



Welcome Back Stingrays!

We are looking forward to another great year with our friends, families and neighbors!

This year we will also be trying to be better stewards of our planet and will make some changes in our communications and around the pool.

Attached is your Registration Package that you can now print and bring back completed on Registration Day, Saturday, Feb. 28th from 8-12 noon at Alta Pool. We are trying to be more mindful of our environment by conserving paper, recycling more, etc... We will be utilizing our website more (GlenmoorStingrays.org) to reduce the paper in your family folders.

We have made some changes to the Registration Package, including job changes, committee responsibilities and procedures for trading jobs. Please read the entire package before signing the acknowledgement on the Family Statement page. There is now an additional line to initial that you have read and will comply with the Stingray family responsibilities.

We look forward to seeing you all on Feb. 28th!

Michelle Youhanna & Leisa Jarman



Glenmoor Swim Team 2009 Registration

Welcome to the STINGRAYS

Thank you for your interest in the Glenmoor Stingrays Swim Team. Both returning swimmers and new swimmers must complete this registration packet.

Returning Swimmer & New Swimmer Registration

February 28, 2009

GGHA Office

Alta Pool, 38350 Alta Drive

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Registration for returning swimmers and new swimmers will be Saturday morning, February 28, 2009 at Glenmoor Garden Homeowner's Association Office.

For returning swimmers to retain membership on the team, it is necessary to submit an updated set of the required forms at this time.

New swimmers can also submit applications at this time. New swimmers will be selected for membership subject to review of Registration Criteria. The particular order that the applications are received does not determine team membership. See Registration Criteria for team membership information.

Items Required for Membership

- East Bay Swim League Application
- Stingray Application/Emergency Form
- Family Statement
- Job Availability Sheet
- Completed Job Preference Sheet
- Two (2) copies of birth certificate for new swimmers (only)
- Check for membership fees payable to "Glenmoor Swim Team"

Registration Criteria

According to the East Bay Swim League (EBSL) rules, any youth ages 5-18 can swim in the league provided they meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the attached EBSL application. Team registration is processed with priority given in the following order, with limits for each age group:

1. Returning swimmers from previous season
2. Additional immediate family members of returning swimmers from previous season
3. Residents of Glenmoor Gardens
4. All other interested parties
5. Returning swimmers who were chosen to swim championship the prior season but did not attend. (The Board of Directors reserves the right to review the circumstances of a swimmer that missed Championships and how it affects registration priority.)

The Coach and the Board of Directors reserve the right to alter registration process for swimmers to provide for fulfillment of specific age groups, however the above priority status will remain constant.



Team Roster

The Glenmoor Stingrays Swim Team roster will consist of a maximum of 130 swimmers. All swimmers will be eligible to swim for points at dual meets, however the Hosting Team can limit the number of swimmers we enter in a dual meet.

Due to EBSL rules, 100 swimmers will compete in Championships. They will be selected by the Coaches, with input from the Board of Directors based on the following:

- Eligible to swim in 3 dual meets
- Points scored
- Age group fulfillment
- Attendance and sportsmanship

Membership Fees

Membership for the Teams is as follows:

First Swimmer in family	\$210.00
Second Swimmer in family	\$185.00
Additional Swimmer in family	\$135.00

Team swimsuits will be available for purchase. During the swim season, families can purchase team logo items available through the Ways and Means Director. In addition, families are encouraged to participate in team social events that may require some additional expense. These costs are kept to a minimum. Families will also be asked to donate food and/or drinks to be sold at our home meet Snack Bar. The Snack Bar is one of our major fundraisers and known far and wide for the great food served!



Swimmer Ability & Assessment

At the start of swim practice, *swimmers must be water-safe, able to swim unsupported front crawl and back crawl, float or glide unsupported on front and back, explore deep water using bobs or other underwater swimming, turn over from front to back and back to front. A swim assessment event is scheduled for March 21st at Meyer Pool from 10am to 11am, for all new 10 and unders.* If it becomes apparent to the coach that any child has not reached this level, he/she will be removed from the team with a full registration refund. It is suggested that a swimmer in this situation take additional swim lessons to reach this level and apply to rejoin the team the following year. The coaches will assess all swimmers during the first week also.

Parent Participation

Positive parental support is the foundation for a successful swim program. The Glenmoor Stingrays Swim Team would not exist without the participation of parents. Our club operates solely on the basis of volunteers, with the exception of the coaches who are paid. We do require that ALL parents take an active role working during meets. In addition, parents are required to help on one of the team's committees and contribute to team fundraisers. It is critical to the success of the team that every family does its share!

Practice Schedule

It is part of the philosophy of this team to teach sound swimming techniques. Swimmers are expected to attend practice after school, which begins on April 20th at Meyer Pool. Practice times change to mornings during the summer on June 22nd. The practice schedule is as follows:

April 20 – May 8

Practice Monday–Thursday (no Friday practice)

May 15

Friday practices commence

Spring April 20

Age Group Practice

8 & under 3:15-3:45 pm

9-10 3:45-4:30pm

11-12 4:30-5:30pm

13 & up 5:30-6:30pm

Summer June 22

Age Group Practice

13 & up 8:00-9:30 am

11-12 9:30-10:30am

9-10 10:30-11:15am

8 & under 11:15-11:45am

Swim Meet Schedule

Saturday, May 16th - Time Trials @ Glenmoor

Saturday, May 30th - Chabot @ Glenmoor

Saturday, June 6th - Glenmoor @ Newark

Saturday, June 13th - Kennedy @ Glenmoor

Saturday, June 20rd - Warm Springs @ Glenmoor

Saturday, June 27th - Glenmoor @ Highlands

Saturday, July 4th - No Meet

Saturday, July 11th - Glenmoor @ Mission Valley

Saturday, July 18st - Glenmoor @ Columbia

Saturday, July 25th - Championship Meet - TBD

Awards Night will be held the evening of July 25th. **ALL SWIMMERS** and families are encouraged to attend both Championships and the Awards Night. This is a great way to wrap up our Stingray Swim Season.



Time Trials

Time Trials will be held on Saturday, May 16th. Time Trials is an opportunity for swimmers to swim each event in their age group in order to get baseline times. It is also an opportunity for parents to learn how, or remember how, to run a swim meet.

Refund Policy

Should a swimmer decide to leave the team, a portion of the fee will be retained by the team to cover administrative expenses. Swimmers will be refunded 75% of the swim team membership fee until the end of the first two weeks in the water, 50% until the end of the first three weeks in the water, and 0% for four weeks and after. Any other cost or expenses associated with swim team (i.e. swimsuits, pictures, etc.) will not be refunded. Any child deemed not water safe after the assessment by the coaches will be refunded the full membership fee (See Swimmer Ability).

Coaching Staff

The Stingrays are excited to welcome back Coaches: Bryan Accurso, Stephanie Keller, Cory Audiat, and Thomas O'Boyle.



Welcome Back Night

Please join us for ice cream sundaes at Welcome Back Night on Thursday April 2nd, at 7:00 p.m in the Glenmoor School multi-use room. Swimsuits and logo clothing can be purchased that night. We will have a new suit this year.

Clean Up Committee

Saturday, April 18th will be our annual *Clean Up Day* at Meyer Pool from approximately 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. **This committee has added additional responsibilities (See new job description).** You will be contacted if you are on the Cleaning Committee.

Board of Directors

Questions? Feel free to call or email:

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Website

Check out our website at glenmoorstingrays.org.

JOB and COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Glenmoor Stingrays could not be the great team that it is without the help of the swimmer's parents! It's fun and rewarding to put such a great program in action for the youth.

Each family is responsible for 10-12 jobs to make our swim meets run smoothly. Each family will also have a committee assignment during the season. The committee assignment has responsibilities which must be completed. Families of championship swimmers will be assigned a job at Championships at a later date.

Each family will be provided with a job assignment schedule for time trials and all dual meets with families listed. Should you have a conflict with a job assignment, it is **“your responsibility”** to find a replacement (someone to trade jobs with). When you have done this, both of you must sign the Trade Sheet located on the bulletin board at the pool.

Due to the importance of having these jobs filled reliably, the Board will contact a family via telephone, e-mail or mail should they miss a job or committee assignment at a meet, practice, or team activity. Please notify the Board, in a timely manner, if you have extenuating circumstances. If the problem continues, a second contact will be made. Because missed jobs cause delays and put extra work on others, a *pattern* of missed jobs will jeopardize the family's standing on the team. Please know that should a family not complete 3 assigned jobs during one season, their swimmer(s) will not be allowed to swim at the Championship Meet and will lose priority at registration the next year. If at any time you agree to trade jobs with someone, you are the one responsible for your new job. (There will be a Trade Sheet posted with both families signing the sheet. This will alleviate any questions regarding trades.)

Thank you for taking your job assignment seriously. EBSL and the Glenmoor Stingrays could not function without you!

Each Saturday home meet at Meyer Swimming Pool starts at 8:00 a.m. The pool will open at 6:00 a.m. so families assigned to the Meet Set-Up and Snack Bar Set-Up can perform their jobs. Shift 1 is approximately from 7:50 a.m. to 10:15 p.m. and Shift 2 is approximately from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon, (except where noted in the job descriptions involving Meet Set-Up and Takedown and Snack Bar Set-Up and Takedown).

Job Description: 10-12 job assignments per family

Announcer: Facilitates meets behind the microphone. Announces races, shift changes, special announcements and Snack Bar specials.

Assistant Score Keeper: Determines correct time and places cards in order from first to last and labels swimmers placements. Reads place and times from time cards to score keepers.

BBQ Cook: Prepares hamburgers and hot-dogs to be sold at the snack bar. Available Shift 1 beginning at 8:15. Shift 2 must be available to help with take down.

Flag Person: Drops false start rope to stop swimmers when false start occurs. Maintains event number place card to reflect current event.

Head Timer: Coordinates and communicates timer and recorder activity. Insures all timers and recorders are ready for the next race by signaling whistle for starter to proceed. Times each event with 2-3 watches acting as back up when another watch is needed. (Must attend starter workshop)

Opportunity Sellers: Sells raffle tickets during meets and/or assists team sales at home meets.

Recorder: Records times of swimmers on meet cards. Recorders are located in each lane behind timers.

Runner: Picks up meet cards from recorders and delivers cards to scoring table after each event.

Score Keeper: Records times and calculates points earned per event to calculate meet scores.

Snack Bar Helper & Set Up/Take Down: Sells food at Snack Bar during home meets. Shift 1 begins a 6:30 to set up until shift change. Shift 2 starts at shift change and stays after meet to help until completion of Snack Bar take down.

Starter: Acts as official starter for each heat during the meet. People interested in this job will need to attend a training clinic prior to the start of the season.

Swim Meet Set up: Helps set up the swim meet. Includes set up of starting system, umbrella, false start rope, timer/recorder chairs, and the 10 & under lane lines. Also helps with the "Spirit Shack" set up. Must arrive for home meets by 6:45am!

Swim Meet Take Down: Includes take down of starting system, umbrella, false start rope, timer/recorder chairs, and the 10 & under lane lines. Empty garbage cans and helps with the "Spirit Shack" and "Snack Bar" takedown. Must be available for approximately 30 minutes after meet ends!

Timer: Uses stop watch to time swimmers during the meet.

Committee Descriptions: one (1) committee assignment per family

Activities Committee: Assists with coordination of social activities during the season. Some activities may include poster party, family swim day, pancake breakfast, pasta feed and awards night. This may include fundraiser activities such as Family Fun Night, Welcome Back Night, etc.

Computer Committee: Assist Computer Coordinator in data collecting for team or assist web master with updating web page.

Cleaning Committee: Assists with getting the pool areas ready for the swim season on a Saturday prior to the start of Spring practice. **New Duties Include:** Clean up pool area and restrooms each day after practice for one week. Evening schedule is any time between 5:30 & 6:30 p.m. Summer schedule any time between 11:15 & 11:45 a.m. End of season clean up.

Hospitality Committee: Assists with snack bar food preparation and various duties.

Ways and Means Committee: Assists with organization and implementation of fundraising events and programs for the team.

Committee Coordinators Description

Activities Coordinator: Plans and coordinates activities for swim team.

Co-Computer Coordinators: Provides coaches, Stingray Board and EBSL computer director all information that is necessary to manage the team roster. Produces meet seeding charts, heat and lane cards, ribbon labels and meet summary reports.

Webmaster: Responsible for developing and maintaining the team's web page.

Co-Head Shepherds: Oversees shepherd responsibilities and coordinates shepherd committee at meets and Championships. Three Shepherds are assigned to this job.

Newsletter Editor: Writes, produces, prints and distributes team newsletters as needed throughout the season. Submit articles to the local newspaper after each meet. Archive newsletters for future reference.

Ribbon Coordinator: Responsible for providing ribbons for home and away meets, awarding ribbons to winning Stingray swimmers, receiving and organizing ribbons, medals and trophies for Championships.

Snack Bar Buyer: Buys items for snack bar as directed.

Assistant Hospitality Director: Assist Hospitality Director to coordinate snack bar duties and responsibilities.

Parent Job Assignment Coordinator: Assigns jobs to each family for meets throughout the season, prints job list for each meet, prints job labels and distributes them at the meets.

