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**Note
These
Dates**

Spring Games:
Friday April 26;
Rain Date:
Monday April 29
Summer Games:
June 7, 8 & 9

Registration has been completed for Alpine sports and Basketball. Upcoming registrations have or are about to be release for:

Aquatics	Athletics
Bocce	Equestrian
Softball	

Area Director's Corner:

I would like to introduce myself to those that don't already know me. My name is Jeff Hagen. My wife, Shirl and I have been married for 32 years. We have a son, Jeffery who is involved in Special Olympics. I spent a little over 23 years in the US Marine Corps and upon retirement joined the US Navy at NAS Patuxent River as a civil servant and spent another 20 years serving our country. I volunteered as a coach for 10 years with Special Olympics Maryland, St. Mary's County (SOMD SMC). On January 1, 2019 I became the Area Director for SOMD SMC and look forward to meeting all of the athletes/families/care providers and volunteers. I am working to make sure the athletes have an opportunity to learn/play/compete in our offered sports but most of all "HAVE FUN". Contact me at 301-904-1719.



NOTE:

As we have moved into the day of electronic communication everyone with email addresses was sent this newsletter using the email we have on file. If you happen to see this newsletter and didn't get it via email please send an email to Jeff Hagen with your valid email address and your current mailing address along with a good working phone #. Keeping this information accurate is necessary in order to keep everyone informed of the sports training/competition dates and times. The future of our newsletters will be delivered through email!!!

Thanks for your cooperation!

Sports Highlight: Bowling



From the State Bowling Competition held in Gaithersburg, MD. St. Mary's County had a total of 6 bowlers to compete back in December. They were:



Elena Duoduo Smith, 1st Gold by 4 pins



Tyeshia Lynn Holt, 2nd - Silver



Peter A. West, 3rd - Bronze, missed Gold by 3 pins



Rashaunda Granados, 3rd - Bronze



Shelby Boyer, 4th



Chong Han Fairclough, 4th

Please congratulate them the next time you see them for such a wonderful job at representing our County!

Lottery Tickets

Please help Special Olympics support our athletes with free sports training and competitions. Each year we raise funds through sales of lottery tickets. The winning number each day (June 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019) is based on the evening Maryland Daily 3 digit "winning" lottery number. Only 1000 tickets will be sold (\$5.00 each) and \$2500.00 is awarded in cash prizes. If you are interested in selling or purchasing tickets please contact Sue Chappelle at 301-884-8588 or chappellear@md.metrocast.net.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

2018 St. Mary's Splash

On December 8, 2018 several people from St. Mary's County Law Enforcement as well as Special Olympics Maryland St. Mary's County (SOMD SMC) traveled to Point Lookout Maryland to enjoy a refreshing dip in the cold water. See the fun had by all in the pictures below. **Thanks for all the support from the community!**



KEGAN ZIMMERMAN SELECTED FOR 2019 WORLD GAMES

Congratulations to Kegan Zimmerman who has been named as a member of the SO USA delegation for the 2019 World Games. Kegan will be competing in cycling in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) in March. Best of luck Kegan. We know you will represent St. Mary's County and Maryland very well.

Alpine Season Started

Special Olympics Winter Games is scheduled for February 24, 25 and 26 at the Whitetail Ski Resort. The athletes have started practice for both the alpine skiing and snowshoeing. Practice started on January 3, 2019 at Leonard Hall in Leonardtown. We wish everyone the best in practice and competition.



Basketball Season Started

Full-court and 3v3 Basketball teams and skills athletes started practicing the first week of January to prepare for upcoming competitions. St. Mary's County is planning to have a local competition and it will be announced at a later date. The state competition for our athletes is scheduled for March 30 (5v5) & March 31 (3v3, 3v3 PDU). Our Facebook page shows pictures of our athletes during practice. We wish every athlete the best of luck!





Spring Sports Training Times & Locations

AQUATICS (SWIMMING)

Starts: Sunday, March 3
 Time: 6:00PM—6:30PM Beginners/not attending Summer Games
 Time: 6:30PM—7:30PM Advanced and those wishing to attend State Competition during Summer Games
 ALL athletes are REQUIRED to arrive on time so that practice can start at the designated time.

Where: Great Mills Pool

Call Scott Mewhinney at 703-946-9212 for more information



EQUESTRIAN

Starts: Week of April 1, 2019
 Where: Vandermere Farm
 ALL athletes are REQUIRED to arrive on time so that practice can start at the designated time.

Coach Jen Vanderborght of Vandemere Farm will contact each athlete with their individual schedule.



BOCCE

Starts: Thursday, April 4
 Time: 5:30PM—6:30PM
 ALL athletes are REQUIRED to arrive on time so that practice can start at the designated time.

Where: Chancellor's Run Park

Call: Annette Hartz at 301-247-9646 for more information



TRACK and FIELD

Starts: Saturday, April 6
 Time: 8:45AM to 10:30AM
 ALL athletes are REQUIRED to arrive on time so that practice can start at the designated time.

Where: Great Mills High School

Call Don Bewick at 240-538-3793 for information



SOFTBALL

Starts: Saturday, April 6
 Time: 8:00AM to 9:30AM
 ALL athletes are REQUIRED to arrive on time so that practice can start at the designated time.

Where: Chancellor's Run Park

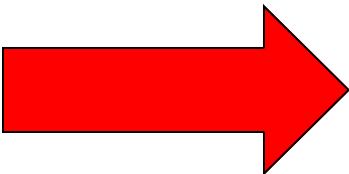
Call Jim Hawkins at 240-904-2193 for information



**Spring Games is
Friday April 26
(rain date is Monday
April 29)
Mark Your
Calendar NOW!!**

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Check us out on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/specialolympicssmc/

We invite you to register for the following 2019 sports. The eRegistration will be emailed to past participants for the following sports soon. Aquatics (Swimming), Athletics (Track & Field), Bocce, Equestrian and Softball. Below are the tentative start dates and locations where practices will be held.

Aquatics (Swimming)

The Aquatics program will be held at the Great Mills Pool on Sundays starting at 6:00PM and ending at 7:30PM. The first swimming practice is on March 3, 2019.

Athletics (Track & Field)

Athletics will begin at the Great Mills High School Track starting on April 6, 2019 and will occur each Saturday morning until June 1, 2019. Practice time will be between 8:45AM to 10:30AM.

Bocce

Bocce will begin at 5:30PM and end at 6:30PM on April 4, 2019 at Chancellor's Run Park and will occur each Thursday evening through May 30, 2019.

Equestrian

Equestrian will begin in the week of April 1, 2019 at Vandermere Farm in Leonardtown.

Softball

Softball practice will be between 8:00AM to 9:30AM starting on April 6, 2019 at Chancellor's Run Park and will occur each Saturday through June 1, 2019.

A **current medical form** must be submitted and on file prior to the first training session. Medicals must be good for the duration of the training and competition season.

If you have questions about the sports, please contact our Sports Director, Don Bewick at db5515585@msn.com

If you have any questions about registration, please contact - stmaryssoreg@gmail.com

Registrations will close for: Aquatics—**February 10, 2019**,
Athletics—**March 16, 2019** , Bocce—**March 14, 2019**,
Equestrian—**March 11, 2019** , Softball—**March 16, 2019**



2019 SPORTS REGISTRATION

Athlete's Information

Last name * First name * _____ Date of birth * _____
 _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Phone number * _____ Primary Email Address * _____

Street address * _____

City, State, Zip Code * _____

School or Agency * _____

Specialty diet _____

Shirt size * _____ Short size * _____

Emergency Contact Information

Emergency contact name * _____ Relationship to athlete * _____

Phone _____

Sport Selection

Please check the box(es) you wish to participate in

- Aquatics Athletics Bocce Equestrian Softball

Please select which single sport you have determined to be your **PRIMARY** competition sport:

- Aquatics Athletics Bocce Equestrian Softball

Participation

Special Olympics Maryland St. Mary's County (SOMD SMC) will gladly pay for all associated training and competition fees for all participants. It is the expectation that participants attend all events. If the untimely withdraw of a participant causes St. Mary's to incur a fee, the participant will be responsible for paying that fee and remain ineligible for future participation until such time the debt is resolved.

An athlete can't sign up for sports that have the same practice times and dates!

NOTE: Athletes selected to participate in the Equestrian program that fail to attend any of the scheduled sessions without giving reasonable notification and do not have just cause (e.g. death in family or unseen emergency) will forfeit their eligibility to be considered the next year.

- Accept** **Decline** - In declining I forfeit myself from state competition

Mail this form to: Special Olympics St. Mary's County, P. O. Box 921, Hollywood, MD 20636
 OR: drop it off at The Center for Life Enrichment.

* Information required



2019 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice	29	30	31 Ski & Snowshoe Practice	FEB 1	2 5v5, 3v3 Basketball Practice & Skills
3	4 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice	5	6	7 Ski & Snowshoe Practice	8	9 5v5, 3v3 Basketball Practice & Skills On-Snow Training at Whitetail Resort
10	11 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice	12	13	14 Ski & Snowshoe Practice	15	16 5v5, 3v3 Basketball Practice & Skills
17 3v3 Competition at Barrie School 5v5 Competition at Frederick, Bethesda & Kensington	18 Presidents' Day Holiday NO BASKETBALL	19	20	21 Ski & Snowshoe Practice	22	23 Gleneig Qualifier (3v3, 3v3 PDU)
24 WINTER GAMES	25 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice WINTER GAMES	26 WINTER GAMES	27	28	Mar 1	2
3 Swimming Practice 5v5 Trad REQUIRED Qualifier at McDaniel College	4 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice	5	6 Mgmt. Meeting	7	8	9 Track Practice 3v3 (ALL) REQUIRED Qualifier at Gleneig Country School 5v5 Unified REQUIRED Qualifier at Goucher College
10 Mother's Day Skills Qualifier at Gleneig Country School	11 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice	12	13	14 WORLD GAMES	15 WORLD GAMES	16 Track Practice WORLD GAMES
17 Swimming Practice Competition at Huntingtown HS WORLD GAMES	18 Adult 3v3 Basketball Practice WORLD GAMES	19 WORLD GAMES	20 WORLD GAMES	21 WORLD GAMES	22	23 Track Practice



2019 CALENDAR, CONT.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 Swimming Practice	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30 Track Practice BB State Competition
31 Swimming Practice BB State Competition	APR 1 Equestrian Begins	2	3	4 Bocce Practice	5	6 Track Practice Softball Practice
7 Swimming Practice	8	9	10	11 Bocce Practice	12	13 Track Practice Softball Practice
14 Swimming Practice	15	16	17	18 Bocce Practice	19	20 Track Practice Softball Practice
21 Swimming Practice	22	23	24	25 Bocce Practice	26 Freedom Fest	27 Track Practice Softball Practice
28 Swimming Practice	29	30	MAY 1 Mgmt. Meeting	2 Bocce Practice	3	4 Track Practice Softball Practice
5 Swimming Practice	6	7	8	9 Bocce Practice	10	11 Track Practice Softball Practice
12 Swimming Practice	13	14	15	16 Bocce Practice	17	18 Track Practice Softball Practice
19 Swimming Practice	0	21	22	23 Bocce Practice	24	25 Track Practice Softball Practice
26 Swimming Practice	27	28	29	30 Bocce Practice	31	JUN 1 Track Practice Softball Practice
2 Swimming Practice	3	4	5 Local Mgmt Mtg	6	7 SUMMER GAMES	8 SUMMER GAMES
9 SUMMER GAMES	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22



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This page will be for our sponsors and partners logos. They will be displayed to show who in our community is supporting our athletes! If you know of others supporters please contact Jeff Hagen, 301-904-1719 so they can be added. Thanks to all those that support our athletes!

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Attention Students - Please let us know if you
changed schools !! Email stmaryssoreg@gmail.com

Medicals are good for 3 years. Updated medicals
are due **prior** to the beginning of practices
for a new season.

No athlete can participate in a sport
without an updated medical.