

Clinton Otters Swim Team

Parent Meeting, Thursday October 3th, 2024

1. Call to Order – Heather Houser or Kristina
2. Minutes- Angie Moran
 - a. Minutes for this season
 - i. Typed & Posted on Teamunify
 - ii. Printed & Put on Team Board
 - iii. Past Minutes located in Team Folder, Teamunify, and Chair Binder
 - b. Approval of Agenda
 - i. Add
 - ii. Tabled
 - iii. Postponed
3. Treasurer's Report – Amanda
 - a. Review of this years budget approval with the Y October 8th
 - i. Senior Banners
 - ii. Coaches travel expenses.
 - iii. Awards, Trophies, Ribbons
4. Aquatics Director Report/YMCA-
 - a. Make sure kids are supervised either in the child care room 6 and under, teen room for appropriate ages, or with you either in the viewing room.
 - b. Please make sure that kids are properly fed and hydrated prior to practice
 - i. these are HARD practices we need to make sure our kids can do their best
 - c. Make sure that swimmers are mindful of the locker rooms: making sure trash is picked up, no left over goggles or suits.
5. Coaches' Report-
 - a. Coach Claire
 - b. Coach Abby
 - c. Coach Jan - Swimmers double check that goggles are super tight for the upcoming meet. Even practice putting your goggles on first then your swim cap over them. Try it on Intrasquad so you're ready for SPY
6. Old Business
 - a. Contacts
 - i. Email- Everyone has Parent BOD and Coaches' Email?
 - ii. Is everyone receiving emails?
 - iii. Does anyone need a second email added to your account to notify multiple parents?
 - b. Team Unify- Everyone successfully signed in to Teamunify?
 - i. Anyone not receiving emails?
 - ii. Swimmers with multiple households that need to access the TeamUnify account?
 - iii. Everyone pull up TeamUnify/On Deck on your phone now and show me where to Accept/Decline Mattoon Ghouls in the Pool
 - iv. Please get with Heather Houser or Angie Moran for further help with TeamUnify.
 - c. Apple N Pork
 - i. Success- Another Record Breaking Year! 2225 potatoes, 170 more than last year!
 - ii. How the season looks this year for A&P fundraiser covering swim meets.
 - iii. There are a few families out there that need to fulfill their commitment with the Apple N Pork Fundraiser. We have contacted you and also put a letter in your swimmer's folder. Please get with us if you have any questions or concerns.

- iv. Anyone one have comments on the Apple N Pork that they really liked or some suggestions for next year?
- d. Homecoming Parade- Did anyone have anything they liked/didn't like for the Homecoming Parade?
 - i. Christmas Parade - Group of you who want to take on this task?
 - ii. Christmas Tree????? Is there a group of you who want to take on this task?
- e. Team Uniforms-
 - i. Everyone have a Team Suit?
 - ii. Everyone have Team Cap?
- f. Intersquad Meet
 - i. We need as many volunteers as possible to help set up 6pm Saturday night
 - ii. We need volunteers to run the meet
 - 1. Looking for 1 more BullPen
 - 2. Colorado system
 - 3. 2 Timers
 - iii. Meet Mobile- App on your phone. For \$10/year you get instant results on your swimmers times, heat sheets, and track their past meets and times. Most Swim Teams have this feature and it is a great thing to invest in.
 - iv. Results of the Meet - Will be uploaded on TeamUnify
 - 1. OnDeck App - TeamUnify's App to manage your swimmers easier. You can see their PR times, Meet Results, Attendance, and more. Get with Heather Houser or Angie Moran if you have questions.

7. New Business

- a. Team Shirts
 - i. in everyone's folder
 - ii. team store is still up for orders
- b. State Swim Meet - March 14th-16th St. John, IN
 - i. It's never too early to book a hotel room with free cancellations.
 - ii. Time Standards are the same as last year - buffer out COVID year times.
 - iii.
- c. Away Meets
 - i. Make sure you commit your swimmer to a Meet before the Meet Deadline.
 - 1. To add swimmers past the deadline is a HUGE hassle. If it becomes a pattern we will readdress it and will not allow any changes after deadlines
 - ii. You will receive an email on what your swimmer will be swimming at the meet about 1 week before the meet.
 - 1. Double check the entries sheet. This is a good way to find out if you either forgot to sign your swimmer up, or accidentally signed your swimmer up, but can not attend. This is something both new and seasoned families should be doing.
 - iii. The week of the meet, usually Thursday, the host team will send out warm-up times, requested timers, and any other little reminders. PLEASE BE PATIENT. We can not send anything out until the host team sends the information after they received all the entries. Sometimes they will send it in the AM and we will send it to the team in the PM. If the meet came with a meet packet, it is uploaded to the event on TeamUnify. Everyone has access to it and can read through it if you want to find out more information.
 - iv. Please Check the Address of the pool. Some meets are held at the towns YMCA facility, some have their own water complex at a different sight than the YMCA. We are usually good about reminding families, but it's always good to double check.
 - v. Make sure you bag is packed the night before.
 - 1. Team Suit; Back-up Black Suit
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3. Goggles; Extra Goggles; Make sure they are fitted and ready to go
4. Rule of thumb: 1 towel per event
5. Parka if you have it
6. Bag Chairs for you and your swimmer
7. Healthy food and drinks (not all places have concessions)
8. Money to purchase meet shirts if you want
9. something to keep your kids occupied between events: cards, tablet, coloring, book
10. Be respectable of other team facilities, locker room etiquette, keep swimmers where they need to be.
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- d. State Meet
 - i. Date: March 14-16thth
 - ii. South Shore High School, St. John, IN
 - iii. Thinking about booking hotel rooms now, we will not be doing any team blocks
- e. Reindeer Classic
 - i. Date: December 14th
 - ii. Jobs will be released soon

8. Appointing Chairmans/Committees

- a. Publicity Chairman-
- b. Teamunify Chairman – Heather Houser – Reports:
- c. Awards Chairman: Angie Moran – Reports:
- d. Hospitality Chairman –
- e. Official Chairman – Eric Ferguson
- f. Fundraising Committee –
- g. Set-up/Tear Down Committee – Shana Douglas, Eric Ferguson, Karlie Lamar
- h. Spirit Committee - Kristina Bentz
- i. Banquet Committee - Krista Jackson, Angie Moran, Amanda Ferguson
- a. NEW USA Committee- Angie Moran, Krista Jackson, Becky Robinson

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10. Upcoming Events

- a. Springfield Spy Opener Oct 11-13th
 - i. 4550 W ILES Ave, Springfield, IL 62711
 - ii. Just sent Entries list today via email and FB page.
 - iii. Warm-up Time: Should Be Posted
 - iv. Timers: we will need them unknown at this point.
- b. October 26th – Mattoon Ghouls in the Pool
 - i. Deadline Oct 5th

11. Questions