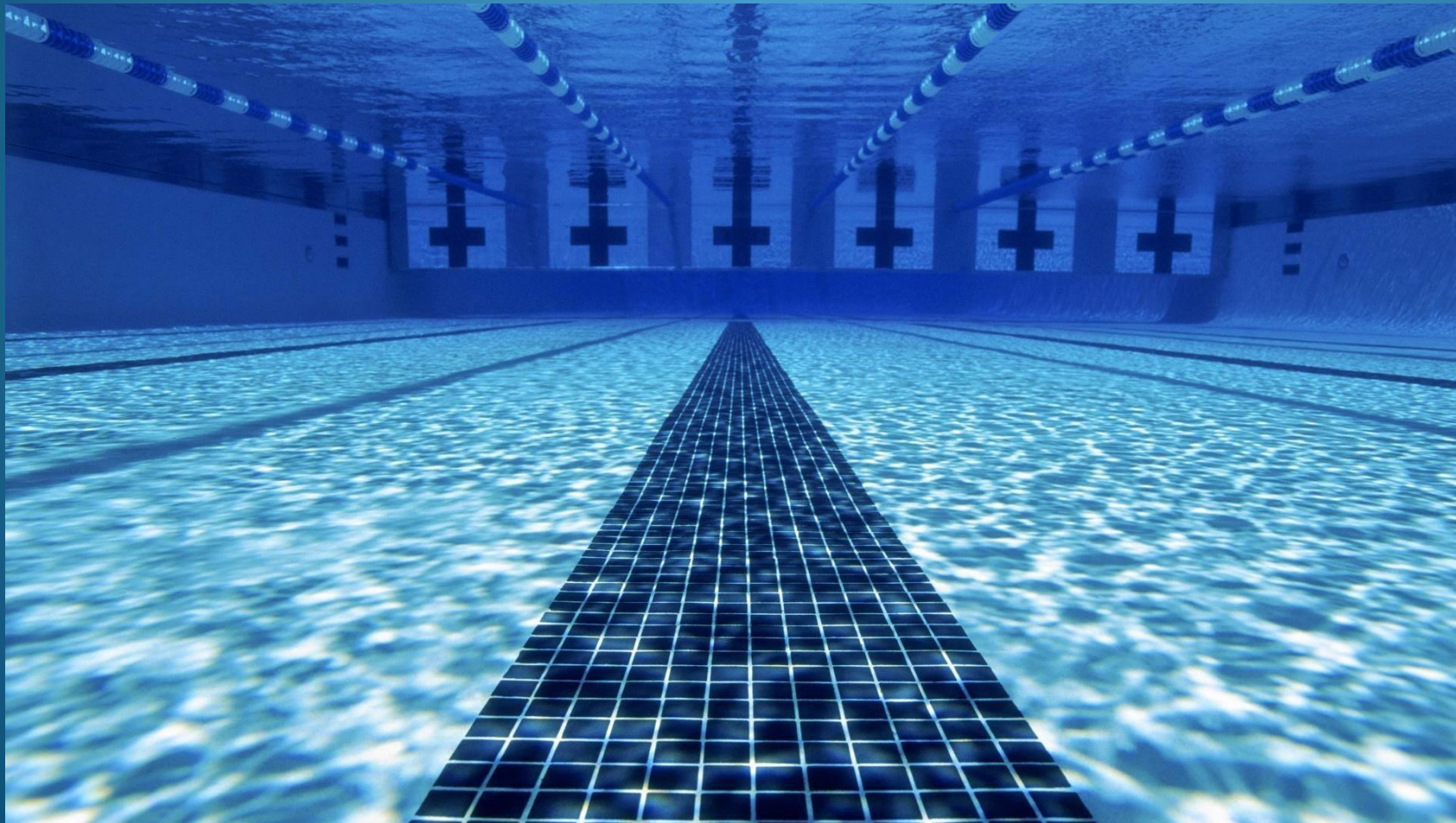


# Makos Annual Parent Meeting

2025-2026



# Mission



- To provide our swim team and members an opportunity to develop, promote and lead the sport of swimming in Anderson County in a motivating and supportive environment.



# Coaching Staff/practice groups

- Brian Heaton – Head Coach, Senior 1 & 2
- Jed Little – Asst. Senior Coach
- Hunt Little – Gold
- Grace Paddock/Jose Macias – Silver
- Jamin Benitez/Jose Macias – Bronze
- Shea Hascher – Yellow
- Genevieve Bronson – Blue 1, Blue 2
- Myla Whitner – Blue 1
- Pablo Macias, Clay Crosson, Jillian Weathers, Kyle Heaton – Junior Coaches

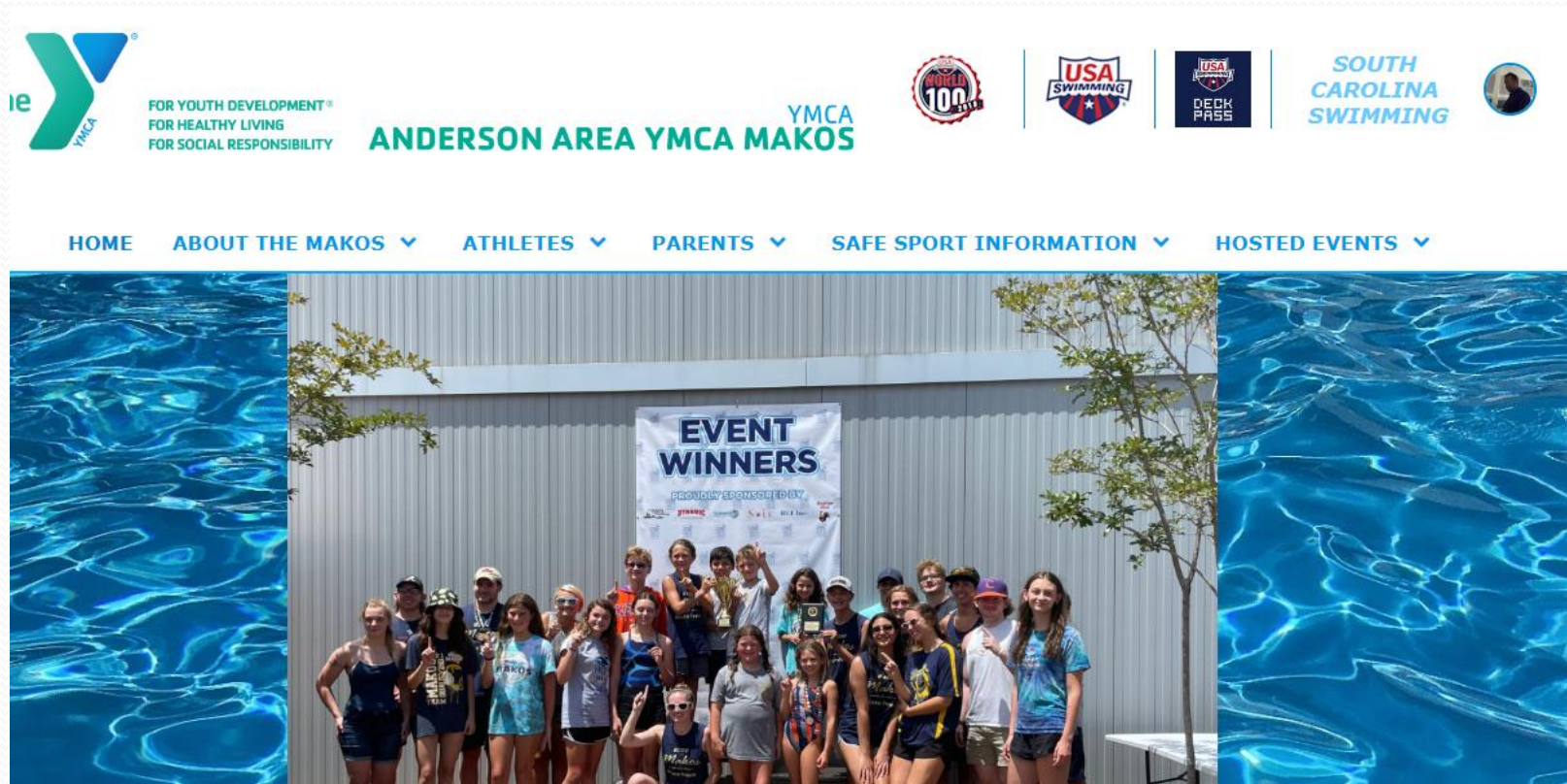


# Team Communication

- Makos Weekly Blast – **Look for the Shark!**
- Emails from TeamUnify – some are automated
- On Deck App– Team Feed, Account Info, Best Time Results, Meet commits, Etc.
- Coach Announcements – ask questions **after** practice
- Veteran Parents: Julie Weathers, Sonia Rose, Karina Macias, Katie Crosson, Lindsay McKeever
- **Team Website: [www.andersonmakos.org](http://www.andersonmakos.org)**
- Email us if your athlete will be out for an extended period of time
  - ✓ [makosswimteam@yahoo.com](mailto:makosswimteam@yahoo.com)



# Team Website



- [www.andersonmakos.org](http://www.andersonmakos.org)
- Used for most information about team
- Swim meet sign-up

# In Swimming

## *We are all one Team*

- Coach Goals = make decisions based on what is in the best interest of the Athletes!
- Patience and Persistence makes us GREAT
- Trust your coaches
- Positive Experiences - Please let us know how we can help you



# Registration = online process



- All Registrations will be done through our [www.andersonmakos.com](http://www.andersonmakos.com) Team Website.
- Once registered you will also have 24 hour access to your account through the OnDeck App. You will be able to view billing and see your itemized account at anytime.
- Whether you're a returning family or new family joining our team, the registration process is simple and takes only a few minutes. You will be requested to pay during the last step of the registration process.
- **Note: You will be asked to enter a credit card or payment method. This will be used for billing team dues and meet fees. This will not be used for YMCA membership.**
- At the conclusion of the registration process and upon team admin approval, you will be granted access to your own private account for the team.



- We are a Safe Sport compliant team
- All coaches have gone through Safe Sport Training
- We follow all Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policies
  - Coach/Swimmer/Parent Code of Conduct
  - Locker Room Supervision
  - Social Media & Electronic Communication Policy (8am-8pm) - Parents included in all conversations
  - Anti-Bullying Policies
  - Establishing a Positive Team Culture for all!
  - **Report any and all occurrences**

For more information:

<https://www.usaswimming.org/Home/safe-sport/club-toolkit>

# Practice Expectations

**Be on Time**

**Be Prepared**

**Follow instructions**

Parent observation area – welcome to  
sit on bleachers

Locker room supervision – Please encourage  
swimmers not to play

**Be Patient**

Talk to your coach – after practice is best

**\*Note – Group advancements are usually done at the end of a  
season**

# Swim Meets



All athletes are encouraged to participate in meets

Process is more important than Result

Time standards are meant to be Benchmarks for achievement and motivation

USA vs. YMCA meets

- Must have 2 YMCA meets to participate in league championships
- Must be USA member to attend USA swimming sanctioned meets

Meet fees are always due by the first day of the meet

Meet fees are due even if you fail to show up for meet

Athletes will not be entered in a competition if they have an outstanding balance

# YMCA + USA



## **All Team Members are eligible to swim in YMCA Meets:**

- Home Meet – November 8<sup>th</sup>
- Any CYSL League Meet including Winter Championships
- YMCA Regionals & YMCA Nationals (If qualified)

USA Swimming Membership will be an individual online registration - \$98/year

- Eligible for USA meets
- Currently registered athletes do not need to register until Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>
- New members must complete registration by October 1<sup>st</sup> – Recommended for Yellow swimmers and above
- Meet schedules reflect recommended meets for each group level

We will hold a Registration Meeting in November to walk you through it.

# Volunteers

- We **NEED** volunteers to make our swimmers' dreams come true
- Officials
- Public relations – team publicity
- Team social activities
- Meet committee – concessions, admin, etc.





- Thank you parents for trusting us with your children
- Thank you coaches for devoting time and effort to athletes
- Thank you YMCA for supporting our program and developing swimming in our community!