Weekly Splash – October 17

**RBY Swim Team Mission Statement:** To provide a positive team environment that promotes respect, integrity, perseverance and accountability which enables optimal health and athletic development through swim training, instruction and competition.

**Senior and Senior 1 Swimmers: This Thursday, 10/19, Sr. swimmers will have the early practice session, and Sr. 1 swimmers will have the late session.**

**Scheduled Upcoming Meets:** See website for additional details. Please commit your swimmers for the meets.

* Peddie/Cougar/RBY Tri Meet will be held on October 21-22.
* Boys Red vs WFY will be held on October 21 at Red Bank. This meet is for ages 12 and under.
* Girls White vs RANY will be held on October 21at Red Bank. This meet is for ages 12 and under.
* Boys Red vs SVY will be held on October 28th at SVY.
* Boys White vs SVY will be held on October 28th at Red Bank.
* Girls Black vs WY will be held on October 28th at Red Bank.
* Girls White vs HCY will be held on October 28th at HCY.
* Girls Red vs SHY will be held on October 28th at Camp Zehnder.
* Dennis Zilinski Meet will be held on November 5th at Red Bank.
* Gobble Gobble will be held on November 19th at OCY. This meet is for ages 12 and under.
* Holiday Mini Meet will be held on December 3rd at Red Bank.
* Winter Classic will be held on December 8–10 at OCY.
* Holiday Classic will be held on December 15-17 at Rutgers.

**Dual meet team selection**: Team selection has been determined. To find out your swimmer’s team, please go to My Account/Members – then scroll down to the billing group.

**Dual Meet Reminders:** All swimmers are required to wear the 2017-2018 team suit & cap. All swimmers are expected to stay until the end of the dual meet. Cell Phones are **NOT** allowed to be out while your child is on deck. They must be kept in their swim bags. Swimmers are there to race and support their teammates. If your swimmer is at an away meet and you do not plan on having your child take the bus home from the meet, please remember to fill out the Change of Transportation form that can be found on our website. This form must be hand delivered to the coach by the parent **prior** to the bus leaving for the meet from Red Bank.

**Invitational Meet Information:** All swimmers are required to wear the 2017-2018 team suit & cap. All swimmers must arrive at least 15 minutes **PRIOR** to the start time of the first warm up (even if we are not in the first warm up). If it is a morning session, you should arrive when the doors open. We need to check in all of our swimmers **BEFORE** we begin our warm up. We can no longer scratch swimmers and then re-enter them in a meet. Swimmers will be sent home if they are not checked in on time or are not accounted for at check in. If you are committed to a meet, and then for some reason cannot swim that meet, you must email your coach at least 48 hours in advance. If your child falls ill the day of the meet, you must have another parent tell the coach as soon as possible that your child is ill and will not be there. \*Again, if we do not check in your swimmer before warm up, he/she will **NOT** swim that day. Just a friendly reminder that parents are not allowed on the pool deck during the meet unless they are working. If you are timing, you are only allowed on the pool deck to time. Once your timing assignment is completed, you must return to the stands immediately. All swimmers are required to sit with the team. Parents are **NOT** allowed to text the coaches. This is especially important on a meet day and/or during a meet. We want the coaches coaching- not checking their phones.

**Team Unify Volunteer Positions for Dual Meets:** Volunteer jobs will open on October 17th between 6-8pm.

**Meet Volunteers – Some reminders:**

* Volunteers cannot leave a meet when their swimmer is done swimming, they must stay until their shift is over or the meet ends.
* Certain volunteer jobs require you to be at the meet earlier than warm-ups.  These jobs include parking lot attendant and admissions. For these assignments, please arrive at least 40 minutes prior to warm-up.
* Unless you are an official, all volunteers must pay the admission fee.

**Team Photos:** If you have swim team photos you would like to share, please email them to the following address: rbyswimteamphotos@gmail.com.

**Big Brother / Big Sister**: In preparation for the 2017/2018 short course season, we will be assigning “Big Brothers/Big Sisters” to our swimmers shortly.

**Halloween Candy Collection**: There will be a box in both Red Bank and Zehnder from 11/1 until 11/15 to collect any extra Halloween candy you may have. The candy will be brought to Holiday Express.

**Officials:** If anyone is interested in becoming a swim official, please send an email to Bob Piasecki at r.piasecki30@comcast.net.