

Hey 'Cudas!!!

Are you ready to get wet again??? It's hard to believe how time flies. This Saturday, the Barracudas will swim their first neighborhood meet of the 2010 season at Circle C. I hope everyone is ready to swim against the Seals and the Hays Tidal Wave!

I have included in this email a few reminders to help you be ready for the meet.

**MEET LOCATION:** Circle C's pool is at 5919 La Crosse Ave, Austin 78739, which is at the intersection of La Crosse and Escarpment Blvd. The map to the pool is located on the Seals' homepage [www.ccseals.com](http://www.ccseals.com), the link is on the bottom left hand corner.

**ENTRANCES & PARKING:** The back gate to the pool, along Escarpment, will be open as well as the usual entries to the pool area. Like most neighborhood pools, parking is at a premium. You may park on any surrounding neighborhood streets, but you must be mindful of the usual things: do not block driveways, fire hydrants, or crosswalks. Per APD, no parking 20 feet from a crosswalk, 15 feet from a fire hydrant, 30 feet from a stop sign.

**MEET START TIME:** 7:30 AM

**ARRIVAL TIME for SAAB SWIMMERS:** 6:15 AM – Saturday, May 22nd – Our warm-ups will be from 6:30 to 6:50.

**SETUP TIME:** 6:00 AM – Setup crew should be at the pool no later than 6:00 AM to help with EZ-Up set up, etc. Circle C will have designated areas for SAAB and Hays as you enter the pool. Please bring your pop-ups and chairs. It is very hot and there isn't much shade.

**HEAT SHEETS:** We will post our heat sheets on our website ([www.saabarracudas.com/Meets.html](http://www.saabarracudas.com/Meets.html)) on Friday afternoon, May 21st. Check the website during the day Friday and download and print your copy of the heat sheet. We will not have copies of the heat sheet at the meet, so please print a copy for you and your family. It is advisable to print the heat sheet prior to the meet and highlight your swimmer's events. Please arrive a little early, and your child's ZooKeeper will help mark your child for their events. ZooKeepers will have information at the pool to mark your child if he or she is in a relay.

**MEET FORMAT:** This will be a 10-lane meet using the following format (girls first):

IM (Individual Medley)

Freestyle Relay

Backstroke

Freestyle

Medley Relay

Breast

Butterfly

**ALL SWIMMERS MUST BE AT THE POOL BY 6:15 AM.** Please go to your Age Group Area (zoo area) and check in with your ZooKeeper first. Coach Sarah will fill the relays with swimmers that HAVE ARRIVED AND ARE ACCOUNTED FOR. It would help her out tremendously for everyone to be there no later than 6:15.

Debi Burk, our Volunteer Coordinator, will be in the swimmers area for check-in, badges, etc.

Your area volunteer coordinator will let you know what time you should be ready to start your job. I suggest all volunteers plan to arrive early enough to get your badge, get your children settled in their zoos and find out where you will be working. Timers, ready bench, and stroke & turn judge meetings will start at 7:10 AM in the designated areas. Please listen for those announcements.

As we all know, volunteers are the foundation of any organization or event. We are so proud of our Parent Team; let's keep the spirit of volunteering alive and well this year. To volunteer on deck at CHAMPS at UT, you must have volunteered at a regular neighborhood. If you do not have anything to do, contact Debi at [volunteer@saabarracudas.com](mailto:volunteer@saabarracudas.com) to let her know where you can help. It's more fun when you are involved. Believe me you WILL have fun! We always have spots that we can fill.

**CALLING ALL EZ-UPS:** Please bring EZ-Ups (there is very little shade, and it will be hot), tarps or blankets for the swimmers' areas, and chairs, etc. Parents and swimmers must stay on the elevated levels, not on the deck level with the timers. Hopefully, we will not have mosquitoes, but it might not be a bad idea for you to bring at least one container of bug spray just in case. Also, be aware of fire ants. The area should be treated, but it's always better to be prepared.

**ITEMS TO BRING:**

- Sunscreen and goggles – very important
- Snacks (leave the candy for after the meet)
- Several towels (per child)
- Warm clothing (to put on when they have finished swimming or while waiting)
- Playing cards, game boy, books (something to do while in the Zoo waiting)
- Lawn/folding chairs (for spectators) or blankets to put on the grass for your swimmers
- Bug Spray
- Camera
- Money for concessions (Circle C will have a full concession stand available)
- A GREAT ATTITUDE!

**CHECK THE SAAB WEBSITE** the night before the meet for the heat sheet. Print a copy and bring it to the meet. We will not have heat sheets at the meet.

If I have left anything out or you have any questions, please call me at 658-2136.

Good Luck to you all and enjoy the meet! I'll see you all at the pool!

Charlie Foreman  
Meet Director, SAAB