

## Corvallis Aquatic Team – CAT-a-thon 🧟



Want to make a positive impact on the health, safety, self-esteem, and leadership of the youth in our community? Please consider supporting the Corvallis Aquatic Team by sponsoring a swimmer or donating to our organization during our annual fundraising campaign, the "CAT-a-thon"!

CAT is a competitive swim team offering year-round instruction, training, and opportunities for competition to Willamette Valley athletes of all ages, abilities and interest levels. The 150 youth swimmers on our team range in age from 6 to 18 years, and we also have an active adult group of 40 masters swimmers. Due to the closure of the indoor pool at our regular home facility - Osborn Aquatic Center in Corvallis - we are currently practicing and competing at several other pools in the area.

Swimmers may choose to ask potential donors to sponsor them on a per-lap basis, or to make a straight dollar amount donation. The 2025 CAT-a-thon swimming event will be held on Saturday, April 26 at our practice facilities Athletes swim as many laps as they can in a two-hour period.

Proceeds from the CAT-a-thon keep the cost of team membership reasonable, and are used for various expenses including but not limited to:

- Coaching costs including payroll, continuing education, equipment and travel for team trips and meets
- Equipment (fins, kickboards, paddles, video-taping equipment) used by all members of the team
- Swimmer incentives including awards, social events, team apparel and swim caps, financial hardship assistance, and travel assistance.

CAT is partnering with the USA Swimming Foundation with a 5% donation of CAT-a-thon receipts. The USA Swimming Foundation is the philanthropic arm of USA Swimming, administering the Make a Splash initiative, which seeks to provide life-saving swimming lessons to children across the country, regardless of their ability to pay. We are excited to contribute to this important cause as part of our efforts to raise money for our own team.

Donations may be made via check, cash or credit card. Check and cash donations may be given to Sonia Gatherum, Team Manager of CAT, or checks can be mailed to CAT, c/o Rhonda Soule', 2035 NW 23rd Street, Corvallis, OR 97330. Checks should be made out to Corvallis Aquatic Team. Please designate on your donation which swimmer(s) have requested the contribution from you.

CAT is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, Federal Tax ID # 93-0748812

To make a credit card donation, or for more information, please visit our website www.corvallisaquaticteam.org. For information on the Osborn Aquatic Center closure, please visit www.corvallisoregon.gov/newsletter/osborn-aquatic-center-news-updates.



