



DORSEY DOLPHINS NEWSLETTER – SPRING

2008

Message from the Coach

Hello Everyone!

I hope that everyone has had a great school year! Now that it is getting warmer and summer is approaching, it is time to start thinking about swimming with Dorsey again. I am very much looking forward to being back and coaching again this season. Let's try and make this season even more fun and successful as the last. Until that point arrives, if you have any questions or anything else then please feel free to contact me by email at alyspaz@umd.edu.

I'm looking forward to seeing all the familiar faces and even some new ones at our kickoff party at Splashdown. And if not then, then at our first practice!

See you all soon!
Coach Alyssa

Message from the Managers

We are excited to be the new managers for this season and are looking forward to lots of fun! Please feel free to contact us if you have questions, suggestions, or concerns.

We are also glad to welcome back Coach Alyssa as our new head coach. Assisting her this season will be Casey Kampf and Jennifer Johnson. Our former Coach Kelly has promised to come, visit, and help this summer too. She will be working for CA in the Aquatics office.

Dana Varela
Barb Pavao

(410) 465-3377
(410) 418-4749

juliodana@verizon.net
bboardman-pavao@comcast.net

Request for Volunteers

The success of our swim team not only depends on our children but also on their parents. There are a lot of behind the scenes jobs that need to take place to make it all run efficiently. Our expectation is that every family contributes in some way. There is a job for everyone and we can work with you to find one that fits best. Please make sure you sign up for a job at the Kick-Off Party.

Spirit Wear person needed!! Please consider organizing our team's spirit wear sales. Ann Dominiski has been in charge and will help to transition someone into this important job for our team.

Kick-Off Party

Our 2008 Kick-Off Party will be held at Splashdown at the Columbia Swim Center on **Saturday, May 10 from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm**. Everyone can swim and use the water slides. Friends are welcomed!! We encourage new swimmers to come and check it out! Be prepared to have fun, register for the team, buy your new swim suit and spirit wear, participate in a 50/50 raffle, update your contact info, and sign up for volunteer jobs for the summer. Remember your check book. Snacks will be available for purchase. **Please RSVP to a manager by May 7**

Registration

Registration can be set by mail to CNSL Registration, 9450 Gerwig Lane, Columbia MD 21046 OR dropped off at the Aquatics Office. Registration forms will NOT be accepted at the pools. **CA is offering a \$5 family discount for registration forms received on or before May 31.** We are encouraging you to register as soon as possible and take advantage of the discount. The CA registration deadline is June 28, 2008 by 2 pm

New Swim Suits

We have new swimsuits this season. We'll be using them for Summer 08 and Summer 09. There will be 2 opportunities to get fitted and purchase the new suit from Cy's

- Kick-Off Party on May 10th at Splashdown from 7:30-9:30

- Dorsey pool on June 18th 8am-10am

Cy's also has the suits in their store and they can be purchased there as well.
 Cy's Of Catonsville 719 Frederick Road Catonsville, MD 21228 (410) 747-8760

Practice schedule

Pre-season practice starts on Monday June 2 and continues until June 16 (the last day of school.) Practices are Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Fri at the Dorsey pool.

5:00 - 5:30 pm Swimmers 8 yrs and under
 5:30 - 6:15 pm Swimmers 9 to 12 yrs
 6:15 - 7:00 pm Swimmers 13 yrs and up

Regular season practice schedule starts on Tuesday June 17 (or the day after the last day of school) and goes until Thursday July 31. Practice is Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All morning practices will be held at the Dorsey Hall pool.

8:00 - 8:45 am Swimmers ages 11-12, 13-14, and 15-18
 8:45 - 9:30 am Swimmers ages 7-8 and 9-10
 9:30 - 10:00 am Swimmers 6 yrs and under

Make-up Practice - If you miss a morning practice during regular season, the evening times listed below are available for make-up practice. On these days the pools are closed to the general public.

Phelps Luck (Wednesday Evening)

Running Brook (Thursday Evening)

5:00 - 5:45 pm Swimmers age 10 and under
 5:45 - 6:30 pm Swimmers age 11 and up

5:00 - 5:45 pm Swimmers age 10 and under
 5:45 - 6:30 pm Swimmers age 11 and up

Calendar of Meets and Events

Note: All meets begin at 8:00am/ Warm-ups start at 7:00 am for home meets and 7:30 am for away meets.

| Date | Day | Event |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--|
| May 10 | Saturday | Kick-Off Party @ Splashdown 7:30 to 9:30 pm |
| May 31 | Saturday | Register on or before May 31 to receive \$5 per family discount |
| June 2 | Monday | Preseason Practice starts |
| June 13 | Friday | <i>Practice 5 to 7 pm by age group. Pool closes at 7 pm. We'll need parent volunteers to help stay and set up the pool from 7 to 7:30 pm. Swimmers stay and practice cheers from 7 to 7:30 pm.</i> |
| June 14 - home | Saturday | Time Trials @ Dorsey Arrive by 7:30 am. Trials begin at 8:00 am. |
| June 17 | Tuesday | Regular season practice starts (times listed above) |
| June 18 | Wednesday | Cy's will be at Dorsey Pool from 8 to 10 am if you need to purchase a suit. |
| June 20 | Friday | Pep Rally - 5 to 7 pm Picture Day - Individual Photos @ 5 pm and Team Photos @ 5:45 pm |
| June 21 - away | Saturday | Meet 1: Dorsey @ Harper's Choice (Longfellow) |
| June 27 | Friday | Pep Rally 6 to 8 pm |
| June 28 - home | Saturday | Meet 2: Huntington @ Dorsey |
| July 4/5 | Friday/Sat | NO MEET- Enjoy your holiday |
| July 12 - home | Saturday | Meet 3: Pointer's Run @ Dorsey |
| July 12 | Saturday | Swim Mania pool sleep over - Charity fund raiser |
| July 18 | Friday | Pep Rally - 6 to 8 pm |
| July 19 - away | Saturday | Meet 4: Dorsey @ Long Reach (Kendall Ridge) |
| July 25 | Friday | Pep Rally - 6 to 8 pm |

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--|
| July 26 - home | Saturday | Meet 5: Pheasant Ridge @ Dorsey |
| July 27 | Sunday | Awards Night @ Dorsey pool |
| August 1 | Friday | All City Meet for 8 and under |
| August 2 | Saturday | All City Meet for 9 and older |