

The Greater Seattle Summer Swim League (GSSSL)

Overview

Klahaya is a member of the 16-member Seattle Summer Swim League (GSSSL). GSSSL is divided into two divisions, Northern and Southern. The purpose of the GSSSL is to encourage sportsmanship and fun in a competitive setting. More information on the GSSSL can be found [here](#).

Divisions

Northern Division: Aqua Club, Blue Ridge, Innis Arden, Klahaya, Sand Point, Sheridan Beach, View Ridge, Wedgwood

Southern Division: Arbor Heights, Gregory Seahurst, Kent, Lakeridge, Marine Hills, Normandy Park, Olympic View, Twin Lakes.

Meets

1. Dual Meets

We will have 7 meets against the clubs in the northern division, 4 home and 3 away or vice versa. They are held every Tuesday and Thursday from late June through mid-July.

2. B-Champs

B-Champs is a championship meet where all Northern Division swimmers who have not qualified for a Prelim Meet can race against each other. Swimmers who are close to qualifying times can give it one last try. Swimmers earn participant ribbons for each event. For children who are developing swimmers on their team, B-Champs is less frustrating and more rewarding meet, which allows them to swim against other swimmers of a similar ability. Please notify the coaches as soon as possible if your swimmer will not be attending this meet. If a swimmer earns a Prelim time, they will advance to Prelims.

3. Prelim Meets

Swimmers qualify for the Prelim Meets by swimming a qualifying time in a GSSSL Dual Meet or B-Champs race. Prelim Meets are divided into a boy's and a girl's meet. All swimmers who qualify by time for this event can compete in four events, including relays. There will be as many heats as necessary to include all swimmers. Coaches select each swimmer's events based on times made during the regular season and team scoring possibilities. Qualifying times can be found in this handbook.

4. Northern Divisional Finals

The six fastest times recorded from each event at Prelims (6 finalists plus 2 alternates) advance to the Northern Divisional Finals. Finals for both the Northern and Southern Divisions are held on the same day but at different pools. Only one heat is run for each event. At the completion of these two meets, those swimmers with the top eight fastest times (6 finalists and 2 alternates) for each event, advance to the All City Swim Meet. Note the finalists are based on the results of both Northern and Southern Division combined Finals.

5. All-City Meet

The All-City Meet is held in even numbered years at one of the Southern Division pools, and in odd numbered years at a Northern Division pool. There is one heat for each event and all swimmers who complete their event receive a medal. In addition, the top six teams receive trophies.