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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

Tonight is the last practice of the 2013-2014 Fall & Winter Season. Read about off season training opportunities on page five.

Over 50 swimmers are scheduled to swim End of SEASON Time Trials tomorrow night at Case! 5:30 p.m. warm-ups - parent volunteers are needed and appreciated (meet at the pool office beginning at 6:05 p.m.).

We will have an informational meeting in regards to the upcoming I3&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 practice of the season will be held this Saturday. Remember, there is no practice this Saturday at Sealed Air.



YMCA State is this weekend! Compared to last year we managed 8 more entries in the meet this year (trending upwards is always good).

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

Not waiting for our first parents to express interest in volunteering to become an official thanks to Jose and Anna Arteaga. 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 State Meet Information

Friday evening warm-ups will begin at 4:00 p.m., meet begins at 5:00 p.m. and is scheduled to finish at 7:10 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday AM warm-ups for 10&U swimmers begin at 7:30 a.m., meet begins at 8:20 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m. both days.

Saturday AM warm-ups for 11&O swimmers begin at 10:00 a.m., meet

begins at 11:05 a.m. and is scheduled to finish at 12:47 p.m.

Saturday PM warm-ups for 11&O swimmers begin at Noon, meet begins at 1:00 p.m. and is scheduled to finish at 3:50 p.m.

Sunday AM warm-ups for 11&O swimmers begin at 10:00 a.m., meet begins at 11:00 a.m. and is scheduled

to finish at 1:04 p.m.

Sunday PM warm-ups for 11&O swimmers begin at 12:15 p.m., meet begins at 1:15 p.m. and is scheduled to finish at 3:06 p.m.

Heat sheets are available via the link on our homepage under NEWS.

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 Membership 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.

To date, Jose and Anna Arteaga have expressed interest.

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 see 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?

YMCA Sectional Recap



Good team spirit and cheering last weekend during YMCA Sectionals.

Great results posted during the YMCA Sectional event last weekend in Oconomowoc.

As the fifth largest team in the meet it comes as no surprise that we finished fifth overall with 578.5 points. We'll attempt to be the fourth largest team next year!

Congratulations to Ivar Iverson on his 15-16 Boys team record and YMCA National qualifying time in the 200 Backstroke, 1:57.55.

Swimmers achieving new State

qualifying times were Sofia Badillo (25Br), Sara Bollendorf (1Bf, 2IM, 500), Will Buhler (1Ba, 2Ba, 2IM), Mackenzie Reischl (50Br, 1IM), and CJ Trask (25Bf).

Posting some of the fastest times in the history of our team included Sofia Badillo (5th 25Fr, 5th 50Fr, 3rd 1Fr, 4th 25Ba, 2nd 50Ba, 3rd 50Bf), Natalia Badillo (4th 500, 10th 1Bf), Rachel Christensen (8th 500), Mackenzie Reischl (9th 1Fr, 8th 1IM), Sara Bollendorf (8th 500, 5th 1Bf, 7th 2IM), Maren Hoferitza-Palermo (8th 2IM), CJ Trask (5th

1Fr, 9th 25Bf, 3rd 50Bf), Hugo Arteaga (8th 1Fr, 8th 50Ba, 6th 50Br), Austin Lentz (6th 500), Jake Trask (6th 1Fr, 3rd 2Fr, 3rd 1Ba), Will Buhler (10th 500, 8th 2Ba), Bailey Bleser (8th 2Br, 8th 2Bf), Ivar Iverson (10th 50Fr, 4th 1Fr, 4th 500), and Nick Galis (8th 2Bf).

Swimmers posting 100% best times included Payton Church, Corbin Coe, Drew Esson, Megan Groen, Claire Holewinski, Scott Palmer, Jordan Pier, Abby Povkovich, and Samantha Spanske.

Great job swimmers!

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

Annual Recognition Banquet

Each year we celebrate our swimmers successes with our annual banquet.

This year's banquet will be held Thursday, May 8th at Infusino's Banquet Hall (3201 Rapids Drive - down the road from Horlick High School) from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to reflect on a year's worth of hard work and success and to

spend time with your swim team family - and also a night you don't have to cook dinner.

Every swimmer receives an award; team record plaques, Iron SEA Serpent awards, and dedication awards are handed out and our graduating seniors share their experiences of swimming with SEA.

Dinner includes salad, bread & butter, mostaccioli, baked

chicken, pizza, Italian potatoes, milk, coffee, soda, cake and cash bar.

Cost is \$13 for adults, \$6 for children and 4&U are free.

The deadline to send in your registration form is May 1 and the registration form was included in today's email as an attached and is posted on the homepage of our website.

Won't you join us?!

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.

OST (off season training) Scheduled



When pool time is available, we like to offer OST (off season training) between seasons.

Usually this information is out well in advance, but RUSD has yet to

Not every swimmer wants to take a break between seasons. OST is the perfect solution.

decide when the pools will be drained. At this point, we will offer OST to those swimmers interested on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursdays beginning this Monday, March 24 and running through to April 17.

Pups, Lions, Dragons will train from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Green, Blue, Senior 1, and Senior 2 will train from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30

p.m.

At this point, all practices will be held at Case.

The cost is \$30 for Pups, Lions, and Dragons.

The cost is \$60 for Green, Blue, Senior 1, and Senior 2.

Families who want their swimmers entered in OST should email Coach Neil and submit payment during the first practice they attend (cash or check made payable to SEA).

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

13&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).

Chaperone the trip this year will be Lydia Bollendorf and Kim Wergin.

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

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 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



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