



## *News from the Dry Side* *May 2019 – 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*

Hello, 757swim! To all the military families among our neighbors and on our team, we are awed and grateful that you put yourselves in harm's way to keep us safe. We honor all of you this Memorial Day weekend and remember those who have fallen. Thank you for your service.

### *Spring Team Meeting*

- Our spring team meeting will take place on Monday evening, June 10, at 7:00 p.m. (location TBA). It is mandatory for at least one adult from your family to attend—or at least submit a proxy ballot for the election of new board members. Stay tuned for a formal meeting announcement, slate of board nominees, proxy ballot, etc.
- Other topics at this meeting will include
  - USA Swimming's new Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy
  - an update from the coach search committee
  - an opportunity for Q&A for those traveling to the SMAC meet in Waynesboro

### *Upcoming Meet – 757swim Spring Splash*

- We are looking forward to the [Spring Splash](#), our last home meet of the year. The prelims/finals meet will take place May 31 to June 2 at the Collegiate School Aquatic Center in Richmond. We have had a tremendous response to this meet from other teams. It will be a full and spirited weekend of fun and fast racing!
- Meet volunteer coordinator Karen Tyranski is working on volunteer assignments for the meet. As the home team, we will have lots of positions to fill, so please plan to be available! Karen will be distributing more information as soon as the meet timeline is set.
- As always, we appreciate your support of our home meets! We've developed a reputation of offering fun, positive, and efficient meets—all thanks to you!

### *SMAC Summer Classic Meet (with option of Training Trip & Team Travel)*

- Registration is open for the [SMAC Summer Classic](#) meet (June 21-23) in Waynesboro. The meet is open to all swimmers. The registration deadline is June 3.
- A Training Trip and/or Team Travel will be available as options for this meet. Details are being finalized and will be released with full information within a week.
  - The **Training Trip** will be available for swimmers in groups Silver 2 and up. (Swimmers travel a couple of days early for some rigorous and fun training.)
  - **Team Travel** will be available for swimmers in groups Bronze 2 and up. (Swimmers travel/stay/eat/etc under the care of coaches & chaperones.)
  - All swimmers have the option of traveling to the meet separately with their families and not participating in the Training Trip or Team Travel.



### [New Team Records from the TIDE Wipe Out Meet](#)

- Congratulations to our new team record holders from the TIDE Wipe Out meet!
  - **Ryan Lorack** (8&U 50 Free, 50 Back, 50 Fly)
  - **Lawson Parkhouse** (8&U 50 Breast)
  - **Broc Hafl** (9-10 200 IM)
  - **Emma Liebler** (9-10 200 Free, 400 Free, 50 Back)
  - **Jorge Oquendo** (11-12 50 Breast, 100 Breast, 200 Breast)
  - **Andrey Radkevich** (11-12 50 Free)
  - **Jenna Thompson** (17-18 400 Free)
  - **Colby Hurt** (17-18 400 IM)

### [Save the Date - Luau](#)

- Our annual year-end celebration Luau will take place on Wednesday evening, July 24, at Williamsburg National Golf Club.
- This will be a potluck meal with awards. Hawaiian attire is encouraged! We hope you can join the fun.

### [Summer Practice Schedule](#)

- The Summer Prep practice schedule runs through Saturday, 5/25. After that, we revert to the regular Winter/Spring schedule until the WJCC school year ends. Thank you for your flexibility in accommodating our Summer Prep program.
- The [Summer Practice Schedule](#) is posted on the website under Swimmers > Practice Schedule. The summer schedule takes effect on Friday, June 14, and runs through the end of the season in July.
- As always, be sure to check your weekly announcement from your coach for any schedule changes due to meets or other events.

### [Farewell to Coach JD](#)

- Coach JD Scott has announced to his practice groups that he is moving to New Mexico to resume his career as an architect, following some changes in his personal life. Coach JD has been a committed, knowledgeable, and innovative contributor to the staff. He will be missed, and we wish him the best!
- An excerpt from JD's letter to his groups: *I cannot begin to express how grateful I am to all of you. During my time here, the board, staff, and parents have gone above and beyond to make sure that I felt welcomed and supported. If it were not for this team, the past couple months might have been a very dark point in my life. Instead, this time has been productive and hopeful. Your swimmers have given me a reason to move forward and motivation to make each day count (more importantly, they have given me innumerable opportunities to laugh). This is truly a special community, and I'm glad that I was able to be a part of it.*



### *Late Swimmer Pickup – THANK YOU for positive changes!*

- After last month’s Dry Side, where we shared a growing problem with late swimmer pickup, the situation has much improved. We appreciate your positive response so very much!
- A late pickup policy with financial penalty will take effect when the summer practice schedule begins. Stay tuned for details. The financial penalty is intended both as a disincentive to pick up late and a way to reimburse the team for the extra compensation that coaches receive when they are on the clock later than scheduled.

### *Team Hotels for Long Course State Champs*

- [Team hotel information](#) for Age Group & Senior State Champs is posted online under “News.” Be sure to reserve a room if there’s any chance your swimmer will attend champs and you would prefer to stay with the team. You can always cancel!

### *June and July – No Dues for Full-Year Swimmers*

- If you have been swimming with 757swim since the fall and have been making monthly payments, then your May dues payment was your last one! June and July are included. Families who joined in January 2019 or later continue to owe dues in June & July.
- Even if you don’t owe dues, be sure to check your invoice in June and July for meet fees, any fundraising balance, etc.
- Most of our swimmers remain active with 757swim through the summer, balancing their summer league practices with 757swim. Active members may continue to attend 757swim practices throughout the summer as much as desired.
- Please direct any questions about your payments to [payments@757swim.com](mailto:payments@757swim.com).

### *Golf Tournament New Date – Wednesday, June 5*

- The weather forced us to reschedule the Golf Tournament, which will now take place on Wednesday, June 5.
- Teams are still welcome to register, and we may have some empty spaces on teams for individuals who would like to join the fun! The registration form is posted online under Events > [Golf Tournament](#). Contact [golf@757swim.com](mailto:golf@757swim.com) with any questions.
- We will likely have volunteer needs due to the changed date. Stay tuned and please sign up to help out if you’re available.



### **757 Cleans Up Nice!**

- If you follow us on social media, you have seen photos of our swimmers all gussied up for their school formals. We love seeing them looking so fabulous! Check out the [photo album](#) on Facebook. (You need not be a Facebook user to view the photos.)
- Please share photos of your swimmers if you're so inclined! You may email them to [socialmedia@757swim.com](mailto:socialmedia@757swim.com).

### **Family Fundraising – Deadline has Passed**

- The May 15 deadline for 2018-19 Family Fundraising has passed. Any fundraising balance will be applied to your June 1 invoice. Refer to the [Fundraising Policy](#) for details.
- Please direct questions to [payments@757swim.com](mailto:payments@757swim.com).
- If you are a user of Shop with Scrip, any credit that you earn after May 15 will accrue and will be credited to your fundraising balance next season.