

Weekly Splash – March 4th

**Good Luck to all swimmers racing this weekend at YMCA 13O States! Swim Fast!**

**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 1 / Seniors / Senior 1W Group – National Swimmers:** On Tuesday, March 5th Sr/Sr1 swimmers will be swimming 45 minutes earlier.  All swimmers should be on deck by 6:30, in pool at 6:45, practice will end by 8:30 the latest.  Please adjust your dryland (5:45 pm) and lift schedule (5:45 pm) accordingly.

**Sr/Sr1/Sr1W State Qualifiers:** Any Sr/Sr1 or Sr1W State qualifier that has not yet attained a short course national qualifying time will follow the practice schedule outlined below beginning Monday, February 18th up until States: Monday/Wednesday @ Red Bank - 7:30 to 9:15 pm; Tuesday/Thursday @ Camp Zehnder - 4:00 to 5:45 pm; Friday @ Camp Zehnder - 4:00 to 6:00 pm; Saturdays - TBD (follow 1B schedule)

**Family Folders:** Please be sure to check your family folders. They are overflowing with championship ribbons and medals for our awesome swimmers! Even if your swimmer’s season is over, please consider stopping by to collect your child’s medals and ribbons.

**Yearbook:** It's Championship season!  Are you so excited? Make sure to think about honoring your swimmer with a special page in our yearbook dedicated to solely to them and their accomplishments this season.  Contact you PLR for the forms. The deadline for all yearbook submissions is **Thursday, March 14th.** No exceptions.

All types of ads are welcome. Every swimmer will be receiving a yearbook at both of our celebrations.  It is always such a joy watching the surprise as they turn to their page with smiles and pride. If you have any questions please contact Michele Foreback [zani4back@gmail.com](mailto:zani4back@gmail.com)

**Photos**: When sending photos for possible submission to our yearbook please use the following email: [rbyswimteamphotos@gmail.com](http://rbyswimteamphotos@gmail.com). Purchased yearbook ads should still be sent to: [rbyyeabook@gmail.com](http://rbyyeabook@gmail.com) Please contact Michele Foreback at [zani4back@gmail.com](mailto:zani4back@gmail.com) with any questions.

Calling **all 10 and under** RBY swimmers!   We are excited to announce the planning of our first annual 10 and Under End of the Year Celebration to be held on **Friday, May 3rd from 4:30 - 6:30pm at IPlay America in Freehold, NJ.**   Swimmers get ready to party with arcade games, rides and laser tag.  We will finish off with pizza and drinks in the party room along with a recognition ceremony.

Please visit the website under team functions and RSVP through the commitment tab.  It will be a great help for all 10 and unders to RSVP with a yes or a no.   The RSVP deadline is Friday, April 19th. **The cost for attending is $15 per swimmer. By committing your swimmer with a yes, you agree to have your swim team account charged the $15.**

All swimmers need to be accompanied by an adult.  If you cannot stay please make sure to connect with another swim team parent to be responsible for your child.  There is a food court area inside for parents to sit and mingle while their swimmers play. We look forward to celebrating the end of season with you!

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Marjamaa at [teet119@hotmail.com](mailto:teet119@hotmail.com) or Gina Ibrahim at [gina\_ibrahim2@yahoo.com](mailto:gina_ibrahim2@yahoo.com)

**11 and older Banquet:** Time is drawing near to celebrate with an end of the season banquet for all **Junior and Senior level swimmers.** What better choice than a Cinco de Mayo theme as the banquet will be held on **May 5th** at Jacques Catering (500 Palmer Ave Middletown NJ) from 12pm to 4pm.  **You will need to RSVP for each and every one of your 11 and older swimmer(s) and parent/guardian attending.** Unfortunately, due to space restrictions, we are unable to allow for 10 and under or non-swimmer siblings.  All junior level swimmers must be accompanied by an adult. If a parent cannot attend, another swimmer's parent must be responsible for your swimmer.

The cost of the meal for parents/guardians will be $41.00 while swimmers are included.    **For all junior level swimmers, please select the child meal.**  If you choose, you can upgrade their meal for a $23.00 surcharge. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Neno at [rbyswimteam@gmail.com](mailto:rbyswimteam@gmail.com)

Please click on the link below to RSVP before the **deadline of April 14th**:

<https://rby2019banquet.app.rsvpify.com/>

**Team Tryouts: There will be tryouts on** Monday, March 18, 2019 @ Red Bank YMCA @ 6:00 pm. See website for additional information.

**Spring Training** will begin on **Wednesday, April 10th** and end on **Sunday, June 16th**; The spring training practice schedule will be the same as the Fall/Winter schedule and all swimmers will practice with their current practice level group.

This season there will be one fee for **spring training and long course**.  The fee will be billed in three monthly drafts (4/8, 5/8 and 6/8); and a deposit of $100 will be billed at registration.  **Spring and Long Course registration will open online Monday, March 11th and will close Monday, March 25th**.  Swimmers that choose not to do long course will not be charged the third draft payment but must notify the team administrator ([jtruscio@cymca.org](mailto:jtruscio@cymca.org)) to cancel their draft payment.  **Swimmers choosing to do long course only will pay a one-time fee at long course registration on June 3rd.**  All swimmers will remain in their present practice level group.  Please refer to the fee schedule attached for your swimmer’s payment fee schedule.

**Long Course training will begin on Monday, June 17th** and end approximately on Friday, July 26th depending on your swimmer’s last championship meet.  Long Course practice schedules will be posted by June 3rd.  Only Blue/Green swimmers that will be 9 years old for the 2019-20 season can register for long course if they choose to.

**Meet Schedule:**

**Championship Meets: -**

* **NJ YMCA 13 O States -**This meet is scheduled for March 7-10th.
* **NJS 14U JO’s –** This meet is scheduled for March 22-24th
* **YMCA SC Nationals –** This meet is scheduled for April 1 – 5th.
* **Eastern Zones –** This meet is scheduled for April 3-6th.