

**WELCOME
BACK!**

The WaterLog

COACHES CORNER

September 2010

Howdy!

Long course season is now officially over. I hope everyone enjoyed their time off but are now ready to get back in the water! Please check the group calendars on the website as they are updated for practice times.

Events:

There were a few competitions at the end of July and beginning of August. Our last meet in July was the 12 & under Wisconsin State Championships. The kids swam fast in their individual events and relays, it was an exciting meet. The first meet in August was the 13 & over Wisconsin State Championships. As a team we finished 16th with 114 points in Division 2. Again we had many best times and top 16 finishes. The final meet in August was the Central Zones Age Group Championships. This was a very fast meet. It was fun for me to coach our swimmers and other swimmers from around the state as they all competed for Team Wisconsin. As a team we were 2nd overall and for the third year in a row won the Open Water portion of the meet.

Looking Ahead:

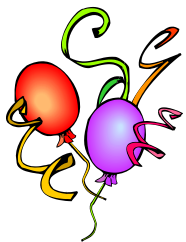
I am excited about starting this upcoming season and look forward to seeing everyone again. The first couple weeks will be spent primarily on stroke technique, and then the fun begins.

Coach Scott Mueller

Reminder of what to bring to practice:

Swimsuit ~ Towels ~ Water Bottle

Goggles ~ Swim Cap ~ Flipflops



September Birthdays

Morgan Fischer
Emily Hunt
Emily Marcou
Stephanie Marks
Moiria Shea
Ben Midlikowski
Emma Jankowski
Andrew Seeman
Ann Miller
Kayla Francis
Hope Penkwitz
Melissa Tweedale
Melanie Marks



Upcoming Meets

**October 2
SWAT**

(Bronze Age Group & Older Only)

**October 9
EBSC**

(12&U Only)

**October 16
MFSC**

President's Report

Hello all! Short Course session is just a week away...please mark the calendars for dates of registration!



Registration Nights for Short Course

DATES: September 13 & 14

TIME: 5:45 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

PLACE: Pool Lobby

Registration nights will have information on fundraising and of course, our clothing sale (i.e., try-on of team swimsuits, team warm-ups to order, T-shirts, etc.). Please note that all clothing purchases require payment at registration.

Just an FYI... During the week of September 7, we have a large number of kids coming in to trial our Club. The pool will be a buzz with many new faces.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank Judy Neale & Lisa Seiler for all of their work putting on the Long Course banquet. Good time, good food, good company. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the kids' accomplishments. It did appear, however, that not everyone who RSVP'd actually attended...leaving a very large amount of subs leftover, which ended up being both a waste of food and money from our Club funds. Although we understand that life happens and plans can change not allowing you to attend, please remember that if we receive your reservation, we are planning on your attendance. Thank you for your understanding. See you at the pool!

Laurie Siehs, President

A Note From Your Meet Entries Coordinator

I hope you all had a good break with lots of rest. I am in the process of collecting your reservations for the upcoming meets and will be submitting a check to the host teams to guarantee your spot in those meets.

For the families who are new to the club, or those who were not ready to commit to a meet, we will have a waitlist posted on the bulletin board prior to each meet, and we also have the on-line waitlist through Team Unify.

Additional details for new members, will be provided at the Parent Information Meeting.

***Sue Bomm
Meet Entries Coordinator***

A Note From Your Registration Chairperson

Hello MFSC Families,

Not only is it back to school time, it is time for the **2010-11 Short Course Season** to begin! Please make note of the following important dates regarding the new season:

Tuesday, September 7th: Practices begin. See website calendar for specific times/days of practice.

Monday, September 13th OR Tuesday, September 14th: Registration Nights: Pool Lobby 5:45-8:30: Please bring completed paperwork to registration, forms can be found on the home page of the website. As usual, we will help you figure out fees. ALL MEMBERS (INCLUDING PRE-COMP PARTICIPANTS) MUST ATTEND ONE OF THESE NIGHTS EVEN IF YOUR SWIMMER WILL NOT BE SWIMMING UNTIL LATER IN THE SEASON (i.e. High School Boy/Girl, those starting late due to another sport). We have many groups at or near capacity, if you do not register, you will not be guaranteed a spot on the team.

Tuesday, September 21st, 6:15-7: Pre-Comp Session 1 classes begin. Lessons will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays this season. Make sure you attend one of the registration nights to get your swimmer signed up.

November 25th and 26th: No swim due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

December 24th and 31st: No swim due to Christmas and New Year's.

Reminder: Any swimmer who registered in the LC Season as a Seasonal USA Swimming member (you would have been charged \$36) must renew their USA registration before the start of the new season or your child will not be allowed to swim in practices. I sent an email to each of you that this pertains to, but have only heard back from a very few families. Contact me with questions if you are unsure.

You may have noticed that you received an invoice for September. The first installment of training fees are included in that invoice. **Do not pay this invoice until registration. You will be told your exact total when you sign up.** I tried something new this season as a means of making registration data entry easier. If I was not sure of your status, I did not bill you. That does not mean you get to swim for free (darn, I know), it just means I will change your information after registration. If you were billed in error (i.e., you will not be swimming the Short Course season at all), if there are special circumstances or if I made a mistake, I will correct that information after registration.

If you did not receive a New Family folder of information when you registered, please do not fret! MFSC has decided to "**Go Green**". All of the information in that folder is now available on the website. Just click on the tab in the black band at the top of the home page that says: **New Family Info**.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to try to improve MFSC registration and club communication.

Please do not hesitate to ask questions. Hope all swimmers have a great start to their school year!

See you poolside!

Amy DeGrace
Registration Chairperson

2010/11 Short Course Fundraising Opportunities

Family Fundraisers

You will earn credit toward your family fundraising commitment for participating in these programs listed below.

[Seroogy's Candy Bars](#). Dates to be announced. Candy Bars are purchased for \$1.50, and 50% of the sales go to your fundraising balance. Contact Kate Ragland if you have any questions.

[Great Lakes Scrip](#). Order gift cards for gifts or personal use. There is a very large network of participating retailers. Profit varies depending on retailer. Orders are placed on the third Monday of each month. To participate you must enroll online. If you need further information, please see Kate Ragland for enrollment materials or questions.

www.shopwithscrip.com

[Pick N Save](#). Order gift cards for use during your weekly grocery shopping. Profit is 3%. Orders are placed every 2 weeks. Look for the current flyer @ the pool. Need a form to fill out? [Click Here](#). See Christine Gonzales for more information.

[Sendik's](#). Same as Pick-N-Save! Order gift cards for use during your weekly grocery shopping. Orders are placed every 2 weeks. See Christine Gonzales for more information.

[Kringle Sale](#). Dates to be announced.

[Heat Sheet Ads](#). The ad sizes are full page (\$50), half page (\$35), and quarter page (\$20). You receive a credit toward your fundraising requirement for each ad you purchase (or sell). These ads are not limited to businesses. Make your own ad to cheer on your swimmer! There is a sheet that you will need to have filled out. Contact Kate Ragland if you have any questions.

Club Fundraisers

Your participation will help the club earn money for needed items. However, you will not earn credit toward your family requirement for these fundraisers.

[Pick n Save "We Care"](#)- Please consider supporting MFSC by designating the club on your Pick n Save Advantage Plus card. Our organization number is **501750**. Simply stop at the Pick N Save customer service desk to enroll.

In the Works...

More Club Fundraisers to be announced during season. Please Contact Kate Ragland if you know of a Fundraiser that may be of interest to the club!

FUNDRAISING CONTACTS:

Pick N'Save & Sendiks: Christine Gonzales...cgonzales4@wi.rr.com

SCRIP or any other fundraisers: Kate Ragland...ragland0668@gmail.com