

NEWSPLASH!
Oregon Community Swim Club

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Upcoming Swim Meets

| Date | What | Host | Where |
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| May 4 | VAC Spring Tune-up | Verona Aquatic Club | Verona Schools Natatorium |
| May 17 | WAT Open | WAT | Fort Atkinson HS |
| June 7 | WEST Swim Your Own Age | WEST | Waukesha South HS |
| June 20- 22 | Minnesota Invite | M3F | Minneapolis, MN |

Thunder and lightning

Well, we can go right from our policy on practice during blizzards to our policy on practice during thunderstorms. It's pool policy that no one is allowed in the pool during a lightning storm.

The tricky part is that sometimes coaches and pool personnel aren't aware when this is happening. It can be noisy in the pool and the sounds of swimmers kicking, splashing and laughing might drown out the storm. (Yes, our kids can be that loud!) Your help is especially needed on Fridays because there are no pool personnel working the front desk during practice.

So we're asking for the help of all parents on this one. If you come to the pool and you know that there's lightning, please let a coach know. We all want the kids (and our wonderful coaches) to be safe. Thanks.

Group 4 does have practice April 28th, May schedule attached

Just a quick scheduling note: Group 4 does have practice today, April 28th. The original schedule did not have Group 4 listed on that date. You should have been informed about this, but just wanted to drop in a reminder. Also, the May practice schedule is available on the website and is being sent with this newsletter as a separate attachment.

Float Night tentatively set for Friday, May 9th

Save Friday, May 9th for Float Night. It's an annual night of fun and frolic at the pool. I don't have any details yet, but just wanted to let you know the date so you could mark it on your calendar. (Plus, I think it really builds suspense, don't you? No? Okay.) Anyway, it's always a great, just-for-fun night at the Oregon Pool. Look for a sign-up sheet at the pool.

Triathlon update

We still need volunteers for the Lake Mills Triathlon. There's a sign-up sheet at the pool. If you've never done this before, it can be great fun for the whole family. Kids can help you out in a number of the volunteer categories. Amaze your friends by telling them you're busy that day because of the triathlon. (They don't have to know you're not competing.) The Lake Mills Triathlon is Sunday, June 1st.

Please sign up as soon as possible. We must fill these jobs; this is a major fundraiser for our club. If your family did not volunteer at Devil's Lake last September, you are required to work this one. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Jo Temte at 835-5688 or Gjtemte@AOL.com.

Also, the Oregon Kids Triathlon sign-up sheet is at the pool. Please sign up ASAP. The only jobs that are filled are set up/take down and finish line. All other spots are open (run, bike, transition, swim and concessions and food prep). Again, we must fill all the jobs. This is our big fundraiser and all families are required to participate in some way. Questions or concerns, contact Jo Temte at 835-5688, Gjtemte@AOL.com.

Thanks to all families who have already signed up for these events!

Reminder: STAR (Stoughton) meet cancelled

You should have received this information already, but just a reminder that the STAR meet in Stoughton, scheduled for Saturday, May 3rd, has been cancelled. Coach Christy was able to schedule a replacement for Sunday, May 4th in Verona. Thanks for moving so quickly on that, Christy.

Officials Training Clinic set for May 4th

Verona Area Aquatic Club (VAC), in conjunction with the Wisconsin Swimming Officials Committee, is hosting a New Officials Training Clinic for Stroke and Turn Judges on May 4, 2008.

As notice is short for this clinic, please have anyone interested send an e-mail with name, club affiliation, address, phone number, and e-mail address to Patty Kramer at pakramer@chorus.net

Ben Radloff, clinic presenter, will collect registration fee checks, (\$25) payable to Wisconsin Swimming, at the clinic. Most clubs pay for or reimburse members for clinic fees -- and USAS member fee, when certified.