

# On Deck: BBST News & Events

Bellingham Bay Swim Team

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## *From the Desk*

### **Meeting of the Minds!**

Fundraising, PR, Technology, Web Design...interested?? A great way to get your WorkShare hours in! The upcoming meeting will take place on Thursday, May 18 at 6:00 pm at Carl Cozier Elementary School.

### **Check Payments**

Please place all payments made by check in the black payment box located in the second drawer of the filing cabinet and **write your info on memo line** so your account can be properly credited.

### **And, finally....**

**A big THANK YOU to all our volunteers!**



## *Spirit Committee*

### **Parent Social**

Stay tuned! A new date for the parent social will be announced soon.

### **Scholarship Awards**

Graduating senior Sydney Wong of Squalicum High School is the WISCA scholarship winner for this academic year. She will receive \$1,000 to help offset college expenses at University of San Diego this fall.

Graduating senior Sophia Booth won BBST's Second Annual Academic Scholarship for \$1,200 from Mt. Baker Imaging, Bellingham Arthritis and Rheumatology Center, Bellingham Roling, and The Quill Ink. Sophia will attend Brigham Young University in Utah.

Both are 4.0 students and carried rigorous Advanced Placement course loads throughout their high school careers.

### **Board Members Needed**

Interested in being a voting member of the board of trustees? Two positions will be available this summer as Christina Boyd & Jen Rubio will have completed two-consecutive, two-year-terms as of July. All of your work-share hours will be easily accounted for and



## *Upcoming Events*



**BBST Parent Social, TBD**

**BBST Swim-A-Thon** on Thursday, May 4 in the afternoon and evening at Arne Hanna Aquatic Center. *See next page for additional details.*

**West Cost Open Swim Meet** in Canada on May 13 & 14

**TAC Thunderbird Meet** May 19-21 in Anacortes

**Mel Zajac Senior Travel Meet** May 26-28

you will have an integral part of the stewardship of our team.

### **Photos, please!**

If you have photos to share for our team social media, please send to [bbstphotos@gmail.com](mailto:bbstphotos@gmail.com).

### **High School Fitness Group**

This program is an excellent opportunity for high school swimmers to stay in shape over the summer. Practice is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:00 – 8:00pm at Arne Hanna. Additional information and registration is available [online](#).



### **Swim-a-Thon: Just Keep Swimming...**

Swim-A-Thon information packet can be found [online](#).

Please bring your Swim-A-Thon packet and money to the event TOMORROW, Thursday, May 4 if you have collected all your donations. You will need to enter your donations that are not done by credit card into the team unify system. You can do that by following the steps below. Your donation will not show up on the website until the money is turned in on May 4.

### **How to Upload Your Offline Donations**

You will need to log-in to your BBST account to access your child's Swim-A-Thon page. On the upper right corner of the BBST home

page you will see a green "Please Donate" button. Click this and if you are logged in it will take you to your child's fundraising page. In the center of your child's page you will see a blue button that says Offline Donor, which you will need to click on. Next, if you have one swimmer on the team you will click on the donate button, and if you have more than one swimmer you will click on the donate to the family button. Next, locate the section titled "Your Donation" about mid-page. Type in the TOTAL dollar amount of ALL your offline donations here. Please do NOT type in each check or cash donation separately, as BBST has to pay a fee for every offline donation added. We ask that you upload the total amount you have collected as one donation. Your "offline" donations will not show up on the website until you turn in the actual checks and we verify the total with what you have uploaded.

**Note:** If you are watching your donations online, the offline donations you collect from pledge letters and envelope collections will not be instantaneously updated online because they are manually entered. Once you turn in the actual checks, your total online will be updated.

The final money collection date will be Wednesday, May 10 from 4:00 -7:30pm. All families need to either write a check or submit an online payment. We CANNOT bill

your account this year. It created a nightmare with the online billing system last year, incorrectly charging and crediting different families. Please make sure you turn in your money either at the event on May 4 or on the other collection night of May 10.

NO cash please. We are asking that all families write a check to cover the total amount of cash that they collect. Cash is time consuming to count; does not provide a paper record for future years of the amount collected; and is a liability for someone to have to take home in the amounts collected for this event.

### **Goal Reminder**

The bowling party requires a donation of \$150 or more this year. Why the increase? If every swimmer on the team raises the minimum \$100, we will be at about \$13,000, which is \$9,000 short of our goal. At \$125 per swimmer we are only up to \$16,500. At the incentive amount of \$150 per swimmer, it is still not quite enough to reach our goal of \$22,000, but it gets us over \$3,000 closer to that total than \$125 per swimmer does. We ask you all to help share the load of raising the \$22,000 by trying to hit the \$150 per swimmer total to attend the bowling party.



## Coaches' Corner

### **Start Times**

Start times for the Swim-A-Thon are as follows:

- 2:45 Elite/Senior
- 3:45 Bronze
- 4:15 Silver
- 5:30 Gold

With swimmers in different towns and in different grades, the start and stop times for school vary greatly. If you cannot arrive at the time your coach assigned, please just arrive as soon as you can.

### **Bowling Party**

The Swim-A-Thon bowling party will be at Park Bowl on Meridian at 6:30 on Monday, May 15. Again, any swimmer raising \$150 or more is invited to attend the bowling party. We will be distributing the fundraising prizes at the bowling party, so you will want to be sure you can attend. Everyone will go home with a prize this year thanks to the amazing donations BBST parent Jennifer Stiff received from local businesses!



### **Addressing your concerns is our job.**

If you have any questions regarding the structure, direction, performance, or process of the sport please do not hesitate to contact the coaching staff, we want you to contact us. The coaches are experts in the business of swimming in all aspects. Addressing your concerns directly with the coaches will resolve any issues faster and efficiently. Remember the coaches are on deck with your swimmers every day and your concerns are not an inconvenience to us. The coaches are your primary resource for education on the sport, so please take advantage of us as a resource.

### **Office Hours & Contact Info**

#### ***Head Coach, Sean Muncie***

Monday - Friday 10am - 1pm  
[coachmuncie@yahoo.com](mailto:coachmuncie@yahoo.com)  
575-496-8259

#### ***Head Age Group Coach, Hans Johnsen***

Monday - Friday, 10am - 1pm  
[hansjohnsen11@gmail.com](mailto:hansjohnsen11@gmail.com)  
703-638-8709

#### ***Developmental Coach, Heather Taylor***

Monday-Friday, 3pm - 4pm and  
5pm - 7pm  
[taylor.heather.r@gmail.com](mailto:taylor.heather.r@gmail.com)  
425-286-4861

Please note: If you would like to speak with your coach in person, please set up a meeting before or after practice. During practice the coach's attention is to be focused on swimmers only.

Also, make sure you check out the Parent Education tab on BBST's website under the Team Policies heading. Information includes the BBST Handbook, Swim Meet Survival Guide, Nutrition for Performance, 10 Commandments for Swim Parents, and many more articles. This is also a great resource for all parents. **Click [here](#) to visit the Parent Education page directly.**

# Long Course Meet Schedule

May 13-14	West Coast Open	Richmond, BC
May 19-21	TAC Spring Thunderbird	Anacortes, WA
May 26-28	Mel Zajac International Invitational (qualifying times needed)	Vancouver, BC
June 10-11	Cannonball Classic (qualifying times needed)	Federal Way, WA
June 24-25	Pacific Coast	Federal Way, WA
June 27-July 1	USA Swimming Nationals (qualifiers only)	Indianapolis, IN
July 6-9	Mark Prothero Invitational (qualifying times needed)	Federal Way, WA
July 15-16	Summer Grand Challenge	Federal Way, WA
July 20-22	Senior PNS Long Course Champs (qualifying times needed)	Federal Way, WA
July 28-30	14&U PNS Long Course Champs (qualifying times needed)	Federal Way, WA
August 3-6	Futures Championships (qualifying times needed)	Santa Clara, CA
August 8-12	Western Zone Age Group Champs (qualifying times needed)	TBA
August 8-12	Junior Nationals (qualifying times needed)	East Meadow, NY