

Swim Team Update: May 2021

Registration:

83 participants are already registered, including 20 new members. Registration deadline is June 9.

Tryouts:

We will be holding tryouts from 3:30 to 5:30 on three dates: Wednesday, June 2; Saturday, June 5; and Wednesday, June 9. Swimmers 8 and under need to complete one length of the pool independently; 9 and older need to complete two lengths.

Practices:

- Week of June 14 (last week of school), we hold evening practices from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. in four lanes and one half-moon area.
- Once school is out, we practice on weekday mornings in three one-hour sessions, from 8:00 – 11:00.
- Evening practices will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The pool remains open during evening practices — we generally need two lanes and a half-moon area.
- During the swim season, from Monday, June 21 – Friday, July 30, the Nantucket pool will not be open to patrons until 11:00. **It would be REALLY helpful to note this on the Crofton Village Pool website.**

Meet schedule:

- Saturday, June 26: Time trials
- Saturday, July 10: Home meet
- Saturday, July 17: Home meet
- Saturday, July 24: Home meet
- Saturday, July 31: Blue vs white meet / team party (trying to turn this into an inter squad meet with another Crofton team)

The pool cannot be open for patrons to swim during meets. They are welcome to stop by to buy snacks from the Dolphin Diner or watch a race (capacity permitting). In 2019, we put up signs around the Nantucket pool during the week before a meet, letting patrons know that a swim meet is on the schedule. That seemed to reduce confusion. If there is a social media coordinator this summer, I will be happy to work with them to post when our Saturday meets are over.

Home meet timetable:

- Setup by parent volunteers begins at 7:00 a.m.
- Meet begins at 9:00 a.m.
- Most meets end between 1:00 and 2:00. **Good news for 2021:** Our swim league has loosened some of their COVID guidance along with the state of Maryland. We are still

conducting virtual meets, and under the loosened guidance, we are now able to use every lane. All of this should add up to quicker meets.

- Any weather delays can also impact a meet's end time.
- If thunderstorms or heavy rain force a cancellation, the team may be asked to schedule a makeup date.

Home meet needs:

- Functioning WiFi is required for the scoring table.
- Lifeguards are needed in chairs by 9:00 a.m.
- Members should not be permitted into the Nantucket pool until after the meet and cleanup are finished.
- If the pavilion is reopened for reservations this summer, please do not allow Nantucket pavilion reservations before 4:00 p.m. on meet days. I can never guarantee an end time for a meet, and people who are trying to set up a party while we're using the pool for a meet, they tend to get VERY upset.
- If there are any issues with the Nantucket pool – malfunctioning equipment or accidents that will force a cancellation or impact our ability to start a meet on time, I need to know ASAP.
- The swim team requires the use of the Nantucket pool, parking lot, and adjacent field (which is used for overflow parking) on meet days.
- We will follow capacity limits and social distancing guidelines for meets.