The AHSTC Swim/Dive 2021 Season

 **WELCOME BACK GATORS!!!**

Summer swim and dive teams are extremely fun for parents and kids! It is also a great opportunity to make new friends and get reacquainted with old friends! Our Gator Team season competes for about six short weeks from June 1st to July 14th with an end of year banquet following to celebrate the season. Your kids will be learning, while getting or keeping them in shape, and the commitment level is what you and your family chooses! Feel free to email with questions at **ahstclub.swimdive@gmail.com**

***TEAM FEES:*** *Covers summer training practices offered 5 days a week, coaching costs, PPSL league and meet involvement and a swim cap.*

**Swimmers 12y & Under** - $75 each

 **Divers 12y & Under** - $75 each, or $100 if a child swims and dives

1. **Mini-gators 5y-6y** - $75
2. **Swimmers 13y & older** - $55
3. **Divers 13y & older** - $75 each or $85 if your 13 & older child swims and dives

***MINI GATORS:*** We are switching it up for 2021. In lieu of group lessons, all younger swimmers will be part of the team calling them Minis! Swimmers must be at least 5 years old by June 1st to participate. These practices will be held at 9am-9:45am three days a week throughout the swim season. Each must be at least 5 years old (unless otherwise arranged and space allows) and must be able to swim two-thirds the length of the pool without walking on the bottom or grabbing the lane lines. Coaches will assess and group swimmers accordingly.

As a Mini-Gator, your child will learn how to swim one lap of proper freestyle and possibly backstroke with a proper start. Mini-Gators who are ready can have the opportunity to swim in a home meet. If your child is able and it is determined by the coaches assessment, they may be asked to swim in more meets as part of our 8 and under group. Some of the Mini’s will be more advanced than others and could be asked to move to 8u practice group, all at coaches discretion.

***DIVING:*** We have secured dive coaches for the season!! So excited that Jessica Pfeffer accepted the position to be our head coach and build our diving program! She will be joined by Andera Gjestvang to assist. They will hold practices Mondays and Fridays 9:30am-11am. More info to come and a meeting for anyone interested in dive for the Gators!

***REGULAR SEASON SWIM PRACTICES:***

Regular summer practices are daily, but are also very flexible for your family. They will begin on June 1st. You are able to drop your child off for their practice time. As a guideline, practices 3 times a week are recommended. The level of commitment is your families’ choice.

Fridays are a favorite for kids-- it is Donut Day!!

 **Dive Team**: **Monday and Friday 9:30am-11am** (possible some Wednesdays)

 **Swim Team**: Mon-Fri. 8:15am- 9am 13and older

 9am -9:45am 11-12 yr olds

 9:45am -10:30am 9-10 yr olds

 10:15am -11am 8 under

Mini Gators T, W, Th 9-9:45 am

 \*\*\* The younger age groups are our larger group requiring more organization of groups/lanes by skill level. Swimmers may not be in the water the entire 45 minutes\*\*\*

***MEETS:*** There are 5 meets and then finishes with championships in July. This year we only host three home meets. There are 2 away meets this year. We travel to Delhi and Mt. Lookout this year. Our first meet we will host Harpers Point will be on **JUNE 9th -WEDNESDAY!!!** Due to some coaching conflicts we were able to move this meet and Harpers accommodated! Some clubs have different COVID rules so please watch for communications as some clubs are still not allowing guests so we will hold a virtual meet if this is the case. More information if this is the case! All other meets are typically on Thursdays. Please watch for emails if this changes! Most swim meets last about 6pm -9pm depending on the number of swimmers participating in the meet. Warm up times not included.

**MEET SCHEDULE:**

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| **June 9th** | **June 17th\*** | **June 24th** | **July 1** | **July 8** |
| **Home vs Harpers Point** | **Home vs****Orchard Hill** | **Away at** **Delhi** | **Home vs****Clifton Meadows** | **Away at** **Mt.Lookout** |

**\*This meet could change to June 16th \***

PPSL Championships are as follows :

 PPSL B Champs Dive : July 10th at Delhi

 PPSL B Swim Champs : July 12th at Harpers Point

 PPSL A Swim Champs :July 13th Prelims and July 14tth Finals

 AT MASON HIGH SCHOOL

 PPSL A Dive Champs : at Madeira

***\*\*PARENT WORKER REQUIREMENTS:*** There are 5 swim meets and a Championship Meet each season. Meets are optional and you are able to sign up to swim according to your family schedule. **However, every family is required** **to work ONE HALF of each swim meet in which your child swims.** As with any other sport or activity your child participates in, these meets CANNOT run without volunteers. Jobs for parents include timer, ribbons, clerk of course, runner to name a few. All jobs are easy (but can sound hard!) and parents will be trained. There is easy on-line website to sign up for working the meets.

***CONCESSIONS FOR 2021*** : Our concession stand at home swim meets will be run by the Snack Shack . The Gator Grill will still be available during the meets where we sell hamburgers and hot dogs. Families are being asked to pay $5.00 for each child with a $10.00 maximum per family to keep the Snack Shack stocked and the Gator Grill going! This is added in your registration fees when you sign up on line.

**MEET THE COACHES : JUNE 1, 2021 7pm-8pm**

Families with a child or children swimming or diving are invited to attend this event. Parents will have the opportunity to learn the many volunteer positions and sign up early. The coaching staff will be introduced and an overview of the swim and dive program will be provided. Question and Answer session and a chance to meet and reconnect with the Gator families, swimmers and divers! You will be able to learn about the sign up process for swim meets and the parent volunteer positions available at this time

***REGISTRATION:*** Registration for the 2021 Gators swimming and diving program will be done the same as in the past. **ALL** registration MUST be started on Team Unify and will open. May 21st. Follow this link (or copy and paste) to registration:

 <http://www.teamunify.com/recppahgoh>

 **BACK THIS YEAR : ONLINE CREDIT CARD PAYMENT ACCEPTED ON TEAM UNIFY WHEN REGISTER!!! THIS WILL BE THE ONLY FORM OF PAYMENT THIS YEAR!**

***TEAM SUITS:*** NEW team suits for 2021!

If you need to purchase a new suit you will be able to order at the vendors location or online. Instructions on how to order with a link to the team store are on the club website as well as on Team Unify under Documents. Due to COVID there will not be a fitting at the club this year. If you order by MAY 28TH , suit should be here by our first meet!

 SwimVille is located at 90 Alexandria Pike, Ft. Thomas, KY 41075 or call 856-441-7946

**Questions?**

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