

OTTERGRAM

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May 19TH, 2010

Final Score: Otters 164 – Bear Branch Bears 164

OTTERS WELCOME THE FROGS

Saturday, May 22ND, at 7:00am at Elm Grove Pool.

**Please arrive at 6:45am to circle in. Warm-ups start promptly at 7am for ALL Swimmers
ALL SWIMMERS MUST CHECK-IN UPON ARRIVAL AT THE POOL.**

There will be a table with a list of all the swimmers. Please circle your name to indicate that you are at the meet. If you do not circle in your child/children, they will be considered absent and will be scratched from all scheduled events. After you check-in, find the team parent for your age group and get your heat assignments. It is not the responsibility of the team parent to keep up with your child during the meet. Their responsibility is getting the children to the ready bench at the appropriate time. Parking is available at Elm Grove Elementary. Please **DO NOT PARK** in the Sherwood Trails Pool lot. Please **DO NOT PARK** on the apartment side of the street directly in front of the pool, there will be **NO PARKING** signs posted to help let you know where not to park. This is so emergency vehicles can get down the streets. Also please do not park in any no parking zone including fire lanes and in front of fire hydrants. Parking in the pool lot is for handicap marked vehicles, and board members only!!!!

Coaches' Corner

Otters, this weekend is our meet with the "Fighting Frogs," so we better be ready to swim our fastest! There were MAJOR time improvements last week even though our meet got cut short due to weather. Don't forget about qualifying for Summer Champs, because it's coming up quicker than you think! Don't forget to circle in at the meet this weekend AND CHECK IN WITH YOUR TENT MOM/DAD!!!! LET'S GO VGO!!! Show those frogs what you're made of!!
The Coaches

CONCESSIONS HELPERS

All volunteers who have signed up to help in the concessions need to be aware that **you must wear closed toed shoes, have your hair up and wear a baseball cap or hair net(no visors please)**. This is required by the City of Houston. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

ALL VOLUNTEERS

Please look for Kristen Reep at the meets to make sure to **SIGN IN** with her so we know you are there!! This way we can make announcements for the positions that need to be filled. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN TO THE ON DECK JOBS SUCH AS TIMER, SCRIBE, RUNNER, AND READY BENCH OR TO CONCESSIONS JOBS.**

PRACTICE PICK-UP REMINDER

Please pick up your swimmer promptly at the end of their practice. It is not the responsibility of the desk parent to supervise unattended children. We can not have children waiting inside the gates and we can not let them outside the gate until a responsible party is present.

**POSTER CONTEST
PEP RALLY
AND**

SHAKER MAKER DAY!!!

Friday, May 21st

Before practice turn in your “Otteriffic” poster for judging. There will be a winner in each age group. (Please keep them clean and sportsman like).

Then during practice we will be having an Otter Pep Rally, so be ready to cheer. After practice come to the “Shaker Table” to make your own shaker so we can “shake up” the Frogs on Saturday with our “Otter Noise”.

Parents we need your help, please bring any rinsed out water, coke, Gatorade etc. bottles to practice or on Friday to shaker maker day!!

Meet Schedule

- May 22ndvs. Forest Cove**
- May 29thvs. Trailwood**
- June 5that Mills Branch
- June 12that Walden
- June 19thDivisionals @ KPHS

Home Meets are in Bold Type!!!

*****MEET RESULTS *****

To view the results from any meet go to the Village Otters home page and click on the “meet schedule and results” link.
E-mail for more information.

BIRTHDAYS

Alexandra Penn	May 19th	12 yrs old
Zander Krantz	May 21st	8 yrs old
Gabrielle Renderos	May 22nd	8 yrs old
Hayden Elrod	May 25th	6 yrs old
Joshua Hogan	May 25th	6 yrs old
Eric Halliday	May 25th	7 yrs old
Laura Trapani	May 25th	16 yrs old

We wish everyone a Happy Birthday!!!

LOST AND FOUND

Please check the lost and found boxes at both pools for missing items. We have many items that need to be reunited with their owners!!

SWIM TEAM HOTLINE

281-319-1300

Webmaster

webmaster@villageotters.com

SUMMER CHAMPS

Sunday, June 6th for 10 & under Boys/Girls
Monday, June 7th for 11-18 Boys/Girls

Once you qualify you must pay in advance, \$4.00 per event. The last qualifying meet is May 29th. Please see Jennifer Knouse to sign up.

Please check the blue tide website for start times. www.swimbluetide.org

FRIDAY PRACTICES

All Friday Practices will be at Elm Grove Pool. Please come at your regular practice time. This allows all of the children to practice their starts and dives.

SCHLITTERBAHN

Tuesday, June 8th

Advance purchase tickets on sale starting this Saturday, May 22nd- Saturday, May 29th

Tickets: 12+ \$32.00/3yr-11yr \$26.00

Parking is FREE

You can bring in coolers

Look for our Social director Carlyn Pruitt at the meet to purchase tickets.

IMPORTANT WEATHER INFORMATION

If you are unsure if we will be holding practices due to weather, please call the hotline. The only time practice will be cancelled is due to lightning and/or thunder. Also, please plan on attending all meets as scheduled regardless of the weather. There is a possibility that the weather will clear and the meet will be held.

OTTERS PLEASE READ

Let's remember our "OTTERTASTIC" manners! We will have guests at our pool. Please remember to pick up any trash in your area and dispose of it properly. Please be courteous and respectful at all times. If the bathrooms are littered with paper please dispose of it as well.

Also for the safety of the Forest Cove

Frogs as well as our swimmers

CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PLAY IN THE PARKING LOT.

Let's have a great meet!!!!

GO VGO!!!!

FUNDRAISER

INFORMATION!!!!

Tuesday, May 25th @ Hunters Ridge

Wednesday, May 26th @ Elm Grove

DURING PRACTICE

Forms should have come home with your swimmer. If not, forms are available from the desk parent.

LOOK!!! LOOK!!! LOOK!!!

VGO is on Face book. We invite everyone to log into face book and join our group. Once there you can view all the latest information.

STROKE CLINIC SCHEDULE

Wednesday, May 19th 7 & 8 (Breast)

Thursday, May 29th 9 & up (Breast)

Tuesday, May 25th All (Starts/Turns)

Wednesday, May 26th All (Butterfly)

Thursday, May 27th All (Breaststroke)

Please look for the sign up sheets at both pools. You must pay \$5.00 in advance to guarantee a spot. **CASH ONLY**

PRACTICE SCHEDULE MAY 19th - JUNE 1st

Elm Grove Pool

11 & 12 4:30-5:45

13 & up 5:45-7:00

Hunters Ridge Pool

6 & Under 4:30-5:15

7 & 8 5:15-6:00

9 & 10 6:00-7:00

NO PRACTICE

MEMORIAL DAY- May 31st

Or

THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL- June 2nd

COACHES BOOK

There is a binder at each pool so parents can leave questions and requests for the coaches. If you are going to miss a meet, please let the coaches know by leaving it in the binder!!!

Volunteer Schedule-May 22nd, Forest Cove

Timers

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Laurie Trease	1	Suraya Burkholt
2	Terri Abbey	2	Kari BrooksMartin
3	Meeka Karger	3	Dale Smith
4	Allan Fagerquist	4	Betty Vasquez
5	Karen Miller	5	Tanae Phipps
6	Susan Senechal	6	Monique Lewis
7	Terence Washington	7	Jessica Owens
8	Falon Smiley	8	Darren Owen
9	Nicole Vincent	9	Allen Brown

Scribes

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Lisa Nicoloff	1	Martha Moore
2	Brian Nicoloff	2	Jason Dalby
3	_____	3	Kathy Zajicek

Runners

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Natalie Guerrero	1	Ashley JuctionHalbert
2	Terri Criner	2	Edie Broussard

Ready Bench

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Tom Hottman	1	Mitch Moss
2	Billy Penuell	2	Deanna Cox
3	MaryAnne Sokol	3	Allen Brown
4	Lynette Bennett	4	Doris Rawlinson
5	Moira West	5	Kristi Walls
6	Tina Smith	6	Kae Eichler

Data Entry

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Alisa Cancino	1	Jeff Morgan
2	Lora Dickerson	2	_____

Concessions

<u>Set up(6:00am)</u>		<u>Take down(after meet)</u>	
1	Laurie Trease	1	Lisa Nicoloff
2	Susie Callens	2	Brian Nicoloff
3	Fallon Smiley	3	Jessica Owens
4	Nancy DuranMendieta		

Equipment

<u>Set up (5:45am)</u>		<u>Take Down(After meet)</u>	
1	Greg Day	1	Craig Miller
2	Jereck Boss	2	Peter Marucci
3	Eric Callens	3	Kari BrooksMartin
4	Chad Karger	4	Martha Moore
5	Brian Albert	5	Christina ElzaScudder
6	Emily Fuson	6	_____
7	Chris Krantz	7	_____
8	Leo Longoria	8	_____

Concessions

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Kathleen Penuell	1	MaryAnne Sokol
2	Nancy DuranMendieta	2	Susan Senechal
3	Barbara Blake	3	Henry Quiroga
4	Kathryn Washington	4	Terri Criner
5	Kathy Zajicek	5	Michelle Moore

Swim Shop

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Melissa Krantz	1	Lynn Longoria
2	Lacey Glosson	2	Henry Quiroga

Ribbons

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1		1	Chris Phlegar
2		2	_____

Desk Parents Week of 5/24

6-u	Suraya Burkholt	7-8	Lara Boss
9-10	Susan Senechal	11-12	_____
13-up	Linda Overton		

Facilities Volunteer

<u>Shift 1</u>		<u>Shift 2</u>	
1	Brandy Bedgood	1	_____

Desk Parents Week of 5/31

6-u	_____	7-8	_____
9-10	Laura Roberts	11-12	_____
13-up	Linda Overton		

We hav positions that still need to be filled. Please let me know if you can't work your shift!!!!

Please contact Kristen Reep @ 713-806-3289 or ottervolunteer@yahoo.com