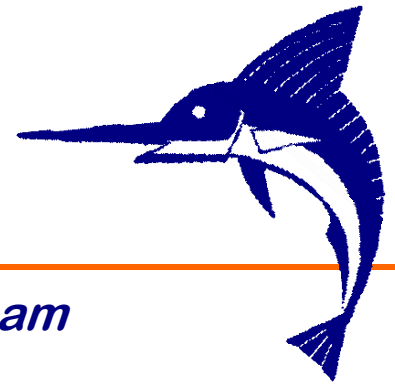




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## *Club Estates Marlins Swim Team* *June 26, 2006*

### Schlitterbahn Invitational

Six swimmers participated in the "Hottest, Coolest Meet in Texas" – The Schlitterbahn Invitational (US Swim meet) this weekend. The swimmers endured 100-degree weather to swim in this outdoor meet. Sammi Stillman was awarded the High Point trophy for the 11 and 12 age group. Congratulations! (See photo below.)



### SUMMER MEET #3 (Odem)

Club Estates won the third summer swim meet, raising our record to 3-0.

Outstanding performances continue to be plentiful. 40 swimmers have now qualified for City Championships in individual events. Many others will go as part of a relay. The updated status sheet is attached to the newsletter and is posted in the front entry.

### Last Chance Time Trial

There will be a Last Chance time trial on Saturday morning, July 1, 0700 warm-ups and 0800 start, at the natatorium. This time trial is open to US Swimmers only and is intended for kids that are close to a STAGS or TAGS qualifying time. Entries are due to Annette by COB on Thursday.

### Fire Cracker Invitational

If you did not sign up for Fire Cracker and still wish to participate, see Vicki immediately. CCCE is the sponsor of the First Firecracker Invitational, which will be held on **Sunday, July 2**. Warm-ups

are at 7:00 am with a 9:00 am start. This will be a swim meet for all summer swimmers who chose to participate. This has the potential to be a huge swim meet, and will give all the kids an opportunity to swim in a large swim meet before Regionals and City Championships. Kids will be able to swim up to 8 events each. There will not be relays in this meet.

### Regional Championships

Regional Championships will be held on Saturday, July 8, at the natatorium. This meet is open to Summer Swimmers only, unless you joined USA Swimming after May 1. If there is any question in your mind about this meet, please talk to one of the coaches.

For Regional Championships, each child is permitted to enter up to 3 events. The top two finishers in each event (except for 6 and under) will qualify for the state championships.

Entries for Regional Championships will be due by Monday, July 3. The cost per event is \$2.00.

### City Championships

The City Championships is the **weekend of Friday, July 14 through Sunday, July 16**. Please mark your calendar for that weekend as we would like to make an excellent showing at the meet. In order to do that, we need our swimmers to be present.

There is a list hanging up front. We need every parent to sign whether their child will be available to swim in City Championships so that we will be able to plan.

### Junior Olympics

The meet information about Junior Olympics is on the South Texas Swimming website ([www.stswim.org](http://www.stswim.org)). If you would like to participate in this meet (USS Swimmers) please turn your entries in by Thursday, July 13.

## **We Need Help!!**

We would like to thank all of the parents who helped out at the swim meet on Saturday. Running a swim meet is a huge job that falls mostly to the parents. The coaches are there to coach our kids. The parents must pitch in to run a smooth swim meet.

For the meet on Saturday, we need parents to time, run cards from the finish line to the computer operator, operate the computer, organize and run the ready bench (3 parents minimum), organize relays, etc. We need you to step up and ask, "how can I help?" The speed of the swim meet is directly

## **Sign-up For Summer Meet #4**

Our final summer meet (vs Santa Fe) will be held on Saturday, July 1. **Warm-ups are at 8:30 with a 9:30 start.** If your child will be participating in this meet, please sign them up on the sign-in sheet that is posted in the front. Kids must be signed up by Wednesday, June 28. In order for your child to participate in the City Championships, they must swim in at least 2 dual meets, unless prevented by sickness or vacation.

## **Donations Requested**

The parents' organization is the nonprofit support group for the swim team. The organization makes their money through fund raisers, refreshment sales, etc. In order to increase our profits, we are asking for donations from each family to support the refreshment stand. We request one donation per family with a suggested value of about \$8.00. Donations can take many forms: Gatorade, cases of water, cases of soda pop, cash, etc. Donna Nelson has graciously accepted to coordinate donations. Request that you bring your nonperishable donation to the clubhouse and place it in the back, marked corner, with your name on it. Thank you in advance.

## **Summer Schedule**

July 1 – Saturday -vs Santa Fe – At CCCE  
July 2 – Sunday - Fire Cracker Inv. (Natatorium)  
July 8 – TAAF Regionals (summer swimmers)  
July 8 - Cool Water Time Trials (USS swimmers)  
July 14-16 – City Championships  
July 28-30 – TAAF State (summer swimmers)

## **Swimming and Diving Camp**

Corpus Christi Club Estates is sponsoring a Swimming and Diving Camp. The next camp will be held for four days (M-Th) beginning on July 11. The cost for camp is \$65. Your child will learn

swimming technique and springboard diving technique. Applications are available at the front window if your child is interested in attending.

## **Upcoming USA Swim Meets**

July 1 – Last Chance Time Trial  
July 7-9 – STAGS  
July 19-23 – TAGS  
July 27-30 – Junior Olympics

## **Next SwimAmerica Session**

The next SwimAmerica session will begin on July 3. SwimAmerica is our Learn-to-Swim program. Brochures are available in the front office and the back pool for anyone interested in additional information. Please get an application form from Coach Annette or from the Front Office.

## **Kick-Off Retreat**

Although it might seem that the Winter Swim Season is months away, our coaching staff is busy preparing for it.

We'll begin our season with a 'Kick-Off Retreat' in August. It will be held at Camp Zephyr on Lake Corpus Christi. CCAA swimmers from Club Estates, Flour Bluff and HEAT (home schoolers) will be participating.

We will be spending the weekend watching swimming videos, videotaping, learning swimming drills and dryland exercises, and starting our Education modules.

Parents can get in on the weekend too – there will be an Officials' Clinic, and CCAA Committee meetings held on Saturday.

Information about the retreat is attached to the email that accompanies the newsletter.

## **Swimmers to Begin Education Modules**

Very soon, all 11 and over swimmers will be receiving a folder with Level One of the Education Modules we will begin this summer. 10 and under swimmers will receive their Level One folder at the retreat.

Those swimmers receiving their Level One folders next week are expected to read through the information – you will be taking a quiz in each section during the first week of July. Upon completing Level One, you will be eligible to move to Level Two at the Retreat. Swimmers that do not complete Level One before the Retreat, will do Level One at the Retreat.