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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Spring & Summer returning registration will be held at Sealed Air YMCA on Monday, April 14th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Next board meeting is April 7 at 6:00 p.m. - Sealed Air YMCA. All welcome!
- Team swim caps are now available. Get yours today! \$12 per cap from either Mike or Neil. Team car decals available too!

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Neil's Kickboard

Are you missing a phone? Do you think you left if on deck during last weekend's 13&O State meet? Contact me if did.

We will have an informational meeting in regards to the upcoming 13&O Training Trip on March 25th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Sealed Air YMCA. All interested swimmers and at least one parent should be at the meeting. Those deciding to attend the trip will submit a \$100 deposit at the conclusion of this meeting.

Diving practice will conclude on March 22. Diving practice is held at the Downtown YMCA from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Saturdays. The final practices of the season will be held on March 15 and 22. Take advantage!

Please save the date (April 14th)

when Missy Reischl and her band of merry board members conduct Spring & Summer registration at the Sealed Air YMCA from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. You



YMCA Sectionals is on tap this weekend in Oconomowoc. As usual, drive safe, swim fast and HAVE FUN!

don't want to miss swimming outdoors at Meadowbrook Country Club in the summer!

Did you sign-up for End of SEASON Time Trials? Contact me if

you are interested.

Stilling waiting for our first parent to step forward and volunteer to become an official. According to USA Swimming there are Seven Traits of Successful Swim Teams and having a pool of USA certified Officials is one of the traits. We currently do house a quality pool of officials, but no one can stop the hands of time and as our officials swimmers move through the school system, they eventually graduate and head to college (and their "official" parents move on to other adventures). Won't you volunteer?

Please call or email me if you ever have any questions or concerns. 262.898.4766 and at south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com. Thanks for reading.

YMCA Sectional Meet Information

This weekend we head to Oconomowoc to compete in YMCA Sectionals!

Saturday AM warm-ups which include our 8&U and Senior swimmers begin at 8:00 a.m., the meet begins at 9:00 a.m. and is scheduled to finish at 11:24 a.m.

Saturday PM warm-ups which include our 10&U and 11-12 swimmers begin at 11:30 a.m., meet begins at 12:30 p.m. and is scheduled to end at 3:26 p.m.

Sunday AM warm-ups (8&U and Senior swimmers) begin at 8:00 a.m., meet begins at 9:00 a.m. and

is scheduled to end at 12:22 p.m.

Sunday AM warm-ups (10&U and 11-12 swimmers) begin at 12:15 p.m., meet begins at 1:15 p.m. and is scheduled to end at 4:09 p.m.

Drive safe, swim fast, have fun!
GO SEA!!!



One of the strengths of our team is the strong pool of officials we have. Please think about becoming an official.

Sometimes it seems the process of building a pool lasts forever. As of the end of February, the powers that be at the YMCA are in the final stages of pulling together three committees to research the following needs 1) expanding Sealed Air, 2) doing something with the Downtown Y, and 3) expanding to Burlington. Pat Lewno and Coach Neil have been nominated to serve on the Sealed Air committee. More information to follow as it become available.

Aging up, it happens to everyone.



Become an Official ... it's easy

It's that time of year again ... time to solicit parents to take that step to become officials.

We had an outstanding response last year and certified six new officials during our current Fall & Winter Season. Thanks to those who went through the process!

At this point, we are just taking names of interested parents who would be willing to take the first officials

class - Stroke & Turn Officials Clinic.

Parents who desire to become a USA Swimming Official will pay for their class and Background Check and once they have gone through their apprenticeship, SEA and/or the WI LSC reimburses all expenses incurred during the process.

Moving forward, parents who continue to maintain their USA Swimming Mem-

bership as an Official and support our hosted meets as officials, SEA will continue to cover their membership fees.

Once we have 5-6 parents listed in this section, we'll scheduled a clinic.

Parents interested in becoming an Official, please contact Neil at 262.898.4766 or via email south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com. Thanks!

SCRIP - The Easiest Way to Fundraise

Here are the current order by/delivery on dates for SCRIP: order by March 17, delivery on March 20. Deadline to order is 8 AM. All deliveries will be in the balcony from 5:30 p.m to 6:00 p.m. Individual arrangements can also be made.

Your order can be placed at www.shopwithscrip.com by using the SEA enrollment code of 173DF3A917711 and registering for PrestoPay a minimum

of 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. Happy Shopping!

SCRIP Quick Facts

- 1) www.shopwithscrip.com
- 2) SEA enrollment code = 173DF3A917711

- 3) Payment method = PrestoPay
- 4) Deliveries are scheduled 1-2 times per month during practice. Other options include ScripNow (print at home) and Re-load

Questions? Please contact Brenda Rose at brose7@wi.rr.com or Kim Wergin at kimwergin@aol.com. Thanks!

March & April Birthdays

Isabelle B. & Noura D.
Kobe G. & Carter J.
Sirkar M. & Jordan P.
Oliver R. & Jake T.
Grace Z. & Rishi A.

Josephine B. & Lizzy B.
Bailey B. & Emily B.
Brandon C. & Tanner C.
Kate J. & Cayla J.
Cyrus L. & Emma L.

Mackenzie R. & Alice S.
Mariska T. & Grady T.
Sophie H. & Alaina K.
Marissa K. & Cole L.
Alexis M. & Tessa P.

Save the Dates for our Spring & Summer Meets



Please mark your calendars and update your smart phones for our upcoming meets.

We will be hosting three meets during the upcoming Spring & Summer Season. These events are huge fundraisers for our team and all families benefit for the revenue generated from these events with economical swim fees.

Our first meet will be the 6th Annual SEA

Early Bird. This meet will be held May 3-4 in Brown Deer at Schroeder.

The second meet we host will be the 5th Annual SEA Summer Sizzler. This meet will be held June 20-21 in Pleasant Prairie at the Rec Plex.

The final meet of the summer we are hosting will be the 13&O State Championships. This meet will be held July 31-August 3 in Pleasant Prairie at the Rec Plex.

To give families an idea of what kind of meet income is generated from the meets we run ... this year's budgeted meet revenue is \$65,000, roughly 40% of the operating budget.

With our vision to build a pool, hosting meets also builds a next egg for that project.

Your continued support working SEA hosted meets has been and always will be greatly appreciated.

End of SEASON Time Trials

We have been finishing each season for the past couple years with End of SEASON Time Trials and this one is no different.

End of SEASON Time Trials is open to all swimmers not participating in YMCA State and will take place Friday, March 21 at Case High School beginning with 5:30 p.m. warm-ups. The meet will begin at 6:15 p.m.

Parent volunteers will be needed to help with timing. If you are able to help out, please meet on deck next to the pool office at 6:05 p.m.

Entries to date are posted on our website under the Members dropdown page / Meet Information.

This event also represents the final practice of the season for those

athletes not competing in YMCA Nationals.

Registration for our next season will be held Monday, April 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Sealed Air YMCA. The Spring & Summer season begins Monday, April 21 and runs through July 30. We hope to SEA you there!



Wine Tasting, Raffle & Silent Auction, March 28th

This is a reminder that our awesome UNCORKT fundraiser is March 28.

Like last year I am looking to have each swim group put together a basket to raffle off at the event and as of February 27th all groups have been covered. Thanks to Lydia Bollendorf, Stacy Suprak-Spanske, Beth Gilmore,

Stacy Kehl, Missy Reischl, Andrea Gendreau, and Molly Buhler. When these great volunteers reach out and contact you, please help them out in any way you can. Thanks!

Tickets are now available! \$20 covers appetizers and drinks. Please call Rebecca if you plan to attend - tickets are limited.

Last year was very successful and was a fantastic time. Let's make this year even better! Thank you parents for all of your help and support of this swim team! Rebecca Scharff - 414.807.4353.



The Raffle & Silent Auction portion of our Wine Tasting event was well received last year. Tickets will be available soon. Won't you join us?



We had a great team effort last weekend in Pleasant Prairie during 13&O State.

"It's amazing how much can be accomplished if no one cares who gets the credit." ~ John Wooden

13&O State Recap

Solid efforts recorded throughout during the 4-day 13&O State meet last weekend in Pleasant Prairie. Here are the highlights:

Ivar Iverson brought home the 15-16 Boys 2nd place High Point Award (119 points total). He also broke four team records! He now owns the fastest 1Ba in our history when he touched in 52.35 (broke Josh Griffey's 2004 mark of 52.68). His remaining records were 15-16 marks (1Br = 57.99, broke Chris Lashley's 2001 mark of 59.51, 2Br = 2:10.79, broke own 2013 mark

of 2:11.88, and 1Bf = 51.21, broke Chuck Allison's 2007 mark of 52.37).

Emily Bollendorf reset her 13-14 1Bf record of 58.21 with her effort of 57.39.

Will Buhler broke Ivar's 2012 13-14 1Br record of 1:02.49 with his effort of 1:02.47.

Our 13-14 Girls attacked our relay team records breaking four of them: Emily, Marlee Reischl, Kayla Rose and Caitlin Mertins broke the 400 Free Relay = 3:51.47; Emily, Emelia Selky,

Marlee and Caitlin broke the 800 Free Relay = 8:22.16; Emelia, Caitlin, Emily and Marlee broke the 200 Medley Relay = 1:56.89 and the 400 Medley Relay = 4:20.04.

New YMCA State Qualifying Times were achieved by Caitlin Mertains (1Br, 2IM), Emily Bollendorf (1Fr, 2Fr), Bailey Bleser (50Fr, Mile), Marlee Reischl (50Fr), Ivar Iverson (2Fr), and Jacob MacKenzie (4IM).

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Carthage College ... This Week

With RUSD's Spring Recess right around the corner, this section of the newsletter serves as a reminder and contains important updated practice times as the Carthage pool is not available until 6:00 p.m.

We will practice at Carthage College March 10-14. RUSD keeps outside organizations from using their facilities when

school is not in session (if you are wondering why we can't train at Case and Park).

Practice times for March 10-14 will be:

Pups/Lions - 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Dragons - 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Green - 6:15-7:30 p.m.

Blue - 6:15-8:00 p.m.

Senior 1 & 2 - 6:00-8:00 p.m.

At this point in the season maybe you are wondering where our Spring & Summer practices will be held?

Well, currently Carthage College for all PM practices and once school ends we will offer AM practices at Meadowbrook Country Club. There is an attempt to keep Park High School open this Spring & Summer ... time will tell.

Bird Bath Open ... this summer



Last summer we attended the Bird Bath Open in Appleton at the outdoor 50-meter pool (Erb Park) after not attending this event for many years.

Similar to the Green Bay meet, this travel meet offers our families an opportunity to bond in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

The park where the pool is located is surrounded by

acres and acres of green grass and trees along with playgrounds and other recreational fields.

Families who attended last year brought their shade tents and folding chairs and relaxed in the shade enjoying each others company while they waited for their swimmers to compete.

This summer we'll be heading back to the Bird Bath Open and the dates are set ... July 11-13 and rooms have been blocked off at the same hotel as last year

(County Inn & Suites). The rate is \$105 + tax. Five rooms are king suites (w/ pullout sofa) and 25 rooms are come with two queen beds (all rooms are equipped with microwaves and refrigerators). The hotel offers a hot breakfast too. Call 920.830.3240 by June 11 to reserve your room.

Mark your calendars and join us won't you? Good times (both in and out of the pool) are guaranteed to be had by all.

13&0 State Recap ... continued



Posting some of the quickest times in the history of our team included Emily Bollendorf (3rd 2Fr, 4th 4IM, 7th 50Fr, 5th 1Fr), Ivar Iverson (4th 2Fr, 5th 50Fr,

We had our highest finish ever at 13&0 State last weekend - 4th. Our previous best was 7th.

2nd 2Bf, 2nd 2IM), Bailey Bleser (2nd Mile, 3rd 1K, 6th 4IM, 6th 500Fr), Jacob MacKenzie (5th Mile, 7th 1K, 8th 4IM, 8th 500Fr, 8th 2Bf), Caitlin Mertins (6th 1Br), Nick Galis (8th 2Fr, 4th 50Fr), Maren Hoferitza-Palermo (6th 1Bf, 6th 4IM, 4th 2Bf), Will Buhler (2nd 2Br), and Collin Flynn (7th 1Ba, 9th 2IM). Achieving new Summer Speedo

qualifying times were Emily (1Bf) and Ivar (1Ba, 1Bf, 2Bf).

Our relays were simply amazing. We dropped 117 seconds compared to our seed times and a few of our Senior boys relays just missed Y-Nat qualifying times.

Congratulations 13&0 State swimmers and good luck to everyone at YMCA Sectionals. GO SEA!

Don't forget to sign-up for End of SEASON Time Trials ... will be held Friday, March 21 at Case.

“This year’s 13&0 Training Trip will take place June 22-29. We will be heading back to Laguna Beach, FL.”

13&0 Over Training Trip Information

We will have an informational meeting on Tuesday, March 25 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Sealed Air YMCA. All swimmers planning on attending and at least one parent should attend this meeting. Please contact Neil if you are unable to attend. At the conclusion of this meeting, swimmers planning on attending will submit a \$100 deposit.

This year's trip will take place June 22-29. We will be staying in the same location as the past two trips (Laguna Beach, FL) and be training at the same facility as the last two trips (the Panama City Beach Aquatic Center).

Two year's ago the cost for transportation (via van), lodging and pool rental was \$678 per swimmer.

Swimmers will need additional funds to cover meals and incidentals.

As this is a training-trip, there's no side excursions really planned except for dinner at the Red Bar in Grayton Beach and an afternoon trip to the quaint town of Seaside (where the movie *The Truman Show* was filmed).

At this time, please forward your name to Neil if you are planning on attending and if

you are willing to chaperone (first come first served).

To date, Erin Cain, Rachel Zenisek, Kayla Rose, Emily Bollendorf, Josh Bote, Ivar Iverson, Caitlin Mertins, Jason Lewis, Maren Hoferitza-Palermo, Will Buhler, Bailey Bleser, Tiffany Steffes, Claire Holewinski, Paige Betthausen, Jacob MacKenzie and Marlee Reischl is planning on attending. A minimum of 12 swimmers are needed for this trip to happen.

Please contact Neil if you have questions.

Where will practice be for Spring & Summer

Like all teams without a true home, our pool time has to be worked out with the local swimming pools available for our use. This Spring & Summer is no different.

As of today, we have pool time locked-and-loaded for Spring & Summer.

Currently, all PM practices will be held at Carthage College and when

the RUSD school year ends, AM practices will begin at Meadowbrook Country Club.

The Spring & Summer Season begins April 21 and ends July 30.

Those wishing to swim Spring only will train April 21 to June 22.

Those wishing to swim Summer only will train June 1-July 30.

There is an outside chance that

Park High School may be available through the end of May, but that remains to be seen. Please watch the website and your email inbox for any pertinent updates concerning the upcoming Spring & Summer Season.

Thanks in advance for your patience and understanding.





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**Parent Motto:
Love, Support, Transport.**

SEA's Mission:

To empower the youth of Southeastern Wisconsin to be champions in life through excellence in swimming.

SEA's Vision:

As a swim team without a true home, it's SEA's vision to one day build a pool to call home.

Established in 1984, we are set to celebrate our 30th anniversary this year!

On the Starting Blocks

March 2014

15-16, YMCA Sectionals
21, End of SEASON Time Trials
21-23, YMCA State
28, Wine Tasting, Silent Auction, Raffle

April 2014

1-4, YMCA Nationals
7, Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. - all welcome
14, Returning Registration, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Sealed Air Y

May 2014

1, Sprint Time Trials
3-4, 6th Annual SEA Early Bird
8, Annual Awards Banquet - no practice
9, SEA vs. NBSC
16-18, BDSC Open
22, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups, Lions and Dragons)
30-1, PX3 Invite

June 2014

5, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups, Lions and Dragons)
6, EBSC 8&U Swim Your Own Age
6-8, SHOR Open
13, Tri-Dual w/LGSC & KYST
20-21, 5th Annual SEA Summer Sizzler
22-29, I3&O Training Trip (tentative



Take a look at the months ahead and stay up-to-date.

dates)

July 2014

11-13, Bird Bath Open
31-3, I3&O State (SEA hosted)

August 2014

4-26, OST (off-season training)

September 2014

2-18, OST
22, First day of practice