



Veterans Park Swim Team

Home of the Marlins



July 21, 2009

Newsletter #9

Great job swimmers at the last home meet. Thank you to all parents who helped out. Meet results are on the back. Let's keep up these great results for Divisionals!

Divisionals Meet – July 25th at Lake Manassas:

***** Arrival by 5:55am. Warm-ups start at 6:10am*****

***We need maximum participation at this meet - Swimmers** - Please check in with your coach upon arrival and listen to the announcer calling the events. We do not want any "scratches" if you are at the meet. When in doubt, ask!

***Relays** – Swimmers should not leave the meet until they check in with their coach(es) to see if they are in a relay.

***Volunteers** – We need volunteers for timing, recording, running, scoring, and Clerk of Course. Please see Heather and Theresa to volunteer.

***Directions to Lake Manassas:** From Vets Park Pool: Take Featherstone Rd to Route 1 traffic light. Take Left onto Route 1 South, take Right onto Opitz Boulevard. Opitz Boulevard becomes Smoketown Road. Turn Left onto Prince William Parkway (VA-3000). Continue on Prince William Parkway (including taking Left when reach Liberia intersection in Manassas), then taking a Right onto Prince William Parkway at the Route 234 intersection. Continue on Prince William Pkwy West. Total miles on PW Pkwy: 23 miles. Take ramp onto I-66 West; go 1.1 miles. Take exit #43B, US-29 North, and take immediate Left onto Lee Highway US-29 South. After approximately 2 miles, turn left into Lake Manassas Community at Baltusrol Blvd. Proceed through Guard Gate, and turn right on to Turtle Point Drive. Pool is on the right.
Address: 14900 Turtle Point Drive, Gainesville, VA 20155

***Parking:** Available at Lake Manassas Academy on Baltusrol Blvd and street parking. Please do not block driveways or mailboxes. If you are in need of a Handicap spot, please let us know as soon as possible. You would need to have your placard displayed on your car. They have 3 spots and can reserve more as needed.

***Team Area:** Our team is on the south side of the pool deck and on Tennis Court #1.

***Deck Space:** Due to space limitations on deck, no unauthorized persons will be allowed on the pavilion side. They will have Marshals to enforce this. Swimmers will

need to leave the pool area after their races. Meet Officials/Volunteers will be given badges for entry onto the deck during their shifts.

***T-Shirts:** Lake Manassas has stated that they will have Divisional T-Shirts on sale at the meet. We do not know the design, the quantity of sizes available, or the price.

***** Please gather all belongings and trash before leaving the meet. *****

Marlins Apparel Items - Get your Marlin tattoos (50¢), magnets (\$4), rally towels (\$4.50) and t-shirts (\$10) for the swim meet. Please see a Board member for purchases and show your team SPIRIT at Divisionals!

Lost and Found – We have quite a collection of items. Any items that aren't claimed by the end of season will be donated.

Spirit Week – July 20th through 24th.

Tuesday – Near end of practice – Ice Cream Social.

Ice cream will be provided and we ask families to contribute a topping for the swimmers (for example: Chocolate or caramel syrup, sprinkles, mini marshmallows, cherries, etc).

Wednesday – Near end of practice – Pizza Party for the 8 and Under Age Group. These Penny Drive winners collected \$34.70!

Thursday – Near end of practice – Flavor Ice Social and Poster/ hat decorating

Awards Banquet and Pool Party – The end of season awards banquet is on **Sunday, July 26th** from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the Woodbridge/Occoquan Fire Station (1306 F Street, Woodbridge). Set-up will begin @ 2pm at the fire station. Families whose last name begins with N-Z are asked to set-up and families with A-M are asked to help clean-up afterwards. The banquet hall at the fire station is lent to us to use – we need to make sure that everything is cleaned up before the Board leaves and the Pool Party can begin.

For the banquet, families should bring their own main dish (lasagna, chicken, subs, etc) and bring a side dish to share with others (salads, fruit tray, veggies, etc). Dishes, plastic-ware, and dessert will be provided by the Team.

The banquet will be followed by a pool party at Vets Park from 7:30-10pm. Swimmers, parents and immediate family members are welcome to attend.



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Board Elections – Elections for all Board members will take place during the banquet. If interested in becoming a Board member for next season, contact Ross Schwalm.

Family Balances and Swim A Lap Donations – There are families that have outstanding balances for registration fees. **Please pay off these balances as soon as possible. Also, please turn in any Swim A Lap donations no later than Wednesday, July 22nd.**

On-Line Meet Results – The Washington Post has developed an on-line search page for all Washington area swim leagues – including PWSL. Users can search by team name or swimmer name and receive a breakdown of meet results, swimmer times and points scored. Go to reachforthewall.com and search for Veterans Park Marlins.

***** GO MARLINS!!! *****

Meet Results for Saturday, July 18, 2009

Final Score:

Old Bridge Breakers: 2971.5

Veterans Park Marlins: 1990.5

Veterans Park Swim Team triple winners – Conor Bachman, 9-10 50 Free, 100 IM, 25 Fly; Kyra Bachman, 8&U 25 Free, 10&U IM, 8&U 25 Breast; Amy Freeze, 10&U IM, 50 Back, 25 Fly;

Veterans Park Swim Team double winners – Colleen Hoffman, 13-14 50 Back, 50 Fly;

Veterans Park Swim Team other top place finishers -- Girls: (8&U) Kolbe Bachman, 25 Breast; (11-12) Rebecca Tellier, 50 Free; (13-14) Julia Heggenstaller, 50 Free; (15-18) Linda Erickson, 50 Breast; Melanie Erickson, 50 Fly; Boys: (11-12) Donny Hadley, 50 Back; (13-14) Nate Powell, 50 Free; (15-18) Bryan Martin, 50 Fly;

Veterans Park Swim Team personal best times -- Girls: (8&U) Tyra Huckaby, Kayla Moore, Elizabeth Simpson, Caity Nguyen, Britney Harper, Anyan Thomas, Christa Nelson; (9-10) Akira Painter-Thrift, Lily Nguyen, Symone Coleman, Sydney Coleman, Aisha Surratte; (11-12) Brielle Entzminger, Delaney Williams, Elena Shriner, Morgan Hilberer; (13-14) Molly Coupe, Tahlia Marinez, (15-18) Lee Ann Kitzhaber; Boys: (8&U) AJ Evans, Timothy Hamm, Aidan Phillis, Eugene Coleman III, Regner Ramirez, Tommy Hamm, Xavier Woodberry; (9-10) David Davis, Justin Moore, Joshua Cook; (11-12) Gordon Russell; (13-14) George Leon; (15-18) Matt Lourenzo, Patric Slattery