



WEEKLY SPLASH

Update for the week of 1/13/2024

A quiet but very productive week for the Rapids that saw many of our new officials get their first meet under their belts on Friday night. The Rapids now have potentially the largest group of officials in the state. **Lets Go Rapids!!!** This week's Splash is a long one, please read through to the end.

SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 1/14: Juniors are canceled due to a Masuk Boys home swim meet.

Saturday 1/18 & Sunday 1/19: All practices are canceled due to the Stingray Winter Classic.

***** If a practice is not listed then it is on as scheduled.*****

2025 USA MEET UPDATES

1. **IMX** - Last call for apparel, deadline is Tuesday night, the info is posted on the website.
2. **March Meets** - it's a ways off but we will be busy to end the season, please plan accordingly and declare for the correct meets. Age Groups and Seniors have been updated with all information. A swimmer's season ends with their last meet in March.
3. **MIT March Madness** - Deadline for Juniors & Seniors to declare for this meet is February 1st.
4. **Rapids hosted 10/U and Trials/finals meets** - are still open and will preliminarily close on Feb 1st but with all of our Rapids hosted home meets I can add/remove swimmers until right before the meet.

SCC NOTE

Lessons are entering their 2nd week. As per the SCC rules, no one is allowed to be in the stands while lessons are going on. Remember when your swimmer leaves the pool deck and goes into the locker room to change, please exit the stands and wait for your swimmer outside the locker rooms, do not wait for them in the stands. Please do not argue with the lifeguards, many of whom are current Rapids and are just following directions. Thank you for this.

MCCANN VIEWING

Parents wishing to view practices at McCann are asked to sit upstairs in the balcony. This was actually brought to my attention as a USA Swimming safe sport item of not having parents on the pool deck. Thank you for this.

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SCHEDULING NOTE

Weather this time of year always makes practice planning difficult. A couple of notes as we head into the heart of winter.

1. If Masuk/Monroe schools close for the day, close early or cancel after school activities odds are we are not allowed in and will cancel practice.
2. The SCC has a cancellation line, which is a recorded message letting callers know what is open/on.
3. McCann will be a call we always make based on whether our coaches/swimmers can get to the pool and how safe the conditions are.

As with any changes an email will always be sent and messages posted to social media. If you do not follow us on Instagram and Facebook, I urge you to do so just for the information we may post there. For example, Saturday's senior practice cancellation was posted there before an email was able to be sent.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU MISSED A MEET DEADLINE

If you missed the deadline for a meet, email Coach Chuck and let him know which meet and which day(s) you would like your swimmer to enter. All meets except Rapids hosted meets become final 10-14 days before the meet. Rapids hosted meets become final a couple of days before the meet.

*****Once these deadlines pass, families are responsible for their swimmer's splash fees.

Splash fees are billed monthly and processed automatically through the website with a family's CC that is on file.*****

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE SCRATCHING FROM A SWIM MEET?

1. Meet entries become final about 2 weeks prior to a meet. You are responsible for all splash fees once an entry becomes final.
2. Email your Coach, Coach Chuck and Coach Kyle on the email. Coach Kyle handles the timing assignments so if you scratch before the timing assignments come out, you will not receive one.
3. Timing assignments typically come out on Wednesday or Thursday before the meet. It is **YOUR** responsibility to find a replacement timer. Coach Kyle includes in the timing assignments how to find a replacement.

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END OF YEAR BANQUET

Save The Date: April 27th at Testo's in Monroe

Help Needed #1: In years past we have had yearbooks for the kids, we need someone (or group) to take this on. I can help/guide.

Help Needed #2: Raffles, last year we had some speedo parkas we were able to raffle off that went towards our Swim Across the Sound Teams. We would love to expand the raffle and fundraising offerings for our teams/swimmers that compete in this great event. The Rapids over the past few years have had some of the top fundraising groups and individuals in this event. While it's great to participate in the swim, it's even better to raise the money for cancer research and the support of patients and families affected by cancer.

WHO TO CONTACT

- Senior or general team questions contact Head Coach Chuck Clark at chuckclark32@hotmail.com
- Masuk/SCC Junior Group questions contact Head Age Group Coach Scott Tummins at smtummins@gmail.com
- Masuk/SCC Novice Group questions contact Head Novice Coach Jenna Manion at jennacmanion@gmail.com
- Milford/McCann questions contact Coach Monica Hagn at mhagn12@gmail.com or Coach Mia Mendribil @ miapia3701@gmail.com
- Fees And Billing questions can be sent to our volunteer Treasurer Rob Gallant at smst.treasurer@gmail.com



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