

# DREXEL DOLPHINS

## 2011 Membership Newsletter

### CALLING ALL SWIMMERS

To all our returning team members and families - We're glad you're back!  
To all new team members and families - WELCOME to the team!

The swim team is a great opportunity for boys and girls 5 years of age and older to make new friends, have lots of fun, and enjoy the water. Additionally, parents, this is a great way to get your child up and exercising during the summer months.

We are ready for another exciting year and hope you can join us!

**No one is turned away from the swim team!** We hope you will consider joining our 2011 team.

This year we are happy to welcome **Jackie Loro and Ashley Berardinelli** as our new assistant coaches! We look forward to both of them bringing experience and fun to the team!

### REGISTRATION & TEAM SUITS

**Our prices are not changing...however, our process for registration is!**

The swim team fee for the 2011 season will remain at \$60 for the first swimmer and \$30 for each additional family member.

Registration will be handled a bit differently this year. We will be at the pool during the opening weekends, at the after school practices and during the week of June 20<sup>th</sup>. During this time you will have the opportunity to register your swimmers as well as order the team suit. We will have the registration form, calendars, and any information you will need for the start of the season. We ask that all swimmers be registered before the second meet on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms will also be available on our website [www.drexelswimclub.com](http://www.drexelswimclub.com) under the swim team tab.

In addition, this year we are working with **Toad Hollow Athletics** for our NEW team suits. For your convenience, we will have samples of each size on site. You simply place your order through the team when you register and we will deliver it to you at the pool! You can also visit Toad Hollow Athletics @ 1590 E. Lancaster

Avenue, Paoli to pick up your suit...Please be sure to mention DREXEL SWIM TEAM to get the reduced price!

In order to have your suit by the first meet, we will need the size and payment by 7pm on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Drexel Swim Team caps are also available for \$6.00 each.

## Swim Team Payments

Dues should be paid with your registration during the first couple weeks of practice. During the swim season other swim team payments can be placed in the mailbox located near the team boards. **NO CASH PLEASE!**

## PRE-SWIM TEAM

This team is designed for young swimmers (6 & under) who may not be ready for the swim team. The coaches will teach this group swimming skills while building their confidence. When ready, they can compete in the meets with the swim team.

In order to join the pre-swim team your child must be comfortable in the water, able to place their face in the water, and have the desire to learn how to swim. The fee for the pre-swim team will be \$60 **per swimmer** for the season. This, along with the registration form that will be provided, will be due during the first week of practice.

Our pre-swim team is tentatively scheduled to start Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. The coaches will divide the children into two groups based on their skill level. One group will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:15am to 11am; and the other will meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:15am to 11am.

More information and sign up sheets will be posted at the pool. We hope your little ones will join us for a great experience!

## IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES for the start of the season:



### FIRST PRACTICES -

- ☆ 8, 10, and 12 & under age groups - Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 4pm to 5pm
- ☆ 13 thru open age groups - Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 6:30pm



### TIME CHANGES (for remainder of season) -

- ☆ 8, 10, and 12 & under age groups - Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 9am to 10am
- ☆ 13 thru open age groups - Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 10am to 11:30am



### TIME TRIALS - Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 9am



### PICTURE DAY - Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9am... All ages including pre-swimmers.



### AWARDS NIGHT - Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> (at the pool)

## OTHER INFORMATION

- ☆ Team Suits are new this year. They can be ordered along with your swim team registration.
- ☆ Donations for Home Meets - A fee of \$10 per family is included on the registration form. This will be used to purchase drinks as well as fresh food items to sell at our home meets. This continues to be very successful and eliminates the need for those extra stops on an already busy meet morning!
- ☆ Volunteers - our swim team relies on the help of its families. Please be on the look out for sign-up sheets to help @ our meets.
- ☆ Spirit Night - this is a great way to get everyone together before the meets! Along with the kids making posters to show our team spirit, the parents set up the pool. We hope all can attend and enjoy!
- ☆ Unsupervised swimmers - in past years, many parents with swimmers in both practice groups would drop their swimmers off @ 9am and not return until after 11am (as the older group is finishing practice). This leaves the younger swimmer(s) unsupervised starting at 10am and lasting until the pool opens to general membership. This is a risk to the swim club, coaches, and **MOST IMPORTANTLY**, your children. If this is your situation, you must either return to pick up or watch the younger swimmer(s), or provide a sitter for them. Violation of this request could result in dismissal from the swim team. Your understanding is **GREATLY** appreciated!
- ☆ If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the following swim team board members:

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