



# Hurricane Watch

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## Team Website:

[www.hwacswimming.org](http://www.hwacswimming.org)

## THIS WEEK'S & NEXT WEEK'S PRACTICE SCHEDULE

### **Monday and Tuesday, May 11 & 12**

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. -- First  
year swimmers only

### **Wednesday, May 13 Returning Swimmers ONLY**

3:00–4:30 p.m. – High  
School/Middle School  
4:30-5:30 p.m. -  
Elementary school (5<sup>th</sup>  
Grade and under)

### **Thursday and Friday, May 14 & 15**

3:00–4:05 p.m. – High  
School  
3:50-4:55 p.m. – Middle  
School  
4:55-5:30 p.m. - 5<sup>th</sup>  
grade and under

### **Monday – Thursday, May 18-21**

3:00–4:05 p.m. – High  
School  
3:50-4:55 p.m. – Middle  
School  
4:55-5:30 p.m. -  
Elementary School

**ALL PRACTICES FOR  
THESE TWO WEEKS  
ARE HELD AT  
BERKLEY HIGH  
SCHOOL**

**No Practice on Friday,**

## Notes from Lynne

Welcome all swimmers to a wonderful, new season of HWAC swimming!

Please note that the HWAC coaches have a new policy in place for the swim practices at Berkley High School. The practices will be closed to parents, except for the elementary practices on Monday, May 11 – Wednesday, May 13. Parents can wait out in the hallway or outside if they'd prefer to stay at the high school during the practice. The coaches appreciate your cooperation with this as it will help with the noise volume on the pool deck.

Also please check your HWAC parent guide and change the date of the meet against Beechview. The correct date is Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

If you have not yet paid your \$10/family team concession fee, please make sure to get the money to Julie Montgomery. It can be dropped off or mailed to her house: 12940 Vernon, Huntington Woods, MI 48070. Checks should be made out to *Hurricane Swim Team*.

## Volunteers We Need You!

We are looking for a concessions chairperson. Deb Walters normally does our concessions, but her son is not swimming this year. The concessions chair would organize the concession area for the three home meets (Jun 18, 22 and July 6). The basics are already in place. It would be great to grab a friend and do it together as co-chairs. HWAC's concessions are our main fundraiser, please help us out. For more information contact Lynne Gerfen 248-543-9777 or Deb Walter (248) 564-5936.

If you have not signed up for your volunteer spot this year, please contact Lisa Myers (248) 541-0121 or Sandra Murphy (248) 584-3603 and they will find a spot for you. Remember all parents are required and expected to volunteer.

## Swim Pictures

The Hurricanes will have an individual and team picture day on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. This will be held before our home meet against Farmington Glen. The optional individual pictures will start at 4:00 p.m. and the team picture will be at 4:30 p.m.

## Clean the Pool Grounds Day

**May 22 or Monday,  
May 25 for the  
Memorial Day  
Weekend.**

Denise Paczos is leading the charge to help the HWAC with a pool grounds clean-up day. Please help out on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the pool deck at noon. Bring garden tools and be ready for some poolside fun. Middle and high school swimmers would be great helpers and could earn some community service hours. The rain date is Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at noon. Help us keep up our proud reputation for our visiting teams at the home meets.

### Swimsuit Try-On

Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30-5:00 representatives from Varsity Shop in Birmingham will be at Berkley High School with suits for swimmers to try on and find the correct size. Many suits will be available to take home with you that day and others will be ordered and your swimmer's suit will be delivered to a practice prior to the first swim meet. The Varsity Shop also brings with them a variety of swim related items that you can purchase. It's a convenient way to replace those goggles your swimmer has already lost!

It's a good idea to come to practice 20 – 30 minutes early for swimsuit try-on. There is usually a line.

### HWAC Spirit Wear

Please make sure that you have your spirit wear orders turned into Sheri Aaron-Miller no later than May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. This is a firm deadline! Order forms are available on our team website: [www.hwacswimming.org](http://www.hwacswimming.org) under newsletters/handouts. Drop forms off to Sheri Aaron-Miller at 25126 W. Roycourt, Huntington Woods, 48070.

### No-Show List

If your swimmer cannot be at a meet, the coaching staff needs to know. There are two ways to notify them this year. You can sign the no-show list posted at the HW pool (on the swim team bulletin board in the hallway across from the pool entry desk) **or** you can email it to [hwacnoshow@gmail.com](mailto:hwacnoshow@gmail.com). Please only use one or the other and not both. If you are using the email notification make sure that you do so at least 48 hours before the meet. Last minute illnesses do happen, but if it is less than 48 hours before the meet, make sure to contact a coach or Lynne Gerfen (248) 543-9777 to report the no-show. This policy will allow coaches to prepare the meet line-up without having to make last minute changes. The absence of a swimmer often affects which events other swimmers will swim. Last minute changes to the line-up will often cause a domino effect which results in confusion and extra work for coaches and volunteers.

**Important Dates:**

**Tuesday, May 19 –**  
Swimsuit try-on @ BHS

**Friday, May 26 -**  
Final withdraw deadline

**Thursday, June 18**  
Individual pictures 4:00 pm  
Team picture 4:30 pm

**Tuesday, June 23 -**  
Concert in the Park

**Tuesday, July 4 -**  
4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

**Monday, July 6 -**  
Last Home Meet Pizza  
Party—after the meet

**Wednesday, July 8-**  
Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday, July 12 –**  
Red/Black Meet @ HWAC

**Sunday, July 26 -**  
End of Season Banquet

**Meet Schedule**

June 12 – Forest Hills (away)

June 18 – Farm. Glen (home)

June 20 – 8 & U Mini Meet

June 22– Pleasant Rdg. (home)

June **24** – Beechview  
(away)

June 27– 11& U Mini Meet

June 28 – 9-10 Mini Meet

July 6 – Kendalwood (home)

July 9- Bloomfield Surf  
(away)

July 18 – B Finals

July 25 & 26 – A Finals

**Swim Team Contact Information**

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Please call if you have any questions.