## Welcome to the MONTCLAIR YMCA DOLPHINS SWIM TEAM TRYOUTS

## PLEASE READ THIS SHEET THOROUGHLY FIRST!!

Please pick up one blue athlete information card and one pink event tryout card for each swimmer attending tryouts. If more then one swimmer from the same family is trying out, separate forms for each swimmer needs to be filled out.

1. Please fill out the top part of the pink event tryout card with the swimmer's name, phone number etc.... and hand them back in to the people at the registration table on the pool balcony. If there is an event/stroke that a child is unable to do, do not worry about it. We are judging the swimmers by what they can do.

\*The pink event cards must be completed and handed in before the swimmer goes to the pool for try-out.

2. **Please fill out the blue tryout application card** as completely as possible.

\*The blue application form(s) must be completed and handed in <u>before leaving today.</u>

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Each child will be observed and timed in each of the events that they are able to swim - there should be ample rest between each event. We are evaluating each tryout candidate based on how well the strokes are performed, "potential" (from coaches' observations), speed (actual times), and any additional pertinent information that we find on the application forms. Our goal is to place each tryout candidate into one of the YMCA's many aquatic programs (pre-competitive, competitive and instructional) with level appropriateness being the main objective.

Notification of placement will be made by Monday 9/15/08 by 6:00PM. We will post this information on the tryout page of the team website. Detailed practice schedules and practice start dates will be on the website. Please e-mail Jon Siegel your intention by 9/15 at <a href="mailto:jpsiegelnj@aol.com">jpsiegelnj@aol.com</a> and cc. <a href="mailto:b.greene@montclairymca.org">b.greene@montclairymca.org</a>

Thank you for your interest - good luck and have fun!

The Montclair YMCA Coaching Staff

If you have legitimate swim times that you would like to be considered in the evaluation process please e-mail them to <a href="mailto:jpsiegelnj@aol.com">jpsiegelnj@aol.com</a>

Any additional information you would like us to know in regard to your child, please e-mail us at <a href="mailto:jpsiegelnj@aol.com">jpsiegelnj@aol.com</a>

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Send Jon Siegel your intention of participation ASAP and no later then 9/15

New Parent Meeting – TBA Check the team website

1<sup>st</sup> Payment due (to reserve your spot) by 9/15 for new swimmers.

**Team Suit Sale** – TBA Check the team website

Clinic Parents Meeting on 9/28 at 2:45 PM on Large Pool Balcony

Clinic Fees: \$295 is due to the front desk by 9/28 c/o Faith Mazur

**Team Red and Black Scrimmage**/ Time Trial to determine dual meet team placement for A, B or Coed rosters will take place the weekend of October 18th and 19<sup>th</sup>. Please check the website for more details and specifics.

General Parents Meeting (not for clinic) – TBA Check the team website

**Practice Start Up Dates** – Practice Schedule will be posted to the website:

**Pre-Senior, Senior and National Groups** have a meeting on Thursday 9/18 – all swimmers will meet on large pool balcony ready to swim at 6:00

Once placed on the team or in the clinics, it will be your responsibility to read the <u>team handbook</u> and sign a <u>code of conduct</u>, both of which will be available on the website.

All **communications** are initiated by the website. We will do our best so that people may be able to access all vital team info from home, work or school. When necessary, we will post notice on the website that information which needs to be distributed manually will be in the family files which are located on the pool balcony. Get in the habit of checking <a href="www.montclairymcaswimming.com">www.montclairymcaswimming.com</a> at least twice a week and more often when there is a lot going on.

We would like everyone to be on our <u>e-mail communication list</u>. You can be added to that list by e-mailing Jon Siegel at <u>ipsiegelni@aol.com</u> and please cc. Brian Greene at <u>b.greene@montclairymca.org</u>