



News from the Dry Side January - February 2019

Greetings, 757swim!

We are looking forward to the excitement of **Short Course Championship Season**, followed by some fun spring events including **Run the DOG** and our 2nd annual **Golf Tournament**. We also are thrilled to welcome two new **staff members**. Please read on for the latest news and information!

Short Course Championship Season

Championship season is upon us! Parents, if you are new to year-round swim, you're bound to have questions about these meets, logistics, and more. Direct any questions about your swimmer to his/her coach. For general questions, there are lots of experienced parents (including your group captain) who can help you – or just shoot an email to info@757swim.com and we'll put you in touch with the right person.

Upcoming meets are as follows:

- Feb. 15-17 **District Champs** (12 & under non-state qualifiers)
- Feb. 22-24 **Regional Champs** (13 & over non-state qualifiers)
- Feb. 28-Mar. 3 **Senior State Champs** (qualified swimmers)
- Mar. 7-10 **Age Group State Champs** (qualified swimmers age 14 & under)
- Mar. 28-31 **Speedo Sectionals** (qualified swimmers, team travel)

Be sure to check out the [Team Hotel Information](#) posted online under “News” if you will be (or might be) traveling to state champs. Staying at the team hotel is not required but is recommended for convenience, bonding, and fun!

Pizza Pep Rally for 12-and-unders

All 12-and-under swimmers and their families are invited to a “Pizza Pep Rally” at Anna’s Brick Oven Pizza on Saturday, February 9, at 12:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10 per person. For more information and to RSVP, see the [Event](#) posted at 757swim.com. Please RSVP by **Wednesday, Feb. 6.**

Golf Tournament April 26

The 2nd annual 757swim [Golf Tournament](#) will take place Friday, April 26, at Williamsburg National Golf Club. The tournament not only offers a day with friends on the Yorktown Course, but also includes a variety of prizes and on-course games for a lively afternoon, followed by a delicious dinner! We hope you’ll participate as a golfer, event volunteer, or sponsor. Register your foursome for \$400—or choose a sponsorship opportunity. (The Golf



Tournament is a fundraising vehicle with various sponsorship options that earn you credit toward your family's fundraising obligation.) Please direct questions to golf@757swim.com.

Family Fundraising Reminder

- Don't forget that membership with 757swim comes with a family fundraising obligation of \$133 per phase (or \$33 per phase for Copper and Senior 1). Your total obligation accrues per phase for a maximum total of \$399 if your swimmer participates during all three phases of the year (max \$99 for Copper / Senior 1).
- To meet your obligation, you may sell or purchase a **Team Sponsorship** or **Golf Tournament Sponsorship**; raise funds via **Shop with Scrip**; or pay out of pocket. Remember, with Shop with Scrip you may exceed your fundraising obligation, with excess funds being credited to your account.
- You will be charged any outstanding fundraising balance on your June invoice or upon withdrawal from the team.
- The [Fundraising Policy](#) is posted at 757swim.com under About Us > Policies.

Staffing and Board Update

We are pleased to welcome a new assistant coach and our first administrative assistant to 757swim—and we are so grateful to Treasurer Gina Wiatrowski for her service as she prepares to step off the board.

- Kip Abbott has joined our assistant coaching staff. Kip grew up in Lynchburg, VA, where he was an avid YMCA and high school swimmer, ultimately swimming for George Mason University. He began coaching summer league at age 16 and also coached high school for five seasons. Kip works at Camp Peary and is also an avid CrossFit athlete. Coach Kip will be assisting primarily with Bronze 1 & 2 and Silver 1. Welcome, Kip!
- Erin Roehrle also joins our staff as our first administrative hire. She is wearing two hats: Aquatics Coordinator and Administrative Assistant. Erin brings to 757swim her degrees in accounting and counseling, professional accounting experience, and many years' experience as a USA Swimming meet director. In addition to coordinating Aquatics programs in partnership with the WISC, she will begin taking over some of the team's day-to-day administrative tasks related to bookkeeping, billing, and registration.
- Treasurer Gina Wiatrowski will be stepping off the board at the end of February. The amount of daily work she has done for the team as a volunteer since joining the Board in 2016 has been truly mind-boggling. Please join us in thanking Gina for her service!
- The team's finances remain in good hands. Our new part-time administrative assistant and our continuing contract accountant will manage day-to-day operations related to member invoices, paying the bills, etc. Board member Ian McCormick (a financial planner) will be keeping his eye on the big picture, analyzing our monthly financial



reports and assisting with budgeting. A new treasurer will assume the office in September if not appointed before.

Meet Report: New Year's Kickoff / Splash & Dash

Congratulations, swimmers, on exciting January Meets! A total of 12 [team records](#) fell, and many swimmers achieved personal best times, new motivational cuts, and more! The [Meet Report](#) has been posted under "News" on our website. As always, if you notice any mistakes or omissions, please email info@757swim so we can make needed corrections.

Long Course Meet Schedule Posted

The [Long Course Meet Schedule](#) has been posted at 757swim.com > Events. Changes to the schedule may occur and will be communicated ASAP. As always, ask your swimmer's lead coach if you have any questions about what meets are appropriate for your swimmer.

Run the DOG - April 20

Once again, 757swim will participate in the Run the DOG 5K on Saturday, April 20, with proceeds benefitting Habitat for Humanity. Help us continue our streak of winning the prize for Largest Team participating in the race! Practices will be cancelled that day so that coaches, swimmers, and families are free to participate in this community outreach activity. Visit the [Event posted online](#) for details on how to register as part of Team 757swim.

WISC Aquatics Powered by 757swim

757swim and the WISC are partnering more closely to bring expanded and improved lessons programming to the WISC. The WISC's aquatics program has been rebranded **WISC Aquatics Powered by 757swim**. Please spread the word! Signups are available now, with information posted under the new [Lessons](#) tab at 757swim.com.



Photos & Fun - Social Media and Smugmug:

- 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 Instagram (757swim_va).
- Also, did you know that lots of great photos from meets and events are posted online on Smugmug? To access the photos, log in at 757swim.com (login is required; otherwise the link is hidden) and visit Parents > [757swim Pictures](#).



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