



Barracuda Bits
Ashland Barracudas Swim Team
Week of June 15



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Hungary Creek Meet- Ashland defeated Hungary Creek by a score of **1201.5-1164.5**.
Scores by division were as follows:

- **Senior Varsity:** Hungary Creek 218, Ashland 152
- **Varsity:** Ashland 125, Hungary Creek 96
- **Junior Varsity:** Hungary Creek 144, Ashland 93
- **Advanced:** Hungary Creek 246, Ashland 241a
- **Novice:** Ashland 585.5-465.5

New Championship Meet qualifiers at this meet were: **Lilian Bright**, **Eloise McCall**, **Molly McCall**, **Lilly Parris**, **Patrick Webb**, and **Gavin Yonce**.

Quadruple winner was: **Lilly Parris**.

Triple winners were: **Chance Archer**, **Kate Balut**, **Theo Dingman**, **Asa Koenig**, **Molly McCall**, **Tyler McDaniel**, **Andi Medei**, **Skylar Metzinger**, **Parker Nixon**, **Thomas Senfield**, **Amelia Smith**, and **Lucas Swager**.

Golden Meet Swimmers (swimmers who improved all their times and had no DQs) were: **Evan Bellino**, **Declan Belyea**, **Lucas Bongiovanni**, **Trey Claytor**, **Bash DesRoches**, **Keigen DesRoches**, **Stella Diep**, **Theo Dingman**, **Aria Doran**, **Lorelai Doran**, **Courtney Florin**, **Abram James**, **Charlie Johnson**, **Price Keeton**, **Asa Koenig**, **Avalyn Lesser**, **Kiera McCall**, **Molly McCall**, **Lauren Mesa**, **Skylar Metzinger**, **Teddy Myers**, **Olivia Parris**, **Hayden Pratt**, **Jada Ransome**, **Colton Rhyne**, **Hudson Serr**, **Alex Sheridan**, **Lucas Swager**, **Patrick Webb**, **Luca Yonce**, and **Mya Young**.

Colonies Meet- Our first home meet will be this TUESDAY against Colonies. Since we are the home team, we will warm up first. Plan to be at the pool by 4:45, and please pay particular attention to parking information, which is included below. Please do all of the carpooling, biking, and walking that you can to minimize the number of cars that need to be parked.

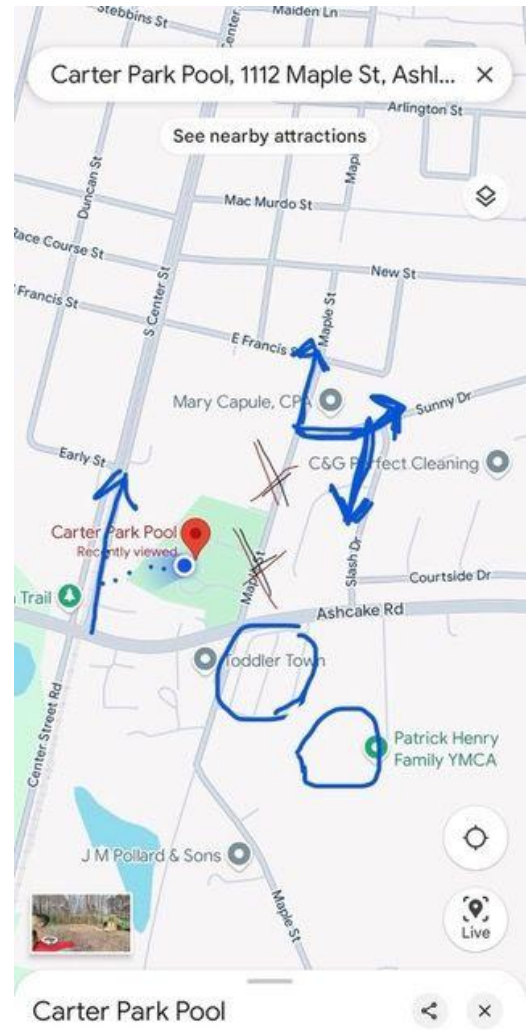
If you know that your swimmer(s) will be late to the meet, please email us and let us know. But if you realize enroute that you are running late, text us at **432-4653** to let us know. We'll check your kid(s) in for you. Here are proactive answers to a lot of your questions about the meet:

- Remember that for home meets, you may be wherever you'd like to be on the kiddie pool side of the pool deck or in the park. The kiddie pool area itself is reserved for our 15/18 swimmers.
- Also remember that Carter Park will be open to the public until dusk, so there may be some non-swim meet patrons at the playground or pavilion. Please maintain supervision over your kids if they are in the park.

- You should get your kid's events on Monday night, and we will notify parents of swimmers in 8/under relays at that time as well. Since this is a free relay meet, we will have a larger number of 8/under relays.
- For swimmers who are 9/older, we will post relay events AFTER WARMS UPS at the meet on the team banner. If you have a swimmer who is 9/older, be sure he/she checks the relay posting on our team banner to see if he/she will be swimming a relay. We tried to text the relays last week, but the SwimTopia App will not allow us to send attachments. So we will try to email them over SwimTopia as well. (This worked last week.) Swimmers will need to check the following events when they are posted...
 - 9/10 year olds Event 52
 - 11/12 year olds Event 53
 - 13/14 year olds Event 54
 - 15/older Event 55
- The [sign up for volunteers](#) is available. Please be aware that there are far more volunteer obligations for home meets.

Parking for the Colonies Meet- Our President, Elizabeth Northcraft emailed the following message over the weekend. If you haven't read it, please do so:

Anyone who has been to Carter Park recently has seen the construction along Ashcake Road that extends to Maple Street. We have confirmed with the Town of Ashland that parking along Maple Street will be impacted for our June 17th home meet. It's also likely that all home meets will be impacted. As you are aware, our parking lot is reserved for our visiting team. We know that parking will be challenging for home meets, and to help with this we have partnered with Toddler Town and the YMCA to offer additional parking locations, especially for late arrivals. Toddler Town has asked that we *not* park there until after 6 p.m. to allow for their final pick ups. The YMCA has requested that we park only in the spots along the soccer field to allow for their members to use the other spaces. The walking paths from these locations are also under construction so please be cautious if you choose to park at either location. Please plan to bring a flashlight, wear light clothing and please watch for vehicles. The parking lot at Carter Park is available for dropping off and picking up. Parking along Center Street and in the Slash Cottage neighborhood is available, as always. The walking path through the wooded area from Center Street to the pool is a good option, but it will be dark and require a flashlight to navigate. I've included a map of the area with some suggested parking locations. Please share this information with visitors or anyone who may not receive our email announcements. We appreciate your understanding with this situation that is out of our control! Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.



Meet Absences- The [meet absence form](#) remains open for meets in the future. Please fill it out as soon as you know you are going to miss a meet.

Family Float Night at the Pool- Our annual family party will be at the pool on **Sunday, June 22**. The cost will be \$25 per family. For new families, this is a fundraiser for our team when the pool shuts down, and we take over! Feel free to bring dinner and floats (NO GLITTER IN THE FLOATS!). We'll have music, races, a Cannonball Contest, and hang out until dusk. If you swimmer would like to lifeguard the event, let us know. This is a great chance to rack up some required service hours for programs at school!

Jamie Hess Swim Marathon- Our annual swim marathon will be at practice on **Monday, June 23**. We want to encourage new parents who can be there to come and meet Barbara Hess and hear her tell Jamie's story and how his legacy has benefitted so many pediatric oncology patients for decades. Our swimmers will be collecting pledges and donations to benefit the Jamie Hess Bone Marrow Transplant Fund. Below you will find a lot of links with information for you to share with your swimmers and that your swimmers can share with folks when they ask for pledges and donations. [Linked here is a collection of former swimmers' families](#). We've talked to the kids about emailing some of these families regarding sponsorships or donations. Check it out and feel free to have your swimmer pick some alumni whom he/she would like to contact.

- [General information about Jamie and why we have this event](#)
- [FAQ about the event, and the biggest question we get: to whom checks should be written](#)
- [Information about the Jamie Hess Fund](#)
- [Information about Connor's Heroes, our partner in this effort](#)
- [Information about Rooms Filled with Hope, including the Jamie Hess Lab at Children's Hospital](#)

A few civic reminders:

- On Tuesday, there will be a primary election in Virginia. If you plan to participate, remember that the polls close at 7:00 and be sure to vote before coming to the meet.
- In observance of the federal holiday, there will be no practice on Juneteenth, Thursday, June 19.