



**WELCOME TO THE  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN  
*SPLASH*  
SYNCHRONIZED SWIM TEAM**

**Membership Fee**

- All members are required to pay the yearly USSS membership. This fee is paid once a year (usually in September) and is approximately \$80.00.

**Monthly Dues**

- Dues are based upon the swimmer's age for the current competitive season.
- Dues for swimmers 15 & up are \$165.00/month, payable through June.
- Dues for swimmers 13-15 years & age group level are \$135.00/month, payable through June.
- Dues for swimmers 12 & under & age group level are \$95.00/month, payable through May.
- Dues for Novice & Intermediate level swimmers are \$95.00/month, payable through May.
- Dues may be offset by the sale of King Soopers certificates. The team makes a 5% profit on the amount of certificates sold; for example, \$500.00 worth of certificates equals \$25.00 in dues.
- Dues may also be offset by the sale of Scrips or any other approved fundraisers.
- Dues are not dependent upon the number of practices or meets attended.

**Basic Equipment**

- All Splash swimmers are required to purchase one set of dress sweats (jacket and pants required). Purchase of dress sweats and travel bags may be split into monthly payments when purchased in October (as long as payment is completed by May 15<sup>th</sup> of the current competitive year), and may also be offset by the sale of King Soopers certificates.
- For practice each swimmer will need a swimsuit, swimcap, goggles and nose clip. Nose clips can be purchased from the team for \$2.00/each.
- For meets each swimmer will need a basic black swimsuit (no color on the suit), a plain white cap, goggles & nose clip. The suit must be all black and the cap all white but each piece may have a small manufactures logo on it, such as "TYR" or "Speedo", no team logos may be visible. Suits for team routine competitions will be provided & paid for by the team.

## Practices

- All practices are held at Hinkley High School in Aurora. This pool is located on Chambers between 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Colfax. 13 & up age group level swimmers also practice on Thursday nights. Practices on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday nights are from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday morning practices are from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- All new (novice) and intermediate swimmers have practice on Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (times may change due to pool availability).
- If unable to attend a practice it is important that the team coach or head coach is notified in advance.

## Season

- Synchronized Swimming is a year-round sport. Splash begins their official practices about the same time school starts (early September). Younger swimmers usually finish up their competitions & year-end show by the first part of June & are encouraged to continue conditioning and skill training with Splash through the summer (when possible). Those swimmers qualifying for national level meets will swim in competitions through the end of July, and some will then take August off.
- Many Splash swimmers swim on summer club speed swimming teams. Because of summer club restrictions, year-round synchro swimmers are not allowed to swim on summer club synchronized swimming teams.

## Bingo

- The Splash Parents Corporation maintains a Bingo license from the State of Colorado in order to financially support the team. Bingo is our main source of income and helps pay for all aspects of the team including pool time, coaching and travel expenses.
- All team families will be assigned bingo sessions to work which will be scheduled well in advance. Each family will be given a schedule request form on which to indicate any known conflicts. How often you need to work is dependent on the number of families currently on the team, and the age and level of your swimmer. On average, each new family works bingo approximately once a month. You can expect to work one Tuesday or Saturday per month but this is dependant on several factors that change with the dynamics of the team.
- Currently Splash has two bingo sessions, one on Saturday afternoons and one on Tuesday evenings at Slammers Bingo in Lakewood. The Bingo game on Saturday starts at 3:30 p.m. Bingo workers are to arrive at the Bingo Hall by 2:30. The game on Tuesday begins at 7:30 p.m., workers should arrive at the hall by 6:30 p.m. (Cashiers & managers need to arrive 15 minutes earlier than the rest of the workers)
- Bingo is a year-round (52 Saturdays) commitment and is not based on the number of practices or meets attended.
- Once a family has been a member of the Splash Parents Corporation for 18 months, at least one adult member of the family is to attend the Colorado Secretary of State Bingo and Raffles Games Manager Certification Training and become certified as a Games Manager. There is a small fee payable at the training session and is reimbursable by the Corporation.
- Swimmers and other immediate family members over age 14 are eligible to work Bingo. At least one parent must be present to work with their 14 to 16 year old swimmer or other family member.