News from the Dry Side – March 2018

Hello 757 Families:

So we are inching closer to officially completing the Short Course season with one more meet to go this weekend for two swimmers, **Holly Brundage** and **Caleb Vereb**, who are traveling to New York for Eastern Zones. Fifteen swimmers competed at the **TYR ISCA Junior Championship Cup** last weekend at Liberty University's new aquatic Center in Lynchburg, VA. 757 earned 13th place overall among nearly 50 total teams. Please stay tuned for the meet report to fill you in on additional specifics of these championship meets! Congratulations to all swimmers!

Welcome, **Spring Break**! Practices will start again on April 9th, and until then we hope all swimmers and coaches enjoy their well-deserved break.

After break, practices will continue to roll as scheduled with the start of our **Long Course season**. For new families who have not yet experienced Long Course, competition changes up a bit with meets held in a 50 meter pool as opposed to 25 yards. Swimmers change gears with fewer flip turns and more endurance required to go the distance! Our first Long Course meet will be held May 6-8th at the Princess Anne YMCA's outdoor pool in Virginia Beach.

757 is also rolling forward with many fun spring events to bring our swimmers and families together. If you haven't yet experienced a huge wave of swimmers and parents zipping through Colonial Williamsburg all decked out in special **Run the DOG** 757 shirts, make sure you don't miss this year's event! It's a great day whether you participate as a runner/walker or spectator. Event details are linked below along with information about our first annual **Golf Tournament** and the **Virginia Swimming Awards Celebration at Kings Dominion**.

New Meet and Practice Schedules Posted

The Long Course Season Meet Schedule has been posted on our website. As always, see your group coach with any questions about appropriate meets and events for your swimmer. Also, we have posted a modified practice schedule for April 30 – May 24. Slight changes to our schedule will allow us to accommodate our Summer Prep program.

Team Satisfaction Survey

Our annual survey is open and ready for your response! Please click here and provide us with your feedback about your 757swim experience. We are always looking to improve, and we value your input! Your responses are anonymous. This survey will remain open for at least two weeks, and you will receive a reminder before it closes. Thanks for your time!

Kiwanis Concessions – NEW!

757 has signed on as the concessions provider during softball season at Kiwanis Park. This should prove a significant source of income for our team. Huge thanks to Karen Tyranski for taking on this project with gusto! We scrambled to cover the first tournament on March 24-25 and now have a bit of breathing time to get ourselves organized for the next one.

Kiwanis concessions is a **paid work opportunity!** We will be creating a staff of concessions workers (adults and teens 15+) who will be paid. This is a serious commitment, and any hired workers who prove unreliable or are consistently unavailable will be replaced. Parents, swimmers, coaches and friends of the team may apply. More information, including the link to apply as a worker, is posted as a News item on our website.

Summer Camp – NEW!

757swim will be offering a four-day Summer Camp in 2018. The camp will welcome swimmers age 7-14 and will take place from June 26-29 with half- and full-day options at a cost of $120 or $240. The camp will be appropriate for casual summer leaguers through serious competitive swimmers. Stay tuned for more details and registration information.

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

The website calendar is regularly updated so be sure to check that out. Click on the events below for full information, registration instructions, deadlines, etc.

- Run the DOG 5k – Saturday, April 21

Help us repeat as largest team to participate in this event, and support our community with funds going toward the Angels of Mercy Clinic, providing free, compassionate, and quality healthcare to the uninsured residents of the greater Williamsburg area, Charles City, and New Kent counties! Participation is optional, but swim practices will be cancelled that morning.

- 757 Golf Tournament – Friday, April 27

Get your team of four assembled and join the fun while supporting 757swim. Please spread the word. Sponsorship opportunities are available and can apply toward your fundraising requirement.

- Virginia Swimming Celebration at Kings Dominion – Saturday, April 28

Enjoy a day at the park with swimmer friends from throughout Virginia which includes a BBQ lunch and guest speaker as well as recognition of special award winners. (Tickets need to be purchased by April 5th through 757.)

TYR ISCA Championship Cup Recap

Congratulations to the following Gold swimmers who participated in this elite championship meet: **Flynn Crisci, Noah Fields, Colby Hurt, Kylie Johnson, Abby Larson, Sam Long, Sofia Long, Evan Lynch, John Morrow, Kaitlyn Pegram, Austin Smith, Kaitlyn Sullivan, C.C. Roehrle, Jenna Thompson,** and **Faith Tyranski.** Swimmers got the opportunity to swim 50's in all strokes as well as a 100 IM and a mixed female/male 400 Medley relay!

Our swimmers finished in 13th place and broke several 757swim team records along the way. They also had a wonderful time bonding together! Be sure to check out the video created by Sofia Long and posted on our social media.

Fundraising News

Remember, families participating in the Shop with Scrip fundraiser can earn back money to apply to their own accounts after the fundraising minimum has been met! Our Shop with Scrip coordinator, Shana Wilkins, will be offering two "how to" sessions:

- **Shop with Scrip "How To"** – Wed., April 18, at 6:15pm, or Thurs., April 19, at 5:15pm. The sessions will take place at the new 757 office inside the WISC, down the hall from the café and across from the Martial Arts center.

For those still needing to meet their fundraising minimum, available options include selling or purchasing a sponsorship, or using Shop with Scrip. Your current fundraising total is posted on your account. Log into the website, click My Account, then My Invoice/Payment. Look under the Fundraising tab. Email info@757swim.com with any questions or if there has been any mistake with your fundraising total. All fundraising will wrap up in mid-May so that any remaining balance can be billed on June 1.

Summer Prep:

Summer Prep is currently FULL with a waiting list. Thanks for helping spread the word! We will make an announcement if additional spaces become available. Those hoping to participate in Summer Prep may sign up online to be added to the waiting list.

Social Media

Be sure to follow us on social media for fun updates and photos, and share our posts for others to learn about the team. You can find us on Facebook (757swim), Twitter (@757_swim) and now Instagram (757swim_va).

Please read on for information about our featured sponsors. If you have any questions the e-door is always open at info@757swim.com. Go, 757swim!

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