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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Saturday practice is scheduled this weekend at Sealed Air and Downtown Y. Take advantage!
- Next board meeting is May 8 at 6:00 p.m. - during our banquet. All welcome!
- Team swim caps are available. Get yours today! \$12 per cap from either Mike or Neil. Team car decals available too!

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# SERPENT TIMES



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## Neil's Kickboard

Tomorrow is our Annual Recognition Banquet! Please remember, there is no practice tomorrow.

Thanks to all the parents who stepped forward to help out during Sprint Time Trials last week (results are posted on the website and via Meet Mobile).

I had great response for the upcoming BDSC Open scheduled for May 16-18 (all reserved swimmers were accounted for). Please take a moment and review the Meet Information of the website and declare your intentions for any of our upcoming meets.

Most excellent results from our meet last weekend in Brown Deer. Read all about our teams success later on in this newsletter.

The dual meet between NBSC has been pushed back to May 23rd. I'm still waiting for the meet infor-

mation, but can tell you this event will be held in New Berlin and I believe warm-ups begin at 6:00 p.m. More information will be following shortly.



**Did you enter your swimmers in our upcoming Summer Sizzler? I wonder if we can reach 100% participation? One swimmer at a time.**

Our first Pups/Lions/Dragons intersquad meet (Packers vs. Brewers) is quickly approaching. Read all about this new experience on page three and please email if you would like

your swimmer entered in this meet (it will take place during practice).

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.

## BDSC Open Information

Our next meet will be the BDSC Open and it will be held at the RecPlex in Pleasant Prairie May 16-18.

Please watch this section of the newsletter for the most up-to-date information in regards to warm-up times and the like.

In the meantime, take a moment to look at your calendars and view the Meet Information page of the website.

Select some meets for your swimmers to compete in and email Coach Neil ... he'll be happy to enter your swimmers in any meets posted on our website.

### Did you know?

During the Fall & Winter Season our primary competition pools are 25-yards or "short course" while many of the meets we will attend during the Spring & Summer Season will be held in

50-meter pools or "long course." Don't fall into the trap of comparing your 25-yard times to your 50-meter times as it's like comparing oranges and apples (since a 50-meter race is longer than a 50-yard race). Additionally don't put a lot of stock in converting times from yards to meters and/or meters to yards.



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 schedule a clinic.

To date, Jose and Anna Arteaga and Heather Hoferitza-Palermo 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 May 5, delivery on May 8 (our Banquet), order May 19, delivery on May 22 (dual meet), order June 2, delivery on June 5, order by June 16, delivery on June 19, order by July 7, delivery July 10, and order by July 21, delivery on July 24. 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!

## May & June Birthdays

Joey A.  
Josh A.  
Paige B.  
Emily C.  
Payton C.  
Maren HP.  
Dylan S.  
CJ T.  
James W.  
Rachel Z.

Josh B.  
Emma C.  
Parker P.  
Elena R.  
Tia R.  
Colton S.  
Stephanie S.  
Megan T.  
Alisa D.  
Maddie H.

Chad H.  
Toni M.  
Will M.  
Laura S.  
Ali V.  
Megan M.  
Nick G.  
John P.  
Shannon R.  
Jodi V.

# 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 (each day is offered as one session only).

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 (this is a all day Friday and Saturday meet - Sunday is off).

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 (all day Thursday-Sunday).

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.

## Not Every Swimmer Needs Incentive

Beginning this Spring & Summer SEASON, attending practice regularly will garner a custom SEA swim cap. Cool, huh?

The "cool prize" is pictured to the right ... the golden SEA cap for swimmers attending 100 practices in the upcoming season.

Of course this golden cap will be difficult to get as this season is

only 15 weeks long and our double practice schedule will be cut short because of how long RUSD will be in session this school year, but it's still possible to achieve if you put your mind to it - and, if not this season, we'll continue this incentive program in the Fall & Winter (practices from one season to the other do

not carry over). Nice try.

Not only are there golden caps, but silver (75 practices), green (50 practices), and black (25 practices) too.

What color will you aim for? Regardless, just attend practice regularly and you'll get one or two or three or even four caps.



## Something new for Pups, Lions & Dragons

In an effort to supply our younger swimmers more meet-type situations, a dual meet schedule has been adopted in which swimmers training with Pups, Lions and Dragons will be split into two teams - Packers and/or Brewers and fun dual meets will be held throughout the course of the season.

The Packers vs. Brewers meet schedule is as follows, May 22, June 5, June 19, July 10, and July 24.

Parents who would like their swimmers entered in any of these meets need only email Neil - the more the merrier!

Attending meets can be a scary

experience for some swimmers and the experiences gained from our Packers vs. Brewers dual meets should help in easing those feelings. Take advantage of this opportunity and watch your swimmer grow!



This season the Pups, Lions and Dragons will be split into two teams - the Packers and/or the Brewers. Will you be a Packer or a Brewer? Hope to see you racing!



As expected, we posted a high percentage of best times last weekend during our Early Bird meet. Way to go swimmers!

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

## 6th Annual Early Bird Recap

It's been eight months since most of our swimmers raced in a 50-meter pool and accordingly, best times were falling from the sky.

Sara Bollendorf notched a new State qualifying times in the 50Bf and the following swimmers posted some of the quickest times in the history of our team: Natalia Badillo (7th 50Fr, 7th 50Br, 10th 2IM, 3rd 1Br), Sara Bollendorf (5th 50Br, 6th 2Br, 7th 2IM), Emily Bollendorf (7th 1Br), Jake Trask (6th 50Fr, 5th 50Ba, 4th 50Bf, 5th 2IM), Ivar Iverson (2nd 1Fr, 2nd 1Ba), Collin Flynn (8th 2Ba), Jacob MacKenzie (9th 2IM), and Austin

Lentz (5th 4Fr).

Posting 100% best times were Natalia Badillo, Sofia Badillo, Sara Bollendorf, Josh Bote, Kayla Bote, Isabelle Buhler, Emily Cain, Erin Cain, Maritxell Chavez-Alvarado, Rachel Christensen, Bailey Chryst, Payton Church, Tanner Coca, Drew Esson, Collin Flynn, Maya Frodl, Claire Holewinski, Carter Johnson, Cayla Julius, Hannah Kehl, Austin Lentz, Jason Lewis, Emilie Miller, Samyukta Munagavalasa, Srikar Munagavalasa, Emaleigh Neo, Mansha Palliyath, Scott Palmer, Yashovardhan Patil, Katie Pogodzinski, Abby Povko-

vich, Alex Pudzisz, Chris Pudzisz, Helena Pudzisz, Abby Smith, Dylan Steffes, Tiffany Steffes, Stephanie Strange, Mariska Thoennes, Jake Trask, Neil Wright III, and Rachel Zenisek.

Dropping more than ten seconds in a single event included: Joey Abel -17.16 1Fr, Natalia Badillo -22.99 2IM, Sofia Badillo -16 1Fr, Sara Bollendorf -15.37 2IM, Kayla Bote -21.44 1Fr, Isabelle Buhler -25.30 2Fr, Rachel Christensen -27.02 1Ba, Halina Collins -31.88 50Fr, Collin Flynn -18.63 2Fr, Maya Frodl -15.97 2Fr, continued at the bottom of the next page ...

## SEA Team Suits & Equipment

When: May 14, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Where: Park High School

What: A representative from Kiefer will have team suits and equipment for fitting and sales. They will be bringing goggles, caps, and various swim equipment for purchase.

The team suit is not required but is encouraged. Kiefer will have suits for you swimmer to

try on so you have the perfect fit. Either a Kiefer or Speedo suit will be available with team personalization for swimmers. Check the team page at the Kiefer website for prices.

Payment for suits and equipment will be made at the time of purchase on May 14 to Kiefer (cash, check or credit card).

If you miss the fitting you can

order anytime via Kiefer's website and have the suit mailed to your house.

Any special requests for Kiefer to bring with them on the 14th, please direct to our team rep: Edita Emini, Team Sales Account Manager, Adolph Kiefer & Associates, eemini@kiefer.com or 224.789.2662.

## 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.

At the end of this season, OST

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

will be offered three days a week in the mornings at Meadowbrook Country Club.

Pups, Lions, and Dragons will train from 8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Green, Blue, Senior 1, and Senior 2 will train from 7:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

The cost is \$50 for Pups, Li-

ons, and Dragons.

The cost is \$80 for Green, Blue, Senior 1, and Senior 2.

Practices will be offered Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday and run August 4-August 28.

Families who want their swimmers entered in OST should email Neil and forward payment prior to August 4 (cash or check made payable to SEA). Take advantage!

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

## 13&Over Training Trip Information

The final swimmer/parent meeting for this year’s trip will take place on June 17 following Sprint Time Trials (roughly 7:30 p.m.) at Carthage College. All swimmers and at least one parent need to attend this meeting (please be sure to bring along dentist/doctor/insurance information).

This year’s trip will take place June 22-29. We will be staying at the Shores of Panama (Panama City Beach, FL) and be training at the same facility as

the last two trips (the Panama City Beach Aquatic Center).

Cost of this trip will be \$740 and includes the following: lodging (high-rise condos beachside, transportation (two 15 passenger vans), training pool rental, and dinners (Sunday-Saturday).

Swimmers will need additional funds to cover meals and incidentals (\$150-\$200).

As this is a training-trip, there’s no

side excursions really planned except for dinner at the Red Bar in Grayton Beach, an afternoon trip to the quaint town of Seaside (where the movie *The Truman Show* was filmed), and an afternoon at the local mall.

Chaperones for the trip this year will be Neil, Mike, Lydia Bollendorf and Kim Wergin. Please contact Neil if you have questions.

This is the largest attended trip ever!

## 6th Annual Early Bird Recap ... continued

Carter Johnson –16.23 50Fr, Cayla Julius –17.26 1Ba, Charles Julius –18.74 1Br, Hannah Kehl –29.20 2Fr, Austin Lentz –20.26 4Fr, Jason Lewis –18.29 2Fr, Emilie Miller –21.52 1Ba, Janavi Munagavalasa –12.01 50Fr, Samyukta Munagavalasa –25.78 2Fr, Elena Renner –44.55 1Fr, Abby Smith –24.92 2Ba, Nathan Smith –18.41 1Ba, Stephanie Strange –29.02 1Fr, Jake Trask –10.82 2IM, and Rachel Zenisek –24.90 2IM.

Congratulations to the following stu-

dent-athletes on competing in their first ever 50-meter meet: Bailey Chryst, Rayton Church, Tanner Coca, Iman Deanparvar, Drew Esson, Claire Holewinski, Srikar Munagavalasa, Emaleigh Neo, Mansha Palliyath, Scott Palmer, Yashovardhan Patil, Katie Pogodzinski, Abby Povkovich, Alex Pudzisz, Chris Pudzisz, Helena Pudzisz, Dylan Steffes, Tiffany Steffes, Mariska Thoennes, and James Tubbs.

As a team we finished with 225 best

times out of 267 efforts or 84% best times and only recorded eight DQs.

Please take a moment to visit the Meet Information page of our website (find it under Members/Meet Information) to view the upcoming meets and select which meets you would like your swimmers to attend ... simply email Neil the meets and dates and he’ll be happy to enter your children.

Great job swimmers and parents!







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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

### May 2014

8, Annual Awards Banquet - no practice  
16-18, BDSC Open  
22, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups, Lions and Dragons)  
23, SEA vs. NBSC  
26, No practice  
30-1, PX3 Invite

### June 2014

2, Tryouts for the Summer Season  
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  
17, Sprint Time Trials  
17, Final 13&O Training Trip meeting after Sprint Time Trials (7:30 p.m.)  
19, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups,

Lions, and Dragons)  
20-21, 5th Annual SEA Summer Sizzler  
22-29, 13&O Training Trip

### July 2014

4, No practice  
10, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups, Lions and Dragons)  
11-13, Bird Bath Open



17-20, Speedo Champions Series

18-20, Silver State

24, Packers vs. Brewers Dual (for Pups, Lions and Dragons)

29, End of SEASON Time Trials

31-3, 13&O State (SEA hosted)

### August 2014

4-26, OST (off-season training)

### September 2014

2-18, OST

15, Tryouts for the Fall/Winter Season

22, First day of practice

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