



Minnetonka Swim Club

8/05/2010

General News

1. **END OF SUMMER SESSION.** The Summer session is now completed. *Enjoy your month of August; and we look forward to seeing all of you and welcoming many new faces to our club!*
2. **EXCITING NEW CHANGES.** On Tuesday, we sent an e-mail introducing our new practice groups. New group recommendations will be sent this week; please e-mail Coach Dan or Coach Zach (or Ben) to set an appointment to discuss any questions you have.
 - a. **Groups have been re-structured** to better meet the needs of all of our swimmers while maintaining optimum swimmer-to-coach ratios, given our pool resources (number of lanes, all groups using the pools, etc.). More information will be found on our Web site:
 - 1) The [Swim Groups](#) tab for an overview and links to detailed information about each group;
 - 2) [Athlete Performance/Athlete Development](#) tab for general development considerations;
 - 3) [Swim Groups/Practice Schedule](#) tab for the baseline schedules for each group. Group calendars have also been posted; however, please note that the practice schedule and group calendars **will change throughout the season** to reflect pool usage changes due to intrasquad and high school meets and other events, as well as the end of girls' high school season and start of boys' high school season.
 - b. **Pre-Registration and Club Group Limits.** Because we have enjoyed having so many new swimmers join the team in the past year, we anticipate a need to limit the number of new enrollments in the Club. As a result, it will be imperative **that current Club swimmers (including all high school swimmers) register ASAP** in order to be guaranteed a spot. Therefore, all swimmers who intend to swim with the Club next year (including those planning on swimming for their high school season) need to pre-register.

**Pre-Registration Process for the [Entire Short-Course Season](#)
Open from Friday August 6 through Friday August 20**



- c. **Revised Billing System.** Starting with the 2010-2011 Short Course Season, the Minnetonka Swim Club will be using a monthly billing system to invoice swimmer registration fees. Each month you will be billed on the 21st for your registration fee plus any meet fees and purchased apparel that have been put on your account. If you have indicated "auto-pay" on your billing account, payment will be charged to your card on the 1st of the next month. If you are paying by check your check will be due by the 1st of each month.

For example, a payment invoiced on September 21st must be paid by check or will be charged on October 1st.

- Monthly—Full season (**no** partial season registration available). Assumes:
 - Short-course season (full): 6 months
 - Long-course season: 4 months
 - Monthly—Girls or Boy's high school. Assumes:
 - Short-course season: 3 months
 - Long-course season: 4 months
3. **NEW SWIMMER EVALUATIONS.** New swimmer evaluations will take place at MME from 5 PM to 8 PM on Monday, August 24. If you know of someone interested in joining the team, please let them know.

Meets/Events

4. **Nationals Swim Meet.** Congratulations to Minnetonka swimmer David Plummer, who edged past world record holder Aaron Peirsol and Olympic silver medalist Matt Grevers to win the 100 back at Nationals (8/4/2010). Details of his swim, including videos of the swim and interviews, and links to articles may be viewed on the Web site news item: **David Plummer wins 100 Back at Nationals.**
5. **Minnesota Long Course State Championships.** Great job by our swimmers; results are now posted online!

**Thank you,
The Minnetonka Swim Club**

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