

SILVERTON SHARKS NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2018

WELCOME

Welcome to the Silverton Sharks Swim Team! We look forward to sharing another great season with you. We are excited to see all the returning swimmers and we're thrilled to welcome many new Shark Swimmers and families.

Our goal for 2018 is to provide a positive summer swim team experience that is fun and rewarding for all swimmers. The Social Committee has a lot of fun **events** planned for the team! The kids can look forward to the **Ice Cream Social, Pasta Pump Up, Flick and Floats, the Annual DJ party**, and a few other spectacular events, as well!

In addition to our regular scheduled meets, our team will be participating in the **Cary City Invitational on July 14**. We also encourage you to participate in the TSA Championship Meet at the end of July.

Go SHARKS!

Coaches' Corner

We are happy to announce that **Tim Schade** will be returning as our Head Coach this season!! Go to the Swim Team Website to read Tim's letter to the team.

Big Welcome Back to **Natalie Patetta**, who will be returning to the coaching staff this season as our Asst Coach. We are looking forward to another GREAT swim season!

Big Welcome to **Drew Hollett** who will be joining us as an Asst. Coach. Drew swam with MOR previously and is looking forward to helping coach our swim team.

Another Big Welcome to **Abby Rutledge** who is joining us as a Technical Coach. She joins us from TAC and is excited about helping our swimmers.

You can read more about the coaches on the MOR at Silverton website:
<https://www.moratsilverton.com/silverton-sharks-meet-the-coaches/>

2018 Swimmer Fees

- \$119/first swimmer/family
- \$99/second swimmer/family
- \$89/any additional swimmer/family

Swim Team Practice Starts Mon, May 21st for NEW swimmers and Tues. May 22nd for the ENTIRE team!

It is **REQUIRED** that all swim team members be registered **ONLINE** and that parents register for their 4 volunteer positions **ONLINE BEFORE** your children can start practice. See website for practice times.

<https://www.moratsilverton.com/silverton-sharks-swim-team/>

Volunteer positions will be done through a Sign Up Genuis

Registration is now

OPEN

MORatSilverton.com

Excited to Announce...Hydroxphere...A new way to run our swim meets.

Look at the Hydroxphere website [here](#). It gives a wealth of information. Training will be offered before time trials. This software was made for TSA swimming. Our hope is that a few of the volunteer positions we previously needed will be eliminated, and the ones that remain will be more fun!

What this means for you:

The onetime equipment fee was paid by Paul Silver and we will reimburse him from concession sales. There is also a \$4 fee per swimmer which was added to the swim team fee this year.

We hope you will agree that this is a good investment for our team.

Silverton Shark Swim Team Committee

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Volunteers

When you register online for the swim team, each family will sign up for at least 4 required volunteer positions to be performed during the 2018 swim season. Prior to registering for the team, we recommend that you read the volunteer job descriptions posted on the team's website or in the Handbook posted on the website to familiarize yourself with all the duties of each volunteer job.

Parents will be required to **volunteer for at least 4 volunteer positions.**

There are exceptions for parents who **ONLY** have a 6 and under swimmer (at least 3 positions).

Volunteer sign up will be on-line ONLY through a Sign Up Genius.

Please be aware that no swimmer will be allowed to practice until they sign up for their volunteer roles. The team counts on you to treat your volunteer assignments as a responsible commitment that you made when you registered your child for the Sharks.

Swimming Requirements to Join Swim Team

- **6&U's** must be able to swim **20 yards unassisted** (without touching the bottom or lane rope) **BEFORE** joining the team and participating in practice.
- **7&8's** must be able to swim the full **25 yards unassisted** (without touching the bottom or lane rope) **BEFORE** joining the team and beginning practice.
- If you are not sure whether your child is capable of swimming this distance **UNASSISTED**, we will provide opportunities for your child to be assessed prior to swim team starting.



Swim Team Suits can be purchased at **InSideOut Sports** **AFTER** April 21st.

Preston Walk Shopping Center
2002 Gridale Lane
(919) -466-0101

Stay Informed

Join our **GOOGLE GROUP** to get weekly meet info and social event updates:
[Click here to join Silverton Shark's Group on Google...](#)

Friend the Silverton Sharks Swim Team on **FACEBOOK:**
<http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/groups/132464960107447/?fref=ts>

Join our **TWITTER** account to get updates on practice/meet cancellations or rain delays:
www.twitter.com/SwimSilverton

Swim Team Committees

It takes a lot of people to make a swim team run smoothly. Please consider volunteering for one of the following committee positions below.

Open positions for the 2018 season:

- **Stroke & Turn Judges** (4 needed)- **CRITICAL** – can't have a meet without them
- **Big Shark/Little Program** (2 needed)
- **Communication** – send out weekly newsletters to swim team via Google Group
- **Concession committee** (3-4 people needed) - Organize and run concessions at all 3 home meets
 - Will be your 4 volunteer positions

Please do your part in helping our swim team remain a healthy organization by volunteering. **Please email Susan Fairlee, our Meet Coordinator, [here](#) if you would like to volunteer for a Committee Chair position or have a question about a position.**

Big Shark/Little Shark Program

The goal of this program is to help form strong relationships between our team's oldest and youngest (all 6 and under and new 7-8) swimmers. The Big Sharks help foster the overall spirit, sportsmanship, and commitment to our team. All 12 and over swimmers are welcome **and encouraged** to participate in this program. Please sign up at **OPEN HOUSE on Saturday April 21 or Sunday April 22** or click the link below for the application and bring it to the Open House.

https://www.moratsilverton.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/big_shark_contract.pdf