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Upcoming Home Meet – 2023 Area 2 Championships:

As you all know, we will be hosting Area 2 Championships this Saturday and Sunday! As always, we are looking forward to a great home swim meet and appreciate all your hard work and help to allow us to run these events!! You are the reason we are able to host such wonderful events! We are still in need of a couple more hospitality “main dishes”. If you are interested in cooking one of those items, please sign up below. All families who do not sign up for a hospitality dish will be charged the \$10 fee per swimmer (capped at \$20 for families with 3+ in the meet) mentioned in the previous email that went out. We will need additional timers and head timers for volunteers. We also added a volunteer role for “learn how to operate the timing system”. This is the machine that Coach Alyssa and Coach Alex run during the meets (at the table behind the officials who start all the races). We would like to have a couple parents learn how operate the timing system for future meets when Coach Alex or Coach Alyssa might not be available. We will train you on this system during the session that you sign up for. Please sign up using the link below to volunteer for at least one session of the swim meet!

Hospitality Sign Up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094AA5AE2FA5FC1-2023>

Volunteer Sign Up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094AA5AE2FA5FC1-20231>

2023 Upcoming PA Meet Schedule

Dates:	Meet:	Who Attends:
February 25-26	Area 2 Champs (LBHS)	ALL NON-FLAGS Swimmers
March 2-5	FLAGS (Clermont, FL)	14 & under Qualifiers
March 9-12	Sr Champs (Orlando, FL)	Sr Qualifiers
March 24-26	All Stars (Ft Pierce, FL)	Top 6 at FLAGS
April 15	PA Spring Invite (LBHS)	Stars, Red, White
April 28-30	SYS April LC Kickoff (Sarasota, FL)	Senior, Blue, Gold
May 13	TPA TYR SYOA (Winter Park, FL)	Stars, Red, White
May 19-21	PA L/C Invite (at LBHS)	Senior, Blue, Gold
June 8-11	RAFC Summer Solstice (Orlando, FL)	Blue

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June 23-25	Ft Lauderdale Classic	Senior & Gold
July 1	BD Firecracker (Oviedo, FL)	Stars, Red, White
July 13-16	FLAGS (Ocala, FL)	14 & under Qualifiers
July 20-23	Sr Champs (Ocala, FL)	Sr Qualifiers
July 29-30	Area 2 Champs (Oviedo, FL)	ALL NON-FLAGS Swimmers

NEW TEAM RECORD SET:

Grace Goodman set a new 10 and under team record at the Ocala meet on January 22nd. She broke the 50Y free record with a time of 27.74. Congratulations Grace!

Sectional Meet Recap:

10 of our Senior Swimmers represented Patriot Aquatics at the Southern Zone Sectional Championships, February 9th – February 12th. Despite the meet being a long course competition in the midst of our short course season, our seniors performed exceptionally well. Our most notable races include Derin Deeter earning his Winter Jr Nationals qualification in the 100M Breaststroke where he finished top 10 with a time of 1:06.12 as well as Danzhel Tuliao placing 5th in his 100M Breaststroke with a time of 1:05.47; qualifying him for not only the Winter Jr Nationals, but also the Summer Jr Nationals Championship. Congratulations on your achievement's boys!

Water Polo Schedule:

We have several upcoming LBHS home water polo competitions. Be advised that parking, as well as where to enter and exit, may differ from normal. Entry and exit will be required through the gate on the blue gym side of the facility on the following dates:

- Thursday, Feb 23rd @7:00PM
- Tuesday, Feb 28th @7:00PM
- Tuesday, March 7th @7:00PM
- Tuesday, March 21st @7:00PM
- Wednesday, March 22nd @7:00PM
- District Championships, March 27-29 TBA – some practices may be cancelled on these dates, more info to come.

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NO PRACTICE – Seminole County Spring Break:

Our whole team will be taking practice off during Seminole County's Spring Break, March 13th - 17th. Enjoy your break everyone!

2023 Spring FLAGS:

The Florida Age Group Swimming Championships for 14 and under swimmers will be held in Clermont, Thursday March 2nd – Sunday March 5th. We have over 30 swimmers participating in the meet and we are looking forward to watching them swim FAST! The top 6 swimmers in each event may qualify for the Florida Swimming All-Star team who will compete against the Florida Gold Coast All-Star team in April. Good luck swimmers!!

2023 Spring Sr. Champs:

The majority of our senior group qualified to compete in the Florida Swimming Senior Championship meet; a 15 and up state championship meet amongst many of Florida's most advanced club teams at the Rosen Aquatic Center in Orlando, Thursday March 9th – Sunday March 12th. Good luck senior swimmers!

Seasonal Program Registration:

We have recently opened registration for our seasonal programs at Patriot Aquatics! If you have younger children or friends who are interested in their kiddos learning the basics of water safety or starting them on their path to swimming stardom, please refer them to our website for swim lessons/summer swim league! We also have our aquatic camp, Splash Camp, for all your summer camp needs! Our first session of swim lessons will begin Monday February 27th.

Swim Lesson Chairs Under Awning:

As we mentioned above, starting Monday all the chairs under the white awning should be left for our swim lessons parents to watch their child(ren). Since most of these families are only here for a short amount of time (15-30 minutes approx), we do not ask them to bring chairs as we will provide seating. We kindly ask that our swim team families please leave these chairs for them to use and continue to bring your own chair if you plan to stay and watch your child's practice (or use the bleacher seating). We appreciate your understanding on this matter!