

CBSC Comp Water Polo Program 2024

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 (12U/14U/16U).

COMPETITIVE WATER POLO (3 GROUPS)

All three teams will have practice twice a day (Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri). BCSSA has continued this year with a Beach polo format with two categories to classify "S" and "O" athletes. Ocat will be defined by playing or rostered on a NCL club (14U who play 15U NCL, will play up to 16U "S" category). At the beginning of the summer Team managers will ask athletes to state their status. We will try to have both "O" and "S" teams play for CBSC, depending on the number of players available.

Please note BCSSA has changed their age categories for the 2024 water polo season, please register your child by their birth year.

1. 12U born 2013/2012
2. 14U born 2011/2010
3. 16U born 2009

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

12U Training Days (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Shelly Baker

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

14U Training Days (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Nichelle Bailey

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

16U Training Days (twice a day/4 days a week): team managers Alia Wilson (S team) Kim & Jeremy King (OCat 2 team)

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

Registration information and fees

Water polo registration fee: 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 \$160/month

BSCCA Fee: In addition, an annual registration fee of \$43 for insurance is required for all competitive swimmers, water polo players and artistic swimmers. Registration must be completed ASAP to be eligible to play at regionals. The fee is \$43 regardless of how many disciplines the child is registered in and is valid till April 30 2025.

Provincial Championship Fee: Assuming teams 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. Provincials will be held this year at UBC Tuesday August 13th & Wednesday August 14.

Tournaments

Team managers will advise 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.

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. 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 used 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.

10U, 12U, 14U CBSC Tournament

The Crescent Beach Swimming Club will be hosting its annual 10U/12U/14U Water Polo Tournament on Wednesday July 24, 2024. The tournament will be a fun tournament and we encourage all players to attend. David McCallum will be our tournament coordinator this year, please contact him if you have any questions or are able to help out at dwmccallum@hotmail.com

16U CBSC Tournament TBA - possible date Thursday July 25th.

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 2 @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 managers 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)

Our Comp Coaches this summer are:

Head Coach: Harry Gibson

Assistant Head Coach : Georgia Springate

Coaches: Charlotte Bastien, Elliott King, Cole Nicholson and Riley Springate