# The Ulmstead Weathervane

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# From the President

Hello Ulmstead Members,

Happy Spring! Signs of the season are everywhere. From daffodils to Bradford pear trees, everything seems to be blooming in Ulmstead! If only the temperatures would cooperate, we could leave the jackets and hats at home when we venture out! You can almost feel the hum of the community as we contemplate new projects and events. Springtime weeding and mulching, planting those gorgeous flowers to spruce up the yard, and slip selection are perennial signs of spring around here. It may be chilly at the moment, but there is still much to enjoy as we emerge from winter and look forward to spending more time outside.

As always, the Ladies Wine and Cheese was a resounding success! Many thanks to Julie Scully for hosting. Our Spring into Summer Party is on the horizon! Keep reading for more details on this Ulmstead (adults only) tradition. Are you planning a summer birthday party or other event? Beach reservations have begun. Please contact me if you would like to schedule an event. I am happy to help you find the perfect time for your gathering. Be mindful that there is a 75-person limit and that events should be held to 4 hours. With limited parking and a relatively small area, the parameters are in good measure so that community members can use the beach park at all times.

With Spring comes spring cleaning, and your Board will soon be scheduling clean-up of community common areas including the beach park, Spit, and dock areas. It is our hope that with periodic clean ups these areas will always look their best. Please do your part to help us maintain these much-loved community areas.

And finally, practice random acts of kindness each day and remember that every day is an opportunity to be a great neighbor!

Ginny Vernick president@ulmstead.org

# **UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

# **NAUTICAL**

Slip Selection was held on Saturday March 9th in the Barn parking lot. Thanks to all the volunteers that helped make the 2024 Slip Selection a success! 105 boat slips, spaces on the mooring wire and the floating dock were selected at this annual event. Slip selection is held on the second Saturday of March, so mark March 8, 2025 on your calendar for next year's slip selection.

As of this writing, there are 8 boat slips from 25' to 45' still available. There are also several spots for small boats and dinghies still available on the mooring wire and floating dock. Nautical also maintains racks at Docks 1, 2, and 3 for storing kayaks, SUPs, and other small boats. These racks have space for approximately 180 small boats, which are available on a first come basis.

All small watercraft using these facilities must display a current Nautical sticker (available for \$5). The boat launching ramp at Dock 1 is available to all Nautical members for a fee of \$50 per household. All trailers using the ramp must display a current Nautical sticker.

Contact Bill Zichos at Dockmaster@ulmstead.org for information on available boat slips or to obtain a small boat or trailer sticker.

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# **ULMSTEAD SWIM CLUB**

The Ulmstead Pool Board is excited to prepare for the 2024 pool season! The pool will open at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 25. Check out the list of pool board members below and on the UCI Officers and Volunteers page as we have several new board members this year! Due to an increase in the cost of pool maintenance fees, membership fees are increasing slightly this year. The updated dues are listed below.

To register for the pool this summer, please go to ulmsteadswimclub.com and click on Join our Club. Dues will increase by \$50 for all residents registering after March 31, so don't wait to register!

President: Jake Womble

Vice President: Sharman Devaney

Secretary: Emily Viguers Membership: Anne Evans Treasurer: Jenny Hardgrave Maintenance: Mark Abruzzo

Social: Claire Donahue and Jennifer Ruef

Members at Large: Matt Edmonds, Chris Coelho, and Kelsi Molowa

UCI Board Liaison: Vacant Swim Team Liaison: Vacant New Resident Family: \$750 (plus a one-time \$800 bond and \$50 initiation fee)

Returning resident families: \$750 Resident Empty-nesters: \$450 Individual Resident: \$325

Non-resident memberships available for purchase after 4/1/24 for \$950

Remember to register by March 31 to avoid a \$50 late fee.

Reminders:

\*Children entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade can come to the pool without a parent

\*Children entering 8th grade can bring a friend

Questions? Please contact us at ulmsteadswimclub.com/contact (you can select Membership in the drop-down list). We look forward to seeing you at the pool!

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# **SWIM TEAM**

We are so excited to kick off planning for another fun and successful season of the Ulmstead Ducks Swim Team! We are thrilled to welcome back our Co-Head Coaches – Trevor Brinton and Colleen Winans. Ulmstead is fortunate to have both the Severna Park and Broadneck High School swim coaches!

We are very grateful to our returning gold sponsors — The Orthopedic Specialty Hospital at Mercy and JP Rue and the Donut Shack - and bronze sponsor Reinheimer Orthodontics! We are looking for additional sponsors. Do you have a business you want to promote or a good connection with a local business that may want to be a sponsor? If so, email Karin Mottus at director@ulmsteadswimteam.org.





## **SWIM TEAM REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 1**

## **Things to Consider Before You Register:**

- Meets. There will be 5 swim meets on Saturday mornings. We don't yet know which will be home vs. away but will provide this as soon as we have it. We will be competing against Admiral Heights, South Down, Downs, and Walden. The meets will be on
  - o June 15
  - o June 22
  - o June 29
  - o July 6
  - o July 13
  - <u>Kids must swim in 2 of the 5 meets to qualify for a medal meet</u>. All kids who swim in at least 2 meets will at least qualify for the bronze meet.
  - Medal Meet dates: Bronze—July 17; Silver July 20; Gold July 21.

Please hold the afternoon of Sunday, July 21 for the end of season party.

- **Practices.** See the practice schedule at the end. Practices are after school from Tuesday, May 28 Thursday, June 13. Morning practices go from June 19 July 19.
- Swimming Requirements. Swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool; this is a friendly-competitive team NOT swim lessons (although your child's swimming stroke improvement is one of the goals of our coaches). If they cannot swim the length or your swimmer needs more help YOU HAVE TIME get them involved in lessons NOW (check out the YMCA and the Severna Park Community Center).
- Calling all High Schoolers! Do you have a high schooler who would be interested in swimming? We need more high schoolers to be able to compete against other teams (we can't get points for races if we don't have swimmers). For the first time this year, high schoolers ages 15-18 who are not members of the Ulmstead Swim Club can join swim team at NO extra cost (they still have to pay the swim team registration fee). They can only use the pool for swim team purposes. Parents of these high schoolers are exempt from volunteering if desired.
- Parent Volunteers Make the Season Successful! It takes an Ulmstead village to make swim team fun and successful for our kids! Our network of parents keeps the team organized and allows our meets to run smoothly. Each family is expected to fulfill their required volunteer assignments. You select your volunteer positions when you register for swim team for the meets you plan to attend it is first come, first pick. Please only sign up for volunteer positions you are willing and able to do! If you sign up for a position and then can no longer do it, it's your responsibility to find a replacement.

See the <u>job descriptions</u> on the website under PARENTS – VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIONS. The number of volunteer assignment requirements will depend on how many families register but will likely be for 2 full meets or an equivalent time frame depending on your assignment. Additional volunteers will be solicited for medal meets.

Stroke and Turn/Starter Update: We encourage parents who want to try something different to give Stroke and Turn Judge or Starter a try! While a short training is required, these are rewarding roles, and you are on deck to see your kiddo swim. If you swam competitively as an adult - in college, Masters Swimming or Ulmstead Triathlon, we need your help! Share your expertise with the Ducks this summer as a stroke and turn judge or starter.

<u>Teens for Hire:</u> We're creating a list of responsible high school or college-aged students who parents can hire to fill-in at a meet if they can't fulfill their job. If you know someone who is interested in being on that list, please provide contact info to Molly Wood at freitag02@yahoo.com. As a note, these substitutes can only cover roles that require minimal training - timer, backup/reserve timer, concessions, runner, bathroom stocker/floater, set up, or take down. All other roles require a swim team parent.

- **Swimsuits.** Kids may wear Ulmstead swim team swimsuits from last year or purchase a new one. We will have a swimsuit try-on May 30 from 5-7 p.m. at the pool.
- New to swim team? We know it can seem a little overwhelming at first, but we've all been there and can tell you about what to expect. If you have questions, email Karin Mottus at director@ulmsteadswimteam.org.

## **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

- Registration opens **April 1, 2024**. Please register, pay, and sign up for volunteer positions on our website: www.ulmsteadswimteam.org
- Register by May 1, 2024 to get a personalized swim cap and t-shirt
- After May 15, 2024, a late fee of \$50 will be charged per family
- You must be an Ulmstead Swim Club/Pool member to register (unless you are ages 15-18). Pool membership registration began in March.
- The registration fee will be \$150 per swimmer. If you have more than one swimmer, the registration will be \$140 per swimmer. Registration fees cover swimmers' AAU insurance fees, facility maintenance, various other swim team-related expenses, and Medal Meet league fees.

Please contact Karin Mottus with any questions at director@ulmsteadswimteam.org

## PRACTICE SCHEDULE

The weekday practice schedule while school is in session <u>starts Tuesday</u>, <u>May 28 after school</u>. <u>Regular season practice will start on Monday</u>, <u>June 17</u>. No practice on Friday, June 14 due to the end of school year pool party.

Age Group	Practice Time May 28 - June 13	Practice Time June 17 - July 19	
6 and under	4:00 - 4:30 pm	8:45 - 9:15 am	
7 - 8	4:30 - 5:00 pm	8:00 - 8:45 am	
9-10	5:00 - 5:45 pm	7:15 - 8:00 am 10:00 - 10:45 am (if can't make the earlier time)	
11-12	5:00 - 5:45 pm	9:15 am - 12:00 pm	
13 and older	5:45 - 6:30 pm	10:00 - 10:45 am	
15 and older dedicated lane and workout		Anytime between 7:15 - 10:45 am	

# Thank you to the Swim Team Committee for volunteering to make this season a success!

Director: Karin Mottus

Coaches: Colleen Winans, Trevor Brinton

GASL Rep: Jenn Womble

IT: Liz Norton

Assistant Director, Communications: Tanya Schwartz

Webmaster: Hannah Goldstein Treasurer: Christie Mayr

Merchandise: Lindsey Blades, Stephanie Walsh

Volunteer Committee: Shubhangi Thompson, Molly Wood, Cory Cosgrove

Concessions: Maureen Coehlo

Special Events: Lindsay O'Dea, Jaime John



# **SOCIAL**



# Spring into Summer Party Friday, May 24, 2024

Music, Food, and Drinks!
Location: Ulmstead Pool
Open to all UCI Members (Adults only)
More details coming soon!

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# **VOLUNTEER**



Please see the "UCI Officers and Volunteers" page below to learn about openings and ways that you can become more active in our neighborhood!

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# **JOIN SCOUTS**

Would you like to go camping, learn new skills, make new friends, and have fun? Our Troop is meeting OUTDOORS at Anne Arundel Fish and Game Club Sunday afternoons at 3:00.

The Scouts have the opportunity to participate in shooting sports at our meetings. We have weekend camping trips every month, plus a one-week Summer Camp.

Come check us out! You can join even if you never were a Cub Scout. Also, we are still collecting worn out flags for a patriotic flag retirement ceremony.

Contact Mike Allen for information at 410-919-8487.



### UCI OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEERS

## www.ulmstead.org

Please email any changes or updates to Weathervane@Ulmstead.org and Membership@Ulmstead.org. Thanks!

**UCI Board of Directors** 

Barn Department

Ginny Vernick and liaison roles Alli Smith

-- President, Security -- Vice President, Barn/Social -- Tennis

Marina Anglim Ginny Vernick -- Beach

Chris Baron

-- Membership/Pool

Julie Scully -- Scenic

--Nautical Amanda McFall -- Secretary Lois Findlay -- Treasurer Vacant -- Assistant Treasurer

#### **DEPARTMENTS & ACTIVITIES**

#### INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATIONS

# Ulmstead Swim Club

Maintenance Vacant Reservations Kathie Cosgrove Elizabeth Manicchia Beach & Shore Department Reservations Ginny Vernick Bill Zichos Nautical Department

Dock Party Jessica Lane Scenic Department Julie Scully Ball Field Vacant Beach. & Shore Joe Gallagher Stu McFall Beautification Vacant

Security Department Vacant Tennis Department Stephanie Pagoota

Mark Overton Maintenance

Social Activities Department Alli Smith B. Meyers, P. Konrad Senior Activities

Adult/Family Events Spring into Summer

Membership Dept. July 4th Parade & Picnic Vacant

Fishing Tournament Ladies' Wine & Cheese Richard Harrison Gillian Duvall Fall Camp-out Rob Hooper Guy's Beer & Brats Scott Glubke Chris Brett Wings, Chili, Homebrew

Children

Anne Lynch Weekly Playgroup Spring Party Vacant Autumn Party Trish Brett Christmas Vacant

Membership Department Kathy Pruissen

Bumper Stickers Lvnne Andrews Welcoming Ashlee Mitchell & Ann Albrecht & Tracy Seybert

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Swim Club Quick Links

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Swim Team

www.UlmsteadSwimTeam.org

Director Karin Mottus

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Volunteer Coordinators Molly Wood, Cory Cosgrove & Shubhangi Thompson Co-Head Coaches Colleen Winans &

Trevor Brinton

Special Events Jaime John & Lindsey O'Dea

**Boy Scout Troop 835** 

Scoutmaster Mike Alle

### EMAILS AND QUICK LINKS

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# Ulmstead Calendar – April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Ulmstead Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	National Pet Day	12	13
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Reminders: The deadline for the May Weathervane is April 25. Email: weathervane@ulmstead.org