



**Gulf Swimming, Inc.  
Gulf Swimming Board of Directors Meeting  
September 2, 2009**

Reminder Next **Board of Directors** Meeting  
Wednesday November 4, 2009 7:30 PM

Reminder Next **House of Delegates** Meeting  
Wednesday September 23, 2009 8:00 PM

Herb Schwab, General Chairman, called the Gulf Swimming Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:30 PM at the University of Houston Athletic Alumni Building, Room 2001.

The following board members were present:

Herb Schwab	Linda Brenneke	Tom Hasz	Clayton Cagle
Allison Beebe	Rick Tobin	Annette Leach	Chris Day
Rick Kehlenbach	Jessica Rodriguez	Gary Baker	Robert Kelly
Seth Huston	Gilbert Legaspi	Ron Lusk	Greg Orphanides
Kevin Milak			

It was moved, seconded, and passed to approve the July 1, 2009 House of Delegates Meeting minutes as posted.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

### **GENERAL CHAIRMAN**

Herb Schwab

Welcome Jessica Rodriguez the new Junior Athlete Representative!

Herb presented a list of the proposed 2009-10 Coordinators. A motion was made seconded and passed to accept the 2009-10 Coordinators. Herb presented a list of the proposed 2009-10 Technical Planning Committee Members. A motion was made seconded and passed to accept the 2009-10 Technical Planning Committee members.

Brenham Swim Club is requesting to transfer from South Texas LSC to Gulf Swimming LSC since the Gulf meets are closer. South Texas Swimming has given permission for the

team to transfer. A motion was made seconded and passed to accept Brenham Swim Club (BSC) as a member of Gulf Swimming. The transfer must also be approved by 2/3 vote of the House of Delegates and USA Swimming.

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
VICE CHAIRMAN**

Henry Clark

Report by Herb, long course proof of times are due October 15, 2009. After that date, proofs will be considered unprovable and the fine is doubled. See attached report.

**SECRETARY**

Linda Brenneke

No report

**TREASURER**

Tom Hasz

The checking account balance is \$112,786. The investment consultant at Sun Trust has resigned, so Tom has transferred the investments and annuities to the Edward Jones office in The Woodlands.

Tom made a motion to increase entry fees \$1.50 per event (individual and relay), add a facility surcharge fee of \$2. per swimmer for meets held in high school pools and a \$5. surcharge for meets held in university pools and increase the splash fee by \$0.50 per event to \$1.75 per event. The motion was seconded and passed. Tom made a motion to increase sanction fees from \$25. per day to \$50. per day. The motion was seconded and passed. The proposed increases will also have to be passed by a majority vote at the House of Delegates meeting September 23, 2009. If passed by the House both increases will go into effect December 1, 2009.

A motion was made seconded and passed to reimburse athletes for Trials and one other meet at one full reimbursement and 1/2 of one reimbursement.

**SENIOR VICE  
CHAIRMAN**

Clayton Cagle

Present, no report

**AGE GROUP  
VICE CHAIRMAN**

Allison Beebe

Emily Milak did a great job as the Southern Zones Head Coach, Gulf Swimming placed 8<sup>th</sup> overall. A motion was made seconded and passed to pay coach stipends of Head Coach \$800, Assistant Coaches (5) \$300, after evaluations and W-9 form have been received by Tom. Allison and Emily will finish the accounting for the Zones meet and turn the report in to Tom.

The Ladder of Success corrections were due to Allison 9-1-09. The T shirts will be distributed at the Gulf Awards Banquet September 27.

Jennie Shamburger will be the Head Coach for the 2009 All Star team. A motion was made seconded and passed to accept the selection process for athletes and coaches. See attached. The application forms for both coaches and athletes will be posted on the Gulf website. A motion was made seconded and passed to set the swimmer contribution at \$150.

**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
CHAIRMAN**

Rick Tobin

Rick reported that ESA has requested to change their Dec 12, 8 & Un Gulf Champs meet from Saturday to Sunday Dec 13, due to venue issues. A motion was made seconded and passed to approve the meet date change.

Coaches are asking that the KATY 9-14 Elite meet scheduled for November 13-15 be moved to the next weekend November 20-22, depending upon whether KATY will be able to reserve a pool for that weekend. The change is requested due to the All Star meet date change. A motion was made seconded and passed to move the meet based on KATY being able to obtain a pool and run the meet that weekend.

A motion was made seconded and passed to require all teams running meets to upgrade to MM3 for all meets starting October 1, 2009.

A motion was made seconded and passed to accept the 2010 Long Course schedule.

**ATHLETE REGISTRATION  
COORDINATOR**

Annette Leach

The total number of swimmers registered with Gulf Swimming for 2009 was 6128, with 196 as outreach and 78 as individual seasonal.

**NON-ATHLETE REGISTRATION  
COORDINATOR**

Chris Day

2009 totals were 596 registered as non athletes with 162 officials, 221 coaches, 222 other and 36 clubs.

**OFFICIALS CHAIRMAN**

Rick Kehlenbach

There are two scheduled officials clinics this year. The October 14 clinic will be held at Conroe ISD Nat, run by Rick K and John Leneave and the October 20 clinic will be held at Fort Bend Don Cook Nat run by Rick K and Dorothy Brelieh.

Everyone that is interested in officiating is encouraged to attend; registration information is on the Gulf web.

**SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Mark Taylor Not present, no report

**PAST GENERAL  
CHAIRMAN**

Jay Cookingham Not present, no report

**ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVES**

Ashley Adams Not present, no report  
Jessica Rodriguez Present no report

**COACH REPRESENTATIVE**

Tim Bauer Not present, no report

**SANCTION COORDINATOR**

Linda Brenneke No report

**NTV COORDINATOR**

Rick Kehlenbach Rick posted a total of 78 meets, long and short course to the Swims database.

**ADAPTED SWIMMING  
COORDINATOR**

Gary Baker There are Special Olympics meets September 12 at Fort Bend ISD, and October 3 at Galena Park ISD.

**TOP 10 RECORDS  
COORDINATOR**

Rick Kehlenbach No report

**COMPUTER INFORMATION  
COORDINATOR**

Sharon Bourne Not present, no report

**MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT  
COORDINATOR**

Gary Baker September 12 will be the annual Gulf Equipment repair day. A motion was made seconded and passed to require teams renting Gulf equipment trailers notify the equipment coordinator, Gary, at least 2 weeks in advance. Failure to do so, will result in a fine and the teams will be required to pay double the normal rent.

**CLUB DEVELOPMENT  
LIAISON**

Chris Day

Chris has received paperwork from 2 new teams and an expression of interest from 2 potentially new teams.

**PUBLICITY COORDINATOR**

Robert Kelly

No report

**DIVERSITY COORDINATOR**

Gilbert Legaspi

Gilbert reported that there will be a Diversity Summit November 12-15 for all the LSC General Chairs in Colorado Springs in November. Herb will be attending.

**OPEN WATER COORDINATOR**

Seth Huston

No report

**CAMP COORDINATOR**

Mark Taylor

Not present, no report

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The 12 & Under section of the Gold Medal clinic September 26 is full, there are still a few openings for the 13 & over section of the clinic, contact Eddie Adams if interested. Jay is taking care of the T shirts for the clinic participants.

The Awards banquet currently has 255 paid reservations.

Margaret Hoelzer will be arriving in Houston on Friday September 25, and departing on Monday September 28.

BTA reported that the Kingwood High School Swim Team schedule has changed and that BTA will be unable to use the Kingwood pool on Friday November 6 for their 9-14 Jr. Meet. A motion was made seconded and passed to move the Friday night events to Saturday and Sunday. Rick T will work with BTA on adjusting the events.

A motion was made seconded and passed to adjourn at 8:58PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Linda Brenneke*

Linda Brenneke  
Board of Directors, Secretary  
Gulf Swimming, Inc.



# GULF SWIMMING

## **Gulf Swimming, Inc. Coordinators 2009-2010**

<b>Sanction Coordinator</b>	Linda Brenneke
<b>NTV Coordinator</b>	Rick Kehlenbach
<b>Adapted Swimming Coordinator</b>	Gary Baker
<b>Records Coordinator</b>	Rick Kehlenbach
<b>Computer Information System Coordinator</b>	Sharon Bourne
<b>Equipment Coordinator</b>	Gary Baker
<b>Club Development Liaison</b>	Chris Day
<b>Publicity Coordinator</b>	Robert Kelly
<b>Diversity Coordinator</b>	Gilbert Legaspi
<b>Open Water Coordinator</b>	Seth Huston
<b>Camp Coordinator</b>	Mark Taylor



# GULF SWIMMING

## **Gulf Swimming, Inc. Technical Planning Committee Members 2009-2010**

**Chair – Rick Tobin**

<b>Administrative Vice-Chair</b>	Henry Clark
<b>Senior Vice-Chair</b>	Clayton Cagle
<b>Age Group Vice Chair</b>	Allison Beebe
<b>Coaches Representative</b>	Tim Bauer
<b>Officials Chair</b>	Rick Kehlenbach
<b>Diversity Coordinator</b>	Gilbert Legaspi
<b>Safety Coordinator</b>	Mark Taylor
<b>Senior Athlete Representative</b>	Ashley Adams
<b>Athlete Representative</b>	Jessica Rodriguez



## SUMMARY OF GULF FEE INCREASE PROPOSAL

The recommended proposal is to raise the Splash Fees by \$1.50 per swim and add a Pool Use Fee of \$2 for Public/Private pools and \$5 for University Pools. The Pool Use Fee would go directly to the Host Team. The Splash Fee would be shared by the Gulf and the Host Team with the Host getting \$1.00 of the increase and the Gulf \$0.50. These fee increases would be effective starting with all meets January 1, 2010. Additionally, it is proposed to double the current Sanction Fee.

### Background

The Gulf incurred an \$11,718 Working Loss in 2008 and is projected to incur a \$51,190 loss for the current year. The income producing activities such as Meet Entry Fees, Registrations and Fines are fairly static and have not substantially increased since 2005 whereas the Expenses have steadily increased due to rising costs and increased athlete travel.

The Proposed increases will serve a twofold purpose:

1. Allow the Gulf to start operating in the black again and to build the cash reserves back up.
2. Allow the clubs to recoup swim meet revenue that has been reduced due to increase costs for goods and increased pool rental. The Pool Use Fee will be higher for the University pools due to the high rental costs associated with these pools.

### Alternate Proposals

I have also included 3 alternate proposals. Two of these proposals will only increase the Splash Fees and does not include the Pool Use Fee. One would raise the Splash Fees by \$1.00 with \$0.75 going to the clubs and \$0.25 going to the Gulf. The other has the \$1.50 Splash Fee increase discussed above.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> alternate proposal raises Splash Fees by the \$1.00 discussed in 2. Above and also implement the Pool Use Fee of \$2 and \$5 per swimmer per meet.

All alternate proposals contain the provision to double the Sanction Fees.

### Options

The detailed proposal gives 3 available options as follows. The discussion of each is on the detailed proposal.

1. Keep all fees the same and reduce all expenditures including Swimmer Reimbursements to be able to balance the budget.
2. Keep all fees the same and cash in our Investments until all funds run out.
3. Implement the suggested fee increase to keep our current level of funding.

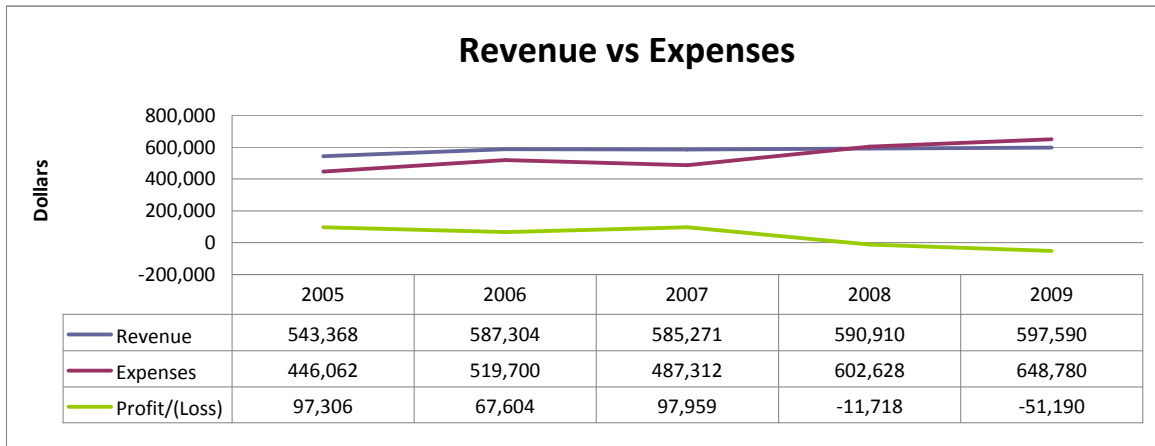
## Gulf Fee Increase Proposal

This proposal is to increase the swimmer splash fees and to implement a per swimmer charge to help cover the increasing costs of pool rental.

### Background

We implemented the current structure 10 years ago when we set up the Athletic Travel Fund. We designated 0.25 per swim to be split 75% for the travel fund and 25% to fund current travel. This has worked well for us until last year when we ran an Operating Loss. We will have an estimated loss this year of \$51,190. The year end figures from 2005 are shown below

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Revenue	543,368	587,304	585,271	590,910	597,590
Expenses	446,062	519,700	487,312	602,628	648,780
Profit/(Loss)	97,306	67,604	97,959	-11,718	-51,190 (Projected)



We have several options available to us:

1. Stay with our current fee structure and reduce swimmer travel reimbursements and other expenses to bring us even.
2. Stay with our current fee structure and start cashing out the Athlete Travel Fund to make up the short fall.
3. Increase the splash fees and the Sanction Fees to off-set the increased expenses and maintain our current level of reimbursements.

Option 1 would require us to reduce funding for most all programs. This would take the athlete reimbursements down to 50% to 60% instead of the current payout of 70% to 85%.

Option 2 would considerably damage the Travel Fund since we would be spending the Capital. The ideal scenario would be to wait until the Funds recover and start earning excess revenue and then pull the excess revenue each year.

Option 3 is the Preferred option. It would balance our budget and allow the Travel Fund to recover without have to reduce travel reimbursements. Only Proposals 3 or 4 discussed below will allow the Gulf to operate in the black without reducing any pay outs.

For Option 3, there are four proposals as follows:

The metric used for the proposals are averages as show below.

Average Splashes/meet	Average Revenue/Meet	Average Splash Fee (retained by the Host club)
2245	\$5,600.82	2.5

### Proposal One - Increase Splash fees by \$1 with 0.25 to Gulf and Double Sanction Fees

	Clubs - 0.75 to 3.25		Gulf 0.25		Sanction	Gulf Total
Avg Swims	Rev/Swim	W/Increase	Current	Increase Rev		
2245	3.25	7296.25	\$5,600.82	\$1,695.43	0.25	\$28,636.33
					3450	\$32,086.33

### Proposal Two - Increase Splash fees by \$1 with 0.25 to Gulf and Institute Per Swimmer Fee of \$2 Public and \$5 University Pools

**SPLASH FEE INCREASE**

Avg Swims	Rev/Swim	W/Increase	Current	Increase Rev	Gulf Increase	Sanction	Gulf Total
2245		3.25	7296.25	\$5,600.82	\$1,695.43	0.25	\$28,636.33
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**POOL SURCHARGE FEE**

There are an average of 653 swimmers per meet. At \$5, this would raise an average of \$3,265 per meet to offset the average pool rental of \$12,027.20.

There is an average of 413 swimmers per meet in the High School and Private pools. At \$2 per swimmer this would give the teams an Average of 826 per meet to cover an average cost of \$1971.48.

Swimmer Avg	Fee	Public/Private	Avg Rent	University	Avg Rent
653		5		\$3,265.00	\$12,027.00
413		2	\$826.00	\$1,971.00	

**Proposal Three - Increase Splash fees by \$1.50 with 0.50 to Gulf**

Avg Swims	Clubs - 1.00 to 3.50	Rev/Swim	W/Increase	Current	Increase Rev	Gulf 0.25 to .50	Sanction	Gulf Total
2245		\$3.50	\$7,857.50	\$5,600.82	\$2,256.68	\$0.50	\$57,272.67	3450
								\$60,722.67

**Proposal Four - Increase Splash fees by \$1.50 with 0.50 to Gulf and Institute Per Swimmer Fee of \$2 Public and \$5 University Pools**

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**Impact of increases on Gulf Finances:**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009 (To-Date)
Revenue	543,368	587,304	585,271	590,910	597,590
Expenses	446,062	519,700	487,312	602,628	648,780
Profit/(Loss)	97,306	67,604	97,959	-11,718	-51,190
Proposal 1 or 2	\$32,086.33	\$32,086.33	\$32,086.33	\$32,086.33	\$32,086.33
Profit/Loss	\$129,392.33	\$99,690.33	\$130,045.33	\$20,368.33	-\$19,103.67
Proposal 3 or 4	\$60,722.67	\$60,722.67	\$60,722.67	\$60,722.67	\$60,722.67
Profit/Loss	\$158,028.67	\$128,326.67	\$158,681.67	\$49,004.67	\$9,532.67

**RECOMMENDATION**

My Recommendation is Proposal Four.

This will bring the Gulf Finances back into the black and allow us to build our cash reserve back to where it should be without draining the Travel Fund.

It will also help the clubs to offset some of the pool costs they are incurring. The proposal recognizes the cost difference between the school/private pools and the University Pools.

The results of each of the proposals on the swimmers and their families are:

Average swims per swimmer 5

Current	Current with pool charge		\$1 increase	\$1 increase with pool charge		\$1.5 Increase	\$1.5 increase with pool charge	
3.75	\$2	\$5	4.75	\$2	\$5	\$5	\$2	\$5
\$18.75	<u>\$20.75</u>	<u>\$23.75</u>	<u>\$23.75</u>	<u>\$25.75</u>	<u>\$28.75</u>	<u>\$26.25</u>	<u>\$28.25</u>	<u>\$31.25</u>
Avg Increase	\$2.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$7.00	\$10.00	\$7.50	\$9.50	\$12.50

**2009 All Star Selection Committee Meeting**  
**August 31, 2009**

**Proposed Swimmer Selection Process:**

- The top 4 finishers in each event 200 yards or less in the All Star Qualifying Meet automatically qualify for the team. These placements are based on the actual Q Meet results, not on applications received. In the event of a tie for 4<sup>th</sup> place, a swim-off will be held.
- The top 3 finishers in the 400 IM and 500 free in the All Star Qualifying Meet automatically qualify for the team. These placements are based on the actual Q Meet results, not on applications received. In the event of a tie for 3<sup>rd</sup>, a swim-off will be held.
- In the event that a swimmer qualifies in more than 2 events for a session of the All Star Meet, the Gulf All Star Coaching Staff will decide which events the swimmer will scratch based on the best competitive interest of the Gulf All Star Team.
- ONLY the top 4 (200 yards or less) or top 3 (400 IM/500 free) from the Q Meet results are eligible for the team. The alternate system will NOT be used. This rule will be strictly enforced.

**Proposed Gulf Coach Selection Process:**

- Coach selection process will be similar to the process used for Zones. The Gulf Age Group Chair will recommend a head coach to the Gulf Board 2 months prior to the All Star Qualifying Meet.
- One coach per age/gender will be selected through an application process.
- Applications will be due to the Head Coach by October 1, 2009. Notification must be given to the coaches by October 15, 2009.
- The need for a manager(s) will be determined by the head coach based on the travel logistics and challenges.

**Odds and Ends:**

- Applications will be due by 10:00 AM on the Sunday of the All Star Q Meet.
- We will need two people to run the application table on the Saturday and Sunday sessions. This will only require collecting applications, check, and copy of insurance card. The head coach will handle team selection.
- We will make it clear on the application that if you apply and make the team, you will not receive your deposit for not going on the trip.

All Star Committee Members- Rey Aguilar, Emily Milak, Shana Trabona (represented by Jennie Shamburger and Trent Trabona), Juan Caraveo, Allen Salinas, Jeaneen Johnston, Jason Devine, Jay Cookingham, and Allison Beebe.

Wk	Dates	Meet	Groups	Notes	Other	Hosts	
1	2009	5-6			Labor Day 9/7/09		
2	September	12-13					
3		19-20			USA Aquatic Sports Annual Conv		
4		26-27					
5		October	4	Gulf Open Water Champs	1	Open Water Swimming Competition - Sunday	TSA Annual Meeting
6	10-11					SAT	
7	16-18		9-14 Junior**	5	2 1/2 Days; Scored; Cut-off times		ESA, HSC, MAC, BTA, HCAP
8	24-25		9-14 Elite*	1	2 Days; Scored; Qual times; All Star selection meet		LSST
			8 & Under Open Senior	2	1 Day; Score single age group scoring; 6&U, 7, 8		FCST, PACK
9		31-1		15 & Up Open, 14 & Under 15/16 AA; Sat AM/PM Sun AM		CFSC	
10	November	6-8	9-14 Junior**	5	2 1/2 Days; Scored; Cut-off times	TSA LSC Championship, SAT	
11		14-15	9-14 Elite*	1	2 Days; Scored; Qual times		BTA, PEAK, MAC, SPA, NOCH
			8 & Under Open Senior	2	1 Day; Score single age group scoring; 6&U, 7, 8		KATY
				1	15 & Up Open, 14 & Under 15/16 AA; Sat AM/PM Sun AM		FCST, UH HCAP
12		21-22					
13		28-29			Thanksgiving 11/26/09		
14	December	4-6	Gulf Senior Champs Fall Champs	1 3	14 & Under Sr. GC; 15 & Up Open; Open to US; P/F A/B/C Finals; Scored Split Sessions; Gulf swimmers only; GC cutoff; Scored, ages 9-14 only	Short Course Nationals 12/3-5/09 SAT	
15		11-13	Gulf Age Group Champs 8&Under Gulf Champs	1 2	14 & Under; GC Times; P/F A/B Finals for 11-14; Gulf Swimmers Only; Scored 1 Day; Score single age group scoring; 6&U, 7, 8, 9, 10	Junior Championships 12/10-13/09 Columbus, OH	
16		19-20					AGS HCAP, PACK, CFSC
17		26-27					FCST ESA, UH
18		2010	2-3			Christmas Day 12/25/09	
19	January	9-10				New Year's Day 1/1/10	
20		16-17	9-14 Elite*	1	2 Days; Scored; Qual times		SPA
			8 & Under Open Senior	2	1 Day; Score single age group scoring; 6&U, 7, 8	MLK 1/18/10	TWST, UH
				1	15 & Up Open, 14 & Under 15/16 AA; Sat AM/PM Sun AM		TWST
21		22-24	9-14 Junior**	5	2 1/2 Days; Scored; Cut-off times	SAT	
22		29-31			HS Districts	HSC, CFSC, HCAP, KATY, MAC	
23	February	6-7					
24		13-14				HS Regionals	
25		19-21	Spring Champs (13 & Over)	2	Open meet; A/B Finals; Scored		TWST
26		26-28	Spring Champs (12 & U)	4	TT Sat&Sun; Scored A/BB/B	HS States, Big 12s @ A&M, C-USA@UH	CFSC, KATY, SPA, PACK
27		March	4-7			Sectionals-A&M, Amer Sh Course-UT	AGS
28	11-14				TAGS-TWST, SAT		
29	20-21				Women's NCAA 3/18-20/09 @ Purdue		
30	27-28				Men's NCAA 3/25-27/09 @ Purdue		
31	April	3	8 & Under Open	1	1 Day; Score single age group scoring; 6&U, 7, 8	Easter 4/4/10	
32		10-11				FINA World Ch 4/7-11/10	
33		17	Open Water	1	Open Water Swimming Competition		
34		23-25	Open Meet	2	2-1/2 Days; Scored; Split Session; 13&Over AM, 12&Under PM		
35	May	1-2				SAT	
36		7-9	BB & Under Meet	2	2-1/2 Days; Scored	Mother's Day 5/9/10	
37		14-16	A & Up Meet	1	2-1/2 Days; Scored; Split Session		
38		22-23				Sr Circuit 1 - TWST, ??	
39		28-30	14&Under BB&Under	1	2-1/2 Days; Scored; Split Session	Mem Day 5/31/10	
40	June	4-6	A & Up / Open	1	2-1/2 Days; Scored; 15&Over-Open; Split Session	SAT, Sr Circuit 2 - SMU	
41		12-13					
42		18-20	BB & Under Meet	1	2-1/2 Days; Scored; Split Session	Sr Circuit 3 - A&M, Father's Day 6/20/10	
43		25-27	A & Up	1	3 Days; P/F A/B Finals; Scored		
44	July	3-4				4th of July	
45		10-11				Sr Circuit 4 - UT	
46		16-18	Gulf Summer Champs	2	3 Days; P/F A/B-Finals 11&O, A-Finals 9-10, 10&U, Time Finals-8&U; Scored		
47		21-25	B & Under Champs Meet	1	2 Days; Scored; yards	TAGS-UT	
49		28-1				Sectionals-TWST, Southern Zones 7/28 - 8/1/10, Atlanta, GA	
50	August	4-8				ConPhl Nat Ch 8/3-7/10	
51		14-15				Junior Championships 8/9-13/10	
52		21-22					

\* 9-14 Elite swimmers MUST have (3) three A standards to enter this meet and are eligible to swim ANY event in their age group.

\*\* 9-14 Junior swimmers MUST have less than (3) three A standards to enter this meet and are eligible to swim ANY event in their age group.