



Minnetonka Swim Club

6/23/2010

General News

1. **SUMMER REGISTRATIONS.** Registrations have been **reactivated on our website until June 27. If you have not signed up before midnight on the 27th, you will be assessed a \$20 late fee.** Please contact [Coach Dan](#) if you have problems registering on our website. Credit card payments are now being accepted.
2. **NEW SWIM CAPS.** Yesterday an email went out with an order form for new swim caps. We know there has not been much notice to place an order, but we have a very fast turnaround so that we can receive caps in time for ABC Finals, Speedo Sectionals, and Long Course State. Please return the [order form](#) to one of the coaches or the office at MME **by Saturday June 26. Late orders will not be accepted** and swimmers will have to wait until the fall session to place a new order.
3. **UP AHEAD: EXCITING NEW CHANGES.** Over the past nine months we have seen some incredible changes take place with our Club, including: claiming a new pool as our home base; growing the numbers of swimmers and coaching staff on the team; being host to multiple events (competitive, developmental, and social); expanding our always-helpful volunteer base through our parents and the Anchor Club; and welcoming the arrival of 2012 Olympic hopeful David Plummer. These changes—and new changes that will continue to take place—create new demands and needs for the Club that will require further modifications to our current club structure.

Some of these changes will be administrative (i.e. our new online credit card system), and some will be designed to maintain necessary coach-to-athlete ratios. Most importantly, our coaching staff is committed to ensuring that the Club's group structure accommodates long-term development plans that are appropriate for all of our swimmers. The group structure must take into account the physical, mental, emotional,



and social factors that will impact a logical progression or path for each swimmer as he or she develops toward his/her goals. Therefore, ***beginning in the fall session***, expect some additional modifications in group structure.

Please note that practice times and the current group structure **will not be affected this summer**. Stay tuned, however, for more information about some exciting improvements designed to help your swimmers and our Club achieve success.

4. **ADDITIONAL MASTERS PRACTICES.** **Attention Masters swimmers:** Don't forget that we now offer **additional Masters swim practices** from 12:00-1:00 PM. These will be offered each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 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 are open at 11:45 AM. Any questions concerning these new workouts should be addressed to [Coach Zach](#).

5. **CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ONLINE.** **On Tuesday, June 1 we began accepting credit card payments via the website.** Families will be able to pay for all session registrations, meet fees, and other items included in each monthly invoice. To set up your credit card payments login to your account and select "Setup Auto Pay" under "My Account". Here you will find the information you need. If you have any questions regarding this process please contact [Coach Dan](#).

6. **JUNE 21st INVOICES.** Just a reminder that invoices were sent to all families with outstanding balances on the 21st. If you have registered your credit card with our website, your card will automatically pay your balance on July 1st. If you do not wish to setup a credit card with us, please send a check ASAP. **Please contact [Coach Dan](#) with any questions regarding this process.**



Practice Changes

7. **SATURDAY JUNE 26.** A reminder that next **Saturday June 26**, practices will be cancelled for Senior Elite, Senior, and White due to the STAR A Meet.
8. **SATURDAY JULY 3.** Happy 4th of July!! A reminder that on **Saturday July 3**, **all practices will be cancelled** because of the holiday weekend.
9. **LONG COURSE POOL TIME/PRACTICES.** **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. Here is an updated schedule:
 - a. **Senior Elite**—Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:15-9:15 PM except June 23 and July 7
 - b. **Senior**—Wednesdays from 7:15-9:15 PM
 - c. **White**—Mondays from 7:15-9:15 PM
 - d. **Novice 1 and 2, Dark and Light Blue, Junior**—June 23 and July 7 from 7:45-8:45 PM

Upcoming Meets/Events

10. **M3F INVITATIONAL.** Our club had another great showing at the M3F Invitational this past weekend. Great job everyone! **Results have been posted and meet fees assessed to each family's account.**
11. **SANTA CLARA GRAND PRIX.** Congratulations to David Plummer, Annelise Kowalsky, and Isabel Wyer! Some great swims were achieved by all three—including best times and a 1st place finish by David in the 100 back (55.22) over Olympians Ryan Lochte and Matt Grevers. You can watch David Plummer win the 100 backstroke (on swimnetwork.com) and listen to his interview right after his race. When you click on the link it will actually show a different video, so look below the video and scroll down to the video titled 2010 Santa Clara Gran Prix - Men's 100m Backstroke A Final. There is also a link to this video on the Gran Prix-Santa Clara events page.



12. **STAR A MEET.** Final entries and a timeline for the STAR A Meet are [posted on the website](#). Please check warm up times for your swimmer and we'll see you there!

13. The **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 for which your son or daughter qualifies, please speak with your group coach.

**Thank you,
The Minnetonka Swim Club**

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