

Wayne Waves 2020 Swim Season

We are looking forward to a great summer at the lake! Given the current COVID-19 situation, the team's season will run a bit differently than what we have become used to. Our primary goal remains to provide a healthy option for our kids to enjoy swimming that is SAFE and FUN! We are very fortunate to be in a township that has the capacity to sponsor a lake swim team this summer. The township and the team staff have taken every precaution to ensure the safety of all participants.

The facility will operate in accordance with the Governor's prevailing executive orders, CDC health guidelines, and any additional local requirements. It has been a challenge to plan under such fluid conditions, and as things change, we will need to adapt. Utmost attention has been given to maintain a safe environment for team members/families and staff, given the current situation.

This season will run as follows:

- Move to new swim lanes at Toms Lake/Kilroy Park - 6 Concord Place, Wayne
- Practices will begin **Monday 22 June**. Coach Spencer will provide practice schedule.
- There will be a 10- to 15-minute break between practice group sessions. This time will be utilized to wipe down any shared equipment, and allow for social distancing among swimmers leaving and those arriving.
- Please remind your children of the necessity to wear mask when not in the water and to maintain 6 feet of space between themselves and others. Practices will be arranged to accommodate small groups in their own areas, with sufficient social distancing and coach/team captain assigned to each group. *Swimmers must be able to swim full length of 25 meters.
- Leagues will not be running any meets. There is possible option for two teams to independently schedule a dual meet, which would be held virtually. Each team would swim at home facility, with times submitted electronically.
- There will be no invitationals or championship meets.
- In lieu of meets, time trials will be held regularly.

Precautionary Guidelines – social distancing and density protocols will be in effect at all times:

- Mask should be worn while on premises, including on and around docks, in spectator areas, and on beach when in close proximity to others (less than six feet). Face coverings should never be worn in the water.
- Please check [CDC.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus) for health guidelines regarding self-quarantining and isolation, and KEEP SWIMMER HOME IF:
 - ♦ feeling ill
 - ♦ has had fever (100.4 or higher), cough, difficulty breathing, or sudden loss of taste or smell in past 14 days
 - ♦ has been in contact in the last 14 days with someone COVID-19-positive
 - ♦ is awaiting COVID-19 test results or has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 daysSwimmer will not be allowed to practice if ill. Please inform coach if swimmer or their family member tests positive for COVID-19.
- Arriving/leaving practice:
 - ♦ Swimmers should arrive at lanes no earlier than 5-10 minutes before their practice time and maintain social distance spacing of 6 feet apart when lining up before practice.
 - ♦ Parents are asked to pick up swimmers promptly at end of practice session.
- Temperature of staff and swimmers will be taken (touchless scanner) upon entry. Anyone with fever of 100.4 or above will not be allowed into the facility.
- Swimmers/families will need to maintain six feet of social distancing from others when setting up their chairs on the beach area.
- Water bottles brought onto docks must be clearly marked with swimmer's name.
- Any stroke technique instruction provided by coaching staff will be non-contact.
- Lifeguards have been trained in COVID safety protocols - e.g., rescues from behind, no sharing of rescue tubes, etc.
- There will be routine cleaning of team equipment and common touchpoints (e.g., starting blocks, deck benches, ladders, etc.).

- There will be routine cleaning of bathroom; number of guests in bathroom area will be limited, and foot coverings and mask required.
- Hand sanitizer will be available.
- Signage regarding guidelines are posted around the facility. Complete list of precautionary measures taken by Wayne Township for Toms Lake/Kilroy Park can be found in the document "Aquatics Facilities COVID-19 Advisory Update June 11, 2020" available at waynetownship.com.

Please keep in mind when preparing your visit to the lake for swim practice:

- Remember masks for everyone three years of age and up
- No use of playground
- No Wibit
- Bring own chairs
- Bring water and snacks (concession stand not open outside public hours)

Team communication channels:

- **waynewaves.org** all team info and updates
- **waynewaves@gmail.com** coach's contact
- **FOWST** Laurie Matthews (lknis@kean.edu) and Lydia Piacentini (feeoreo@optonline.net)
- **Facebook** private team Facebook page (search Wayne Waves Swim Team)
- **waynetownship.com** Parks and Rec lake info