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# The Waterlog

Official Newsletter of The Nauticats



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## Coach's Corner

**Congratulations Nauticats!**  
We finished off the regular season with a great team effort and a victory!!! I am very proud of all of you for working so hard and dropping time. Keep working on your skills and we'll do it all again next year! See you at the Champ Meet! - Coach Eve

## Nauticats Bite Piranhas at Nassau Bay Pool!

On June 21st, The Nauticats out swam Pineloch 438 to 301.

All of the swimmers dropped their times since the first meet of the year. Us parents are so proud of each and every one of you! We thank the coaches for the way you've taken care of and guided our precious children. Our voices are horse from cheering for our kids, and we heard you cheering for them right along with us. Thank you so much!

These swimmers posted Champ Times to help us sink the Piranhas: Avery T., Clari D., Arianne F., Karch P., Kyle P., Jackie V., Benjamin B., Alex Na, David Michael M., Trey H., Kimberly S., John W., Emma L,

Harper S., Ashley H., Bear S., Cody R., Blake B., Gaby Z., Lily F., Jack C., Julia Bri, Michael B., Jack M., Austin E., Danielle H., Frances T., Olivia Z. and Benjamin M.

Fast Reserve Times were clocked for: Julia B., Danielle H., Ariel B., Cody R., Solomon B., Jordan C., Zamira H-R, Alison T., Lily F., Jack M., Garrison N., Joshua H., Correyon R., Frances T., Ashley H., Julie V., Michael C., Austin J-Z, David M., Jack W., Jack C., Kimberly S., Sonia H., Morgan B., Ariel B., Trey H., Brendan M., Dominic N, Quaylon C., Lukas S., Geoffrey w., Tierney C., Jared C., Zach E., Hannah Z., Xavier F. and Julie V.

What kind of magic do the Nauticats have that makes our

swim team so special? If you open up the bag of tricks they bring to every meet, you'll see that it is full of love, caring, dedication, community spirit, support, pride and enthusiasm!

Our 44th season ends on a victorious note. We've accomplished our objective. If you look in your handbook, you'll see Our Goal: "The Nassau Bay Swim Team seeks to provide a high quality swim program youth ranging from 8 and under to age 18. We want our swimmers to improve their aquatic skills, learn the principles of teamwork and good sportsmanship, and to develop an interest in competitive swimming."

## Important Dates:

- Now: You can make a big difference! Just pick up the phone and call Volunteer Coordinator Laura Conley at (281) 851-3654 to find out how you can help the team next year!
- May 2009: Swim practice starts. The Nauticats launch the new season. See you then and see you there!
- Between Now and Then: Swimmers should all take care to stay fit, do well in school and eat right. Listen to your elders and be prepared for another great season in 2009!

## The Nauticats' 2008 Regular Season Summary

Here's how we fared against the competition in the Clear Creek Swim League this year.

On May 24th, the La Porte Dogfish beat the Nauticats for the first time in 10 years! We lost a very close meet by a score of 388 to 366.

May 31st had the Nauticats on the road visiting the much larger Friendswood team, where we lost 482 to 293.

June 7th brought us our first victory of the year. We went to Clear Lake City and beat the Stars 427 to 362!

Our closest meet in years came up on June 14th when Pearland came to Nassau Bay. Virtually tied through the whole meet, the visitors cinched a victory in the last events, beating the good guys by a close 391 to 371.

Happy to be at the home

pool on June 17th, the Nassau Bay Swim Team faced the Pineloch Piranhas. Hungry for a win, the Nauticats swam right by the visitors scoring 438 to their 301.

50 practices. Five meets with our opponents in the Clear Creek Swim League. Time trials and the Wacky Relays. Pancake breakfast and team photos. Don't forget the Last Chance Meet. I Swam Up!

Cool swimsuits and great goggles. Monday Night Kickball! Lunch after the meet at our sponsors' restaurants.

Tomorrow we have the Progressive Dinner for Champ Swimmers! Then the Novice, Reserve and Champ Meets. Awards Banquet. Most Improved. High Point. Scholarships!!!

Another great year for The Nauticats—The Nassau Bay Swim Team!

## And the Award Goes To...

**I Swam Up!** These brave warriors competed against older kids to help the team put it all together last Saturday: **Morgan B., Sophia B., Julie V., Emily T., Kendra A., Madison G., Sarah G., Jordan S., Emily M., Jared C. and Addie S.**

### **Volunteers of the Week!**

Ok, a new award I just made up. You're not getting a T-Shirt and you're not getting a ribbon. All The Waterlog has for you is the appreciation of every swimmer, parent, sponsor, NBHA member, and City of Nassau Bay resident who thanks you for all you are doing.

Volunteers of the Week for this issue of The Waterlog are the Clerk, Scorers and Ribbon Writers who stay at the pool long after the meet has ended to compile the results and make it official. These dedicated individuals help make it all happen in a big way. This reporter has personally seen these officials still working hard at 3:30 on a Saturday afternoon long after most of us have already gone home. Thank you for your care and dedication!

### **A Special Thanks!**

To our volunteer coordinator Laura Conley for her tireless efforts.

### **The Nauticats Awards Banquet**

**When:** Tuesday, July 1st at 6:00 PM  
**Where:** The Pavilion at Nassau Bay Park

Everybody get set to cap off another great season with all your favorite swimmers.

Featured activities include:

- Fantastic BBQ and pot-luck dinner
- Traveling Trophy presentations
- Most Improved Swimmer Awards
- High Point Swimmer Awards
- Medals, Trophies & Certificates
- Funny Awards presentations
- Presentation of Scholarships

## Nauticats Heading to the CCSL Champ Series!

The Last Chance Meet was exactly what the coaches ordered for several Nauticats. These swimmers went to Last Chance and got the Reserve times they needed to be able to continue on in the Champ Series: **Quaylon C., Tierney C., Ariel B., Cody R., Trey H., Zach E., Jack C., Austin E., Sonia H., Julie V., Avery T., Sophia P., Kimberly S., Xavier Ferrell, Hannah Z. and Kaleb E.**

Also at Last Chance, these swimmers clocked Champ Times that will get them in the lineup at this Sunday's Big Show: **Clari D., Trey H., Bear S., Jackie V., Jack C.**

Saturday's Novice and Reserve Sessions at Baytown Sterling will feature several Nauticats swimming their best ever times

to advance to the next session. Some Novices will get their Reserve times. Some Reserves will get their Champ times. Any participation in the Championship Series is a great experience for our team members and helps them develop their competitive skills and set their goals on the excellence required to take it to the next level.

Sunday's Championship Finals at Baytown Sterling should have about 60 Nauticats in the lineup! That is 1/3rd of the team making it to the final meet of the year!

The races at the Champ Meet are as fast as you'll ever see. Nauticat swimmers drop time up until their last events with

many placing high or winning against the fastest swimmers in the Bay Area.

Records are made to be broken, and the Nassau Bay Swim Team boys set records at the last year's Champ Meet and also the year before. Rumor has it that there may be another record set this coming Sunday! Don't miss it!!!

It is not easy to get in to the Champ Meet. You've got to work very hard.

Congratulations to all of our Champ swimmers! Watch out for these Nauticats next year as they continue to drop time and improve. Set your goals high so you can be on the podium with them when we honor their accomplishments.

## Medley Relay—Some Short Notes to Wrap it Up for 2008!

**Ribbons!** The Awards Banquet on July 1st is the last opportunity for swimmers to collect their ribbons. Families unable to attend can make arrangements to have the end-of-year medal and ribbons mailed to you. Place a 6x9 inch self-addressed, postage-paid (\$1.56 to be exact) envelope in your ribbon file. We will have blank envelopes for you to address and attach postage. They will be mailed out after the awards ceremony. Please let us know if your swimmer is not swimming the meets. We are happy to give them a participation ribbon for all their hard work at practice. Older swimmers need to pick up their ribbons since our ribbon boxes are getting

**HEAVY!!!** If your swimmer is still missing ribbons, please call either Robyn at 281-335-4566 or Julie at 281-335-9350. Please try to provide as much information as possible. We know how important the ribbons are to the swimmers. Ribbons not claimed by the end of August will be recycled. Thanks for a great season!!

**Volunteers:** It takes 90 volunteers just to run a home meet! It takes many more than that working together throughout the year to make the Nauticats a wonderful experience for all involved. Laura Conley is already organizing next year's list of volunteers. Call her at (281) 851-3654 to find out how you can help!

**The Waterlog:** We, the staff of the Waterlog, wanted to thank all who contributed articles and encouragement to help make this volunteer project so much fun this year. Thank You!

- Jim - Reporting & Editing
- Ashley - Proofreading
- Michele - Copying & Distribution
- Jimmy Joe—Happy to be a Nauticat!

**Signing Off:** That will wrap it up this year for The Waterlog. If you took video of this year's Nauticats contact me so Boris and I can include it in our next NBTV film. If you got some great photos, let me or Louis Nguyen know so they can be included in next year's handbook. Thanks for reading! See you at the pool!