



Minnetonka Swim Club

5/12/2010

General News

1. This season the Minnetonka Swim Club has initiated **team goals** in order to promote team unity and emphasize important items throughout practices and competitions.

This week's team goal:

**Swim in a different lane each day
unless otherwise instructed
by the coaching staff.
Get to know the entire group!**

2. Congratulations to everyone on a **fun and successful Twinvite** last weekend! The following swimmers have been selected as swimmers of the meet. Criteria for selection includes but is not limited to attitude, courage, team support, and race performance.

Twinvite Swimmers of the Meet

**Kate Busch
Dan Bielski
Bastien Ibri
Jessica Ibri
Anna Jeska
Matthew McGonigle
Ellie Schini
John Seylar
Jack Tilden**

3. Starting Monday, May 17 we will be offering **additional Masters swim practices** from 12:00-1:00 PM.

These will be offered each Monday and Wednesday and can count as one of your 3 or 5 practices a week if you are already registered. If you aren't registered the cost is \$3 a practice.



The doors will open at 11:45 AM. Any questions concerning these new workouts should be addressed to [Coach Zach](#).

Practice Changes

4. With the upcoming Swim-a-Thon on May 22, we have scheduled some **fun practices for each Swim-A-Thon team** in order to better get to know one another. Take a look at the date and time your team will be practicing (below).

Don't remember what team you're on? Check out the team lists on the [EVENT](#) page for the Swim-A-Thon.

These practices will take the place of normal group practices for both days, except for **Senior Elite** who will be expected to participate at their normal practice on the day their Swim-A-Thon team does not practice.

Thursday, May 13

Senior Elite – 4:00-6:00 PM at MME

Team 1 – 6:00-7:00 PM at MME

Team 2 – 7:00-8:00 PM at MME

Friday, May 14

Senior Elite – 4:00-6:00 PM at MME

Team 3 – 6:00-7:00 PM at MME

Team 4 – 7:00-8:00 PM at MME

5. There will also be **no practice for Novice 1 and 2, Light Blue, Dark Blue, and Junior on Saturday, May 15** due to the WEST Express meet.

As the competition season continues, check back each week to be sure that all practice changes have been noted.

6. Memorial Day Weekend will see SEVERAL changes:
 - a. **Friday, May 28**—**Novice 1** and **Novice 2** will be combined from 4:30-5:30 PM at MMW. **Light Blue** and **Dark Blue** will also be combined from 5:30-7:00 PM at MMW.
 - b. **Saturday, May 29**—There will be a practice for all 13 and over swimmers from 8:00-9:30 AM and from 9:30-11:00 AM for all 12 and unders.
 - c. **Monday, May 31**—There is no practice for any group on **Monday, May 31. Happy Memorial Day Weekend!**



7. Starting with the Summer session on June 14 we have secured **long course pool time at the outdoor Edina Aquatics Center**. All groups will have an opportunity to practice at this facility. Stay tuned for practice changes due to this exciting development.

Upcoming Meets/Events

8. [Results from the Twinvite III](#) are now posted on the event page and are also accessible via My Meet Results on the website. Invoices including those meet fees will go out on the 21st.
9. Registrations for the **WEST Express Spring Opener-ABC Open** are now closed. Please take a look at the [Event page](#) for our final entries and timeline. Relays have also been included based on our participation each day, **so please check to make sure what relays you may be swimming!**

Charges for this meet will be included with invoices going out later this month. If you have any questions please contact [Coach Dan](#).

10. From May 13-16, coach and swimmer **David Plummer will be competing at the Charlotte UltraSwim Grand Prix** in Charlotte, North Carolina. *Best of luck to David as he goes up against some of the best swimmers in the world such as Michael Phelps, Aaron Peirsol, and Ryan Lochte!*
11. As David continues to work towards the 2012 Olympics he will be competing in various meets across the country where he will compete against the other top swimmers in the country. This can be quite expensive and the Minnetonka Swim Club would like to do everything they can to help him accomplish his goal.

On Sunday, May 23 and Sunday, June 13 David will be running a two-part starts, turns, and underwater technique clinic.

Each day is 90 minutes, the cost of the clinic is \$100, and there is a limit of six people. If additional swimmers are interested, additional sessions will run on those same days. Please email [Coach Dan](#) ASAP to guarantee your spot.



12. To get **updates on the Swim-A-Thon**, including latest news, lists of teams, etc., please click on the Title on the Event page that announces [May 22, 2010—Mtka Swim-A-Thon](#). This page lists the details for the event—including the times to swim (also noted below).

In addition to coming on Saturday and participating in the Swim-A-Thon, **we need parent volunteers to serve pancakes, sell concessions and apparel, register pledges, and act as the DJ to play music!** Please click on the **Job sign-up** button to volunteer during times when your swimmers are at the pool!

May 22—Team time slots for swimming

Team 1 --8:30-10:30

Team 2 -- 10:30- 12:30

Team 3 -- 12:30-2:30

Team 4 -- 2:30-4:30

If you are unable to participate during your assigned time, please see your coach.

13. The **Spring/Summer meet schedule** is now finalized. Please take a look at the schedule on our website. You can view it under Calendars and General Calendar or under the [Events tab](#). If you have questions regarding meets that your son/daughter qualifies for, please speak with your group coach.
14. **Volunteers for our June 12 intrasquad meet will be needed.** Information will be available soon on the website, where you'll be able to sign up for volunteer positions.

**Thank you,
The Minnetonka Swim Club**

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