



Bluefish Blast

July 13, 2025

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From the Coaches

Congratulations on a tremendous team effort in the HUGE win against Greenfields!!! So much fun and fast swims across the board! Let's finish off our regular season this week with one more memorable B meet and A meet!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Don't Delay! Order your banquet tickets TODAY! We need a head count ASAP, so please order by 7/16!
- This is the last week of *regular season* practice for all swimmers and divers
- This is the last week of A and B meets
- If your swimmer is in contention for an A relay spot or is closing in on a qualifying time, please consider that the Jack Hafner and/or Tri-Co championship meets may be in their future!
- Lineups for Jack Hafner will be decided next weekend and posted under the pavilion next Sunday. Our team is strongest when all candidates for champs can attend!
*** PLEASE let the coaches know ASAP if your swimmer cannot attend the Jack Hafner or Tri-co meets
- Tri-Co entries are due Saturday afternoon. Swimmers should let Coach Andrew or Meg know which TWO events they choose (if they qualified for more than 2) before they leave the meet on Saturday.
- LAST WEEK FOR PROJECT SMILES BOOK DONATIONS!

Week at a Glance (details for events below)

- **Monday 7/14**
 - B-Meet entries due by end of day (see below)
 - **HONEY POST Dine & Donate** - ***mention Deer Brook when you order or type it in comments on the mobile app***
Enjoy a delicious meal and support the team!
- **Tuesday 7/15**
 - Campers' practice 2:30-3:30 *NOTE new time* *Information and sign up below*
 - DIVER Champ apparel preorder due - [CLICK HERE](#) to preorder Champs apparel - available to all divers
- **Wednesday 7/16**
 - B- Meet (AWAY vs. Woodstream) - *details and sign up link below*
 - LAST CALL - Sign up for Banquet by Wednesday!!!
 - Tri-County apparel store closes
- **Friday 7/18**- ANNUAL LIP SYNC & DIVE EXPO
- **Saturday 7/19**- A meet AWAY vs. Erlton. Swimmers with more than 2 Tri-Co qualifying times need to let coaches know their choice of 2 events for the meet.

***Don't forget to donate to the Book Bin! It's located by the Club House ***

IMPORTANT REMINDER!!!!

It is critical that you let the coaches know ASAP if your swimmer is not available for any dual or Championship meet (Jack Hafner or Tri Co) [CLICK HERE](#) if your swimmer is not available for an upcoming meet

Pep Rally FRIDAY July 18 at 5:00 PM

Dive Expo + Annual Lip Sync + Pizza Party

Every age group works together throughout the week (can be the full age group or separated by boys/girls) to put together an act...be creative, silly, in-sync or not! Bring the FUN to the show! Everyone will gather together to cheer on our talented Bluefish.

PLEASE CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP: Age Group Volunteers will work with their group during the week to pick a song/theme, practice a routine and coordinate any costume ideas! As always, feel free to reach out to Michele, 856-261-5240

*If your act requires a song, it needs to be ready to go on a phone with passcode turned off.

B-MEET - Wednesday July 16

AWAY vs Woodstream

Brandywine Dr & Greentree Rd, Marlton, NJ 08053

Click to sign up your swimmer by Monday

Swimmers can swim up to 3 events (*cannot swim an event if you've qualified for tri-co in that event*).

Swimmers - arrive 5:10 pm

Junior team and kickboard only - arrive 5:40pm

NOTE FROM WOODSTREAM: We will leave our lot open for DB to park. **Street parking directly across from the swim club is permit parking only. You will be ticketed.** We also have use of the MUA grass lot - our parking attendants will direct people down Brandywine to that lot if needed.

Snack bar will be open - CASH only

Volunteers are needed to help run the meet Click here to sign up to help

If you have questions about volunteering, click to email our B-meet Coordinators, Coleen Nolan and Caitlin Johnson

SATURDAY July 19

A meet (AWAY vs. Erlton)

1505 Park Blvd, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Click here to let the coaches know if you can't attend any A Meet or Champs meet

- Meet line up will be posted under pavilion Friday AM
- Timeline:
 - 7:25 Caravan from DB to leave by 7:30
 - 8:05 - Meet in Erlton lot

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS - Click here to sign up

**If your swimmer is in the meet, please choose a volunteer spot. If we do not have enough volunteers, you may be assigned a position.*

DIVE TEAM NEWS

Great job divers on the 2nd qualifier! We had 10 new divers qualify for champs and great efforts all around by our team! All divers are encouraged to purchase Dive Champs gear by 7/15

7/18 - Lip sync/DIVE EXPO pep rally! Please join us Friday night to show off all that you have learned this season! Costumes and props encouraged

7/20 - Last Chance Meet at Sunnybrook 7/20 - anyone who has yet to qualify, or would like to attempt to qualify from novice to a JO diver may participate.

7/22 - Beach Day - Tuesday 7/22 - 13th Street Beach Ocean City NJ (NO DIVE PRACTICE 7/22)

BANQUET TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

TEAM BANQUET JULY 21st at Indian Spring Country Club

Flyer below with all the details!!! Purchase tix by 7/16

Please click here to sign up for the banquet (we need to provide the venue a head count so please sign up ASAP)

Campers Practice

Click here to sign up for TUESDAY 2:30- 3:30

****NOTE TIME CHANGE THIS WEEK****

When you have Day camps that prevent you from attending regular practice, we try to offer "campers' practice" so that swimmers can get swim time for a couple days throughout the week. This is only available to those 8 and older from the general swim team practice groups (not open to Junior Team). ***Sign up by Monday night***

JACK HAFNER CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

July 26 at Pheasant Run

[CLICK HERE FOR MEET INFORMATION](#)

[CLICK HERE TO PRE-ORDER APPAREL](#)

Store closes on 7/13 11:29pm.



TRI-CO CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

August 2-3 at Pomona

[Meet Info](#)

[CLICK HERE TO PRE-ORDER APPAREL](#)

Store closes on 7/16

[CLICK HERE FOR AD OPTIONS](#)

Support your swimmer at the Tri-County Championships! Show your pride and cheer on your athlete by placing an ad in the official program book. It's a great way to celebrate their hard work and make this championship even more memorable!



Championship meets (Jack Hafner and Tri-Co) volunteers are **NEEDED**

Shaun will be sending a volunteer email this week. We understand that Jack Hafner is still unknown and you will not be required to attend if your swimmer is not swimming. Let us know if you are willing to volunteer for Jack Hafner Invitational and/or Tri-County (timers, awards, stagers and tent parents are needed). Volunteers will be assigned if needed. Thank you.

[BANQUET SLIDESHOW](#)

Help us collect photos/videos for the slideshow. Use the google forms below to help us organize photos/videos

PLEASE only upload photos one time. Forms will close on Saturday at 2:00PM

[Click HERE to upload MEET photos/videos](#)

[Click HERE to upload SOCIAL/PEP RALLY photos/videos](#)

[Click HERE to upload DIVE TEAM photos/videos](#)



2025 Swim & Dive Deer Brook Banquet

JULY 21ST AT INDIAN SPRINGS COUNTRY CLUB

6:00-10:00 PM

The annual banquet is one of the best Deer Brook traditions that recognizes all the hard work and successes of our Bluefish swimmers and divers this season! Come celebrate with your teammates and dance the night away!

DJ, Photo Booth, Famous Raffle Baskets...and more!

Sign Up and Payment Information

\$30 per ticket. CASH BAR

CLICK HERE to sign up for the banquet (we need to provide a head count, so please complete form and payment ASAP)

Check: make payable to DB Booster and put in the Booster mailbox

Venmo: @Sara_walsh2003 - **Click here to pay** or

scan QR code (**In note, write: DB Banquet**)

CASH: Pay by Cash or Venmo at the swim meet 7/12



Scan to Venmo

Raffle Baskets

Each year the raffle is a huge success and an excellent fundraiser for our team!. Let's make this the best year yet! Each age group & dive creates a themed basket to raffle off at the banquet

What is it and how can I help?

- One volunteer from each age-group will:
 - Help select the theme
 - Facilitate the group's donations - the items collected should be related to the theme. Suggested donation is \$5-\$10/swimmer. Gift cards are welcomed
 - Assemble and bring basket to banquet (7/21 at 6:00 pm)
- Your age-group volunteer will reach out and ask you to help. This is a FUNDRAISER for the team and our goal is 100% participation

Do you have tickets to an event or provide a service you are able to donate? If so, **please click here to contact** the Booster committee to discuss!



Annual Slide Show



Help us collect photos/videos for the slideshow. Use the google forms below to help us organize photos/videos
(not all photos can be used)

Click HERE to upload MEET/PRACTICE photos/videos

Click HERE to upload SOCIAL/PEP RALLY photos/videos

Click HERE to upload DIVE TEAM photos/videos

Banquet Chairs

Donna Hill, Jacki Gatesman, and Amy Hansell are running the banquet this year. Please reach out to them if you have questions!

Click here to email Donna

Click here to email Amy

See you at the
Banquet

OFFICIALS WANTED!



Have you been interested in officiating but.....

- Are concerned you aren't familiar enough with the sport or strokes?
- Would like to talk to someone first to ask questions and gain some confidence?



We have the support you need!

Contact **Kathleen Lyall** to ask any questions, receive training and be set up with an opportunity to shadow an experienced swim official and learn more about this position. Beginners welcome!

Kathleen Lyall
856-217-0229
Call or Text!

For your calendar - Events for the 2025 Season

Schedule of A-Meets

(Saturday AMs)

*For all A-Meets, the coaches decide on swimmer lineup and events. PLEASE NOTIFY Coach Andrew if you cannot attend any A-Meet.

7/19 - Away vs. Erlton

Schedule of B-Meets

(Wednesday PMs)

* For all B-Meets, parents sign up your swimmer for individual events (no relays) using a Google Form (all entries due Monday at noon). A link will be sent by Sunday.

7/16 - @ Woodstream

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Pep Rally Schedule (subject to change) ALL SWIMMERS AND DIVERS ARE WELCOME at all Pep Rallies (*age-group + Junior team*)

7/18: Lip sync/Dive Expo (5 PM for all)

End of season banquet - scheduled for July 21st at Indian Springs - **Click to email if you are interested in joining the banquet committee!**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers to run all events - If your swimmer is participating in a meet or event, please sign up to help. Every week, the Bluefish Blast will include links or contacts for all events needing volunteers.

We use Team Unify to sign up to volunteer. Direct links to job sign ups will be posted in the Bluefish Blast each week. *You will need to be signed in to your Team Unify account to access.*

WE NEED MEET OFFICIALS! If you are interested in a meet official position ("White Shirt,")

Click here to email our Tri-Co rep, Mary Elbersen. Free training is provided and we work in buddies!

TRI-COUNTY BOOK BATTLE!

the BOOK BIN IS BACK!

Who: Tri-County Book Battle/Drive for BookSmiles

What: New or Gently Used Books (children or adult)

When: Book collection is now through Saturday, July 26th

Where: Drop off the books in the book bin located at the club

Why: To support children's literacy in South Jersey and help

Deerbrook let's win the Book Battle!!!

Please Donate!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL TRI-COUNTY QUALIFIERS!

8&Unders

Finley Borden - back, breast
Natalie Davis - back
Gunnar Foster - free, breast, fly
Liberty Harty - back, fly
Miles Halin - free, back
Nora Madison - free, breast
Addison Moorhead - free, breast, fly
Catherine Sessions - breast
Reed Stephens - free, back, breast
Theo Stephens - free, breast, fly

11-12

Charlotte Thomson - IM, breast, fly
Nicolas Girman - IM, free, breast
John Soernssen - IM, free, back
Cole Sporer - IM, free, fly

15-18

Emelia Bonelli - IM, breast
Annalise Forgash - back
Midori Johns - back, fly
Aaron Jost - back, fly
Jack McKenna - IM, free, back, fly
Julian Mountain - fly
Jonathan Rielly - IM, breast
Ian Rotberg - IM, free, breast
Riley Smith - IM, free, breast
Sawyer Stephens - IM, back
Camryn Tilger - IM, back, breast
Ellie Walsh - IM, free, back
Tori Wittenberg - free, fly

9-10

Claire Callahan - free, breast
Greg Hannah - back
Lennon Hartung - free, back, fly
Will Nolan - free, back, fly
Wesley Stephens - free, breast, fly

13-14

Amelia Callahan - IM, free, breast, fly
Liliana Caravello - IM
Mallory Elbertson - fly
Samantha Gatesman - IM, free, back, breast
Darren Hill - IM, free, back, breast
Maia Kaczur - IM, back, fly
Abigail Nachurski - fly
Greyson Stephens - IM, free, back, fly
Colt Tilger - breast, fly
Finnegan Walsh - IM, free, back, fly

QUALIFIED FOR CHAMPS!

DIVERS

9&U
Lia Hauty-Dansy - JO

Novice
Eva Bissett
Finley Borden
Madison Burke
Luke Hannah
Lucas Girman
Oliver Girman
Evelyn Moorhead
Sam Petaccio
Reed Stephens

10/11
Wesley Stephens - JO
Novice
Nolan Borden

12/13
Bella Ahrens - JO
Greyson Stephens - JO
Novice
Luella Artman
Emilia DiBlasi
Katelyn Mulhern

14/15
Ava Lorrilliere - JO
Novice
Darren Hill
Bryn Lorrilliere
Sawyer Stephens

16/18
Willow Shuff - JO