

Sunday Snapshot - Week of 1/14

[GM Age Group Aquatics](#)

Hello Age Group Families!

Meet Recap:

This week's recap is brought to you from your volunteer board president. I had the opportunity to sweep the entire pool deck by myself at the conclusion of yesterday's dual meet. The Manheim Township side of the pool was left in good condition. The Mifflin side of the pool was a disgrace. If an opposing team left their side of the pool in the condition that the Mifflin swimmers decided to leave for someone to clean, the opposing team would be receiving a letter from our organization. The following items were cleaned up from the Mifflin area: string cheese wrappers, candy wrappers and containers in all shapes and sizes, various pieces of gummy candy, Gatorade bottles, empty plastic snack bags, empty pretzel bags, pretzel pieces, goldfish crackers (in various stages of decomposition), walking tacos (in various stages of deconstruction), half of a chick-fil-a sandwich, and a hairbrush. **The worst age group was the 9&10 year old swimmers.** I am sure, as parents, you do not tolerate this kind of behavior in your own home. Please have a discussion about this kind of behavior with your swimmers prior to the GM Invitational and again before our next two dual meets. They are away dual meets at Wilson and Owen J. Roberts. Our swimmers show excellent sportsmanship in the pool. They need to do the same on the pool deck.

Team Gift - All Swimmers and Divers

Please complete the following link no later than January 22nd:

[Team Gift 23-24 season](#)

Governor Mifflin Invitational:

This meet will be held on Saturday, January 27th. A Remind message was sent by the coaches that included the GM Invitational Meet Declaration form. The Meet Declaration form is also linked on our website. The GM Age Group Aquatics website link is located at the top of this newsletter. Please complete this form ONLY if your swimmer is attending the meet. There is no charge for Governor Mifflin swimmers.

This meet is an ALL HANDS ON DECK event. This means that all families are required to volunteer their time during the session(s) they have a swimmer participating in the meet, and are required to make a donation to the concession stand. This is our only fundraiser of the season! A separate communication will be sent out during the next week about volunteering and concessions donations. If you do not volunteer, you will be voluntold.

8th Grade Send-Off:

This will now be held on the day of the GM Invitational, during warm-ups of the morning session. The send-off will start at approximately 8:10 am. Parents of 8th grade students: Please send photos of your swimmer directly to Kyle Kuser. He will be putting together a slideshow for the event that will be displayed on the new scoreboard!

kyle.kuser@gmsd.org

Who doesn't love Bingo???

The GM High School Swimming and Diving teams are hosting a Bingo fundraiser on Sunday, January 21st at Grill Fire Co. Doors open at 12 noon, and the first game starts at 1pm. Food, raffles, and great prizes await! **Please see a high school swim/dive parent to purchase a ticket for \$25.00.** Cash or check payable to GMAC will be accepted. The cost is \$30 at the door the day of the event. Email GMSWIMDIVE18@gmail.com with any questions.

Upcoming Age Group Swim Meets:

January 27th - Governor Mifflin Invitational

February 3rd - Mifflin vs. Wilson Dual Meet @ Wilson

February 10th - Mifflin vs. Owen J. Roberts Dual Meet @ OJR

Upcoming Age Group Diving Meets/Events:

January 21st - Home Diving meet- We will need parent volunteers to help this meet run smoothly. Sign up genius to follow.

- 8 & Under: Back dive, 2 optionals
- 10 & under: Half Twist, 3 optionals
- 12 & under: Inward, Half Twist, 2 optionals
- 14 & under: Inward, Half Twist, 3 optionals

January 23rd - Diving team volunteering at Opportunity House @ 7:00pm

January 28th - Rescheduled Muhlenberg meet **This is tentative**

Practice Times: Swimming

Monday, January 15th:

11&12 - 6:00-7:30

8&U - 7:00-8:15

Tuesday, January 16th: *Combined practice tonight due to the HS swim meet*

11&12: 7:30-9:00

13&14: 7:30-9:00

Wednesday, January 17th:

8&U - 5:30-6:30

9&10 - 6:30-7:45

11&12 - 7:30-9:00

13&14 - 7:30-9:00

Thursday, January 18th:

13&14 - 6:00-7:30

9&10 - 7:00-8:15

Friday, January 19th:

8&U - 5:30-6:30

9&10 - 6:30-7:45

11&12 - 7:30-9:00

13&14 - 7:30-9:00

Practice Times: Diving

Monday, January 15th

10&Under: 12pm-1pm

11&Over: 1pm-2pm

Wednesday, January 17th:

11& over- 5:30p-6:30pm

10& under- 6:15-7:15pm

Friday, January 19th

11& over- 5:30p-6:30pm

10& under- 6:15-7:15pm

I Have a Question....

11&Up swimmers: Courtney Kerschner - swimcoachcourtney1@gmail.com

10&Under swimmers: Abby Thiry - Coachabbythiry@gmail.com

Diving: Adrienne Miller - awolfe217@gmail.com

USA Coach: Jen Caron - Swimcoachjen11@gmail.com

Questions about swim lessons, general aquatics questions, and overall concerns can be emailed to Kyle Kuser, the Aquatics Director for GMSD: kyle.kuser@gmsd.org

Questions about registration, fees, suits, general questions about the Age Group and USA programs, and volunteering can be emailed to the Board: gmaquatics@gmail.com

All the best,

Jen Mazur

Age Group Swimming and Diving Board President