



# PINEBROOKWOOD ORCA SWIM TEAM



2007

Welcome Back! We are now registering all returning Orca swimmers and their siblings (ages 5 and up as of May 1, 2007). We had an awesome 2006 season both in and out of the pool. The kids did great and with the help of our parent volunteers we ran speedy and efficient meets. Thanks for your continued support and enthusiasm.

This year we will be using our website to post EVERYTHING we can. We will post the “Whale Tales” team newsletter, important updates, meet results, etc... So please set our website: [www.pinebrookwoodorcas.org](http://www.pinebrookwoodorcas.org) as a favorite bookmark in your browser. Some hard copies of the “Whale Tales” will still be available in the family mailboxes at the pools.

## FEES

The fees listed below include a team T-shirt and a trophy. We offer a reduced rate of \$30 to USS swimmers who are 15 or older as of May 1, 2007.

1 <sup>st</sup> swimmer	(non USS)	\$100.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> swimmer	(non USS)	\$80.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> swimmer	(non USS)	\$40.00
USS swimmer (15- 18 yrs old)		\$30.00 each
Family Maximum		\$220.00

## IMPORTANT TEAM POLICIES

- **Refund Policy** – If you decide not to swim with us, you will be refunded 50% of your registration fee. In cases with Board approved extenuating circumstances (i.e. a transfer, long term illness, or injury) a full refund minus a \$10 administration fee will be given. A full refund will be given to any swimmer who does not pass the initial time trials held the first week of practice.
- **No Shows** – We are a competitive summer swim team so we are asking parents not to register their swimmers if they will not be able to attend at least 3 of the 5 regular season meets.
- **Attire** - Team T-shirts will be provided for all swimmers. Team swim suits and swim caps are highly encouraged. The caps will be available for purchase at the parents meeting on April 17 and at each meet. The suits will be sold at the Intra-squad swim meet on May 12. Swimmers may wear any of the suits from previous years during swim meets. For parents and siblings additional T-shirts are available for \$10.00 each.
- **Volunteers** – Every family is responsible for volunteering **at least 5** shifts (each shift is half a swim meet) with 1 additional shift added per swimmer. The volunteer coordinator will assign shifts for all families.
- **Friends and Family Sponsor** – You can include your donation to the team with your registration. This donation allows the team to keep registration fees down and subsidize the swimmer parties and the end of season party. It also helps the team with big purchases such as new starting blocks, swim practice aids, timer systems, and tents.

## REGISTRATION

Fill out the enclosed set of registration forms **ENTIRELY** (incomplete forms will not be accepted and may result in a delay of the swimmer's participation in swim practices). A Medical Release Form **MUST** be filled out that includes information on **EACH** individual swimmer. A swimmer without a signed Medical Release Form will **NOT** be allowed to practice or participate in a meet. **THIS WILL BE ENFORCED** for the swimmers safety and the Orca Team safety.

**Return the completed forms with your check made payable to the PineBrookWood Orcas by March 1, 2007.**

Mail to: PineBrookWood Orca Registration  
2437 Bay Area Blvd. #137  
Houston, TX 77058

## HANDBOOKS

Team handbooks will be distributed at the parents meeting on April 17. These handbooks contain answers to most of your questions as well as a team roster (as of that date), so please be sure to read it thoroughly.

## SPONSORS

We are looking for sponsors! If you would like to be a sponsor or know of someone who would like to be one, please contact the team's sponsor coordinator, Ann Bodeker at (281) 488-2809 or by email [sponsors@pinebrookwoodorcas.org](mailto:sponsors@pinebrookwoodorcas.org). We have four different levels of business sponsorship available and a "Friends and Family" sponsorship. **Bronze, Silver, Gold** and **Platinum** business sponsorships include ads in our handbook, sponsor names on the back of our team T-shirt, sponsor names on our website and announcements at our home meets. Bronze, Silver and Gold Sponsors will be posted on banners hung during our home meets. Platinum sponsors are posted on individual banners hung at the home meets. Names of our "**Friends and Family Sponsor**" donors will be listed in our handbook. Friends and Family donations can be included on the registration form. The money we raise will offset costs for new team equipment (i.e. blocks, tents, starting system, etc...) and allow us to keep registration fees low.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- April 17<sup>h</sup> – **Mandatory** Parents Meeting 7:00pm-9:00pm at University Baptist in the Chapel
- April 30<sup>th</sup> – After school practice begins. We use both the Pine Brook and Brookwood pools.
- May 12<sup>th</sup> – Intra-squad meet and team swim suit sales
- May 29<sup>th</sup> – Morning practice begins. We use both the Pine Brook and Brookwood pools.
- Meets – Begin mid-May and continue through the month of June. Please try to plan your vacations after June (or after July 2<sup>nd</sup>, for those who qualify to swim in the Championship Series).
- June 24<sup>th</sup> – End of Season Party (tentative)

Dates are subject to change. For all the details attend the Parents Meeting in April.

If you have any questions, please call Connie Musler at 281-286-4608 or send an email to [registration@pinebrookwoodorcas.org](mailto:registration@pinebrookwoodorcas.org).