

## **Dolphin Digest #4 – Week of July 7th**

Final score: Bolton Hill 215  
Dulaney 261

What a great meet – it was the first night meet that I have ever participated in and what a great outcome. It was so nice heading into the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend with a win. I also wanted anyone who saw my diving debut – the diving team is asking me to join but I hope not to repeat myself at the next home meet. I am proud that I didn't get my hair wet. If we win the last meet which is home – I will jump in and get my hair wet and I'm bringing all of you who also don't get your hair wet with me and you know who you are!!!!

**Next Week:** Our next meet is against Severn River. Please be arrive by 8AM. Please bring chairs and tents (in the event of sun or rain). Give yourself about 45 minutes to get there. It is approx 36 miles away from Dulaney Pool.

Directions: Take 695 Towards Pikesville and take Exit 2 MD 2 to Richie Highway. Turn Right at Robinson Rd  
Turn Left at Hodges Lane  
Turn Right at Cedar Rd  
Turn left at Dogwood Rd – club will be on right  
Club address 117 Cedar Rd Severna Park, MD 21146 Our web site has a google search for directions.

Remember to think about doing double practices on Monday and Wednesday – practice does make perfect.

**Friday Activity:** This Friday is “Blue Day”. This is an annual event in which all food is colored blue. We ask everyone to help by bringing in something blue to eat. It could be chips, drinks, cookies, jello, pop-tarts, cupcakes – be creative. We will have some fun things for the kids to show their Dulaney Pride. Any questions, please let me know.

**Divisionals:** Coach Pat is looking at Divisionals and who at this point might be going. If you are **NOT** going to be around for the meet on July 25<sup>th</sup> – please sign out on the bulletin board. The meet will be held at Five Oaks Swim Club (same place we went to the first meet in the rain). The top three swimmers from each age group will be invited to attend. There is a \$4.00 per event fee that you the parent are responsible to pay prior to the meet. Even if your child isn't one of the top three swimmers they could still be invited to attend– please let us know if you can't make it by signing out of the bulletin board. For example, if your child is the 6<sup>th</sup> best Dulaney swimmer in backstroke and the first 5 people are on vacation – your child gets to go to Divisional. It does make life easier for the coaches if we know everyone's intentions. Any questions about Divisionals, please ask a coach or J.C.

**Straehle:** This event is also an invitational meet. Your swimmer qualifies by achieving a fast swimming time. I have a Straehle time sheet on the bulletin board. This is again another meet that the parents of the children swimming will be responsible for. The cost will also be \$4.00 an event. Check to see if your child qualifies. This meet is Wed July 22<sup>rd</sup> at Four Seasons Swim Club in Hampstead MD. More information to follow. It is not a team meet but your swimmer is swimming against other CMSL (Central Maryland Swimming League) swimmers in their age group.

**End of Year Picnic for Swimmer and Divers**– It's already time to mark your calendar for July 19<sup>th</sup> at 4PM. We will meet up on the hill for the meeting and trophy distribution, followed by the picnic. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided and will be cooked by the fine gentlemen on the platform committee. We ask that if your last name begins with A-O please bring a side dish or

salad and if your last name begins P-Z, please bring a dessert. Make enough to feed at least 10 people. We also need everyone to bring one 2-liter soda for our drink table. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for setup/clean up. If you should have questions, please see Kerri Gouger or Amy Woest (chairpersons) or J.C.

### Coaches' Corner

Team,

What an outstanding meet on Thursday night. Bolton Hill was a very evenly matched team for us and everyone rose to the occasion and competed so well. There were so many close races that we won which made the difference in the team winning the meet. What was even more impressive was the effort that people made to get to the meet. Our attendance at the meets is what allows us to be competitive so I hope everyone will be at the meet this Saturday. We only have two more meets and I am confident we can win both if we have great attendance at practice and the meets. I have posted a top times list so you can begin to see if you have qualified for Divisionals or Straehle's. If you are not going to attend Divisionals or Straehle's, please sign out this week. Thanks again for all the great effort against Bolton Hill.

Coach Pat

### DIVE TEAM NEWS

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Dulaney Divers- We had a GREAT meet vs Padonia on Tuesday! Even though we did not get the win, we were extremely competitive in the age groups where we had divers. We took 5 1st places and all of our divers placed in the top 6. This week we have one meet. It is at home on Thursday July 9th vs Severn River. Please arrive at pool at 3:30 for warm ups. The meet will begin promptly at 5:30. We have a great opportunity for a win against Severn River! Please let me know those individuals who will be attending to judge. Also we will need four parent volunteers to work the table( two the first half, two the second half) and one to two parents to do ribbons. Remember to sign your diver out if he or she will not be attending the meet. **Note: we will be having our pizza party on the hill after the meet. I am thinking that the meet will conclude around 7:00 - 7:15. We will be providing the pizza and drinks. If a couple parents would be willing to supply the paper plates and deserts that would be great. Please email me if you can bring something. Thanks again for everyone's help!!**

**Tammie.**

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