



ALL STARS SPLASH

TPDC Swim Team

The Swim of Things...

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Welcome to the 2009 TPDC swim team! This is an exciting time as we gear up for another season of *Fast and Fun* swimming! Although our first meet is still 2 weeks away, our coaches are enthusiastic and our swimmers are already working hard at practice to ensure that they have fun at the meets. Parents have had the first meeting and our new Meet Manager for the season Rasheda, is off to a great start. But she will need our support during the season to make this a successful year. Be sure to check out the team's calendar on the website for all team activities and plan to join in as many activities as you can. The season opening meet will be an away meet in Bowie, MD on June 20. After the meet, we will get together for our first team activity—roller skating at Sk8zone in Crofton MD. Beginning this season, two open relays have been added to the schedule of events. The relays will feature boys and girls from any age group in two 200 medley relay events. Each swimmer on the relay will swim in the following order & distance 50 backstroke, 50 breaststroke, 50 fly and 50 free. These relays will carry points and will be great for generating team spirit and excitement. This year too, PMSL will be celebrating 50 years of league swimming. More information will be available later in the season. **Lets stay focused as we count down to the first meet of the season! We are definitely in the Swim of things!**

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Time Trials

We will like to give each swimmer an opportunity to swim all available events during the team's time trial on Wednesday June 10th and Thursday June 11th between 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm. Because of limited time available during the afternoon practice time frame, we will divide the time trials meet into two sessions—On Wednesday we will run Session 1 which will include event #s 3—24 and we will continue on Thursday with Session 2 for events 25—46. Warm-ups will be held for 20 minutes and the meet will start at 6:00 pm on Wednesday and 6:30 pm on Thursday. For most of the events we will have only one heat. This mock meet will give new parents an idea of how our Saturday meets are run and will give our swimmers, especially our new families, a feel for what happens during a competition. The main purpose of this time trials meet is to get a season start up time for each swimmer in each event within their age group, and to expose our new swimmers to the process. We won't be using a clerk of course, swimmers will be asked to line up behind their assigned lanes. This will be impossible without parent volunteers, so please be ready to officiate, we especially need at least 16 timers.

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Fundraising Committee Report

The Fundraising Committee, led by Dana and Shelly Grasty will continue to help the team to raise funds during this summer swim season. Sponsor cards are being distributed to parents and swimmers. The sponsor cards are available from Tracie Moore.

The concept is that:

- Swimmers will have 6 weeks beginning on Monday, June 8, to solicit donations from family members, friends, neighbors, church members and teachers. The requested contribution amount is \$5.00 per person. Contributions in excess of \$5.00 are welcome. **
- Sponsor cards and contributions should be placed in an envelope and given to Tracie Moore during the week of July 13-18.
- Sponsors may also use our website and make an online donation.
- All funds will be tallied by swimmer.
- The swimmer with the highest total for girls and boys will each get a reward.

Please be sure to make sure your swimmer gets a sponsor card from Tracie! Let's make this work for the benefit of all our swimmers!

**A letter will be prepared for contributors who need our Tax ID number to document their gift.

Welcome New & Old Families

On behalf of the coaching staff and executive board, we would like to take a moment and extend a warm welcome to all New and Returning Swim Families! We are grateful for your support, teamwork and partnership and glad you are with us. As many of you may know, the recipe for a successful Summer Swim Season begins with a whole lot of commitment, complete dedication, total cooperation, overall hard work and as a rule fun, fun, fun!!

This year marks a special year in swimming for the Prince Mont Swim League as the league will commemorate its 50th Anniversary. Made even more meaningful, since TPDC was there 50 years ago as a founding team and we are still here to date, standing on the shoulders of those before us to share in the celebration.

It's no secret that TPDC is home to an outstanding group of swimmers and parents, whose commitment, hard work and excellence are beyond compare. Parents brace yourselves as we embark upon another challenging but awesome season! A heartfelt thanks goes out to each and everyone of you in advance for the sacrifices you will make this year, and especially for sharing your swimmer with us each day during the season! Swimmers grab your caps, goggles and swim suits. Let's head for and win the 2009 Division A Championship Title!! Together We Can Win!

Rasheda Campbell-2009 Meet Manager
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Fundraising Committee Members

Dana Grasty

Shelly Grasty

Tracie Moore

SUPPORT
LEDO PIZZA
On Georgia
Ave, NW

They provided
pizza for our
"Back to Pool"
Night

2009 Coaching Staff

HEAD COACH

ROB GREEN
9th Season

Assistant Coach

Rob Green, Jr.
4th Season

Assistant Coach

Miguel Orellana
3rd Season

Assistant Coach

Brendan McElroy
1st Season

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UPDATES FROM PARENTS MEETING

The Executive Board members were introduced as well as the new DC Parks & Recreation—Aquatics Director, Brendan McElroy. Mr. McElroy addressed the parents and outlined some of his goals for the Aquatics Department and the role he will play as one of the coaches on the TPDC summer swim team. He asked that parents be patient as the department work through minor problems with the new Active software for registration of the swimmers this summer. He asked for parents support and respect of the coaches. Parents wanted to know when we can expect to get a trophy case to display the team's accomplishments. Mr. McElroy promised to look more into it. Parents reviewed the schedule of activities planned for swimmers and parents. Two fundraising activities have been planned for this season. Our "Sponsor Me" fundraiser kicked off with the distribution of cards. Parents were also encouraged to refer family, friends, etc. to our sponsor page on the website for online donations. Beginning June 17 we will have an icee fundraiser during practice at the pool. Parents were also asked to volunteer for Head Timer and concession manager for the season. Positions of Treasurer and Secretary is up for election. One parent has volunteered to run for the office of Treasurer. Next booster club meeting will be on July 15.

**NEW PARENTS
ORIENTATION
WILL TAKE PLACE ON
WEDNESDAY JUNE 17
FROM 6:00—7:00 PM
AT THE
TAKOMA
RECREATION CENTER**

**"Our greatest problems in life
come not so much
from the situations we confront
as from our doubts
about our ability to handle them."
Susan Taylor**

2009 Graduates

- **Lenora Hill**
- **Bradford Jackson**
- **Anthony Ross**
- **Keven Smith**



**Have you visited our team
website?**

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get all the latest team in-
formation at:

www.tpdcallstars.com

STAY INFORMED!

Team Gear

The team swim suits (with TPDC logo)
are available directly from

Swim Pro located at:

10831 Lanham Severn Road
Glenn Dale, MD 20769
301-464-6923

For **TPDC caps and tee-shirts**
please see our treasurer,
Ms. Sharon Hamilton.



Home Meets Concessions

**This year we will host 3
meets.**

**Our 1st home meet will be on
June 27**

**Parents will be asked to make
contributions towards our
concessions.**

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TPDC Swim Team

Takoma Aquatic Center
Third & Van Buren Streets NW
Washington, D.C.

Write to us at: takomaparkdc@yahoo.com

TPDC—Takoma Park DC Swim Team is one of the founding members of the Prince Mont Swim League. The team's home pool is located in Takoma Park, DC. The team is coached by Rob Green who has been the coach for the last 7 seasons.

Many swimmers on the swim team begun from as young as 5 years old and continue thru until they turn 18 years old.

Summer swimming is The BOMB!

Come out and get in the Swim of Things with TPDC!

GO TPDC ALL STARS!

Visit our website!

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June 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Practice 5:30—7:30 PM	2 Practice 6—8 PM	3 Practice 5:30—7:30 PM Parents Meet- ing @ 6:00 pm	4 Practice 6—8 PM	5 Practice 6—8 PM	6 Happy Birthday Erin 
7 Happy Birthday Hattie 	8 Practice 5:30—7:30 PM	9 Practice 6—8 PM	10 TIME TRIALS 5:30—7:30 PM	11 TIME TRIALS 6—8 PM	12 Practice 6—8 PM	13
14	15 Practice 5:30—7:30 PM	16 Practice 6—8 PM	17 Practice 5:30—7:30 PM Icee Fundraiser New Parents Orientation Availability Deadline	18 Practice 6—8 PM	19 Practice 6—8 PM Happy Birthday Olivia 	20 TPDC @ BBT 7:AM—11 AM 1:00—5:00 pm Skate Party @ Sk8zone