



Minnewaska Distance Swimmers Association

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This is your ONLY chance to renew your MDSA membership quickly and easily. Don't toss this letter on your "to do" pile, but rather renew now. So please, send us your \$25 check, the signed "Release," and the Swimmer Information form now! Note renewals after May 31st are \$30.

Spring 2023

Dear MDSA member:

Our 2023 summer season at Lake Minnewaska will open on Saturday June 17th at 11 A.M. and continue through at least Labor Day September 4th. Don't miss the spectacular pink and white mountain laurel display at our beach in late June.

To recertify as an MDSA member, here is all you need to do **if you do not renew online:**

1. Please read the NY State "Risk and Release" form carefully and fill it out completely.
2. Fill out the revised Swimmer Information form.*
3. **Enclose** a \$25 check made out to MDSA.**
4. **Enclose** a self-addressed envelope with a stamp on it. Send the **Swimmers Information form, the Release form, the stamped envelope, and your check** to **MDSA, P.O. Box 233, New Paltz, NY 12561**. Please do this **now** while you are thinking about it.

Do **not** send us your membership card. We will send you back a '23 sticker to affix to your card. If your membership card has disintegrated enclose your old one along with a photo the size of your driver's license photo and we will replace the card. **If your card is hopelessly lost, send a photo, a SASE, and \$1.00 to Julia Rose, 355 Stonykill Road, Accord, NY 12404 and tell her your card color.**

VOLUNTEERS ARE THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE MDSA: Please ... find a few hours in your life to give back to those of us who work hard to keep the MDSA going. We especially need: (1) lots of Swim Testers; (2) lots of Volunteer Guides. PLEASE email us to volunteer, and check the boxes on the enclosed Swimmer Information form.

Yours for the long swim,

— JUDY MAGE, *Co-coordinator*
— STEPHANIE BLUDAU TOR, *Co-coordinator*
— KRISTINE LOGAN, *Co-cordinator*
— DORIS CHORNY, *Secretary*
— NANCY REEDER, *Treasurer*

for the MDSA Board

*We **need** your email address if you have one. It will **not** be shared. (If you have SPAM control, please make sure that messages from **info@minnewaskaswimmers.org** are not deleted.)

**If you were a volunteer last year who worked eight or more hours on MDSA business, you have the option of waiving the membership fee. Write "Volunteer, 8 hours" on the Swimmer Information form.

AS ALWAYS, WE REALLY NEED ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS

We recognize that some of our members prefer not to pay via computer, but we assure you that our site is secure and has been used successfully in past seasons. So we suggest that you please consider renewing and paying online. (Instructions are under Current Member Login on www.minnewaskaswimmers.org). This will save our volunteers time and will help sustain MDSA in the long run. If you prefer, however, the postal mail option remains, as outlined in this letter.