



September 15, 2025

Hurricane Penguins Newsletter



Upcoming Events

September 25
Intrasquad Meet

October 10-12
IMX Challenge Meet

October 24-25
Halloween Town Meet

October 31-Nov. 2
Arena Challenge Meet

News & Notes

- If you would like a team custom swim cap, orders are due by Wednesday, Sept. 17th. Use this link to complete the google form and order:
<https://forms.gle/JJFzTpxh5G8pmptA8>
- Job signups are live for both the intrasquad and IMX Challenge meets. **Don't wait, signup today!**

Resources

- *Website: www.penguinssc.com
- *Sports Engine Motion App: [iOS](#) or [Android](#)
- *Parent Facebook Group:
facebook.com/groups/hurricanepenguinsparents
- *Team Facebook Page: facebook.com/HurricanePenguins
- *Contact us! [-Click Here -](#)



Understanding Volunteer Points

Like most USA swim clubs, we are a parent-run non-profit organization that relies heavily on volunteer support to be successful. Because of this, we require our members to meet fair-share requirements each season. During the short course season, each family is responsible for earning 25 volunteer points, which were formerly called "hours". (Single parent households are required to earn half.) While this may seem intimidating, do not fear! Points can be achieved quickly by volunteering to help at one or more of the meets we host throughout the season: (Intrasquad Sept. 25, IMX Challenge Oct. 10-12, Holiday Bowl Dec. 12, & Best Valentines Feb. 14-15) While there will also be other opportunities to earn points outside of swim meets we host, volunteering at meets will be the easiest and quickest way to do so.

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Volunteering Continued...

With the exception of a very select couple of positions, volunteering does not require any experience or previous know-how. Other parents and volunteers are always available to support you with training and answers to any questions you may have. Additionally, anyone from your family can volunteer - grandpa, auntie, big sister, or friends (especially teens looking for service hours) are welcome and encouraged to help out.

The next big opportunity will be our Sept. 25, Intrasquad meet. Check the events tab on the website to learn more about each job available and sign up.

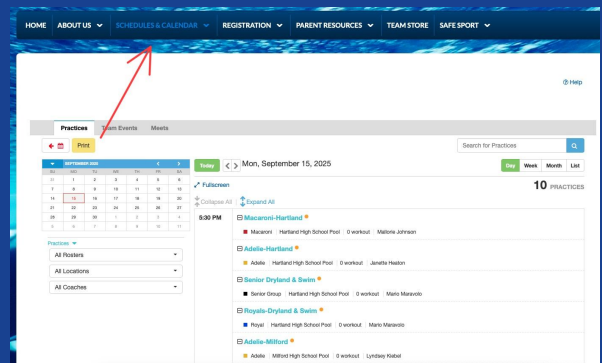
[Visit the volunteering page on the website](#) for more information on fair-share points, volunteer opportunities and more.

What is an intrasquad meet?

At the beginning of every short course season, we host an intrasquad meet. Intrasquad meets are simply practice meets where only Hurricane Penguin swimmers are participating. These meets provide an opportunity for new or inexperienced swimmers (as well as parent volunteers!) to experience how a meet runs. During the meet, the timing system is used, and the meet is run just as it would be in a typical official capacity. The only staple difference between an intrasquad meet and a regular sanctioned meet is there aren't any meet officials and so any times swam at an intrasquad meet are unofficial. Our next intrasquad meet is planned for Sept. 25 during regular practice times. All swimmers are expected to attend!

Checking the Practice Calendar

While the practice calendar doesn't change very often, and changes are always announced via email or the team social feed, things can still change due to last minute situations like pool shutdowns, weather, etc. If you are not already in the habit, it's a good idea to check the practice calendar before heading to the pool to make sure times or locations haven't changed since you last looked. Go to penguinssc.com > schedules and calendar > practice calendar to view the most up-to-date information.



Volunteer Chairs Still Needed!

We need your help!! We are still looking to fill the following volunteer chair positions: **Hospitality Chair**, **Concessions Chair**, and **Fundraising Chair**. These positions are some of the most crucial volunteer positions we have - they are part of what makes our meets run. Chair positions fulfill all volunteer points for the season. Partnering up to co-chair with another parent is also an option. Please reach out if you have questions or are interested in volunteering for one of these positions. Training is provided! Full descriptions of what's required can be found on the volunteer section of our website:

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