

**SARASOTA YMCA SHARKS
PARENT / SWIMMER INFORMATION
May 3, 2005**

SATURDAY, MAY 7th – SYS Intra-Squad Meet (all team members) @ 10:00 AM

This Saturday is our team intra-squad meet. We will divide the team in half and compete in a short meet that swimmers will be entered in one event. Each team will enter 4 relay teams, that will have 5 team members on it, 8&U, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, SR.

We will also be taking Team Pictures @ 9:00 AM. We will take team picture, with every swimmer, in the pool. We will also take present practice group pictures with your coach (s) in the bleachers. You will need a team suit for the team picture and you will need your yellow team shirt for the practice group pictures in the bleachers.

The YMCA National Team should bring their yellow and black shirts. If you do not have a shirt or suit, the Shark shop will be open Thursday, from 5:00-6:30 PM.

Donna Barnett is putting together a team yearbook. You will have the option to purchase extra pictures. The form is enclosed to purchase pictures and the yearbook.

We will also be providing hot dogs and hamburgers following the Intra-Squad Meet. This will be set up at the Pavilion in Potter Park. Please bring chairs to sit in. Also, please bring any additional food or drink that you would like to go with the food. Rory Kaminske will be barbequing the meat on the team grill.

SUNDAY, MAY 15th @ 3:00 PM – SYS Awards Celebration @ Pine View

Everyone should have filled out an RSVP form indicating the number in your family that will be attending. If you have not, you can go on line to get the information @ sysharks.org.

This is a great annual event for every team member. Every swimmer will receive a participation trophy, a slide show will be presented, and the seniors will each get a chance to speak to the team. This is a great tradition that should not be missed.

Our guest speaker will be Gregg Troy, the Head Men's & Women's Swim Coach at the University of Florida.

BETSY DUNBAR INVITATIONAL, June 3-6, 2005

We have received 63 conformations from swimmers wishing to be entered in the meet. Also, the forms that were turned in indicate whether the swimmer will be staying with a Swim Atlanta family/staying with parents, riding with the team, going to six flags. The deadline to sign up was Monday, May 2, 2005. I am extending the deadline to Saturday, May 7th. We are sending the entries on Monday. Conformations received after the 7th will be to late.

MAY / JUNE SYS INVITATIONALS

We need ALL parents to sign up to volunteer for our two home Invitationals. This can be done on the team web site. Both Invitationals have the 13 & overs swimming in the morning and the 12 & under swimming in the afternoon. The June Invitational has finals each night. Please sign up early so we are not scrambling at the last minute.

SYS OFFICIALS

This past year the number of parents who have volunteered and are training to become certified officials, has been noticed all over the State. I want to thank all who have stepped up to officiate. We know have the third largest group of officials in Florida. We are behind Bolles (26), Area Tallahassee (19), and we are third with 17. I want to challenge all of you to volunteer to officiate so we can move to the top spot.

We are now the top account at Total Team Wares, in the United States, (overtaking Bolles), our swimmers have exceeded all of our team goals and have moved to the top of the State/YMCA Nationals, so it seems only logical that we should have the largest group of officials. If you all are as competitive as I think you are, please help us achieve this goal. Please call Dave Evenson to get started.

ENRTY FEE/ESCROW ACCOUNT

Many statements have come back with lines drawn through meets, that your child did not attend. When we enter meets, we send the entries and pay for all entered two weeks in advance. If your child tells his/her coach that they cannot attend the meet within two weeks of the meet, you are still responsible for the charge. If it is our mistake, the coach who made the mistake will be responsible for paying your entry fee. If you know, in advance, that your child will not be able to swim a future meet, tell his/her coach. If your child gets sick within two weeks of the meet, you are still responsible for the charge. Please help us minimize mistakes. This account is being turned over to accounting department, within the YMCA, and we should be sending statements out monthly.

PURPLE TILES

The purple tiles are being taken out and non-slip epoxy cement will replace the slippery tiles. The names will be put in the new cement. We currently have 14 tiles that are blank. If you would like your name on one of the 14 blank tiles, this is your opportunity. The cost will be \$ 1000.00 per tile. If you are interested, please contact Coach Shofe, to get in on this opportunity. The proceeds are going to purchase a supplemental gas heater for the Selby pool. It will only be used during those few cold days/nights in the winter to keep the water warm of our team members.

**Atlanta Travel Trip
Signed up as of May 3, 2005**

**Erin Rhoades
Corinne Showalter
Lauren Piper
Heather Steele
Ashley Largo
Lindsey Largo
Kelly Kane
Heather Steele
Chelsea Gillespie
Kim Martella
Katherine Muth
Rachel Muth
McKenzie Clark
Kelsey Clark
Kata Fodor
Christine Butler
Elizabeth Marchese
Becky Evenson
Maura McDonald
Ashley Knoch
Ava Jones
Nora Jones
Erika Ehmann
Ashley Ehmann
Rebeka Baker
Nikki Gutzmann
Faryn Duff
Chelsea Williams
Keira Bartley
Jessica Piper
Jacque Garcia
Aigerim Saldazova
Trisha Maddy
Dakota Lindstrom
Dani McCoy
Pat Duret
Margaret Masiak
Kaitlin Quinn
Brooke Barnett
Marissa Harrington
Lexy Raybon
Rocky Raybon**

**A.J. Jones
Ryan Crete
Drew Crete
Kevin Shofe
Tyler Revels
Matt Torres
Nick Perez
Zach Voights
Matt Kaminske
Jason Shoemaker
Austin Detra
Stryker Watts
Andy Watts
Johnny Silvers
Pablo Suarez
Rees Cattermole
Marty Rauch
Christian Rauch
Hayden Avistizabal
Patrick Wall
Alex Kiefer
Danny Preiss
Daniel Curhan**