



Welcome to the 2017/2018 Swim Season!

Our Mission: The Club (HAC) has operated in the Hamilton community for over 80 years as a successful, non-profit organization offering healthy recreational activities for the youth of Hamilton. Through HAC, thousands of young people have learned to swim and have had the opportunity to represent Hamilton, their province and their country in international sporting and cultural events. Our alumni includes three-time Olympian, **Joanne Malar** and 2 time Olympian **Scott Dickens**, as well as coaches, parent volunteers and officials recognized by provincial and national swimming associations.

The Hamilton Aquatic Club is dedicated to the development of young swimmers to their highest potential while pursuing and achieving their personal goals and developing self-discipline, sportsmanship and leadership. Our young swimmers achieve excellence while pursuing the dream of competing for Canada. Involvement in HAC requires a level of commitment and training above what is normally experienced in recreational programs. There is increased emphasis on technical development, time in the pool and family involvement. The benefits include enhanced self-esteem, an appreciation of teamwork, time management and the enjoyment of being involved in a healthy, active life style with a good circle of friends.

The successful operation of HAC depends on the active involvement of our member families in club swimming and fundraising events. It takes the co-operative efforts of family members to keep fees as low as possible and to ensure the safety and enjoyment of our athletes. HAC is looking forward to another great season! And we want you to be a part of it! Below is everything you need to know to register your child.

Online Registration

This new system is fast and easy and aides our coaches and HAC Administration in providing the best possible programming to meet the needs of our swimmers. After you register on-line you will receive a confirmation of registration. For Novice, the online form can be found at: <https://goo.gl/forms/YGfUXmDVUxu9d3HX2>. We are going paperless for 2017/2018. From registration to clothing orders, 95% of your club transactions will be done by e-transfer or direct withdrawals. Everything can be done on-line with the exception of your initial direct withdrawal form.

Volunteering

Each family will be asked to volunteer a set number of swim meet sessions (depending on level) during the year. Any representative from your family is able to earn your volunteer points provided he/she is over the age of 14. More than one family representative may work any swim meet at the same time. Each session worked earns one point. A full point value chart indicating other ways to earn points will be presented at the Annual General Meeting in September. Failure to show for an agreed upon session will result in a \$60.00 assessment.

2017/2018 Swim Meet Schedule

New to 2017/2018 swim season, Novice 3 will be taking part in our competitive level home meets (at McMaster). This change will benefit all our novice; our more experienced Novice 3 racers will expand their experience at the next level meets; and allows the focus at our "novice" circuit meets to be on our new/less experienced racers. The competitive meets do involve a fee (as noted in the individual meet packages but are typically around \$10 per race). To simplify administration and handling of meet fees, a seasonal meet fee is determined and included in your total fees. Actual meet fees are tracked during the season and any balance will be credited or owed at the end of the season.

We are also happy to welcome Cambridge Aqua Jets to our novice swim meet circuit. Our Novice 2 will now be able to participate in 6 meets during the season plus the Novice Finale (for all novice).

The meet schedule is posted at www.hamiltonaquaticclub.ca

Team Uniforms

For the 2017/2018 Swim Season HAC has a mandatory uniform for swim meets. All swimmers are required to wear a HAC Swim Cap and HAC T-Shirt when on deck and swimming in a swim meet. T-Shirts are \$14 to \$25.00 and personalized Caps are \$35.00. An electronic order form is available at www.hamiltonaquaticclub.ca.

Novice Practice schedules: (the season is similar to the school year ~ Sept – June (10months))

N2 Black: Wed @ MacNab St YWCA 7-8pm Friday @ MacNab St YWCA 7-8pm	N2 White: Wed @ MacNab St YWCA 6-7pm Friday @ MacNab St YWCA 6-7pm	N2 Gold: Mon @ Hill Park 7-8pm Friday @ Hill Park 7-8pm	N2 Red: Mon @ Ryerson 7-8pm Thurs @ Dalewood 6:30-7:30pm	N2 Blue: Tues @ Jimmy Thompson^ 7-8pm Thurs @ Dalewood 6:30-7:30pm
N3 Black: Wed @ MacNab St YWCA 7-8pm Friday @ MacNab St YWCA 7-8pm Sunday @ Central 8:30-9:30am	N3 White: Wed @ MacNab St YWCA 6-7pm Friday @ MacNab St YWCA 6-7pm Sunday @ Central 9:30-10:30am	N2 Gold: Mon @ Hill Park 7-8pm Friday @ Hill Park 7-8pm Sunday @ Central 9:30-10:30am	N2 Red: Mon @ Ryerson 7-8pm Thurs @ Dalewood 6:30-7:30pm Sunday @ Central 8:30-9:30am	N3 Blue: Tues @ Jimmy Thompson^ 7-8pm Thurs @ Dalewood 6:30-7:30pm Sunday @ Central 8:30-9:30am

Choose the colour group to best suit your schedule. Note: Novice 3 (N3) is by invitation only.

^Jimmy Thompson is slated to close at the end of March at which time Blue's Tues will change to Mon at Ryerson 7-8pm

2017/2018 Fees:

Level	Seasonal Swim Fee*	Seasonal Meet fee	Swim & Meet Fees if Paid Monthly *	Seasonal Volunteer Bond	# of Volunteer Points
Novice 3	\$950	\$240	\$119.00	\$240	4
Novice 3 (1 st additional Swimmer**)	\$760	\$240	\$100.00	\$120	2
Novice 3 (2 nd additional Swimmer**)	\$665	\$240	\$90.50	\$60	1
Novice 2	\$800	NA	\$80.00	\$180	3
Novice 2 (1 st additional Swimmer**)	\$640	NA	\$64.00	\$60	1
Novice 2 (2 nd additional Swimmer**)	\$560	NA	\$56.00	\$0	0

***There is also a non-refundable registration fee of \$50 which is added to your first payment.**

****Multi-Swimmer Families** - Additional swimmers from the same family will receive a discount on Swim Fees. The 2nd swimmer will receive a 20% discount and the 3rd swimmer will receive a 30% discount on Swim Fees.

Annual Swim Ontario Fee – Age as of December 31, 2017	
\$90.80	8yrs and Under
\$110.80	9 & 10yrs
\$130.80	11 to 14yrs

Swim Ontario fee is due/will be withdrawn on Sept. 1, 2017/upon joining

How to Register - To register, families need to complete the following:

- 1) Our new on-line registration form: <https://goo.gl/forms/YGfUXmDVUxu9d3HX2>.
- 2) Complete the attached [Direct Withdrawal Form](#) for monthly payments and attach a void cheque
- 3) Mail to: HAC at PO Box 33568, Hamilton ON, L8P 4X4.

Should you have any questions please e-mail our Hamilton Aquatic Club Novice Coordinator, at melanie.g.price@gmail.com. We look forward to an exciting 2017/2018 Swim Season!

**Thank you,
The Hamilton Aquatic Club Team**



Hamilton Aquatic Club Direct Withdrawal Authorization

Registration is a two-step process:

Step One: Complete the online registration

Step two: If you are new to the Club or your banking information has changed - Print and complete this withdrawal authorization and submit with payment information and mailed to: HAC PO Box 33568, Hamilton ON, L8P 4X4.

Swimmer's Name: _____

Swimmer Level: _____

I _____ authorize the Hamilton Aquatic Club and the Financial Institution indicated on my void cheque/deposit slip to withdraw my 2017/2018 Swim Fees on the 15th of each month beginning on _____ and ending on June 15th, 2018, in equal payments of \$ _____ automatically from my account.

(Name)

(Signature)

(Date)

Attach the following here:

- 1. Voided Cheque/ Deposit Slip**