

Dynamo Swim Club - Weekly Swimmers Ear

22 September 2009

Upcoming Events:

October 3-4	Doug Coers Pentathlon (Age Group and Masters)
October 3	Parent Pentathlon (Save the date!)
October 10-11	Chattahoochee Gold Invite

Dynamo Billing for October

Your monthly bills are posted and online. Please review and let Edie know of any errors or questions, and pay them in a timely fashion by October 1.

Dynamo Auction/Raffle and Pentathlon Party

On Wednesday the 23rd Fundraising Committee Representatives will be at the Chamblee Pool during practices to accept donations, as well as sell tickets for the event. They will be at the Alpharetta pool on Thursday to do the same. We hope to see you at the event, and thank you for your support!

Dynamo Work Day

We have postponed the Dynamo workday that was to be on September 26 (Sat.). With many people still cleaning out their basements, and some equipment still on order for projects to a weekend in October. We will firm up the date and get information out later.

Swimsuit Legislation

The United States Aquatic Sports convention has brought us some clarity on the suit issue. The ban on technical suits will go into effect in the US on October 1, 2009. For more information, see the press release on the front page of the USA Swimming website (www.usaswimming.org).

Dynamo Scrip Program

Dynamo is pleased to share some exciting news about a new fundraising program for our organization. It's called "scrip", and it's the fundraising program that works while you shop for everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials. With every Scrip purchase you make, Dynamo earns revenue.

Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money, in other words, gift cards. These gift cards are purchased directly through Great Lakes Scrip which offers national and local retailers. Many popular

retailers participate in the scrip program including Macy's, Home Depot/Lowe's, BP, Amazon, iTunes, Sports Authority, Wal-Mart and many, many others. These merchants want to support non-profit organizations like Dynamo, and in return we support them by shopping with scrip at their stores.

In order for Dynamo to earn revenue credit the cards must be purchased online through Great Lakes Scrip program. Each Dynamo family will be provided information on establishing an online account soon.

We plan on having a table set-up at the Pentathlon to provide information about our new scrip program, and we urge you to stop by. You can also visit the Great Lakes Scrip site for more information at: <http://www.glscrip.com/howscripworks/index.aspx>. For a list of participating retailers, please go to www.shopwithscrip.com/Shop/default.aspx.

Facility Drop-off and Pick-up

Each of facilities has it's own traffic pattern flow, and the beginning of the season is a good time to remind parents about pick-up and drop-off procedures.

Alpharetta

- You May drop-off in front of the facility, and then it is requested you move on to complete your circle (back parking lot) and then either out or park
- It is recommended you park away from the parking spots immediately in the main entrance.
- Pick-up should be done from a parking spot not near the entrance, please take advantage of the spots nearer the new facility to make your exit easier.

Chamblee

- You may take advantage of the island in front of the main door for drop-off. Please pull off to the right and drop-off, then move to the back lot to park, or exit.
- Pick-up should not be from the island, or the fire lane where the cones are. Parents are asked to park, and have their children walk out to the back lot for pick-up.
- We have had more than usual issues this year, with a real backup on the island out into the street.
- Please do not park in the island for any amount of time, or block the staff front spaces.

We appreciate your cooperation making the Dynamo facilities safe for all our participants and programs!

Billing and Invoices (Read/Important)

Invoices through the online/billing website have been posted. The invoices are produced on the 21st of each month, and due on the first of the following (i.e. May bill is posted on April 21st, and due on May 1).

- ***Bills are late after the 10th of the month, and when invoices are generated (automatically through the***

website) on the 21st, those with an outstanding balance will be charged a \$25.00 late fee.

- Even though we don't bill 9 month members for June, July and August, bills are still produced, as meet fees will continue through the summer.
- Make sure you are checking your accounts to see all payments that are posted, and charges incurred are correct. If you need to have your password re-sent please email [Jason](#).
- With the dissolution of our Meet Entry Account (remaining balance at that time credited to November 2008 bills) we now roll a \$3.00 fee into our meet entries to offset the meet entry administration and costs. This is an industry standard, with many Teams charging \$5.00 per meet entry.

Dynamo Parka Orders

With the winter months fast approaching don't forget to place your Parka orders. Orders are placed the 1st and 15th of each month with a four week turn around time...remember to plan ahead for holiday shopping. For your convenience the [order form](#) can be found on Dynamo's website.

Facility Reminders:

- +Dynamo no longer accepts the American Express card.
- +Dynamo is not responsible for equipment bags or contents left at the facility.
- + When paying for dues with a Credit Card, always write the name of the swimmer account on the receipt. The same is true for the memo portion of a check that is submitted for dues payment.
- + Please stay alert when driving through the parking lot - look out for Dynamo swimmers participating in dry land activities.

<u>Alpharetta Swim Center</u>	<u>Chamblee Swim Center</u>
	Practice Changes Friday October 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior 1 at Alpharetta 4:15-6:30 PM