

Hi everyone! Here is a recap of our meeting on 5/11:

We currently have 124 swimmers signed up and we are looking forward to a fun-filled season! Our practices will begin on Monday May 23 for all age groups except the Ripples who will begin practice on June 6. Grouping is determined from your child's age as of May 31. Practice times are as follows:

Practice schedule from May 23-June 17:

3:45 - 4:30 Intermediate (ages 13-14) and Seniors (ages 15 and up)

4:30 - 5:15 Juniors (ages 11-12) and Midgets (ages 9-10)

5:15 - 6:00 Mites (ages 7-8) and Mini-Mites (ages 6 and under)

From June 20 on, the practice times will be as follows:

8:30 - 9:15 Mites

9:15 - 10:00 Mini Mites, Intermediate, and Seniors

10:00 - 10:45 Midgets and Juniors

For the Ripples, practices will be Mon, Wed, and Fri. From June 6-June 17, practice will be from 6:00-6:30. From June 20-July 1, practice will be from 10:45-11:15. Lauren Birchmeier will be our Ripples coach, please contact her with any questions you might have. Her email is mandlbirchmeier@hotmail.com.

The pool will be open one week early for swim team only, starting 5/23. People who are not on the swim team will not be allowed in the pool for that first week of swim team practice. After Memorial Day, the pool opens to the rest of the neighborhood at 4:00 on school days. Once school is out, people who are not on the swim team will not be allowed in the pool during swim team practice times. The pool will open at 11:00 so parents, we would appreciate your help in keeping siblings out of the shallow end as well as the kiddie pool area until the pool opens after practices. This is done for safety reasons as there is no lifeguard on duty until 11:00.

Meets—we will talk in more detail about these as the time gets closer but it is very important to let the coaches know if your child will not be at a meet. If you wrote down your dates that you will not be here on your volunteer form, we have that information. We understand sometimes there are things that come up at the last minute so if there is a last minute change, please notify Brigit and the coaches as soon as possible.

Some committee chairs you may need contact information for are:

Volunteer Coordinator is Brigit Lane. We do our best to accommodate your requests but since there are so many positions to fill, it is sometimes necessary to switch people around. Please be patient and flexible ☺. Also, please contact Brigit asap if you cannot fulfill your volunteer obligation. It is your responsibility to find a replacement if you need to make a last minute change. Brigit will post the volunteer positions at the pool on the bulletin board (across from the vending machines) as well as on the website. Her email is brigit.lane@gmail.com. ***There is a training meeting that will take place on Tuesday May 24 at 6:30 at the Salisbury Country Club.***

We strongly encourage as many of you to go as possible. It is free and you can get training as a strokes and turns judge, clerk of course, being a referee and learn the computer programs we use.

Spirit Committee Co-chairs are Michele Hart and Jen Stanley. Their emails are michele_hart@hotmail.com and jstanley4@verizon.net. Here is a list of upcoming events:

June 10—pasta night at the pool

June 21, June 28, and July 12—pancake breakfasts after morning practice for all age groups

June 30—raft night/ice cream social

July 26—Beach Blanket Bingo and Champs Spirit Night

August 26—Dive In Movie/Ice Cream Social

More details on these events will follow.

Concessions will be headed up by Ann Marie Roberto. We will sell a variety of items at our home meets as well as some other days during the summer. We will also be getting a new grill ☺ Thank you Scott Camp!

Apparel is headed up by Deb Ernesto. Her email is deb.ernesto@gmail.com.

We are still looking for someone to head up our fundraising committee. Fundraisers can be as simple as running a car wash or working with one of the local pizza places to have a pizza night every couple of weeks with a portion of the proceeds going to swim team. Please let me know if you are interested in this.

Edible Education—this is a company that will be offering classes on healthy life style through good nutrition. It's a hands on class offered to 3 different age groups. There are classes for 5-7 year olds, 8-11 year olds, and 12-16 year olds. There are 7 sessions offered and each session consists of 4 classes that are 90 minutes long. Students may take as many or as few sessions as they prefer. They have a 6 to 1 teacher to student ratio so that the kids are always engaged hands-on. The minimum class size is 6 and the maximum is 18 students per class. The fee is \$75.00 per session, with a one time equipment fee of \$30.00 for an apron, insulated tote bag, t-shirt and copies of the recipes. The times of the classes can be coordinated with swim practice times. Once we see how many are interested, we can set some times. We are thinking of offering it once or twice a week and the classes will be held either in the clubhouse or poolside.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Ann Wingen at ann@edibleedu.com or call her at 804-218-7903. You can also check out the website at www.edibleedu.com. Depending on the response, we may open these classes to the rest of the neighborhood.

Please don't hesitate to contact any of the board members with questions and we'll see you in a couple of weeks!

Go Tsunamis!

Chris Glowatsky

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