

May 23, 2014

Dolphins Swim Team Newsletter



Mark Your Calendars

- Monday, May 26 7⁰⁰AM Traditional Bella Vista Hike
- Monday, May 26 No Practice, Memorial Day
- Tuesday, May 27 6⁴⁵ - 8⁰⁰AM Morning Practices Begin
- Monday, June 2 Money for Isotopes Tickets Due
- Tuesday, June 3 6³⁰PM New Parent Orientation
- Wednesday, June 4 6³⁰PM Parent's Stroke & Turn Clinic
- Thursday, June 5 6³⁰PM Parent's Timer Clinic

Morning Practices

Morning practices start on **Monday, June 2nd, 6:45-8am**. All swimmers are to report to the Kirtland track (adjacent to the swimming pool) with running shoes (no flip flops) for stretching, running, etc. -- **promptly at 6:45am**, this will ensure that we maximize our time in the water. Wear shorts, tee shirt over your swimwear, so you can discard clothes quickly and get into pool at 7am.

Parent Clinics

Volunteers are needed at every meet. We encourage all parents to help out. We will offer a Parent's Stroke & Turn Clinic on Wednesday, **June 4th** at 6:30pm and a Parent's Timer Clinic on Thursday, **June 5th** at 6:30pm. The clinics will provide you with the information necessary to volunteer for one of these positions at the meets, but they will also help you understand how your swimmer will be judged during the meets. We encourage all parents to attend.

Traditional Bella Vista Hike

Traditional Bella Vista Hike will take place on Monday, **May 26th**. Anyone who wants to participate should contact Coach Robert Wall (robwall83@gmail.com or [505-252-3431](tel:505-252-3431)). Hike usually starts at 7am. It is a 14 mile hike (7 miles up the mountains & 7 miles back down). Coach Robert will advise you what to bring and what to wear if you want to participate.



2014 New Mexico Games



New Mexico Games is early this year, Sunday, June 15. We need to get all registration materials in by Wednesday, June 4th. The registration information and entry form are attached to this Newsletter. Every participant needs to fill out a separate entry form. Each participant must also sign a Waiver of Liability. A waiver form is also attached to this Newsletter. You can print additional copies of both forms as necessary. You can also pick up an additional forms at any evening swim practice. Just see Kim Berling or Michelle Seaver. These forms are also available on the homepage of the website, where you can download them and print them out.

New Mexico Games is an opportunity for the whole family to participate in a swimming event. There are age and gender groups from 8 & under to 80 & over, so all swimmers, along with their siblings, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and neighbors can all participate. Everyone swims in their own age group. As the age groups increase, there are not as many swimmers. So all you 30's, 40's and 50+ somethings should still jump in and participate! Even if you don't feel you would do very well, you could still win an award, as there may only be a half a dozen swimmers in your age group! In addition to a having a great time, you would help the Dolphin's score points!

Base Passes

Anyone who still needs a summer base pass should get their paperwork in as soon as possible. The link to the base pass paperwork is available on the website.

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Isotopes Game

The Team will be attending an Isotopes Ball game on Saturday evening, **June 28th**. Tickets are \$10.50 each. We will need an accurate head count by Monday,

June 2nd, so we know how many tickets to get. We would like to collect the money for the tickets by June 2nd as well. However, we can make arrangements to collect the money at a later date, if necessary. What we really need to know is how many people in each family (both kids and adults) would like to attend the game.

Please contact Kim Berling (berling.k@gmail.com or [505-410-3646](tel:505-410-3646)) by or before June 2nd. We will purchase the tickets as a block to insure the best seating options, and everyone will be able to sit together. We should all thank Coach Jenna (and her mom) for getting us these great discounted tickets to the ball game.

New Parent Orientation

There will be a New Parent Orientation on Tuesday, **June 3rd** at 6:30pm. If you are new to the team, or still have questions, please plan to attend. We will meet by the bleachers on the NE side of pool (adjacent to the sliding glass doors).

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Groups

All general communication is done through Yahoo Groups. If you have not already signed up for Yahoo Groups, please do so immediately using the following link:

http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/dolphinsswimteam_abq

Once your Yahoo account is setup, you can redirect all e-mails to the e-mail account of your choice. Please be sure to check your e-mail prior to all swim meets to ensure that no last minute changes have occurred with times or arrival instructions.