SPRING/SUMMER '22: MEET OVERVIEW

Hey BACers - this email is going out to all of our spring groups.

First of all, we hope everyone that attended had a GREAT time at practice so far. Our coaches reported a ton of energy and good vibes and we're all happy to be starting a new session! If you haven't been in the pool yet, we're looking forward to seeing you soon!

We wanted to get everyone on the same page regarding meets, and to let you know that our first two meet opportunities are already open on the web, and **THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS NEXT THURSDAY, 4/14.**

For those of you just doing our spring session, we don't have a formal 'season-ending' championship like the Regional or State Championship Meets we had in February and March. (For the LCM – or 'long course meter' – season those are held in July.) However, meets are still really fun and a big part of improving as a swimmer, so we want to provide some great competitive opportunities for our athletes!

We have a copy of our planned meet schedule posted under the 'Meets' tab of the website. You can link to it directly here:
Badger Aquatics Club : 2022 Spring & Summer Meets (teamunify.com)
On that same page, you'll also see a 'USA Swimming Meet FAQ' link. This would be a good reminder for less experienced parents – we've updated it for the Spring '22 season - and is nearly a 'must read' for new families.
meet-faqs-spring-22_060685.pdf (teamunify.com)

SPRING-ONLY SWIMMERS

Swimmers only doing the spring session DO have some great meet options. The focal meet for all spring-only swimmers should be the BAC May Open on 5/21. It's one week before the end of the season, and it'll be a GREAT opportunity for swimmers to see how much they've improved this season! Spring-only swimmers can also the early-season LCM meets (more on those later) and there is a SCY meet in Verona on 5/22 that can be paired with the BAC May Open.

SUMMER SWIMMERS

The spring meets are good, but we have some GREAT meet options for summer swimmers. Most notably we're hosting the JACK PETTINGER INVITE in early June. Named to honor the longtime UW and BAC coach, this will be the FIRST EVER USA Swimming meet held at the new UW Madison pool. We've got some of the best competition from the state and beyond lined up to attend, and we're really excited for this event! (The meet is technically two meets – one for 13-over swimmers and another for 12-under swimmers - we'll have more explanation on that as the meet gets closer.)

"LFSC DANIEL JAEKEL FRIENDSHIP CLASSIC" AND "SEA EARLY BIRD" MEETS

These are the two early-season LCM meets that are **OPEN NOW** and have a **DEADLINE OF 4/14!** They're open to any swimmer interested in competing in a LCM meet. Summer BACers should prioritize doing at least one, but can certainly do both meets as well.

If you have questions on how BAC meets work or on the meet schedule in general, feel free to reply to this and email Jacob. If you have questions about what meets might be the best fit for your swimmers, it's probably best to email their lead coach.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP NOW IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN EITHER OF THE EARLY-SEASON LCM MEETS!

GO BAC!