



TARA TARPONS SWIM TEAM!



Want to have fun and get fit at the same time?

Join the Tara Tarpons swim team and do just that!

Tara is pleased to welcome our new Swim Team Coach, Mark Ranatza. Mark will be a graduate of LSU this May. He is a coach & instructor at Crawfish Aquatics, with many years of experience. We are looking forward to Coach Mark getting our Tarpons ready for City Meet.

Swim Team Requirements are that a child must be able to swim across the shallow end to sign up for the team.

The Swim team coach will determine if a child is at this level. If you are interested in signing your child up for the team, contact Johanna Landreneau at landreneau@bellsouth.net. Applications can be found on the Tara website at www.taraclub.org.



Swim Team Sign Up Swim Party will be on *Sunday May 2, from 4:00pm-6:00pm*. Coach Mark will be on hand to meet the families and swimmers.

Swim Practice will be held Monday-Friday

8:30-9:30 am—10 and older

9:30-10:15 am—9 and younger

Afternoon swim practices will be offered from 5:30-6:30 pm making swim practice more feasible for working families and sleepy teens.

Swim Team Fees for Club Members :

1st Child \$70 & Each Additional Child \$55

Swim Team Fees for Non Club Members

\$100 per swimmer

*** Club Policies* Club Policies* Club Policies* Club Policies***

- ⌘ Tara’s goal is to offer a safe, fun, family oriented, welcoming atmosphere to all who enter the Club gates. Remember to welcome those who are new to our Club.
- ⌘ Foul language of any kind is inappropriate at Tara Club. Members using foul language will be asked to leave the premises.
- ⌘ Tennis Court Usage—Tennis courts located on the side of the club house will stay locked and are for use by adults only. Courts closest to Tara Blvd. will remain open and available for use by children. Parents, please ensure that children understand that courts are for tennis use only. Other activities are not permitted. Children found abusing the courts will be refused the right to use the courts at all.
- ⌘ Please note that siblings are not allowed to swim during morning swim team practices. There is no lifeguard on duty.
- ⌘ Remember, **glass containers of any kind are prohibited in the pool area!** It is very important that this rule is followed. Please see the article about this rule in the newsletter on page 4.
- ⌘ Current Tara Club Families who recruit a new family will receive a \$25.00 dues rebate for every new member they get to join. Hurry and invite your friends to join today! Make sure that they include your name in the “Referred by” field on the application in order to receive your rebate.
- ⌘ No Smoking within the gates of the Club.
- ⌘ Many members frequent the pool to relax. If you are playing music and are asked to change a channel or turn it off, please be respectful of others.
- ⌘ Please report any lifeguarding concerns to Tara Club Manager, Shannon Gasperecz, at KGasperecz@ebrpss.k12.la.us
- ⌘ A complete list of Pool Rules is located on the back cover of the Newsletter.

Swimming Lessons



**Pre-registration begins May 1, 2010.
Sign Up Today!**

Interested in swimming lessons for your child this summer? Lessons are being coordinated by our new Club Manager, Shannon Gasperezc (KGasperezc@ebrpss.k12.la.us). Sessions must have 3 children registered and paid in full in order for the lesson to take place. Visit www.taraclub.org for a registration form. Private Lessons available upon request.

Group Session Fee: Member—\$60 Non-member—\$85 (Eight 45 minute lessons within 2 weeks)

<u>Session 1</u> May 17-21/24-28 4:00pm – 4:45pm	<u>Session 2</u> May 17-21/24-28 4:45pm – 5:30pm	<u>Session 3</u> June 1-4/7-11 10am – 10:45am	<u>Session 4</u> June 1-4/7-11 4:00pm – 4:45pm
<u>Session 5</u> June 1-4/7-11 4:45pm – 5:30pm	<u>Session 6</u> June 14-18/21-25 10:00am – 10:45am	<u>Session 7</u> June 14-18/21-25 4:00pm – 4:45pm	<u>Session 8</u> June 14-18/21-25 4:45pm – 5:30pm
<u>Session 9</u> June 28-July2/6-9 10:00am – 10:45am	<u>Session 10</u> June 28-July2/6-9 4:00pm – 4:45pm	<u>Session 11</u> June 28-July2/6-9 4:45pm – 5:30pm	More Sessions will be scheduled on an as needed basis in July.

Pool Parties at Tara

The pool will open for private parties effective May 1. The pool is closed on Mondays in the summer and can be used for private parties. Additionally, on times other than Monday that the pool is closed, the club can be used for a private party. Rental fee for private parties is \$150 for up to 25 swimmers and up to 2 hours. This fee includes two lifeguards. Additional fees apply for larger parties and/or longer hours. Renter will be charged an additional \$12.50/hour for each additional guard needed.

Parties during the week

Non Peak Hours:

Tuesday through Friday 10:30 am-4:30pm: \$50 for two hours; limit 20; only two parties concurrently. The deck will be reserved for your party.

Peak Hours:

Tuesday through Friday 6:30pm-9:00pm and all day Saturday & Sunday: \$50 for two hour; parties are limited to 15 Swimmers; only 2 parties concurrently. The deck will be reserved for your party.



Parties must be booked in advance. Contact Kelly Lachney by email: kmlachney@cox.net; or by phone: 225-454-6510.

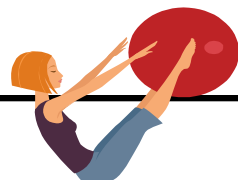
Tara Club Sponsorship Board

Want to advertise your business to hundreds of Tara Club families and guests all summer for an incredible value? Buy a sign on the Tara Club Sponsor Board! Show your support by purchasing a sign for either \$150 (12"x18") or \$100 (9"x12"). All signs will be in full color and prominently displayed at the club. Call Rebecca Theriot @ 810-3566 or email her at gtheriot@cox.net for more information!



Pool Guest Information

When entering the pool area, please stop at the lifeguard hut and sign in. You will be asked if everyone in your party is a member. During the summer months, both tennis guests and swim guests are assessed a guest fee. **All Tara Club guests must pay a \$3.00 guest fee.** The lifeguards will be checking membership regularly. This is part of their job. Please be respectful, should a lifeguard question you.



Health Happenings at Tara Swim and Racquet Club

Tara Club has become your one stop shop for health and fitness activities.

Personal Training

Michelle VanDuzee, person trainer and fitness coach, offers exercise classes, boot camp clinics, personal training, and new this year, Zumba classes, for both members and non-members.

For rate and class information call Michelle at 572-3567.



Tennis Lessons and Camps



Trace and Dianna Vincent of Breakpoint Tennis along with their instructors are offering affordable year round tennis lessons for both young and old. Please check for convenient times.

Children participating in the camps will learn the basics of tennis, swim, and participate in arts and crafts, daily.

Rates have been set with families in mind, they include a snack and t-shirt.

Session Dates: May 24– 28

June 1-4, 7-11, 14-18, 21-25, *28-1 (4day)

July 5-9, 12-16, 19-23, 26-30

Aug 2-6

Member Rates:

\$25 non-refundable registration fee

1 child \$140 *125 (4 day camp)

2nd Child \$120

Non-Member Rates: An additional \$10.00 per category.

For more information please visit the Tara Club Website at www.taraclub.org or contact Diana Vincent at 927-3440, or dianav1972@cox.net.

Meet our new Club Manager, Shannon Gasperecz

Because of an increase in club membership last year we are able to hire a club manager for this summer. Her name is Shannon Gasperecz. She is an honors English teacher at Baton Rouge Magnet High School. Shannon and her

husband Kent have 4 children. Two college aged girls and twins who will be in the 6th grade next year at Our Lady of Mercy. Please welcome them to the Tara Club, and know that Shannon is here to help the club be the best that it can be.

Tara Club Glass Policy

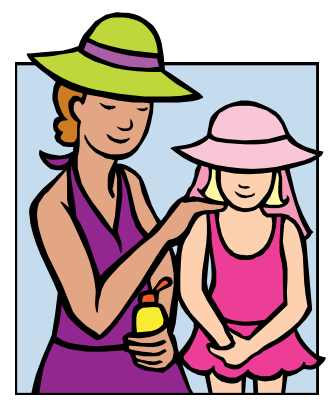
Please, no glass is to be brought to the Tara Club premises. This rule is standard at any swim club, but there are a few infractions each year. There are two important reasons that glass can not be allowed. First, is safety. Everyone walks around a pool barefooted, and broken glass is an extreme safety hazard. Second, if a glass is broken around the pool area, the entire pool must be drained, cleaned and refilled. This would result in a severe downtime for all members because of the disregard of the rules by one. So, please do not bring glass to the pool for our safety and fun.

Crawfish Boil Success and Raffle Winner

Thanks for all who participated in our second annual Crawfish Boil fundraiser. The Crawfish were delicious and fun was had by all. A special thanks to our crawfish boilers—Gregory and Blake. They did a fabulous job with the food.

This year was the first year we offered a raffle for a free 2010 Tara club membership. The drawing was held at the Crawfish Boil, and a big Congratulations is due to the Greg and Rebecca Theriot family, who won the free membership.

Stay tuned—we hope to be able to offer a free membership raffle again in the future.





Since all of our correspondences throughout the summer is by e-mail,
please be sure we have you correct e-mail address!

TARA Swim and Racquet Club

2010 RENEWAL & INFORMATION UPDATE FORM

Renewal Memberships \$500 - Due by May 1st	New Members \$550 includes \$50 Membership Fee
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LastName _____ First _____ Spouse _____

Street Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail (Very Important) _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Emergency Phone _____

FAMILY MEMBERS: Please give full name if last name is different

Child DOB

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1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

Family Doctor _____ Phone _____

By the payment of fees and dues set by the Board of Directors of Tara Club, Inc., member agrees to abide by all rules and regulations established by said Board.

Signature: _____

Please make checks payable to Tara Club Inc., and mail this form to: Tara Club c/o Michelle Schroeder, 8581 Wakefield Ave. Baton Rouge, La. 70806

Payments are due by May 1st. If received after May 15th a \$25.00 dollar late fee must be included. List Family Referred By _____

Sponsored by two Tara Club Families who have held a membership for at least 1 year: (If need assistance, call Carolyn @ 927-5054)

Name _____ Name _____

I would be willing to help with one or more of the following club socials for this year.

Memorial Day _____ June Social _____ Fourth of July _____ Labor Day _____

Tara Swim and Racquet Club Rules

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Help make our days at Tara safe and enjoyable by following the rules listed below.

1. All members and guests must obey club manager and lifeguards at all times. The discipline policy is as follows: 1st whistle - warning, 2nd whistle - out of the pool for 10 minutes, 3rd whistle - out of the pool for the day.
2. Members must sign in upon entry and pay guest fees if applicable.
3. Guests are welcomed up to 5 times per summer for a \$3.00 / guest charge. Out of state guests (with proper I.D.) are welcomed free of charge.
4. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult or responsible party or pass a swim test conducted by the Head or Assistant Head Life Guard. Tara Club reserves the right to require parental supervision of any child under the age of 18 who does not adhere to the club rules.
5. **Absolutely no glass or other breakables** allowed in the pool area.
6. No socializing with on duty lifeguards.
7. No diving in the shallow end.
8. Diving Board Rules: Only one person on the diving board at a time. Dive straight off the end only. Make certain no one is under the board. After diving, swim away to the side. Do not stay under the board.
9. No running, rough play, shoving, excessive splashing, or breath-holding games will be tolerated.
10. **No profanity or abusive language is allowed.**
11. Do not sit, hang, or pull on the lane ropes.
12. Anyone with serious infections such as pink eye, the flu, or an open wound is not allowed in the pool.
13. Return club equipment to its designated place and put all trash in designated receptacle bins.
14. The pool will close for a minimum of 15 minutes for thunder and 30 minutes for lightning. The pool will also close when heavy rain prevents visibility. This will be at the discretion of the lifeguards on duty.
15. Eating is not allowed in the pool.
16. Tennis courts are to be used for playing tennis only. Please refrain from playing other games on tennis courts. No eating, drinking or chewing gum on the tennis courts. Tennis shoes only when playing tennis.
17. Any person found willfully destroying Tara Club equipment or property will be held fully liable.
18. The Tara Club is not responsible for accidents, injuries, or loss of property.

Tara Swim & Racquet Club

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