



Serpent Times

The Weekly Newsletter of Southeastern Aquatics

Racine Family YMCA Swim Team, Est. 1984

December 1, 2017

Neil's Notes

I hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving weekend! It was so nice out ... crazy for this time of year.

We are back in action tonight and tomorrow as we travel to Greenfield High School for SWAT's Swim Your Own Age meet. Timeline is below ... swim fast, drive safe, have fun!

SWAT Information:

Friday evening warm-ups begin at 4:30 p.m., meet begins at 5:40 p.m. and is scheduled to end at 9:13 p.m.

Saturday AM warm-ups for 8&U and 13&O swimmers begin at 7:30 a.m., meet begins at 8:40 a.m. and is scheduled to finish at 12:37 p.m.

Saturday PM warm-ups for 9-12-year-old swimmers begin at 12:45 p.m., meet begins at 1:55 p.m. and is scheduled to end at 5:24 p.m.

INDY TRAVEL Meet INFORMATION:

I will take entries through December 6 (please don't be late). Meet will be held January 26-28. Here's the information for the hotel we'll be staying at – Comfort Suites Indianapolis by the airport. The rate is \$99 per night, for a double queen suite with pullout sofa. This hotel also has an indoor pool, free breakfast, free parking, fridge, microwave, and Wi-Fi. To secure the group rate, reservations need to be made by calling the hotel directly and give them our group code (SEA). Call the hotel at 317.481.0700. Address is 2750 Fortune Circle West, Indianapolis, IN 46241.

SCRIP orders are due Sunday, December 3. Don't forget!

Coach Katie can be reached at coachkatiejames@gmail.com. Remember, my staff and I are here for you and your swimmers. If you're confused about anything or are wondering why things are done the way there are done ... ask! Happy to help!

Katie's Kickboard

Katie's feeling under the weather. Check back next week.

Fundraising Reminders

The correct date for our Swim-a-Thon is ... Thursday, December 21, 5:30 p.m. at Park High School.

Upcoming Meets

| Date | Meet | Entry Deadline |
|----------------------|---|----------------|
| December 1-2, 2017 | SWAT | Entries closed |
| December 8-10, 2017 | SSTY | Entries closed |
| December 16-17, 2017 | Single Age State Sprint Championships | Entries closed |
| December 19, 2017 | Middle Distance Time Trials | 12/19 |
| January 5, 2018 | Distance Time Trials | 1/4 |
| January 6, 2018 | EBSC | 12/16 |
| January 13-14, 2018 | SEA Penguin Challenge | 12/28 |
| January 26-28, 2018 | 35 th Annual Circle City Classic | 12/1 |
| February 2-4, 2018 | A+ | 12/1 |
| February 3, 2018 | Dual w/Lake Geneva | 1/20 |
| February 9, 2018 | Dual w/OZ | 2/1 |
| February 10-11, 2018 | LAKE | 1/21 |

Strength Training with Coach Matt

Strength Training is an important part of cross training for our high school athletes and Coach Matt will begin offering three training sessions a week at his new location – Mt. Sinai Gym, 2045 Lathrop Avenue here in Racine.

Training will be offered Tuesday and Thursday, 4:00-5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Take advantage – strength equals speed!

We Need Officials and You Can Help

To run the meets we do, we need officials (duh, right?). Liz Christensen serves as your Officials Chair on our parent board and can help you become an official. Please reach out to Liz at 262.994.4088 or via email at ejchrist@wi.rr.com. No experience necessary and when you volunteer at SEA hosted meets it fulfills your worker obligations (while giving you one of the best seats in the house).

SCRIP Information

The SCRIP program is one of the easiest ways to meet your \$150 fundraising minimum for the Fall & Winter Season.

How it works, basically, families purchase gift cards for stores and receive a percentage back of each gift card purchased back in the form of fundraising dollars. There are a few families currently receiving over \$100 and more from this program annually.

In addition, once families have met their fundraising minimums, all dollars raised through SCRIP are deposited into their family fund accounts and can be used for swim tuition and meet fees.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Halina Puszisz at 262.497.1272 or via email at hbp0691@gmail.com.

Take advantage of this easy opportunity and use SCRIP today! Detailed information can be found on our website. Here are the upcoming order and delivery dates:

*** Please note that Thanksgiving bonuses are very high, but unfortunately available only in "SCRIP Now" and "Reloads." ***

| Order By | Delivery On |
|-------------|----------------|
| December 3 | December 6-7 |
| December 17 | December 20-21 |
| January 7 | January 10-11 |
| January 21 | January 24-25 |
| February 4 | February 7-8 |
| February 18 | February 21-22 |
| March 4 | March 7-8 |
| March 18 | March 21-22 |

No Locker Rooms Available at Case

When we are training at Case High School and a high school basketball game is hosted there, we will lose use of the locker rooms. The bathrooms upstairs will be available for changing (please be sure to wear shoes when walking in the hallways. Dates in which the locker rooms will not be available include: November 21, 28, December 7, 8, 12, 15, January 3, 5, 8, 12, 19, 23, 26, February 2, 6, 8, 9, 15, 22.

November & December Birthdays

| November | December |
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| Jonah Bouy, Nolan Mrotek, Helena Pudzisz, Macie Ritter, Lauren Flynn, Taylor Knaus | Alessandra Arteaga, Ethan Bergman, Sara Bollendorf, Nathaniel Foster, Alex Pudzisz, Chris Pudzisz, Sammie Spanske, Mac Thomas, Rachel Christensen, Cole Johnson, Brianna Jones, Eleanor Mason, Janavi Munagavalasa |