

The first known mention of the Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team is a short item in the July 11, 1957 issue of the *Greenbelt News Review*.

All members interested in trying out for the Greenbelt swimming team please report at the pool at 11 a.m. Friday morning. We have a list of 12 meets to compete in.

The August 1<sup>st</sup> issue of that year mentions regular practices and the results of the first meet were reported on September 5<sup>th</sup>: a loss to Rosemary Hills by a score of 84-74. Reminiscences of that first team, as well as a picture of the inaugural seven members, appear in the July 26, 2007 issue of the *News Review*. After a brief mention of swim team practice on June 26, 1958, the next documentation comes in 1959 when Greenbelt was a charter member of the Prince-Mont Swim League. Of the eight teams that first year – Cheverly, Gateway West, Greenbelt, Hillandale, Oxon Hill, Pleasant View, Rosemary Apts., and the Silver Spring “Y” – only Cheverly and Greenbelt have been continual members of the league since.

The table below outlines the history of the Greenbelt swim team in PMSL. For those interested in looking into the data:

- ▷ Referenced issues of the *Greenbelt News Review* can be found at <https://www.greenbeltnewsreview.com/archives/>.
- ▷ Partial results from 1998-2003, and full results afterward, are at [https://princemont.org/results\\_archive.html](https://princemont.org/results_archive.html).
- ▷ Medley relays were added in 2009 to make 49 events. In the 7/14/83 issue of the *News Review* there is a reference to 47 events, in 7/27/72 a reference to 44, in 7/13/67 a reference to 42, in 7/27/61 a reference to 38, and in 8/11/60 a reference to both 26 and 15 (in different meets). While not necessary for constructing the table, this information seemed worth recording.

# GMST IN PMSL

YEAR <sup>a</sup>	DIVISION	DUAL MEET RECORD <sup>b</sup>	DIVISIONALS MEET RANK	DIVISION RANK	NOTES & USEFUL <i>GNR</i> ISSUES	
1959	A <sup>c</sup>	3-4	3		9/3	
1960	Northern (B)		2	1	<sup>d</sup> ; 8/11	
1961					<sup>e</sup> ; 7/27, 8/3, 8/17	
1962						
1963					<sup>f</sup> ; 7/11-8/15	
1964		B	4-1		1	<sup>g</sup> ; 8/13-8/20
1965		Red	2-2		2	<sup>hi</sup> ; 8/5-8/19
1966			2		2	<sup>jk</sup> ; 7/7-8/11
1967					2	7/6-8/10
1968	Red	4-0-1	2	1	7/11, 7/25, 8/1, 8/15	
1969	A	0-5	6	6	7/10-8/14	
1970	D	1-3	4		7/16-8/13	
1971		4-1	2	2	7/8-8/19	
1972		5-0		1	<sup>l</sup> ; 7/6-8/3, 10/5	
1973		1-4	5		7/5-8/9	
1974		C		4	8/8	
1975		E	4-1	2	7/31, 8/14	
1976		D	3-1-1	4	7/1, 7/15-7/29, 8/5	
1977		D	4-1	2	7/28, 8/4	
1978		D	3-2	4	3	7/27, 8/10
1979		D	3-1	3	2	6/28-8/9
1980	D <sup>m</sup>	4-1	2	2	<sup>n</sup> ; 7/3-7/31, 8/14	
1981	D	2-2	3		7/2-8/6	
1982	D	2-3	5		7/1-8/5	
1983	E	4-0	1	1	<sup>o</sup> ; 6/30-8/4	
1984	D	3-2	6	4	7/5, 7/12, 8/2	
1985	E	5-0	1	1	8/1, 8/8	
1986	C	2-3	2	3	7/31	
1987	B	2-3			7/2, 7/9, 7/23, 8/6, 9/3	
1988	B				6/2, 6/30-7/21	
1989	C	3-2	1	1 <sup>p</sup>	5/25, 7/27, 8/24	
1990	B		4	4	5/24, 8/2	
1991					<sup>q</sup> ; 5/23, 7/11	
1992	D			1 <sup>s</sup>	<sup>e</sup> ; 5/28, 6/25-7/16	
1993	C		1	1	7/8, 7/29, 8/19	
1994	A		1	3	<sup>etu</sup> ; 7/14, 7/28, 8/4	
1995	A		2 <sup>w</sup>	2	6/8, 6/15, 6/29-7/27	
1996	A		1 <sup>x</sup>		6/27-7/18	
1997	A				7/3, 7/10	
1998	A		0-5	5	6	<sup>e</sup> ; 6/25-7/30
1999	B			2	3	6/24, 7/15, 7/29, 8/26
2000	B	1-4	6	5	6/29	
2001	D	4-1	2	2	9/6	
2002	B	0-5	6	6		
2003	D	4-0	1	1	8/14	
2004	C	1-4	4	5	<sup>u</sup>	
2005	D	3-1	3	2		
2006	C	4-1	1	1		
2007	B	4-1	1	1	<sup>ey</sup>	

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2008	B	3-2	5	4	
2009	B	0-5	5	6	
<b>2010</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>5-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
2011	B	2-3	3	3	u
2012	B	0-4	5	5	
2013	B	1-4	5	5	
2014	B	3-2	2	3	
2015	B	0-5	6	6	
2016	C	1-4	2	5	
2017	D	3-2	2	2	
2018	C	4-1	2	2	u
2019	C	3-2	3	3	e
2020	-	-	-	-	z
2021	C	1-2	3	3	
2022	C	2-3	4	4	
2023	C	3-2	4	3	u
2024	C	4-1	2	2	u

## Notes

<sup>a</sup>Bold rows indicate Division championships

<sup>b</sup>Seasons with 4 meets also usually had an inter-division matchup

<sup>c</sup>Single (unnamed) division

<sup>d</sup>First (?) PMSL All-Star Meet: 8/25

<sup>e</sup>Hosted Divisionals

<sup>f</sup>Recaps give 2-3 record, but 8/15 says 5 B teams

<sup>g</sup>Second after duals and #1 team fourth at Divisionals

<sup>h</sup>Articles differ on Divisionals location: 8/12, 8/19

<sup>i</sup>Team nickname is "Sharks" (see 7/26/07): 7/15; "Swordfish": 7/29

<sup>j</sup>"Red" lower than "Blue": 8/18

<sup>k</sup>Formation of Aquatic Boosters Club: 9/1

<sup>l</sup>First banquet

<sup>m</sup>Not in *GNR*, but first C appearance in 12 years: 7/31/86

<sup>n</sup>First mention of "Barracudas": 7/10

<sup>o</sup>First Division championship in 11 years per *GNR*

<sup>p</sup>A "division championship": 5/24/90

<sup>q</sup>Schedule in 5/23 contradicted by 7/11

<sup>r</sup>Loss in 1994 was first in three years: 7/14/94

<sup>s</sup>Championship mentioned: 8/19/93

<sup>t</sup>Second (?) after meet 5: 7/28; Third (?) after Divisionals: 8/4; "one point short of the league championship": 6/8/95

<sup>u</sup>Saum(-Hilton) Award winner

<sup>v</sup>Includes win after protest in BSR meet

<sup>w</sup>From <https://sbpdolphins.swimtopia.com/history>

<sup>x</sup>Based on trophy in GAFC

<sup>y</sup>Time capsule possibly buried at GAFC: 7/26

<sup>z</sup>No season due to covid