

**8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BOO-RACUDA INVITATIONAL**

**Hosted by**

**GREEN FAMILY YMCA**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023**

**Held under USA Swimming Approval #LE 24023 SA**

In granting this approval it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

In granting this sanction, GYB agreed to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, LE, the State of Ohio and Summit County (local jurisdiction).

**RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID 19:** An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.

USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND [THE LSC] AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

**LOCATION:** GREEN FAMILY YMCA, 3800 Massillon Rd., Uniontown, OH 44685

**POOL:** 25 yards by 6 lanes; Colorado timing system and electronic scoreboard. The pool depth at the start end is 9 ft. and the turn end 3 ft. 6 in. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). Spectator seating is on deck – portable bleacher seating. Swimmers will be housed in the gymnasium where parents can also set up chairs and blankets there. Locker rooms are available for swimmers with lockers, restrooms, showers and changing areas.

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** There are no specific protocols at this time.

**RACING STARTS:** Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**STARTING TIMES:** Warm-ups will begin at 7:45 AM, with competition beginning at 8:50 AM. The finalized warm up plan may be found at [neoswim.org](http://neoswim.org) by Thursday, October 26, 2023.

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entries, electronic or otherwise, will not be accepted before Monday, October 9 and must be received by the deadline on Saturday, October 21, 2023 by midnight. Entries will close earlier than the deadline if the meet reaches capacity. Hard copy, meet summary sheet and check must be received by Tuesday, October 24, 2023 or the team's entry may be deleted. Mail entries to HEATHER PETERSON, 596 VAUGHN TRAIL, COVENTRY TOWNSHIP, OHIO 44319; email [dpeterson17@neo.rr.com](mailto:dpeterson17@neo.rr.com).

**TEAM SUPERVISION:** Coaches are responsible for the conduct and supervision of their teams. Teams who are entering swimmers but will not have a coach at the meet should arrange ahead of time for another coach to supervise their athletes. Swimmers without coach supervision must contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee to be assigned to a coach on deck. Footwear must be worn at all time outside of the pool area. No food or drinks are permitted in the gymnasium.

**RETURN TO PLAY LAW:** Under the Ohio Return to Play Law governing concussions, all coaches and officials (in state or out of state) are required to have proof of training in concussion signs and symptoms. This training is available for free and can be found at <https://odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/child-injury-prevention/resources/onlineconcussiontraining> It is your responsibility to take care of this requirement.

**ENTRY FEES:** The cost is \$20 per athlete for individual events (maximum 4); The cost for relays is \$12.00; a swimmer surcharge for admission and printable heat sheets is included in the \$20 per swimmer fee. Make checks payable to the Green Family YMCA.

**ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** Swimmers may enter up to 4 individual events, exclusive of relays. Mixed relays must consist of 2 girls and 2 boys.

**DECK ENTRIES:** No deck entries will be permitted.

**ELIGIBILITY:** This is a closed meet open only to YMCA teams. Age groups are determined by swimmer's age as of December 1, 2023. Those swimmers who have a USA membership ID included with their entry will have their result times uploaded into the SWIMS database. Only athletes entered in the meet, working coaches, officials and meet workers are allowed on deck behind the blocks and near the scorer's table.

**All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.**

**QUALIFYING TIMES:** There are no qualifying times for this meet.

**SWIMMERS WITH A DISABILITY:** Entries for swimmers with a disability should be handled in the following manner: (1) enter the swimmer in the Hy-Tek database (or on the regular entry form); (2) list in the email accompanying the Hy-Tek entry file (or on a separate sheet of paper) the name of the swimmer, the stroke(s)/distance(s) s/he wishes to swim, the entry times, the day/session s/he wishes to swim the event(s), and the manner in which s/he prefers to be seeded (with a longer distance or with a different age group); and (3) provide any information about special accommodations needed by the swimmer. The final determination of seeding will be made by the Meet Referee after consultation with the swimmer and his/her coach.

**CONDUCT:** The meet will be conducted according to the technical rules set forth in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations and the Lake Erie Swimming Policy & Procedures and in accordance with the "Rules that Govern YMCA Competitive Sports." Events will be contested in a 25-Yard course. All events are timed finals. Events may be combined.

**SEEDING & CHECK IN:** Individual events will be pre-seeded. Relay changes must be made at the scorer's table.

**CLERK OF COURSE:** A Clerk of Course will not be provided. All swimmers should report behind the blocks.

**TIME TRIALS:** Time trials will not be offered at this meet.

**SCORING:** The meet will not be scored.

**AWARDS:** Individual Events: Pumpkin themed medals for individual events 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> and relay events 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>. Heat winners will be awarded too.

**DRONES:** Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials, and/or spectators are present.

**ADMISSIONS:** Free. The swimmer surcharge covers admission for spectators; heat sheets will be available for printing on the neoswim.org site prior to the meet. A limited number of heat sheets will be available for purchase at the meet for those who do not print from home.

**CONCESSIONS & T-SHIRTS:** A full concession stand will be available throughout the meet. A limited number of meet themed t-shirts will be available for purchase at the meet.

**PARKING:** There is no charge for parking. There is available parking at the front entrance of the building (Massillon Road side) and behind the Green Family YMCA as well.

**RESULTS:** Will be posted on the neoswim.org website. Teams may request a backup at the conclusion of the meet.

**SAFETY/WARM-UP:** Lake Erie Swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures will be in effect at all times. Coaches must maintain contact with their swimmers during warm-up and throughout the meet. All entry into the pool for warm-up is feet first from the starting block end of the pool. Swimmers must enter the pool feet first in a cautious manner with one hand in contact with the pool edge. There is no diving during warm-up, except in designated sprint lanes.

*For a 6-lane pool:*

- (a) Lane 1 push/pace from the start end of the pool (or general warm-up at the discretion of Meet Referee or his/her designee).
- (b) Lanes 2 & 5 sprint lanes for racing starts from the starting block end of the pool, one length only and exiting the pool.
- (c) Lanes 3, 4, and 6 general warm-up, no diving or racing starts. Any or all of these lanes may be converted to sprint lanes at the discretion of the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

**CAMERA ZONES:** Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms. Additionally, under NO circumstances will Camera Zones include the area immediately behind the starting blocks at either end of the racing course(s) while they are in use for race starts during competition and warm-up. Those failing to abide by this rule may be removed from the venue.

**DECK CHANGES:** Deck changes are prohibited.

**INITIAL DISTANCE:** In order to be certain that an initial distance or lead-off relay leg is entered into SWIMS, the swimmer or the swimmer's coach should notify either the meet referee or the admin before the event and provide the necessary watches as back-up to the electronic timing. All lead-off relay splits will automatically be uploaded to SWIMS after admin approval; for all other initial distances, the proper paperwork must be completed after the swim in order for the time to be entered into SWIMS.

**COACHES:** Check in at the scorers' table on deck upon arrival. Hospitality is provided for coaches. A coaches meeting will be held if necessary.

**NOTE:** Only athletes entered in the meet, working coaches, officials, and meet workers are allowed on deck. Other non-participants are expected to remain in the spectator area.

**MEET DIRECTOR:** Heather Peterson [dpeterson17@neo.rr.com](mailto:dpeterson17@neo.rr.com) 330-715-5527

**ENTRY PERSON:** Heather Peterson, 596 Vaughn Trail, Coventry Township, OH 44319

**VOLUNTEERS:** All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

**EVACUATION PLAN:** Spectator Emergency Evacuation Plan: In the event of an alarm or emergency evacuation, remain calm, walk to the nearest exit, and leave the building. Deck Emergency Evacuation Plan: Swimmers will be directed by their coaches or meet workers to exit via the doors on the window side of the pool deck. Meet personnel will also exit through these doors.

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3	13 - 14 200 IM	4
5	10 & Under 100 IM	6
7	11 & 12 100 IM	8
9	13 & 14 100 IM	10
11	15 & Over 100 IM	12
13	8 & Under 25 Free	14
15	10 & Under 50 Free	16
17	11 & 12 50 Free	18
19	8 & Under 50 Free	20
21	13 & 14 50 Free	22
23	15 & Over 50 Free	24
25	8 & Under 25 Fly	26
27	10 & Under 50 Fly	28
29	11 & 12 50 Fly	30
31	13 & 14 50 Fly	32
33	15 & Over 50 Fly	34
35	8 & Under Mixed 200 Free Relay	35
36	10 & Under Mixed 200 Free Relay	36
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46	13 & 14 50 Back	47
48	15 & Over 50 Back	49
50	8 & Under 25 Breast	51
52	10 & Under 50 Breast	53

54	11 & 12 50 Breast	55
56	13 & 14 50 Breast	57
58	15 & Over 50 Breast	59

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MEET ENTRY SUMMARY PAGE

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Code: \_\_\_\_\_ LSC Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Total # of swimmers) X \$20.00 per swimmer \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Total # of relay events) X \$12.00 per relay entry \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Swimmers will be without a coach on deck: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

I have arranged for my swimmer/s to be supervised by \_\_\_\_\_.

I VERIFY THAT EVERY SWIMMER LISTED ON THE ENCLOSED ENTRY FORM IS A REGISTERED ATHLETE MEMBER OF USA SWIMMING AND THAT EVERY COACH REPRESENTING OUR TEAM AT THIS MEET WILL BE A CURRENT COACH MEMBER OF USA SWIMMING.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ (coach/member team representative). DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Green Family YMCA.**

**Please note:** All entries submitted with this sheet should be covered by a single check.

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IS:** October 24, 2023

This sheet must accompany all entries including HY-TEK Meet Manager electronic entries, hard copy & check.

Email to: **dpeterson17@neo.rr.com**

