

BRAZADAS BLAST

KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our late fall and winter practice schedule will begin Monday, November 3. This schedule follows the conclusion of the high school water polo regular season at the East Side Aquatic Center, which wraps up this week.

While the regular season is ending, the playoffs will begin next week. The playoff schedule has not yet been released and will be determined on Sunday. Tentatively, it appears that on Wednesday, November 5, we may need to cancel evening practices. If that is the case, we will provide alternative days and times for affected groups.

We will announce any schedule changes as soon as possible. In the meantime, we encourage all families to review the attached practice schedule and plan ahead. We look forward to beginning this next training phase in our home pool.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

[Click here for practice schedule.](#)

Athletes must have their own equipment. Purchase items here through our team sponsor: [FINIS Swim](#). All gear is **30% off** with our team discount.

Practice Schedule Updates

Attached is the practice schedule for this week. Please review carefully and note any changes or cancellations.

COMPETITION NEWS & INFORMATION

[Click here for competition schedule](#)

TNT Harvest Splash

- Nov 9 in Kingsburg, CA
- Open to all Brazadas Swimmers

- Meet information, [click here](#)
- [Click here](#) to register, entry deadline Nov 1

Golden Gobbler Invite

- Nov 21-23 in Mesa, AZ
- Open to all swimmers
- Meet information [click here](#)
- [Click here](#) to register, entry deadline Nov 1 (13 & Over swimmers team travel entry deadline has closed.)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Last week marked an exciting milestone for our local swimming community with the official grand opening of the East Side Aquatic Center.

This incredible new facility is the result of years of planning, collaboration, and community support.

We at Brazadas Swim Club are thrilled to call the East Side Aquatic Center our home pool. This world-class environment will provide our swimmers with greater opportunities to train, compete, and grow together as a team.

Read more about the opening and celebration here:

[“One of the most beautiful facilities”: Dream becomes reality as East Side Aquatic Center opens — Bakersfield.com](#)

[Kern High celebrates opening of East Side Aquatic Center — Kern.org News](#)

We are grateful to be part of this next chapter for aquatics in Kern County and look forward to making waves in our new home.

COACH'S CORNER

Hi Brazadas Families,

A huge thank you to all the parents who attended our parent meeting. Your support means so much and helps keep our program strong and connected.

We also want to congratulate all our athletes on a very successful first ever swim meet at the East Side Aquatic Center. This was a huge milestone for our team, and we couldn't be prouder of the effort, energy, and sportsmanship everyone brought to the pool.

A special shoutout to Hailey Todd and Adam Farouk for being crowned Queen and King of the Pool after dominating the 50 Free Skins. And congratulations to the Blue Team for coming out on top in the team competition.

You can check out all the meet results and times here on SwimCloud:

 [East Side Aquatic Center Intrasquad Results](#)

We'll be sharing a full meet recap soon with meet records, and some other fun things from the weekend, so stay tuned for that update.

We're looking forward to many more great meets at our new home, the East Side Aquatic Center.

Go Brazadas!
Coach Jackson

DIRECTOR'S DESK

Dear Brazadas Families,

Last week was a busy, exciting, and truly rewarding one for our Brazadas community.

We celebrated the grand opening and ribbon cutting of the East Side Aquatic Center. What a special day for our community and for our swim club as well. It is an incredible facility and a milestone moment that marks a new chapter for aquatics in our area.

On Saturday, we followed that with our Blue vs White Intrasquad meet. The energy from Friday night's team preparations carried right into race day. It was amazing to see more than sixty swimmers competing, cheering, and working together. A huge thank you to our coaches for their excellent planning and leadership, and an extra special thank you to Jason and Shawna Minch, and Brandon and Amanda Stevens, for their outstanding organization and preparation. Your volunteer work helped make the day such a success.

Thank you also to all the parents who helped time, organize, and lend a hand wherever needed. It was wonderful to see our community come together, supporting one another as we continue to grow and build toward even bigger things ahead.

I deeply appreciate all the effort, teamwork, and spirit that make Brazadas so special. Congratulations to all our swimmers, parents, and coaches. What a week it was!

Go Brazadas,
Craig

Office Hours & Contact:

Our regular office hours are Monday–Friday, 1–3 p.m. at East Side Aquatic Center. But you're welcome to call or email anytime or request a meeting at another time.

To meet with the Director or Head Coach, email [Craig](#) or [Jackson](#). If we miss your call at 661-456-8401, please leave a message. We return emails and calls within 24 hours on weekdays (except meet days).

Team Resources:

Team Member Handbook and Brazadas Blast archive available on the [Resources Page](#). The Blast is sent every Tuesday, miss one? Find it in the archive.