



Saluki Swim Club
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ABOUT THE CLUB

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Brief History

The Saluki Swim Club was founded in 1960 by Dr. Edward J. Shea. It has existed in some form, and under several different names, since then. Its present structure was formalized in the mid-1980s. The club incorporated in 1992.

Organization

The club is organized as an Illinois not for profit corporation and is governed by a nine member Board of Directors. It is a member of USA Swimming, the national governing body for the sport in the United States.

Demographics

The club serves the entire southern Illinois region with athletes and swim school students coming from towns as far north as Centralia and as far south as Anna but the majority of members come from the Carbondale, Marion, Herrin area.

The club offers both competitive training and swimming instruction 11 months out of the year. Total participation ranges between 100 and 120 members depending on the time of year. Children as young as 3 years old can be enrolled in the swim school. The minimum age for the competitive program is 6 years.

Coaching Staff

The club employs 1 full time head coach and several part time assistants. Bill Price, Saluki Head Coach, has worked with the club from 1990 to 1997 and then rejoined the staff in 2000. He is an American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA) certified coach and he has degrees (BS and MS) from East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania. He has held previous coaching positions in Pennsylvania, Florida, Malaysia, Brunei, and Vermont.

Program

Competitive training is offered to children 6 years old and up. Practices are held on the campus of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in both the Shea Natatorium and Pulliam pool.

Swimming instruction is offered as part of the club's swim school program for children 3 to 12 years of age. Swim school classes meet in Pulliam pool.

Website

The club's website is www.swimsaluki.com. Detailed information regarding club programs, training, competitions, and results can be found there.