

CONGRATS TO OUR 12 AND UNDER STATE TEAM FOR THEIR STELLAR PERFORMANCE AT STATE THIS PAST WEEKEND! 44 WISCONSIN TEAMS SENT SWIMMERS TO STATE THIS WEEKEND, WITH SWAT TAKING 3RD PLACE IN OVERALL TEAM POINTS.

We had multiple State Champions: **Ricky Perez** was #1 in the 11/12 100 Breast, and went to the podium in all 7 of his events. He finished in the Top 3 in 6 out of 7 events. **Ashlyn Schoof** captured a state championship in the 100 Fly for 10 and under girls, and also graced the podium in all 7 of her events, with 6 events medaling in the Top 3 spots. **Lauren Stigler** grabbed a first place finish in the 10& Under girls 50 breast. The Top 8 times are honored at state with Podium/Medals and Lauren also medaled in all 7 of her events with no place less than a 6 place finish. **Joe Szczupakiwicz** medaled in 6 of his individual events with a 2nd place finish in the 1000 free and 3rd in the 200 fly. **Katrina Konopka** received top honors, medaling in 5 of her events. **Carolyn Jungers**, who wins the award for the WORST birth date ever, (she turned 11 on the first day of meet) still pulled off a medalist finish in the next age group in her 50 breast. **Tyler Schrank**, swimming the iron man events of 400 IM, 200 fly, 1000 Free and 200 back had 4, Top 8 finishes. **Tom Stigler** scored 32 team points and was a 7th place medalist in the 11/12 50 breast. **Ellie Szczupakiewicz**(age 9) had 6 personal best times and 3 Top 8 finishes. **Katie Taylor** also had 7 personal best time and went to the podium for her 8th place finish in the 100 back for 10 and under girls. We had 25, 12 & Under swimmers who had individual qualifying times for this meet and these swimmers walked away with an amazing 43 medals individual medals at state this year. We had 121 personal best times set at state. **RELAY RECAP:** All but one A relay finished in the top 8. Our 10 and Under girls relays must have had our parents holding their breaths as the 200 Free relay team of Konopka, Stigler, Schoof and Szczupakiewicz missed the 2nd place spot by 4/10ths of second! The same girls came back for the 200 Medley relay and TIED for the # 1 spot with the Badger Aquatic Team! Another State Championship! The 11/12 Girls 200 Free team of Konopka, **Kelly Howell**, Jungers and **Amanda Marciniak** had a 6th place finish and the same girls took 7th in the 200 Medley out of 45 teams. The 400 Medley relay team comprised of Howell, Jungers, Konopka and **Elizabeth Streim** had an 8th place finish.

The 11/12 Men were sizzling hot with the 200 Free relay team of Ricky Perez, Tom Stigler, **Joe Paquette** and **Matthew Gilson** taking 2nd place honors, the 400 Free team of Perez, Stigler, Szczupakiewicz and Gilson finished 3rd. The mens 11/12 Medley relays of Schrank, Perez, Szczupakiewicz and Stigler took 3rd (200 Medley) and 2nd in the 400 Medley.

TEAM and HIGHPOINT RECAP: Overall for team point totals, our 11/12 Boys took 2nd place overall, our 10 and Under Girls took 3rd place, and the 11/12 Girls were 9th overall. Individual Highpoint Top finishers were Ashlyn Schoof – 3rd in 10 and under girls, Lauren Stigler, 7th in 10 and under girls. Katrina Konopka was SWAT's 11/12 girls high scorer with an 11th place finish and Ricky Perez captured an overall 4th place finish for the 11/12 boys. The 12 and Under total team score was only 14 point out of 2nd. What an amazing finish to an amazing season for our 12 and Under team. Kudo's to Coach Mark, Coach George and all our swimmers for a great season.

Recognition Banquet: Please remember to return your banquet form and payment to Theresa Briggs by March 20th. The form can be found on front page of website.

Also, Ted Szczupakiewicz is looking for any photos that have been taken since last years banquet, for this year's slide show. This would include our summer session, picnic and this years Fall/Winter Session. If you have any photos that he can use, please email them to: tszczupakiewicz@wi.rr.com
Ted would like all photos by March 16th. (Please try to limit to maybe 10-20 favorites)!

Karen Wesel is still looking for donations for the “themed” Raffle Baskets. Please call her at: 414-425-6620 if you have items or cash donations you could make.

SCRIP Sales will continue thru our break – Janis Katz has posted the April delivery schedule. Find it on the front page of the website.

Registration packets for the Spring/Summer session were posted last week. Everyone should have received an email inviting them to “declare” whether they are returning next session or not. If you declare that you ARE attending, we will assume that your current invoice, billing you for the entire session is correct. Please use the NOTES area to let us know, if you are only swimming JUST spring, or JUST summer. Fundraising Credits for anyone who participated in SCRIP, Coffee Sales, Kringles, Heat Sheet ads etc, should have been applied to your account with this invoice run – if you do not see your credit, please contact the office.

If you had an escrow balance, your invoice might reflect a lower balance due to session fees, as your escrow balance will be treated like a credit to your account. Please take a look at what the actual session fees should be for your swimmers less and if your balance is less than those amounts (LC09 dues, \$25 Family Fee minus any fundraising credits) you might want to recalculate your bill. Paying the balance due on the invoice will zero out any escrow monies you might have had in your account prior to the February 21, invoice run.

To save time at registration, anyone wishing to fill out their waiver/code of conduct/registration policy agreement forms and mail and full or partial payment to Cindy may do so, but please make sure you postmark them by March 10. If you mail paperwork, you still need one parent to attend the approximately ½ hour parent/coaches meeting on March 14. If you miss entirely, it will be your responsibility to meet with Janis Katz for the fundraising packet and with Kim Schoof who is our meet volunteer co-coordinator for our 2 upcoming meets. I will also be at the Senior State Team Pasta Dinner on Tuesday, 3/3 if anyone wants to bring their forms and payment.

Upcoming Meet Reservations: Clubs that are hosting meets for the Long course will require reservation totals from each team by 3/10. The SWAT meet schedule for next session can be found under Schedules. Because there are so few 50 meter meets available during long course, these meets tend to fill quickly and many teams do get their reservation cut back. The weekend of June 19,20,21 the SRP, JRP and AGP team are scheduled for an away, 50 meter meet in Rochester, MN. This is a mandatory meet for these age groups. SRG/JRG are scheduled to the Shorewood meet at Schroeder that same weekend, and any of the above Platinum swimmers, who have an excused conflict that prevents them from attending the Rochester meet need to sign up for at least one day of the Shorewood meet. In order to make sure we get enough entries from the Shorewood meet, (this meet always fills fast) we are asking for a pre-meet commitment for those 2 groups. So:

SRP, JRP, AGP need to go to the Meets/Events and commit to the Rochester Meet-or decline and use the NOTES area to let us know that you are not attending.

SRG/JRG need to go to the Meets/Events and commit to the Shorewood Meet (or decline and use the NOTES area.

SRP,JRP, AGP who decline the Rochester meet should then go to the Shorewood Meet and commit or decline.

We know it's a little far out, and plans do change, however, we have to pre-pay our reservation swims on March 10. If we do not use all our swims, we do not get that money back. Normally, we tend to under reserve in order to not lose money, which sometimes results in some of our swimmers not getting in to a meet, or being cut in swims. Swimmers who do not do the out of town meter meets, will only have 2 opportunities to swim in meters this season, so its important that we make sure we have enough swims reserved to make sure anyone who want to get meter times can do so. Please help us out by taking the time to do the pre-commitment to these meets. thanks

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR 13/14 AND SENIOR SWIMMERS AT STATE THIS WEEKEND.