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Aquathon, Kid'athlon events offer triathlon-style races

The Springfield-Greene County Park Board hosts two triathlon-style events in the coming weeks.

The Aquathon Series features weekly kids' and adults' swim-run races Tuesday evenings throughout July at Doling Family Center, 301 E. Talmage. The course includes 1-mile run and a 150-meter swim. Participants earn points each week, based on age group placement. The top three participants in each age group are recognized following the event. Anyone age 5 to adult may participate.

The Aquathon Series takes place at 7 p.m. July 2, 9, 16, and 23. Check-in/registration is 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. the day of the race. Registration is \$10 per person, per week, and includes a t-shirt. For more information, call 417-837-5900 or visit www.parkboard.org/special_events/docs/aquathon13.pdf

The 10th Annual Kid'athlon is a triathlon for kids ages 5 to 12, with age-appropriate swimming, biking and running events held 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at Meador Park, 2500 S. Fremont. The events include a 50-meter swim, .5 to 1.1-mile run and a .5 to 1-mile bike ride, depending upon the age group. Bikes and helmets are required for the race.

Kid'athlon check-in is 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required. Early registration, now through Friday, July 19, is \$25 per child, \$15 per additional child from the same household. Late registration is July 20 through Aug. 1, at \$35 per child, \$25 per additional child from the same household.

Mandatory Kid'athlon packet pickup is Friday, Aug. 2 at Chesterfield Family Center, 2511 W Republic Road, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Register at Chesterfield Family Center, Dan Kinney Family Center or Doling Family Center. For more information, call 417-837-5900 or visit www.parkboard.org/special_events/docs/kidathlon13.pdf

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