CBSC Comp Water Polo Program 2023

Welcome to Summer Water Polo at the Crescent Beach Swim Club. Water polo is an enjoyable co-ed team sport played with 4 players a side including the goalie. Water polo is played in deep water and players must be comfortable treading water, and have a solid swimming background. We offer three competitive teams (U12/U14/U16).

COMPETITIVE WATER POLO (3 GROUPS)

All three teams will have a practice twice a day (Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri). BCSSA has continued this year with Beach polo format with two categories to classify their athletes "S" and "O" athletes. An athlete who practices in excess of 3 hours a week or 2 hours plus a game (a game day or tournament are calculated as one hour) in a community/recreational league per calendar week during the winter season Oct 01-April 30th will be considered an "O" waterpolo athlete. Team managers, at the beginning of the summer, will ask athletes to state their status. We will try to have both "O" and "S" teams available to play for CBSC, depending on the number of "S" and "O" players available.

- 1. U12 born 2013/2012
- 2. U14 born 2011/2010
- 3. U16 born 2009/2008

All competitive players must be able to swim 200 meters unassisted.

<u>U12 Training Days for 2023</u> (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Alia Wilson (Max mom)

• Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 7:30-8:30am and 4:00pm to 5:00pm

U14 Training Days for 2023 (twice a day/4 days a week):team manager Nichelle Bailey (Ava's mom)

• Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 8:30-9:30am and 4:45pm-5:45pm

U16 Training Days for 2023(twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Kim & Jeremy King

• Monday/Tuesday/Friday: 8:30-9:30 and 5:30-6:30pm

Registration information and fees

<u>Water polo registration fee</u>: the registration fee for CBSC competitive water polo will cover the tournaments for the players as well as the Regional tournament. There is a discount on the water polo fee for players also registered in competitive swimming. Fee \$150/month

BSCCA Fee: In addition, an annual registration fee of \$42 for insurance is required for all competitive swimmers, water polo players and artistic swimmers. Registration must be completed by July 4, 2022 to be eligible to play at regionals. The fee is \$42 regardless of how many disciplines the child is registered in and is valid May01/2023 to April 30 2024.

<u>Provincial Championship Fee</u>: Assuming teams will qualify for the Provincial Championships, each player selected for the Provincial roster is required to pay an additional fee to attend Provincials. This fee will cover the tournament entry fees and

the expenses of the competitive coaches while they are at Provincials. Provincial will be held this year in Nanaimo BC, from August 16-17,2023 (please note the days are different as from previous provincials)

Tournaments

Team mangers will advice the teams of tournament dates by email. Parents will be asked to reply to team managers and let them know if their child can attend the tournament. We encourage all players to attend all tournaments. Games are the best way to learn and have fun while improving. Please note, tournaments will start the first week in July.

Water Polo Regionals/Provincials

In order to qualify under BCSSA rules to play in the Regional Tournament and the Provincial Championships, players must have played in at least one of the tournaments in July.

Roster Selection Policy

With the exception of the Regional tournament and the Provincial Championships, every effort will be made to ensure all players will be offered an equal amount of play time at tournament games. In accordance with BCSSA rules, there needs to be one girl in the water at any point in time. This will be reflected in our selection process for all games.

For the Regional tournament and the Provincial Championships, BCSSA will limit the roster, therefore we are only allowed so many players per team. The Water Polo representative will review and approve rosters before they are sent to BCSSA.

During the Regional tournament and the Provincial championships, the CBSC policy is to play to win, therefore, the coaches will decide the play time given to each player during these games. The following criteria will primarily be use to select the water polo players for the top tiered team, the Regional team and the Provincial team: ability, team skills, attendance, and attitude. Players should keep in mind that these areas of evaluation apply to both practice and tournaments.

U10 and U12 CBSC tournament

The Crescent Beach Swimming Club will be hosting its annual U10 and U12 water polo tournament on Wednesday July 26, 2023. The tournament will be a fun tournament and we encourage all U10 and U12 players to attend. David McCallum will be our tournament co-ordinator this year, please contact him if you have any questions or are able to help out at dwmccallum@hotmail.com

Communication

This year we will be hosting a *parent meeting* to give parents the opportunity to meet the coaches and ask questions. The parent meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday July 4 @6:30pm at the CBSC pool.

Throughout the summer, the CBSC water polo coaches and team managers will be contacting parents by email so please ensure that your email address is shown as your child's contact email address in your family's active net account. Please check your email daily since information regarding tournament scheduling can change as late as the night before the tournament. As well, team mangers will contact you by email to determine if your child is available to play in the tournaments (a prompt response is appreciated as this determines how many teams we can provide in the tournament)

Welcome Back to summer water polo!
Our Comp Coaches this summer are:
Head Coach: Thomas Gibson
Assistant Head Coaches: Joe Rosette and Harry Gibson
Coaches: Klein McEvoy and Georgia Springate