**BLUE 1 TEAM**

**2017-2018 HYCAT SWIMMING PROGRAM**

**[UP-DATED 08/08/17]**

**Ages:** “beginning/intermediate” 07-08 year olds; “beginning” 09-10 year olds; “developing” 11-12 year olds & HYCAT LTS graduates [11-12]

**Coaches:** Erin Ballard {early sessions} and Cindy Hemsworth & Rob St Jean {late session}

**Description:** Emphasis on proper development of the 4 competitive strokes by means of various stroke skills/drills & introduction to swim training concepts that create an enjoyable atmosphere for learning.

**Practice schedule: Aug 14th thru May 21st (or end of Kanawha County School year)**

Monday thru Thursday 04:15pm-05:00pm (stroke work/drills @ UC

 w/Erin & TBA)

 ***OR*** 06:40pm-07:25pm (stroke work/drills @ UC

 w/Cindy + Rob)

\*\* **NOTE:** swimmer selects either the ”early” practice or “late” practice for the

 month without changing times during the month

Fri/Sat/Sun OFF

**May 21st (or end of Kanawha County School year) thru Jul 27th**

Mon thru Fri (am) 08:40am-09:25am (stroke work/drills @ UC

 w/Greg)

Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri (pm) 04:20pm-05:15pm (stroke work/drills @ UC

 w/Greg)

Wed(pm)/Sat/Sun OFF

**Jul 28th thru Aug 12th**

OFF OFF

**Mon, Aug 13th**

2018 HYCAT Fall Season begins

**Attendance:** **NO** requirements; recommend attend any 2 days per week if possible

**Equipment:** HYCAT will provide all swim training equipment

**Coaching Staff:** Greg Olson, HYCAT Director/Coach; HYCAT Age Group Coach &

 HYCAT Assistant Senior Coach; 304-357-4825 (W); 304-415-

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Erin Ballard, HYCAT LTS Supervisor/Coordinator & HYCAT Age Group;

 304-767-8134 (C); **scerin22@hotmail.com**

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 Coach; 304-746-7862 (C); **cah32676@hotmail.com**

Rob St Jean, HYCAT Assistant Senior Coach & HYCAT Assistant Age

 Group Coach; 304-343-1315 (C); **robstjean@yahoo.com**

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 Assistant Age Group Coach HYCAT Assistant Senior Coach

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**Swim Meets:** **Optional** attendance; recommend participation in HYCAT Novice Swim Meets and HYCAT “home” sponsored swim meets ***plus*** strongly consider the WV State Short Course Swimming Championships

\*\* refer to HYCAT Novice Swim Meet schedule for info & dates

 \*\* refer to HYCAT Swim Meet schedule info; dates & location of meets

**Fee(s):** $070.00/monthly … August monthly fee is one-half regular monthly fees

***plus*** $075.00/annual USA Registration Fee … ***please*** pay beginning Sep 01st

$060.00/annual HYCAT Membership Fee … ***please*** pay beginning Sep 01st

**Additional Fees:**

$TBA / swimmer pays entry fees + surcharges for any HYCAT

 sponsored meet and all other swim meets entered

**Stroke Clinics: ALL** HYCAT Stroke Clinics/Camps held on designated Saturdays from 09:45am-11:00am. Refer to separate schedule for details/info.

**Novice Meets:** **ALL** HYCAT Novice Swim Meets held on designated Saturdays from

 09:45am-11:00am except where indicate. Refer to separate schedule for

 details/info.

**Bring-A-Friend** **ALL** HYCAT Bring-A-Friend to Pool Days held on designated Saturdays

**To Pool Day:** from 11:15am-12:30pm except where indicate. Refer to separate

 schedule for details/info.

A Parent Orientation/Educational meeting will be held on Sunday, August 13, 2017 at 04:00pm; Clay Tower Building; 1st floor; room #101; University of Charleston campus.

When joining the HYCAT Swimming Program, please pick-up the “new” member packet from Greg Olson, HYCAT Director. Please complete & return the required forms to the HYCAT Swimming within 10 days of joining the HYCAT Swimming Program.

If a swimmer wishes to be considered for promotion to the Blue 2 Team, the swimmer must be able to perform the skills listed below to the satisfaction of the HYCAT Coaching Staff.

* Age appropriate for Blue 2 Team
* Swim minimum 100 yards proper free with proper breathing techniques
* Swim minimum 100 yards proper back
* Swim minimum 100 yards proper breast
* Swim minimum 100 yards proper fly
* Swim minimum 200 yards proper IM
* Knowledge of proper departure from wall in streamline position
* Intermediate to advance knowledge of reading the pace clock
* Proper performance of starts & turns for all strokes
* Attend 2 HYCAT Stroke Clinics
* Attend 1 HYCAT Novice Swim Meet
* If 09-10, must have approval of HYCAT Director/Coach & HYCAT Blue 1 Coach(es) and attended at least 75% of swim practices