

Volunteers

Every YellowFins Swim event is volunteer dependent.

Our meets operate solely on participation by our families. Each meet requires 20-35 positions to be filled by our team in order for the meet to take place. We understand our Fin Families may have obligations beyond Swim Meets and therefore will ask for each family to support our Events by participating in a minimum of 3 meets.

Regular season Swim Meet Events are listed below. Please visit volunteerspot.com <http://vols.pt/Cp7zhB> and assign yourself for dates and positions that work well for your family. Use this sheet to copy the days and include in sign up packet **and** bring with you to our volunteer meeting.

Positions for each event include (1), Stroke & Turn Judge* (4), Head Timer* (2), Lane Timer (up to 12), Runner (2), Data Entry/Scorekeeper* (2), Ribbons & Awards (1-2), Concessions Attendant (4), and Swimmer Prep* (3). Away events will need slightly fewer volunteers. Many of these positions require no prior experience and can be learned in a matter of minutes. Positions (*) with prerequisites are noted.

2016 Swim Season

TBA	Mock Meet GCP	Practice for ALL Volunteers
June 14	Ironwood AWAY @ Ironwood	position_____
June 21	Washington AWAY @ Washington	position_____
June 28	Tarboro HOME @ GCP	position_____
July 5	Cherry Oaks HOME @ GCP	position_____
July 12	Ayden AWAY @ Ayden	position_____
July 19	Windsor HOME @ GCP	position_____
July 26	Division Championship ????	position_____

Reminders will be sent by VolunteerSpot.com For questions or concerns, please contact Lori Smith @ ls41.1007@gmail.com.

*** Beginning this season, we are offering **RETURNING** families the opportunity to waive their volunteer commitment. The first 10 families who contact me will have the choice to buy out of their commitment for the fee of \$50. This money is due prior to the season beginning and will be used to finance our concession stand****

Volunteer Positions Needed for Meets

Head Timer (2) Gives instructions to the timers; Makes sure that timers are doing their job; Accounts for all timing equipment at the end of the meet; Starts 2 watches on every start and steps in when a timer has missed the start, and needs a time. YellowFins use one head timer per half.

Timers (4 to 6 per team at minimum) Need a minimum of 2 per lane; Must know how to accurately start and stop the watch; Check the identity of swimmers behind the blocks and helps them get in their correct lane; Write times neatly and accurately on event sheet; Timers can often be recruited from spectators before the meet begins BUT should be trained. YellowFins total of 12, 6 per half

Clerk of Course (1) Checks data in meet manager for accuracy and completeness; Uses the “clerk of course” handout to record numbers of swimmers in each event; Assists the coaches to make any necessary substitutions prior to start of swim meet. This job is more extensive for the Championship Meet, where the Clerk of Course actually will help to organize swimmers for upcoming heats.

Scorekeeper (2) Three scorekeepers are needed overall: at least one Scorekeeper is required from the visiting team in dual meets, and two from the home team; One uses the ‘event results sheet’ to collate results from timing sheets; One from each team uses the completed event results sheet to input data into the meet manager system; relays score at the end of each group of events during the meet to the starter/referee to announce; verifies the results in meet manager at end of meet prior to announcement of final score. After the meet, sends a copy of results via email to Registrar and Webmaster.

Awards Writer (1) Oversees the use of the label printer and places labels with the appropriate ribbons; Sorts the ribbons by team and gives the completed ribbons to respective coaches at the end of the meet.

Runner (2) Collects time cards and DQ slips after each heat and takes them to the first score-Keeper; May have another runner to collect DQ slips from the Stroke and Turn judges at poolside and distribute to the coaches.

Stroke & Turn Judge (4) Stands at poolside in predetermined jurisdiction to ensure that proper strokes and turns are used by swimmers according to GASSL standards ; Must be trained and in uniform with ID badge visible.

Hospitality Person/Meet Board (1): Brings cold water and snacks to the volunteers working the meet.

Concessions - Teams can generate a lot of income this way.

Swimmer Prep - Bull-Pen Parent Assists the coaches in making sure swimmers are where they need to be.

Please Note: GASSL volunteers are expected to conduct themselves professionally while carrying out volunteer duties. Volunteers will not be allowed to consume alcohol while carrying out volunteer responsibilities. The team representatives will be responsible for enforcement of this standard.