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Newsletter

ATLANTIS SWIMMING 2025-2026

AT A GLANCE

- [Practice Schedule](#) - Check the website daily for the most up-to-date schedule (Keep an eye on this for changes!)

Welcome

Happy New Year, Atlantis Families!

It's hard to believe we're already halfway through the season. Our coaches & swimmers are working hard as we look ahead to the upcoming SCY Champs meets.

We would like to give a warm welcome our newest member - Cathie Blea - who joined the Atlantis board in November as our Member-at-Large. Cathie has been an Atlantis parent for many years and has two swimmers, Ethan (gold) and Owen (speedster). In this role, Cathie will lead our parent liaison group as well as assist with the website and other team communications. Welcome, Cathie!

The next few months will be very busy - be sure to read the information below and keep an eye on those email updates from Coach Johnny. With 10+ meets between now and the end of March, we don't want you to miss out! As always, if you have questions, please direct them to teamadmin@bbaswimming.org.

Swim Fast! Go Atlantis!

Upcoming Meet Info

New swim families, feel free to check out our [Swim Meet 101](#) to help navigate the season smoothly.

- **January 16 - 18: USSC Odd Age Invite** - [Waterford Kettering HS](#)
 - Swimmers race in unique age group classifications with 'odd number' years being the top age in many races (8-9 yr olds, 10-11 yr olds, etc.).
 - Waterford Kettering has lots of parking & plenty of seating.
 - Concessions will be available.
- **January 23 - 25: Circle City Classic aka "INDY"** - [IU Natatorium, Indianapolis, IN](#)
 - Atlantis families have booked rooms in the [Marriott IndyPlace](#), the [TownePlace Suites Downtown](#) or [Tru by Hilton Indianapolis Downtown](#), but there is no specific room block and staying in a team hotel is optional.
 - Optional text chain: Join these "GroupMe" chats if you want to connect with other Atlantis families before or during the meet. Board members & parent liaisons will be available on the chat to help answer questions!
 - [12 & Under: Indy 2026](#)

- [13 & Up: Indy 2026](#)
- Indianapolis is hosting other youth sports events during this same weekend including a volleyball tournament & dance competition. It's **highly recommended** to make dinner reservations ahead of time to avoid long wait times.
- **January 31: Guppy Bowl (10 & Under)** - [Lake Orion High School](#)
 - Registration deadline is Thursday, January 15.
 - There is room for camping chairs along the top row of the spectator seating.
 - Typically, there will be concessions on site - please check the meet packet to confirm.
 - Plenty of parking is available. There are lots in front and behind the school. Look for the "Natatorium" entrance and there will be a sign labeled "Pool/Gym" by the doors towards the north end of the parking lot.
- **February 27 - March 1 (NOTE NEW DATE): MCSA Junior Cup** - [Clarkston High School](#)
 - 12 & Under prelim/finals championship meet with no cuts - all swimmers can swim!
 - There is lots of parking; however, seating tends to fill up quickly with LOTS of spectators. It is a good idea to arrive before the meet starts to get yourself a seat.
 - Pack your patience and consider bringing a fan to this one as it can get pretty warm.
 - Concessions are typically available.
- **March 6 - 8: MCSA Senior Cup** - [Oakland University](#)
 - 13 & Up prelim / finals championship meet with no cuts - all swimmers can swim!
 - This venue has plenty of seating and can sometimes be on the cooler side in the stands.
 - There is plenty of parking if swimming is the only event. If other events going on at the building, there is a parking garage not too far from the pool.
 - This meet may or may not have concessions - please confirm in the meet packet.

Champs Season Kickoff Celebrations

Save the date!! Join your coaches immediately following practice for pizza & pasta to celebrate the start of champs season. We look forward to seeing you there!

February 11	February 25	March 4
Speedster / Bronze	Silver / Gold	Seniors

Important Info

Key items to focus on this month

- With cold & flu season in full effect, we would like to remind our families about our [Atlantis Team Illness Policy](#). Thanks for helping to keep all our swimmers and coaches healthy and in the pool all season long! Please reach out to teamadmin@bbaswimming.org with any questions.
- **Important! Scratching Finals:** If your swimmer is participating in a prelim/finals meet and qualifies for finals but cannot return, the swimmer **must** "scratch" (officially decline their spot) **and** let their coaches know.
 - Swimmers have 30 minutes after results are posted/announced to **scratch** - this will happen THROUGHOUT the morning session. Be sure your swimmer knows if they need to **scratch** for finals. They will need to communicate that with coaches and **scratch** themselves from finals.
 - Scratches are done on deck.

Our Team

Special Congratulations to our **Winter Junior Nationals** swimmers:

- **Payton Garn, Livvy Kamp, Charlie McCuiston, Mia Mracna, and Elliot Rijnovean** represented Atlantis at the Speedo Winter Juniors meet in Indianapolis this past December.

Another **BIG SHOUT-OUT** to two of our **Gold Group** swimmers:

- **Kallen McDowall** and **Ozan Saraydar** represented Team Michigan at the 2026 Mid-States All Star Championships in Indianapolis January 3 - 4.

Looking Ahead!

Please note our upcoming events

- Jan 16 - 18: USSC Odd Age Invite - Waterford Kettering High School
- Jan 23 - 25: Circle City Classic - IU Natatorium, Indianapolis, IN
- Jan 31: Guppy Bowl (10 & Under) - Lake Orion High School
- Feb 11: Speedster/Bronze Champs Season Kick off Celebration (after practice)
- Feb 25: Silver/Gold Champs Season Kick off Celebration (after practice)
- Feb 27 - Mar 1 (**NEW DATE**): MCSA Junior Cup (12 & Under Champs Meet) - Clarkston High School
- Mar 4: Senior Champs Season Kick off Celebration (after practice)
- Mar 6 - 8: MCSA Senior Cup (13 & Up Champs Meet) - Oakland University
- Mar 14 - 15: [10 & Under State Championship](#) - Saline High School
- Mar 17 - 21: NCSA Spring Championship - Orlando, FL
- Mar 20 - 22: [MAGS \(Michigan Age Group State Championship\)](#) (11 - 14 yr old States) - Holland Aquatic Center (**NEW LOCATION**)
- Mar 27 - 29: [ULTRA State Championship](#) (Open) - Oakland University

Stay Connected

Our email and social media info

For questions, feedback, or story contributions, email TeamAdmin@bbaswimming.org and we'll be in touch.

- **Stay Connected with the SportsEngine Motion App!**

Download the SEMotion app to keep Atlantis at your fingertips. With the app, you can easily view your swimmer's meet schedule, check your account, and stay on top of upcoming events—all in one place. It's the easiest way to stay connected and informed throughout the season.

👉 Search [SEMotion](#) in the App Store or Google Play and log in with your Atlantis account

- **Website:** www.bbaswimming.org
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