



# Gator Tales

MAY 25, 2016

## AWAY MEET



Circle in by: 7:30 a.m.  
Warm Ups: 7:45 a.m.  
Meet Begins: 8:30 a.m.

This week we travel to Mills Branch to take on the Marlins. Click here for a map to the Mills Branch Pool. Please park at Hidden Hollow Elementary and walk to the pool on the greenbelt. Let's be good guests and show our Gator spirit! Don't forget to sign up to volunteer if you didn't volunteer at the Summerwood meet.

**Get ready to CHOMP, CHOMP, CHOMP!!!**

## Fun Friday Practice Schedule

We will have a Fun Friday Practice Schedule this Friday due to the pep rally.

9-10s: 4-4:30 p.m.

6 and unders: 4:30-5 p.m.

7-8s: 5-5:30 p.m.

11 and ups: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

## Poster Contest Winners

Our Poster Contest Winners demonstrated their Gator Spirit with awesome posters!

6 and under: Ellie Byrd

7-8: Ella Middlebrooks

9-10: Clara Byrd

11 and up: Grace Byrd



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Trailwood Gator Swimteam



**Pep Rally**  
**Friday 6:30 p.m.**

**"MINUTE TO WIN IT"**

Everyone come out and help us prepare to beat the Marlins! We'll play minute-to-win-it games and have a great time. We'll also decorate cars so we show our Gator spirit on the way to Mills Branch. Don't forget to bring your posters for our poster contest. Our Gators of the Week for each age group will be announced, and raffle tickets for Coach of the Week will be on sale. Let's get peppy, Gators!

## Coach for a Day

Don't forget to purchase Coach for a Day raffle tickets. The winner gets to sit with the coaches during the meet and gets to switch places with a coach of their choice for one practice and lead practice with the other coaches.

**Ben Huen** was an awesome coach last week! Thanks, Ben!

## GATORS OF THE WEEK

6&u Girl: Danielle Franklin  
Boy: Bret Hays

7&8 Girl: Emma Huen  
Boy: Asher Rennard

9&10 Girl: Cici Sullivan  
Boy: Matt Bresko

11&up Girl: Trinity Carrion  
Boy: Daniel Barr

## Good Try Gators!

**Bears:**  
**725**  
**Gators:**  
**722**

Click here to check out the meet results!

Visit our team website at [www.TrailwoodGators.org](http://www.TrailwoodGators.org)

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## Get Your Gator On!

Swimmers each get a team t-shirt and swim cap. If you haven't received these, please see a board member.

We will be selling some awesome team-spirit merchandise at the meet.

Short-sleeve t-shirts: \$10

Tank tops: \$15

Yard signs: \$10

Car stickers (can be stuck to other things such as water bottles): \$5

Tattoos: \$0.25

Swim Caps - Silicone: \$14, latex: \$7



## Sign Up for Flags by Thursday!

**Thursday is the deadline to sign up for our flag fundraiser and have flags in your yard for Memorial Day!**

Trailwood Gators will provide, set up, store, and maintain the flags for you and your neighbors' enjoyment. You select a location in Trailwood Village, Kingwood Place, Kingwood Lakes, Barrington or Deer Cove, and we will do the rest!

We'll fly a flag in front of your house for Memorial Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Veterans Day.

\$25 for one U.S. Flag

\$40 for both U.S. & Texas Flags

The order form is available on the website. Contact Elton Fritz at [elton@eltonfritz.com](mailto:elton@eltonfritz.com) for info.

## Coach's Corner

What a good fight we put up against the Bears Saturday! You all gave it your best! We will certainly have another chance at divisionals.

Thank you parents for RSVPing for the meet. It made things much smoother when setting up the relays.

Gators, keep up the hard work at practice. Please make a goal to attend as many practices as you can so we can continue to work on improvements. Remember, what you put into your practices will show in your races! Make goals for yourself in practice to improve strokes, turns and starts. If you need more help please ask a coach! We are here to help!

The coaches are offering private swim lessons for a fee. Click here for the coaches' contact information.

CHOMP! CHOMP!

- Gator Coaches

## BLU TIDE aquatics Summer Champs

Summer Champs is our first Invitational of the season. It is hosted by Blue Tide Aquatics and will be held at Kingwood High School on **Sunday, June 12**. Swimmers 12 years and younger must have achieved minimum qualifying times. Swimmers 13 and older are invited to swim regardless of seed times.

**Swimmers can still qualify at this Saturday's meet!** Entries are \$5.00 per event and are due at the end of our meet on Saturday. Our coaches will put together relays, and the team will pay the relay entry fees.

Let's fill the pool with Gators—this is a fun, competitive event, and we hope to see ALL our qualifiers there!

Click here for more information, including qualifiers and entry instructions.

### IMPORTANT DATES

May 28 - Dual Meet vs. Mills Branch - AWAY

June 4 - Dual Meet vs. Village Otters - HOME

June 12 - Summer Champs Invitational

June 18 - Divisionals

Click here to get the complete season schedule.



Swimmers please RSVP on the team website by the Tuesday prior to each meet. Only swimmers

who RSVP "Yes" by Tuesday will be considered for the relays. The RSVP area on the website can be found under Events on the homepage or on the Calendar.