

**Read this on our website:** <http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/weekly-newsletter/>

**Holiday Practice Schedule:** <http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/weekly-newsletter>

### **White Elephant Christmas Party**

On Friday, December 23, Junior and Senior groups will participate in a white elephant gift exchange. If anyone from these groups wishes to participate in the exchange, please bring a gift (\$25 max) to play!

### **Practice Saturday, December 17**

Due to the Grand Opening of the Swim School in Baton Rouge, there will be no practice this Saturday for junior or senior group. Enjoy your weekend off!

### **Happy Birthday!**

Happy birthday this week to Spencer Rochel (December 14) and Erin Toups (December 18)!

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### **Crawfish Aquatics Swim School Grand Opening**

This Saturday & Sunday!

- Saturday, December 17: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM
- Sunday, December 18: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

This is a VERY exciting week for Crawfish Aquatics as we open the doors to the public to our FIRST independent Swim School at 8556 Siegen Lane. This is both Crawfish's first year-round lessons program as well as the first new-construction facility in Baton Rouge since the start of the organization in 1999.

The Swim School will serve children and families in a controlled-temperature indoor, state-of-the art environment, offering daily, year-round swim lessons for all levels with monthly enrollment and options to attend in morning or afternoon during the week and Saturday mornings. Birthday parties will be run on Fri/Sat/Sun in 2 hour slots, 12 months of the year!

Crawfish Aquatics will continue its swim team operations and seasonal (spring/summer) lessons at our current location on Bluebonnet Boulevard in Baton Rouge and look forward to building our future new home on Siegen lane next to the Swim School.

Learn more about the Swim School on our website or follow on FB to see near daily updates and images as the finishing touches are put in place!

Lessons info: <http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/lessons/baton-rouge/swim-school>

Parties: <http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/parties/baton-rouge>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/crawfishaquatics.swimschool/>

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### **Meet Wrap Up: Swim for Jackson's Heart!**

Thank you to everyone that took part in the meet this weekend! We are encouraged to have our families come together in support of Jackson Linton and are pleased to give all meet proceeds toward his upcoming January 9 surgery in Boston.

Congratulations to Jolee Liles- new team record for Senior and Open Girls 1650 Freestyle.

**Results:** [www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/swim-meet-for-jacksons-heart](http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/swim-meet-for-jacksons-heart)

**TU accounts** are updated with Meet Results and Entry Fees for upcoming January 1 invoice.

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## **State Meet Hotel Booking Cut Off—January 20**

Hotel reservations are in place for all travel meets from January to July of 2017.

Hotel Info per meet- <http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/meet-information>

*\*Please note that for state championship meet we were not able to book as large of block as we have in previous years and that the sooner we fill what we have now, the sooner more rooms will be added to the block. If you know you will be at state meet, please book your rooms "sooner than later"!*

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## **Team Store SALE this week only**

- NEW Red Long Sleeve shirts- \$15
- Water bottles- \$9 (from \$12).
- Car decals- \$4 (from \$5).
- Order your items online: <https://goo.gl/forms/brbFugRIPttUaZxB3>

*\*items will be delivered to your location for distribution by coaches in the upcoming weeks*

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## **Upcoming January 1 Invoice- Important Reminders & Announcements**

***These items will be viewable on your pending Jan 1 invoice after December 12***

- Regular monthly fees: January swimming dues, Team Store charges, etc.
- December 10-11 meet fees
- Annual Registration fee—\$15 per active athlete
- USA Swimming membership renewal for 2017 for all division swimmers (registration will be submitted and accounts invoiced the week of December 12). \$70 per athlete. If you joined CA for the first time this fall, your USA Swimming Membership was rolled to 2017 and you will not be renewed/invoiced at this time.

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## **Meet Schedule**

<http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/meet-information/>

December 17-18: Crawfish Swim School Grand Opening (8556 Siegen Lane)  
January 13-16: Dynamo Easterns Classic (qualifiers from Junior Black/Senior White/Senior Black)  
January 13-15: TAQ Mardi Gras Meet (Baton Rouge- Jr/Sr not going to Dynamo)  
January 13-15: GPAC Winter Invitational (Lafayette & Nicholls athletes)  
January 27-29: Crawfish Winter Invitational (at CA BR)  
February 4- CA Developmental Meet (at CA BR - 8 & U/ AG)  
February 10-12: 12 & Under State Championship at UNO (qualifiers)  
February 16-19: 13 & O State Championship in Sulphur (qualifiers)  
March 11: 8 & Under Championship at UNO  
April 1: Swim-A-Thon at all CA locations  
April 8: 25 yard World Championships (at CA Lafayette)  
April 21-22: Swamp Paradise (at CA Nicholls)  
April 22: Developmental Competitive meet (at CA BR)  
May 19-21: Crawfish Long Course Invitational  
June 2-4: TAQ Summer Classic and Woodlands 14 & O (qualifiers)  
June 15-18: Woodlands Senior Meet (qualifiers)  
June 23-24: CA Summer Tri Meet  
July 8-9: Long Course District Championship (at CA BR)  
July 13-16: State Championship at UNO  
July 22: 8 & Under Championship at UNO

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