



## GREAT CHESAPEAKE BAY SWIM 4.4 MILES

Sunday, JUNE 9, 2019

Hemingway's Marina at the Bay Bridge Marina, Eastern Shores of the Twin Bridges,  
Exit 37 S. off Rt. 50, Pier One Road, Stevensville, MD 21666

**For real-time Bay Conditions, please visit:**

[NOAA's Chesapeake Bay Interperative Buoy System](#)

What comprises the 4.4 swim course? 4.4 is a point-to-point logistics swim. For their swim start, 4.4 swimmers are transported from designated GCBS parking lots on eastern shores to Sandy Point State Park, via the twin bridges,. The park is about 5 miles northeast of Annapolis. Finish-return is via swimming under the twin bridges, staying between the twin bridges water span. Exit bridges span, following course markings and safety water fleet, lining the course, to swim finish back on the eastern shore beach, adjacent to Hemingway's Restaurant & Marina, next to the twin bridges. The FOLLOWING are event day logistics & on-going timeline for participants and spectators.

### **DIRECTIONS: Hemingway's Marina and Adjacent Designated Parking Lots with Timelines**

**8:00 AM** **March of Dimes 4.4 Volunteers: Swim Check-in/Package Pick-up Staff arrive at Sandy Point State Park – check-in, at the top of the field - behind the public restrooms, next to the parking lot.**  
**- \*Water Craft Volunteers - Meet at Sandy Point State Park, Beach House**

**8:00am – 10:30 AM** **4.4 Shuttle school buses on-going departures** from the Park & Ride on the eastern side of twin bridges, on Rt. 8, Stevensville, MD 21666. **SIGNS WILL also be ground posted indicating parking areas.** School shuttle buses will have event i.d. **POSTED ON BUS FRONT WINDOWS: 4.4 Swim - One Mile Swim**

NO  
DROP  
OFF AT  
PARK  
ENT-  
RANCE,  
OVER  
1 ½  
MILES  
TO  
SWIM  
Staging  
area, on  
vehicle  
travel  
roads.

**1. Only registered 4.4 swimmers may utilize the buses with 4.4 signs on front windows. 1 mile swimmers, and All Spectators are to only utilize the 1 mile i.d. shuttle buses, prior to 4.4 swim start.** Buses will be looping back and forth thru each parking area. NO PARKING FEES for the GCBS DESIGNATED parking areas on the eastern shore.

**Note: all swimmers and spectators may use any i.d./numbered shuttle buses making pick-ups and drop-offs to designated parking lots all through event day.** Once the 4.4 swim is underway, all numbered buses will be utilized for shuttle services.

**2. There will be no bus service returning to Sandy Point State Park after the 4.4 swim start. No spectators permitted on 4.4 shuttle buses going to Sandy Point. NO PETS PERMITTED ON PARK GROUNDS, THEY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED THRU THE PARK ENTRANCE.** Any spectators who elect to drive themselves over to Sandy Point State Park, to view swim start, must drive themselves back to Hemingway's Marina, designated parking areas. **THERE IS A \$5 Sandy Point PARK ENTRANCE FEE.**

**3. DIRECTIONS: [CLICK HERE TO VIEW GOOGLE MAP](#)** View eastern shores logistics for event venues including well marked roads to parking venues, twin bridges - with Sandy Point State Park address of 1100 E. College Parkway. Annapolis, MD 21409. **Clicking on the satellite view and zooming in several times will enable seeing all marked and labeled roads, including exit numbers.** The double golden colored roads are major routes to the twin bay bridges.

Page 2 – logistics continued:

You will also be able to view the secondary parking area to utilize - as the Stevensville Park and Ride Lot will fill up. You will then proceed down on Rt. 8 aka Romancoke Rd. to additional parking lot at the Metapeake Middle School. Shuttle buses will be doing pick-up and drop-off loops thru-out event day. Buses will enter the large parking lot at Hemingway's Marina and proceed closer to the Restaurant side, behind the event pop-ups facing the Bay, and central to race day activities.

**NO SWIMMER OR SPECTATOR PARKING PERMITTED IN THE MARINA BOAT PARKING LOTS, NOR ADJACENT TO HEMINGWAY'S RESTAURANT! Subject to towing or ticketing!** This also includes no parking on adjacent road shoulders! Must utilize designated GCBS parking lots. Thank you.

Only swimmer or spectator, with approved disability car i.d., may request a special parking pass permitting Hemingway's on-site parking. Please contact directly:

*Sherri Tolley [stolley@spfg.net](mailto:stolley@spfg.net) Event Manager, Great Chesapeake Bay Swim*

#### **4. LODGING LINKS:**

By clicking on the following link, [many related links for hotel & motels will come up via Google.](#)

**Note:** For convenience on swim morning -- booking on the eastern shores of the bridges will make swim morning more timely and convenient. All 4.4 swimmers are to take only the 4.4 school bus shuttles located on the eastern shore side of the bridges, per instructions on page one of this document.

#### **5. RACE CENTRAL VENUE NEXT TO HEMINGWAY'S RESTAURNT & MARINA:**

Spectators gather on the grass bluff overlooking the bay and bridges, where the 4.4 swimmers finish on the small beach below, and run up the short incline finish line. Many spectators bring blankets, picnic baskets, umbrellas or small pop-ups, it is a beautiful view.

#### **ALCOHOLIC BERVERAGES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE BROUGHT ONTO SITE!**

Hemingway's has a TiKi pavilion where food and beverages may be purchased. ***Two long rows of port-a-pots set up*** in parking area several rows behind the venue pop-ups facing the bay.

**NO SMOKING IN THIS AREA.** Must go into the parking area to smoke, away from spectators.

- DJ Music during event
- Many GCBS items for sale
- Sponsor info. displayed
- Awards Ceremony (timeline will have ceremony time)
- March of Dimes table, plus accountant to collect GCBS Charitable Contributions
- Swim finish area is blocked from public entry. Swimmer's refreshment buffet tables set up within the fenced finish area. First responder's tent, also within the fenced area.
- BONZAI SPORTS, swim sponsor, set up on site for return of rented wetsuits.
- 4.4 goodie bags pick-up tables near end of food area
- Swimmer's Drop Bags, trucked back from 4.4 bag drop at swim start, will be lined-up in parking area behind the venue pop-ups, volunteers to assist.

- **LINMARK Sports, white timing van, as well as tables with result's pc-notebooks next to it, will be in the row behind the venue pop-ups. On-going accountability, plus finishers will be able to type their race number to view their finish time. Of course, final placement positions will vary as swimmers finish. *NO FOOD OR DRINKS ON RESULTS COMPUTER TABLE - PLEASE!***
- 

#### **4.4 SWIM 2019 CHECK-IN GUIDELINES AND MANDATORY SWIM INSTRUCTIONS:**

**At this point on swim morning, all 4.4 swimmers should have** parked their cars in one of the designated parking lots, on the eastern shores, as detailed at the top of page one, **and boarded one of the yellow school buses, WITH 4.4, sign on the front window.** After crossing over the twin bridges, the buses enter the main entrance to Sandy Point State Park, for your swim check-in, pre-swim meeting, Wave 1 & Wave 2 beach-swim starts.

**THE BUSES WILL DO DROP OFFS** close to the large brick public restrooms. **Note: At the back of this building, March of Dimes volunteers will have a bag drop area set up.** They will also have markers for you to i.d. your bag. The bags will be loaded onto a truck and will be returned to the finish area at Hemingway's Marina. Volunteers will line them up and assist with locating individual bags for swimmers. **PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE END OF THE DAY TO RETRIEVE YOUR BAG.** Bag drop is located several parking strips behind the event pop-ups, facing the bay. They are also within the vicinity of the food buffet tables, close to the fire trucks with overhead sprinklers, for those who want to clean up after their swim finish.

***Drop offs, and bag drop is almost a half-mile walk from bottom of the hill, up to top of field where check-in is being conducted, body marking, and pre-swim meeting.***

#### **RECEIVING YOUR SWIM PACKET WITH SWIM CODED CAP, BAND, BIB-NUMBER**

1. March of Dimes volunteers will be processing distribution of wave assigned swim packs.
2. **Two separate, side x side, tables: WAVE 1 and WAVE 2.** Make sure you are at the correct wave table. **PRESENT YOUR MANDATORY PHOTO I.D. PLEASE ALSO STATE YOUR FULL NAME.**
3. Do not pull your own swim packet. Volunteer will check your photo i.d., will check the list for your name, will then pull your swim packet and hand it to you. Cross your name off the list to show you received your swim packet.
4. **This includes parent/guardian accompanying swimmers under 18 yrs.old.** Minor's may use school i.d. or copy of birth certificate. **ADULTS WITH MINOR SWIMMERS MUST ALSO PRESENT THEIR OWN PERSONAL PHOTO I.D.**
5. **From the swim packet table, please PROCEED DIRECTLY TO THE BODY MARKING AREA,** close to the packet tables.

- Back of your hands will be numbered according to your assigned packet number.
- If not wearing a full sleeved wetsuit, your shoulders will also be numbered, **but not your legs.**
- **INSIDE YOUR SWIM PACKET, your swim numbered, wave-color coded swim cap:**

**WAVE 1 NEON GREEN SWIM CAPS**

**WAVE 2 NEON YELLOW SWIM CAPS**

**YOUR PACKET WILL CONTAIN:** Your **assigned numbered** swim cap – MUST WEAR as it is an additional means of in-water i.d. **NO ASSIGNED SWIM CAP ON – MEANS NO SWIM.**

If allergic to Playtex caps, you may purchase another but it must be the same color as your assigned swim wave above, plus we will number it for your on swim morning.

**You will also have a Tyvek bib number, PLEASE REMOVE THE TEAR STRIP FROM IT. THIS STRIP MUST BE PLACED ON TOP OF YOUR HEAD UNDER YOUR SWIM CAP.** It will also be collected if pulled from the swim, and at the finish line, it is another form of swimmer i.d. back-up.

**Velcro timing band WITH YOUR ASSIGNED TIMING CHIP. YOU ARE TO WEAR THIS SECURED AROUND YOUR ANKLE. IF WEARING A FULL WETSUIT, IT MUST BE WORN OVER THE TOP / OUTSIDE OF THE WETSUIT PANT LEG. <<<<** Please be sure you have secured it properly. If you require assistance just ask any of the volunteers or a fellow swimmer.

**ANY PROBLEMS: See Linda at the end of the 4.4 check-in tables.**

- a. Your Numbered Swim Cap - NO SWIM CAP NO SWIM!
  - b. Ankle Timing Band - MANDATORY  
PLEASE COME TO THE END OF THE CHECK-IN TABLES WHERE I WILL BE TO ASSIST.
  - c. **DO NOT EVEN CONSIDER COMING TO REQUEST A SWIM WAVE CHANGE on swim day.** We had a deadline sent out to all with important pre-swim info. and updates. **ALL MATERIALS are now wave assigned with i.d. lists in the hands of safety fleet officials.**

**OTHER CONSIDERTIONS AT SANDY POINT STATE PARK PRE-SWIM SITE:**

1. **First, please be reminded that Sandy Point State Park, and the area we are located, is very close to all public visitors, public swimming and barbeque cooking.** Please be sure to use the trash containers we place around our swim venue. **Any items you leave on picnic tables . . . results in me and March of Dimes personnel cleaning it up. Thank you!**
2. **MOD volunteers will have a shade pop up, and bottled water** for all swimmers while waiting for the pre-swim meeting.
3. **GCBS ACCOUNTANT WILL BE TABLED CLOSE TO CHECK IN, WILL ACCEPT YOUR DONOR FORMS.**
4. **GCBS DJ will be close to the check-in tables, announcing on-going swim info. Plus, playing music. Any lost and found items should be brought to the DJ.**
5. **FIRST AID:** please come to me at my spot adjacent to end of the swim check-in tables. I will be connected to swim personnel and park personnel for assistance.

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS AN OPEN WATER SWIM. SHOULD ANYONE HAVE AN OPEN SORE, IT MUST BE**

SEALED AND WRAPPED TO PREVENT INFECTION. We will also have some general first aid items available at check-in tables.

**11:00 AM - Sandy Point State Park PRE-SWIM MEETING** CONDUCTED BY EVENT DIRECTOR, **CHUCK NABIT**, in front of the swim packet check-in tables.

1. **ALL SWIMMERS ARE TO BE PRESENT, THEIR BAG DROP COMPLETED, AND READY TO IMMEDIATELY PROCEED DOWN TO THE START BEACH at the conclusion of the pre-swim meeting.**

- **Chuck Nabit** will give all in-water swim info. relating to:  
Levels of In-water support, refreshments boats & their contents, current weather conditions, water temp., and guidelines on best staying the course under the twin bridges span. How the tide will affect swim conditions.
- **Mile Markers**, and the process for removing swimmers who do not meet the swim deadline for each mile marker. (Your swim cap will be removed as well as your ankle timing-band.) Your numbered items are radioed to the timing van where swimmer is i.d. as being removed from the water. Pulled swimmers are dropped off at the pier on the opposite site of Hemingway's Restaurant. The very important swim caps, and ankle timing bands are also returned to the LINMARK timing van as additional items verifying swimmer was pulled from the water.

#### **AWARDS GCBS 4.4 2019**

Top 3 Overall Male & Female Finishers  
First Overall Male & Female 40+ Finishers  
Overall Winners do not duplicate in their respective age group divisions

*\*\*Recognition to the First Overall Male & Female  
Finishers Who Do Not Swim Wearing a Wetsuit*

**\*\*This is just a special recognition division only for the first male and female swimmer to finish not wearing a wetsuit. It has no bearing on timing results for overall winners or age group/division winners.**

First Male & Female Finishers Physically Challenged Division

Age Group Divisions: Top 3 Males & Females:

14 & Under, 15–19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69  
70-74, 75-79, 80+

**FULL 4.4 TIMELINE FROM ARRIVAL THRU EACH WAVE START FOLLOWS:**

**SWIM DAY 4.4 START: SANDY POINT STATE PARK  
SWIM RETURN TO FINISH AT HEMINGWAY'S BEACH MARINA**

**4.4 SWIM TIMELINE AT SANDY POINT STATE PARK - June 9, 2019:**

**8:30 AM** Beach Start fencing to be set-up.

**9 AM – 10:45 AM Packet Pick-Up, Body Marking at Sandy Point State Park,**

**Photo ID Mandatory!** This includes parent/guardian accompanying swimmers under 18 yrs. old! Minor's may use school i.d. or copy of birth certificate. **ADULT WITH MINOR SWIMMERS MUST ALSO PRESENT THEIR OWN PERSONAL PHOTO I.D. NO SWIM PHOTO I.D. – NO SWIM.**

After receiving your swim packet please go directly to the body numbering volunteers next to the check-in tables.

**CHECK IN TABLES WILL BE SIGNED & DIVIDED BY WAVE 1 TABLES, AND WAVE 2 TABLES, BOTH IN ALPHA ORDER.** Please hand your photo i.d. to volunteer, and say your name.

**11:00 AM** **Pre-Race Swim Meeting – Conducted by swim director, Chuck Nabit** who will give all in-water swim info. relating to support boats, two refreshments boats, current tide condition, water temp., and guidelines on staying the course under the twin bridges span.

ALL SWIMMERS MUST BE PRESENT AND READY TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE START BEACH DIRECTLY FROM THE SWIIM MEETING. This is not the time for anyone to still go to the bag drop area! Come to the pre-swim meeting – ready to swim.

Beach and Water emptied and Start security in place

**11:20 AM** **WAVE 1 – SCANNED BEACH check in begins inside the fenced start beach.**  
ALL SWIMMERS MUST WALK OVER THE SCAN TRACKS AS THEY ENTER THE

**When your swim wave enters the swim start beach to walk over the i.d. timing tracks – there will be two scanning area coned and set up - they will be signed:**

**NO WETSUIT ← --- → WEARING WETSUIT**

After crossing over your appropriate signed scanning tracks, please keeping walking to the beach water edge for your swim start.

***DO NOT ENTER THE WATER AT THIS POINT IN TIME.***

NOW IS THE TIME CHUCK IS CONFIRMING ALL SAFETY FLEET IS IN POSITION AND READY FOR HIS START COUNT DOWN. **YOU WILL DELAY THIS PROCESS BY HAVING EVERYONE WAIT FOR YOU TO GET BACK UP ON THE START BEACH, AND THE COUNTDOWN. Thank you.**

**Once a swimmer is scanned at the start beach water line, swimmer MAY NOT depart the start beach, without giving** their ankle timing-band, and swim cap to LINDA within the scanning beach area. If a swimmer starts but decides this is not their day to swim, they just need to return to Linda, still at the start beach, **who will take their swim cap, and timing band as proof they exited the water close to start beach.**

SWIM START AREA. ALL SWIMMERS ARE RECORDED AS ENTERING THEIR WAVE START.

**MANDATORY!! DO NOT SWIM FROM THE WARM UP AREA, outside OF THE FENCED BEACH, START DIRECTLY TO WHERE YOUR WAVE IS SCANNING AND WAITING AT THE BEACH START. WE WILL NOT HAVE YOU RECORDED AS ENTERING THE WATER!** Each wave is scanned individually as they enter through the fence opening, **DO NOT BY-PASS THIS PROCESS, EACH SWIMMER MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR ENTERING AND EXITING THE WATER.**

**11:30 Final support boat check-in – command post up and running**

Medical support ready on Start Side, Sandy Point State Park -

**11:50 - Wave 1 – Lead Boat in position**

**12:00 Noon Wave 1 – START\*** THIS IS NOT AN IN-WATER START swimmers must be lined up on the beach at water edge. **Chuck Nabit will give a 10 second count down.**

**12:05 Wave 2 – check in begins at start pen to walk over the scanning readers.  
Wave 2 – Lead boat in position**

**12:15 Wave 2 – START\*** THIS IS NOT AN IN-WATER START swimmers must be lined up on the beach at water edge. **Chuck Nabit will give a 10 second count down.**

12:30 GCBS Staff leaves Sandy Point State Park returning to finish area at Hemingway's Marina beach next to the twin bridges on the eastern shores.

**12:45 Bulk of Swimmers around Mile 1**

**1:00 Mile 1 – Time Cutoff** – any swimmers not making the cut-off times will be removed from the water by in-water support boat authorized personnel.

- Your swim cap, along with the tear strip, and timing band will be removed as you are being transported back to Hemingway's Marina. It will be given to LINMARK timer as proof that the swimmer was removed from the water. This procedure will take place at each mile swim cut-off listed below.

- Do not resist this procedure, it is taking place according to in-water safety procedures, and guidelines.

12:50 Finish Chutes and Control Area in Position on Hemingway's beach next to the twin bridges.

**1:45 Mile 2 – Time Cutoff** *Approximate Finish Time for First Swimmer*

2:10 Approximately one-half of the swimmer's finish

\*Ongoing Swimmer Accountability – all swimmers are scanned as they cross over the finish area, not only for swim finish time but they are confirmed as exiting the swim course.

**2:30 Mile 3 – Time Cutoff -**

3:10 Approximately three-fourths of the swimmer's finish.

**3:15 Mile 4 – Time Cutoff**

**3:45 Mile 4.4 – Time Cutoff – Race Finish** Last Swimmer – Final Accountability:

**WHAT IS FINAL ACCOUNTABILITY:** The swimmer count taken for each one confirmed as entering the water at swim start, MUST EQUAL THE COUNT OF ALL SWIMMERS PULLED WHILE ON COURSE, AND ALL SWIMMERS AS CONFIRMED AT THE FINISH. NEVER DEPART THE SWIM AREA WITHOUT ACCOUNTABILITY THRU ANY STAGE OF THE SWIM.

**4:30 Approximate time for Awards Ceremony.** Award ceremony will be conducted in front of the event white pop-ups facing the bay.

- **Posted in this document are anticipated start times.** The Race Director reserves the right to vary the start time to account for deviations from the predicted tide and current conditions, as indicated by NOAA. **Therefore, a start window of between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm have been established to allow maximum flexibility.**

**In the event of a late swim cancellation to due extreme weather conditions, the race director and coast guard will make the decision to cancel the swim or delay the start.** In that event, there are no refunds. All funds are donated to the GCBS Champion's Challenge Charitable program. GCBS is a 501(c)(3) I.R.S. approved charitable, tax-deductible event. Over \$3 million has been donated to the GCBS Charitable foundation, with the Maryland March of Dimes the largest recipient of funds, Thank you all for your continued support and swim participation.

-----  
**SWIMMER LOGISTICS & VENUE INFO.  
SWIMMERS & SPECTATORS**

For real-time Bay Conditions, please visit:  
[NOAA's Chesapeake Bay Interpretive Buoy System](#)

**FINISH LINE SET UP AND PROCEDURES:**

There will be multiple timing tracks under the green finish line carpeting. It is a short uphill run to the top. Your time is recorded at the beach finish line clock, very close to the water edge, at the bottom of short hill.

At the top of the fenced finish area, volunteers will take your swim cap, including tear strip you placed on your head, UNDER your swim cap, your ankle timing band, they will also assist with unzipping your wetsuit, if applicable. Chairs, water, and medical tent in fenced area.

Inside the fenced area will be a wide variety of post-race refreshments. Fenced finish area is restricted to volunteers and swimmers only. **Outside the finish area near the end of the food area, fire trucks with shower hoses will be available for all swimmers to rinse off. Bag drop area is close by.**

Again, Athletes for the **Great Chesapeake Bay Swim 4.4** should utilize the **Park and Ride lot on Rt. 8**, (about 1.5 miles from Hemingway's Marina) and board the appropriate 4.4 signed bus for transport to Sandy Point State Park.

**One Mile buses will transport, swimmers and spectators with continuous loops all event day from all designated parking areas, which also includes Matapeake Elementary and Middle Schools** (just follow Rt. 8/Romancoke Rd. to the schools, and then to the drop off point at Bay Bridge Marina. All parking is free of charge. After the 4.4 swim start, all 4.4 and 1 Mile swim buses will be utilized as on-going shuttle buses.



**On Site Amenities at Swim Finish Area –**

- **A beautiful venue on the top of a bluff overlooking the water right next to the twin bridges**, and finish area! Bring blankets, small beach chairs, umbrellas to relax and soak in all the excitement of swim day. There will be DJ Music, GCBS items for sale, and much more. Many spectators bring picnic baskets. **NO SMOKING IN VENUE AREA.** Please go out into the parking lot area.
- 

- **GCBS CHAMPION’S CHALLENGE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS PROGRAM:**

**>>[CLICK HERE](#)<<** to download the contributions form.

**Contains instructions pertinent info. for all 4.4 swimmers and One Mile Bay Challenge swimmers.**

GCBS exists for its charitable contributions program. Well over \$3 million has been donated from GCBS proceeds. As an IRS approved tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) event, all fees, sales proceeds, and this contributions program, make it all happen. While participation in this program is customarily extended to Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. This ceremony is conducted just prior to the swim awards ceremony.

**ACCOUNTANT ON SITE TO RECEIVE CHARITABLE FUNDS:**

Note that on swim morning at 4.4 packet pick-up/ swim check-in, an event accountant will be on site close to the swim check in tables. She will take contribution forms, and your contributions pre-swim!

**The funds turned in on swim day, will be credited to any other contributions you may have been submitting to the corporate office, prior to swim day, including mail contribution to the address listed UP TO THE DEADLINE OF SEPT. 15, 2019.**

Again, the contributions form has detailed participation information >>[CLICK HERE](#)<< to download the form.  
**DONOR FORM IS NOT A 2020 ENTRY FORM!**

---

**REFUNDS: Refund deadline date: April 15, 2019.**

Please send your email request to: [lindat@linmarksports.com](mailto:lindat@linmarksports.com)

Absolutely no selling, transfers or swim date entry permitted!  
To do so will remove the persons involved from future GCBS swims.

**NOTE: ONCE A SWIMMER REQUESTS A REFUND, THERE WILL BE NO SWIM REINSTATEMENTS or replacements.**

Many data safety factors are in place for each participant including medical, swim capability predicated by swim documentation, and photo i.d.

**OFFICIAL EVENT DAY PHOTOGRAPHERS:**

<https://endurophoto.flashframe.io/> Chris Bernacchi, Enduro Photo  
[www.endurophoto.com](http://www.endurophoto.com) [chris@endurophoto.com](mailto:chris@endurophoto.com)

<http://www.backprint.com/cbmtcreative>



All finishers assigned numbers will be given to the CBMT for personnel i.d. post-race photos, which will be available on the CBNT web site. This info. will also be posted our post swim wrap-up, with an email blast sent to all entrants.

---

**LODGING LINKS:**

By clicking on the following link, [many related links for hotel & motels will come up via Google.](#)

**Note:** for convenience on swim morning -- booking on the eastern shores of the bridges will make swim morning more timely and convenient. All 4.4 swimmers are to take the school bus shuttles located on the eastern shore side of the bridges, per instructions on page one of this document.

**DIRECTIONS:** [CLICK HERE TO VIEW GOOGLE MAP](#) When the Hemingways Restaurant page comes up **PAGE DOWN TO THE BOTTOM WHERE A MAP OF THE ENTIRE RACE LOGISTICS WILL COME UP.** The double golden colored road are the major routes to the Bay Bridges, you will see the Stevensville Park and Ride lot, prior to event venue which takes at Hemingways Bay Bridge Marina and Restaurant site. **You will also be able to view the secondary parking area to utilize - as the Stevensville Park and Ride Lot will fill up.** You will proceed down on Rt. 8 aka Romancoke Rd. to the parking lot at the Metapeake School. The shuttle buses will be doing pick up and drop offs thru event day.



- [BaySwim Home](#)
- [What's New](#)
- [Charity Info](#)
- [Contests](#)
- [Event Sponsors](#)
- [Photos](#)
- [History & FAQ's](#)
- [Archives](#)
- [Tide & Weather](#)
- [Merchandise](#)
- [Related Links](#)
- [Contact Info](#)

**The Great Chesapeake Bay Swim will be held on Sunday,  
June 9, 2019  
IMPORTANT PARKING INFORMATION FOR  
ATHLETES AND SPECTATORS**

Athletes for the **Great Chesapeake Bay Swim 4.4** should utilize the Park and Ride on Rt. 8, and board the appropriate 4.4 bus for transport to Sandy Point State Park.

Overflow 4.4, One mile Chesapeake Challenge athletes and spectator parking will be located at Matapeake Elementary and Middle Schools. **Follow posted signs.**

Shuttle Buses will provide transportation throughout the day and will continuously loop from the spectator parking area to the Park and Ride and to the drop off point at Bay Bridge Marina. All parking is free of charge.

THERE WILL BE NO ATHLETE OR SPECTATOR PARKING AT BAY BRIDGE MARINA. ATHLETE AND SPECTATOR VEHICLES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM DRIVING DOWN PIER ONE ROAD TO THE MARINA.

Visit [www.linmarksports.com](http://www.linmarksports.com) for ALL on-going SWIM DAY EVENT INFO. FOR SWIMMERS & SPECTATORS.

Email: [lindat@linmarksports.com](mailto:lindat@linmarksports.com)


For real-time Bay Conditions, please visit:  
[NOAA's Chesapeake Bay Interperative Buoy System.](#)

THE GREAT CHESAPEAKE BAY SWIM, INC. IS A REGISTERED 501(C)3 ORGANIZATION.  
ALL RIGHTS RESERVED  
COPYRIGHT - THE GREAT CHESAPEAKE BAY SWIM, INC.



**A POST SWIM WRAP-UP WILL BE SENT TO ALL PARTICIPANTS SHORTLY AFTER SWIM DAY.** From statistics, to lost and found items, how to receive a swim award, if not present at awards ceremony. Info. link to GCBS official photographer on site: CBMT Creative.

**Submit Charitable Contributions program will remain open to: Sept. 15, 2019.**

	<p>SWIM SPONSOR – WET SUIT RENTAL INFO.: <b><u>Bonzai Sports</u></b> <a href="http://www.tribonzai.com">www.tribonzai.com</a> <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/place/2822+Fallfax+Dr,+Falls+Church,+VA+22042">2822 Fallfax Dr, Falls Church, VA 22042</a> (703) 280-2248 Open until 5 PM</p>	
	<p>MARYLAND CHAPTER</p>  <p><b>MARCH OF DIMES</b></p>	<p><b>CHESAPEAKE PADDLERS ASSOCIATION</b></p> 
	 <p>Official Event Photographer <a href="http://www.backprint.com/cbmtcreative">http://www.backprint.com/ cbmtcreative</a></p>	<p><b>OFFICIAL SWIM SHOP SPONSOR, CONTACT TO MAKE SWIM SUIT RENTALS – MUST PICK UP PRIOR TO SWIM DAY!</b></p> 

*Results are our Business*

**LIN-MARK**  
**SPORTS, INC.**

[www.linmarksports.com](http://www.linmarksports.com) **CLICK HERE TO VIEW VIDEO OVERVIEW GCBS 2018**

