duncan, John Freidheim, Jack Gaitens, Cassie Halstead, Alexis McCullough, Megan Mills, Aja Molitor, Kevin Pettit-Scantling, Abby Polzin, Jack Polzin, Marlee Reischl, Mikayla Stackman, Alex Stuebe, James Weslaski, and Rachel Zenisek. We also had swimmers crack into the **Top Ten all time in the history of the club** – Graham Kilmer (2Ba), Jacob

Chartrand (2Br), and Ivar Iverson (2Br). **Extreme improvements** in time were recorded by: Maxanna Collen (-18.98 in the 11M), Collin Flynn (-30.23 in the 1Br), Lindsey Flynn (-19.16 in the 1Ba), John Freidheim (-15.35 in the 5Fr), Taylor Herman (-39.93 in the 5Fr), Alaina Kruse (-15.50 in the 50Br), Megan Mills (-10.09 in the 1Fr), Abby Polzin (-25.56 in the 1Br), Anicka Purath (-37.18 in the 11M), Mikayla Stackman (-19.40 in the 5Fr), Carly Weiss (-23.64 in the 50Ba), and Lauren Zenisek (-14.35 in the 24Fr). Way to go swimmers!

**OCON Invite** – If you’re looking for a fun place to have a meet, this is the place. In between swims some of our swimmers were taking rides on the water slide! We’ll be attending YMCA Sectionals in March at this pool so mark your calendars (although we’ll have to curtail the water slide use until after the meet). We had our first swimmer post a qualifying time for state this season! Congratulations to Bailey Bleser who qualified for YMCA State in the 100 Free (his time of 1:28.54 surpassed the cut time of 1:31.09). Bailey and Tessa Pham (1:37.38) notched the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest times in club history in the 100 Free for 8 & Under swimmers. **Hottest List (3 best times)** – Bailey Bleser and Tessa Pham. **Hotter List (2 best times)** – Taylor Herman and Nick Knebel. We finished this meet with 31% best times and 2 DQs.

**WIAA Sectionals** – SEAY will be well represented at WIAA State this weekend after 5 girls qualified during last Saturday’s WIAA Sectional meet. Congratulations to Alisa Danzer, Dana Iverson, Ashleigh Slamann, Jodi Vanderford and Paige Weslaski on their achievements. A special tip of the swim cap to Alisa and Paige on their new YMCA National qualifying times (sprint frees and middle distance frees respectively). Congratulations to all SEAY girls who competed last weekend and good luck to those swimming this weekend in Madison. Go get ‘em girls!

**What to improve upon?** The coaching staff would like see more team unity. In between swims, swimmers should make an effort to cheer for teammates at the end of the lanes instead of sitting down and “just hanging out.”

### ***Practice location for the upcoming week***

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Thursday, Nov. 13	Combined @ Case
Friday, Nov. 14	Combined @ Case
Saturday, Nov. 15	Gr/B1/S1/S2 @ YMCA
Monday, Nov. 17	Normal practice (Case @ Case, Park @ Park)
Tuesday, Nov. 18	Normal practice (Case @ Case, Park @ Park)
Wednesday, Nov. 19	Normal practice (Case @ Case, Park @ Park)

### ***Fundraising Information***

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Thank you to all of the families that participated in the Elegant Farmer Fundraiser! It was quite a success. Reminder, \$5.00 of each order of pie or breads will be put towards the \$150.00 minimum family fundraising requirement.

Please mark your calendar for **Wednesday, November 19th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** for Elegant Farmer pick up at Case. Every family's order must be picked up during the scheduled pick up time.

Thank you and GO SEAY, Beth Polzin.

### ***USA Swimming Officials Class***

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SEAY parents interested in becoming USA Swimming Officials can attend a training class to be held on Saturday, November 15. Read more about it on the homepage of the SEAY website. Thanks in advance to Rich Bleser for stepping forward and attending the class – we are in desperate need of new officials. Board members will be approaching parents in an effort to find 6 more parents willing to become officials. Please volunteer ... no experience is necessary.

### ***Severe Weather – it’s coming***

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So there’s some snow on the ground and you’re wondering whether or not SEAY practice will be held? Well, while listening to local radio and television stations you hear or see RUSD has canceled school or after school activities, that means SEAY practice is canceled too. If you’re not sure, call the office at (262) 635-3843, check the homepage of the website or check your email (remember, you’ll only receive an email if you supplied one during registration – email Coach Neil if you are not currently receiving email updates from [s\\_e\\_a\\_y@yahoo.com](mailto:s_e_a_y@yahoo.com)).

### ***Happy Birthday!***

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Corbin Coe (11/1)	Taylor Pham (11/1)	Quinn Shannon (11/4)
Alyssa Curty (11/5)	Jacqueline Johnson (11/11)	Sam Aiello (11/13)
Mikayla Stackman (11/16)	Sydney Aiello (11/17)	Anicka Purath (11/20)
Katarina Liddell (11/22)	Kim Richards (11/23)	Eilis Purath (11/30)

## Get To Know **Kevin Pettit-Scantling**

Age: 17

Training group: *Senior 2*

Year started with SEAY: 2007

Role model: *Grandpa*

Favorite stroke: *Free*

Favorite event: *200 Free*

Favorite swimmer: *Ivar Iverson*

Favorite training set: *Sprints*

Future goal: *To be happy with my life*

Favorite book: *Curious George*

Favorite movie: *To many to choose*

When I grow up I want to be: *To be happy*

If I could change one thing in the world: *Gravity*



### **SEAY Schedule**

November 15	WIAA Girls' State Meet
November 16	SSTY Invite @ WSAC in Brown Deer
November 17	WIAA swimming begins for high school boys
November 18	Deadline to enter SWAT Open, contact Coach Neil
November 19	Pie pick-up, 5:30-7:00 p.m. @ Case
November 21-23	BST Open @ Carthage College in Kenosha
November 24	Deadline to order new team suits – see order form on the home page of the website
November 27-28	No Practice, Happy Thanksgiving
December 1	Returning High School Girls Registration, Case High School, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
December 1	Deadline to sign-up for SEAY Open
December 4	New parent meeting @ Case beginning at 6:00 p.m.
December 6	SWAT Open @ Waukesha South High School
December 10	Mini Meet Three
December 11	Combined @ Horlick
<del>December 13-14</del>	<del>SEAY Open @ Carthage College – canceled</del>
December 15	Deadline to sign-up for BST Open
December 17	Board meeting at Park, 6:00 p.m. – all welcome
December 24-25	No Practice, Merry Christmas
December 31-January 1	No Practice, Happy New Year

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