

# Wedgwood Pool News

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## From the Manager

It's been a season of new experiences for me this year, some good, some not so good, and, well, some just neither good nor bad. One of those neither good nor bad experiences was working the overnighter at the pool last night. It's clear to me now that I might be pushing the upper end of the age limit that can handle staying up all night long. I can say the kids were great, there was a fantastic full moon and the birds started their morning thing way too early. If the remainder of what I write here seems a little random it's because my brain has yet to return to its normal functioning level, which some may question anyway.

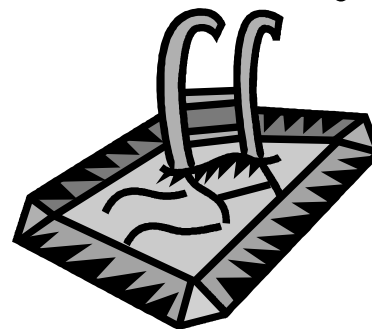
One of the less pleasant experiences this season has been the south wall. That project kicked things off on a challenging note, but things came together and while there are still tasks that need to be completed, it is for the most part wrapped up. That's a very good thing indeed. Thank you for your patience!

A really good thing has been swim team. Needless to say, now that I have experienced my first few weeks as a swim team parent, I am seeing things from a whole a new perspective. And while I knew there were many people involved with helping out both before and during the meets, I had no idea of what really went on. I'm a little in awe of the hundreds of little things volunteers are doing to make things run smoothly. And having an 8 and under swimmer and not knowing where to go and when to be there has not been an issue. Someone seems to always be one step ahead in getting my daughter to her events. I want to thank all of you that play a part in making this swim team work.

Juggling all my family, teaching and pool managing responsibilities has been a bit of a stretch for me the last few weeks. I am fortunate and grateful to have a fantastic staff that really has come together and have done what they needed to do to help me get things squared away. I couldn't do it without them.

There is a lot happening during the next couple of months around the club. So have a great second half of the season. Come down to the pool, have a good time and enjoy your swim.

-Raab



## New Members & Near Neighbors / Summer Members - 2007

We would like to welcome the following new member families to Wedgwood Pool!!!!

### **New Members:**

Pat Marcus & Richard	Berley
Madeleine & David	Brenner
Kristina & Camilo	DePina
Ann & Larry	Doll
Marianne Stecher & Kurt	Hansen
Julia & Benjamin	Jones
Robin Lazar & David	Kaatz
Sheila & Peter	Klein
Barbara & Ross	McFadden
Linda Martin & Harium	Morris
Meg Goldman & Gary	Prince
Carolyn & Philip	Reid
Diana Roll & Chris	Thorsen
Debra	Tombari
Laurie Leber & Kjell	Swedin
Diana Hausman & Wayne	Wallis
Jessica Dymysza & Andrew	Volk

### **Near Neighbors / Summer Members:**

Lenee & Doug	Arnett
Andrea & Don	Baumgarten
Celeste & Gary	Cranston
Kelly & William	Crow
Nancy & Tony	Grega
Michelle Lirette & Steve	Gustaveson
Linda Bushenll & Gandis	Mazkeika
Beth & Jonathan	Singer
Catherine & Johnny	Stine
David & Caroline	Webster

## Swim Team News

Hey Swim Team Members! Hopefully you're getting used to the early wake-ups or (for 8 and unders) the noontime workouts, and having a blast at the swim meets. Don't forget to drop into Burgermaster by U-Village after meets, for a bite and time to chat.

### **Swim Team Dates to Remember:**

July 5, Thursday	All Team Fun Day
July 10, Tuesday	Sheridan Beach at Wedgwood
July 12, Thursday	Wedgwood at Klahaya
July 17, Tuesday	Blue Ridge at Wedgwood
July 19, Thursday	Wedgwood at View Ridge
July 20, Friday	All Team Fun Day
July 24, Tuesday	Innis Arden at Wedgwood
July 27, Friday	B Champs at Klahaya (One meet, boys / girls events combined, 9:00 AM)
July 29, Sunday	Practice 10 AM to Noon for swimmers going to Prelims
July 30, Monday	Girls' Prelims at Innis Arden, 4:00 PM start
July 31, Tuesday	Boys' Prelims at Blue Ridge, 4:00 PM start
Aug. 2, Thursday	Northern Division Finals at Wedgwood, 4:00 PM start
Aug. 4, Saturday	Adult Swim Meet at Sheridan Beach, in the AM
Aug. 5, Sunday	Practice 11 AM to Noon for swimmers going to All City's
Aug. 7, Tuesday	All City Championship at Aqua Club
Aug. 8, Wednesday	Wedgwood Swim Team End of Season Celebration

### **Swim Team Vacation Notices:**

Please let the coaches know as soon as possible if you are going to be away for a meet. They spend many hours preparing the line-up for each meet, so it's challenging if they find out at the last minute that a swimmer will not be at the meet that day.

### **Swim Team Volunteers:**

The committee chairs are busy filling the jobs for the upcoming swim meets. Even if you have turned in your volunteer form, look for the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for concessions, timing, and other committees. It is a lot easier for the committee chairs to have volunteers sign up for a shift than to call every individual to schedule. If you did not receive a volunteer form, please pick up a copy in the pool office or print one from the pool website. Thank you!

## **Swim Team Northern Division Finals:**

Once again, Wedgwood Pool will be hosting the Northern Division Finals, which take place at 4:00 PM on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. It takes many volunteers to make the meet a success. We'll need extra volunteers for concessions, t-shirt sales and program sales. Please keep an eye on your email and the pool bulletin board for warm-up times and more detailed information. Also, plan on reserving that afternoon and evening to lend a hand and support the team. It's a great time! And remember, the All-City meet will be held August 7<sup>th</sup> at Aqua Club, and the End of Season Celebration will be Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars!

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### **Cake Bake – July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The annual Cake Bake event will be held on Saturday evening, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mark your calendars as you surely won't want to miss it. Cakes will be on display starting as early as 7:00 PM and will be judged at 8:00 PM. If you plan to take on the challenge of baking up a real beauty, be sure to plan accordingly and get it to the pool in time. After judging, the cakes will be cut and served up with ice cream. Everyone present enjoys cake and ice cream to their heart's desire. There are never enough cake cutters, spatulas or knives for cutting cakes, so bring one or two with you. Be sure to mark them clearly and pick them up afterwards. Prizes will be awarded by age groups: 8 and under, 9-12, the teen years, 20 and up, mixed ages, and the family affair. The evening also features *almost* "Anything Goes" in the pool from 8:00-10:00 PM, so you can bring your air mattress, inner tube, or other crazy devices. The lap lanes will not be in the pool during this event.

Oh, and the Cake Bake theme this year... Wedgwood Swim Club 2107. Create your vision of what our club might look like one hundred years from now.

See you on the 22<sup>nd</sup> - *The Cake Bake Committee*

### **Water Show - August 25<sup>th</sup>**

The Water Show has its origins in the early days of the club. For those of you that don't know, the Water Show is a fun-filled evening of almost synchronized swimming to music. Groups of kids, and sometimes even adults, perform a variety of entertaining and occasionally off-the-wall routines at this annual rite of

summer. So, are you looking for something to help keep the kids busy after swim team? The Water Show is a low key way for them to practice all of those other strokes that they didn't work on while at workout (like the side stroke, the leg in the air, underwater somersault and the flying out of the water flipperoo). Being a swim team member is not a requirement for participation, nor is super strong swimming skills. This event is open to EVERYONE willing to endure the fun and camaraderie of preparation for the big show. Sign ups will occur toward the end of July, and this year like last we will be cramming all of the practices into the week prior to the event. Take a chance, have a little fun and dare to do the show!

### **Fun Float Movie – August 26**

We are going to try and give a "float movie" a go this year on Sunday evening, August 26<sup>th</sup>. The event will start at approximately 8:00 PM, weather dependent. What does that mean? If there is precipitation, or there's a strong possibility of precipitation during the show, we will have to cancel as there's just too much possible risk to the equipment. We are aiming for a more mature audience, so please keep that in mind when deciding whether or not to attend. Go pump up those air mattresses and get ready for "JAWS"!

### **Mini Swim Team**

Mini Swim Team will begin Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, and run through Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. MST is open to all kids who have never been on swim team before. If you have a child that wasn't quite able to swim a length of the pool or perhaps a bit apprehensive about being on the swim team, then doing the MST might be a good option. MST is a great way for those 8-and-unders to learn some of the basics about the competition strokes while having a good time. The "season" ends with a Mini Meet and a Pizza Party on the last day of the class. MST is open to both member and non-members; sign up is through the swimming lesson program. MST Member sign up is Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9 AM..

### **Water Polo**

Wedgwood had a better than expected water polo turnout last year. By all accounts, our club made a good show of things at the league finals. While we have a coach lined up, things are still in the planning stages regarding practice times, etc. Sign up occurs toward the middle to end of July, and this activity is open to Wedgwood members from ages 9-18 (kids under 9 are welcome, but must be able to swim 25 yards in 18 seconds or less). The season will run for the month of

August. There will be more information posted at the pool and on the club web site in the near future.

### **How's My Driving?**

Thank you to all pool members for practicing responsible driving etiquette when approaching and departing Wedgwood Swim Pool on 28th Avenue NE. Please drive slowly, watchful of pedestrians, yield to other drivers and be considerate of our neighbors.

### **Green Thumbs Wanted**

The new landscaping is starting to take hold, as are the weeds. We're looking for a few volunteers to help with some small tasks. Please give Pat Corr a call at 915-1431 if you can lend a hand; it can be on your schedule and in small increments of time!

### **Diving Rules**

This month we review the Wedgwood *diving rules*. The following rules have been established for the benefit of all members. Your cooperation in abiding by these regulations is expected for the safety and peace-of-mind of all members. The staff has the authority to enforce all rules and may restrict any activity they consider to be unsafe; they may forbid anyone from entering the pool and may order anyone to leave the pool. Please see the June Newsletter for a list of general pool rules.

- Diving is only allowed in the 9 – 12 ft area;
- The staff has the authority to restrict any diving activity that they consider unsafe;
- Non-swimmers (unable to swim one length of the pool) are not allowed on the diving board or in the diving area without a responsible adult;
- One person on the board at a time;
- No running on the board;
- No repeated bouncing on the board;
- No swimmers allowed in the diving area while the board is open;
- Leave the water by the adjacent pool ladder;
- The guard may close the board for group activities or on very crowded days; and,
- Inward dives and reverse dives (facing forward on the edge of the board and diving backwards) are not allowed.



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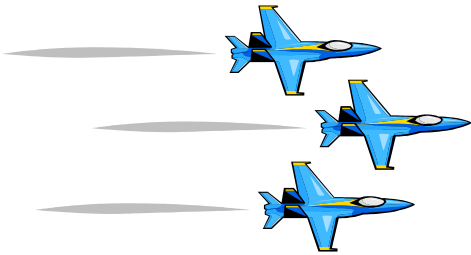
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 1-9  Adult Team  <u>Deep end</u> <u>closes at 8 PM</u>	<b>2</b>  <b>Northern</b> <b>Division</b> <b>Championship:</b> <b>Wedgwood</b>  <u>Pool closed</u>	<b>3</b> 1-9	<b>4</b> 12-9  Adult Meet: Sheridan Beach
<b>5</b> 12-9 Anything Goes 12-2 PM  Adult Team Potluck 6-9 PM	<b>6</b> 1-9 Lesson Session 4 begins	<b>7</b> 1-9 All City Championship: Aqua Club	<b>8</b> 1-4 Swim Team Celebration	<b>9</b> 1-9	<b>10</b> 1-10  Family Fun Float (No lap lanes) 8-10 PM	<b>11</b> 12-9
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<b>19</b> 12-9 Anything Goes 12-2 PM	<b>20</b> 1-9 Lesson Session 5 begins	<b>21</b> 1-9 Water Polo Match (shallow area of pool open, no lap lanes) 4-9 PM	<b>22</b> 1-9	<b>23</b> 1-9	<b>24</b> 1-7 Water Show Rehearsal 8 PM	<b>25</b> 12-7 Water Show at Dusk (8:30ish)
<b>26</b> 12-9 Fun Float Movie, "JAWS" 8-10 PM  <u>Pool</u> <u>Closes at 8 PM</u>	<b>27</b> 1-9 Water Polo Match (shallow area of pool open, no lap lanes) 4-9 PM	<b>28</b> 1-9	<b>29</b> 1-9	<b>30</b> 1-9	<b>31</b> 1-9  Last Day for Early Morning Lap Swim.	

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<b>29</b> 12-9 Practice for Prelim Qualifiers	<b>30</b> 1-9 Girls' Prelims: Innis Arden 4 PM  Adult Team  <u>Deep end</u> <u>closes at 8 PM</u>	<b>31</b> 1-9 Boys' Prelims: Blue Ridge 4 PM	