

Harper's Hurricanes Swim and Dive Team: Updated Info

Updated Information as of May 27, 2020



The Hurricanes are in a NEW league this year: PPSL. The PPSL seasons is ON. Approximately 10 of the 14 teams will be participating in competitive swimming and diving this season. Some of the teams need to ascertain whether they have membership levels enough to justify opening their pools at all.

The PPSL season will be different. Because of COVID-19, the league's and Harper's seasons will proceed differently than other years, but we promise a fun and exciting experience where your swimmers and divers will learn, develop and improve, all while making some new friends and memories along the way.

Season is delayed by 2 weeks, to start on June 15, 2020. Because some of the teams in the league need some extra time to open their pools and make a safe environment, the season will be pushed back by 2 weeks and now run from June 15, 2020 to approximately July 24, 2020.

Federal, state, local, and Club rules must be followed. In order to start and continue the season, all clubs must follow the recommended social distancing and hygiene practices recommended by governmental bodies and The Club at Harper's Point. It will be up to our Board, coaches and parents to monitor and enforce compliance. Failure to do so may require an early end to the season.

Swim and Dive Meets will be virtual. Because of the numbers of kids and families, we will not be able to host or travel to other clubs for "live" meets. Logistically, there is just no way to make a live meet happen in the current environment. That said, we will be running virtual meets, meaning that we will have meets where Harper's swimmers and divers are timed, scored and judged, and those times and scores will be submitted to the league to determine a winner - after which ribbons will be awarded. Because of pool limitations in terms of numbers, the logistics of these virtual meets still need to be worked out. More information to follow next week.

Revised 5 week dual meet schedule is forthcoming. Harper's will compete against 5 other PPSL teams starting the week of June 22nd. More details to follow.

Diving included as part of these dual meets. The logistics of diving are still being ironed out to ensure a fair competition between the kids. More details to follow.

No 100s. Typically, the 13-14 and 15-18 age groups swim 100 free, 100 breaststroke and 100 back as part of the typical swim meet format. For this year only, the 100 free will be the only 100 event swum for those age groups. This does not impact any other age group. Instead of 100s, the league will swim 50 breaststroke and 50 backstroke - along with the 50 free, 100 free, and 50 butterfly.

No league records in dual meets. Because of the number of changes, the league felt it was too difficult to award league records at the dual meets.

No championship meets. Unless the situation with COVID-19 changes dramatically, there is no way to logically run a league-wide championship meet. The League Board and the Competition Committee will revisit this if our situation changes over the course of the next few weeks.

Senior Meet. Historically, the PPSL has done an outstanding job of recognizing its senior swimmers. So that this year's seniors can be properly recognized, and not miss another milestone, the PPSL will have a senior meet for all individuals in their last year of eligibility. This meet will be live, but likely only for the seniors and their families. More details to follow.

Practice and Meet Logistics. Our Board and coaches will meet in the next few days to begin crafting the logistics to safely and compliantly begin practices on June 15th, and meets the following week. We have limits to how many swimmers and divers are allowed in the pool at any one time, and how many others are allowed around the pool deck, and we will get you that logistical information as quickly as we can.

Suits and gear. We will not have a team swimsuit for this season. More information to come on Hurricanes gear.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact Steve Edmonson at edmo00@yahoo.com.

Thank you, The Hurricanes Parents Board