

SPLASH

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Charger Family,

Fall is definitely upon us. Cold mornings are the first sign that we are quickly moving into the winter months.

And with Fall here, I want to urge all families to please sign up for as many swim meets as you and your kids can attend. It is very important, especially for younger swimmers, to get the competitive experience of swimming in a meet. It is very different than weekly practice.

The Board would also like to remind all swim families that we have a scholarship program to help with monthly fees, race entries, etc. Please reach out to Coach Lee for more information.

Last I want to remind everybody that we will be hosting our annual Christmas/Holiday party in early December at the Chavez Center. We always hold it on a Friday night after practice. More information to come.

Keep swimming fast and having fun.

Mikey Hersom President



UPCOMING EVENTS

Don't forget to register to attend!

Beast Pumpkin Races Block Party

October 25, Santa Fe Community College

Mako Rio Grange Races

November 1-2, West Mesa Aquatic Center

Beast Veterans Day Meet

November 7-9, GCCC

Block Party Mini Meet

November 14, Albuquerque Academy

18th Annual TYR CAQ High Desert Classic

November 21-23, Albuquerque Academy







COACHES



It's already October and almost November!

This season is flying by. For those that regularly compete it's easy to get sucked into the idea that it's a long season and any time missed now won't matter later on down the road. And yes while we do still have 4.5 months until state, you don't want to be playing catch-up in the middle of the season.

Everyone has done a great job building up their yardage and intensity in practice and we want to now use that base to push beyond. So please make sure you're making the most of every opportunity provided to you, that way we can get to the end of the season with a better chance of meeting our goals.

For those that don't regularly compete please look at our schedule and get signed up for more meets! There will be some good ones coming up between now and November with competitions suited to our various skill levels.

Our Jr and White group swimmers should look at the "Block Party" meets offered as well as the Beast Santa Fe meet and the Candy Cane Races. These will have sessions catered to novice swimmers and competitors.

Our Yellow and Blue groups should look at the Mako meet, Beast Santa Fe meet, and High Desert Classic for sessions with competition more suited toward their level.

Either way let's keep our foot in the gas and remember that even small improvements every day compound to big improvements at the end of the season.

Lee Romero Taylor **Head Coach**









SWIMMER



Rafael Vaughn

This month's swimmer of the month is Rafael Vaughn!

Rafael is 11 and a swimmer in our yellow group who has been having a great season so far. At the Decathlon last weekend Rafael dropped close to 7 seconds in her 100 butterfly and 5 seconds in her 100 free. These are not small amounts of time to drop!

Great job Rafael and keep up the hard work!

OLDER AND WISER

Happy birthday to all our swimmers who are having or had a birthday recently! If we missed any please let us know!

October Birthdays:

Natalie Leyba (8) Viktoria Strieker (13)



HELPFUL APPS



Meet Mobile

For a small annual fee track your swimmers times and placement during meets, view records and time standards, team scores and more.



SportsEngine Motion

This free app allows you to view your swimmers best times, upcoming events and entries, and past meet results.



IT'S REGISTRATION TIME!

We still have a large number of swimmers that need to register with the team and USA **Swimming** for this season. Please do so ASAP and if you have any questions don't hesitate to reach out to Coach Lee.

Here's the information on how to register for both, with our team as well as USA Swimming.



Step 1

Charger Aquatics Santa Fe Team Registration

Login to your CAQ-SF Team Unify Account and click on the "Register" button. There is a \$75 per family registration fee. New families will need to create a new account. On bottom of the screen select the group that you are registering for and add it to the cart, then "check out" to complete the CAQ-SF membership registration process.



Step 2

USA Swimming Registration

Athletes must also register online with USA Swimming via the provided link. New parents can create one account per family, then register each child swimmer under that account. Returning families should be able to simply log in then hit "Renew" on their child's account. The USA Swimming registration is \$80.45 per child and will be payed directly to USA swimming upon registering via their website.



TYR TEAM GEAR

Our new TYR Team Portal is now open!

- 1. Go to teams.tyr.com
- 2. Create a username/account
- 3. Input the access code of **04219**



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