

Instructions for the Maggie Fischer Memorial Great South Bay Cross Bay Swim

**Please read ALL these instructions before
beginning the application.**

**120 Applications will be accepted On-Line,
10 will be accepted by mail.**

Application Process

120 swimmers will be accepted ONLINE. Online registration is closed when we reach this number. There will be no swimmer substitutions, no wait list. In the future, we plan to be 100% online registration.

10 swimmers will be accepted on traditional paper application waiver forms. Instructions for filling the paper applications are located after the online instructions.

Only completed applications will secure a berth. An application is complete when signed swimmer and kayaker forms and \$125 are received.

All applicants (swimmer and kayaker) must be 16 years or older on the day of the Swim. There are no exceptions.

We will reserve a limited number of sponsor-level positions for a fee of \$5000. These will be available until sold out, or until June 15.

1. *Each swimmer is expected to attain a sponsorship level of \$500 or greater.* The Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim is a 501.c(3) not for profit organization. Sponsorship forms are available on our website. There are also links to two online fundraising sites. FirstGiving allows a swimmer to setup a personal fundraising site with your own personal goals and statistics. Network For Good accepts donations through an online dialog. Both provide us with information to credit each swimmer with fundraising activity.

2. Swimmer and kayaker shirts are ordered when registration closes. You will receive the shirt sizes you designate on the registration form. There will be no substitutions. If in doubt, order larger!

3. If you wish to place your kayak on the Fire Island Ferries, please indicate this on the application. Inflatable kayaks will not be allowed. Kayak drop-off will be on Thursday, July 18 between 6PM and 8PM at the Ocean Beach Terminal, Maple Avenue, Bay Shore.

4. We request that all swimmers use our tracking service, RaceJoy, which utilizes the swimmer's GPS enabled device (iPhone or Android). The cost of the service and a waterproof casing for the phone is borne by The Swim. Your device will be carried by your kayaker. Your position and other useful information will be available to all on the internet. Detailed instructions on installing and enabling the app are available on our site. Please note: this is for informational purposes only, and is not a safety service.

5. On the morning of the Swim, buses will carry swimmers and kayakers from Gilbert Park, Brightwaters to the Fire Island Ferries terminal, where a boat will provide transportation to Fire Island. Please refer to the timeline for this schedule, which will be followed precisely.

6. Permission has been granted by the NYS Parks Department on the day of the Swim for drop-off at the turn around at Robert Moses just east of Field 5. This provides easy access for a swimmer and kayaker to the start of the Swim. Kayaks can be walked to the bay along a short path on the side of the Parkway. **For a view of the area showing the car turn-around and path to the bay, [click here](#) .**

7. Each swimmer must always have a kayak operator in close proximity. Each kayak operator must have on board:

- Fresh water and food for swimmer and operator(s)
- Hand held horn or whistle
- Life preservers for swimmer and operator(s)
- Sea anchor strongly suggested

8. If you must withdraw from the Swim please notify us by email or phone as soon as possible.

9. There will be a mandatory swimmer/kayaker meeting Friday July 12, at 7:00 PM at the Great South Bay YMCA. It must be attended by either the swimmer, the swimmer's kayaker, or a representative.

10. The swim course is approximately 5.5 statute miles of open water that finishes at Gilbert Park in Brightwaters. Refer to the course map on our website. It is the swimmer's and the kayaker's responsibility to be properly prepared for the physical rigors and navigational challenges that this event presents. It is each swimmer's responsibility to procure an experienced kayaker with a kayak.

All swimmers should be strong swimmers with open water experience. All kayakers must have strong skills: kayakers should be confident that you can accompany your swimmer the entire distance regardless of conditions. PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR KAYAKER CAREFULLY! Conditions can be more difficult for the kayaker than for the swimmer. Your kayak is your support! An unaccompanied swimmer will be removed from the course.

11. Swim aids of any kind (flippers, hand paddles, etc.) are not allowed. Wetsuits are allowed. Accommodations for special situations will be made by the committee on a case by case basis upon request.

12. The event will be considered complete 4 hours after the start. **Any swimmer remaining in the water at this time will be picked up by a patrol boat.**

THE SWIM IS 'WEATHER PERMITTING'. THE ORGANIZERS HOLD THE RIGHT TO CANCEL IT AT ANY TIME, IN THE INTEREST OF SWIMMER SAFETY. THERE IS NO RAIN DATE.

OnLine Application Process

Applications will be available starting March 30 at 0900. Each swimmer will fill out an application for swimmer and kayaker at the same time. All information is required or the application will not be accepted. The swimmer will sign the waiver electronically: the kayaker will be sent an email with instructions on how to sign the waiver.

You will need a credit card. The total cost for applying online is \$132.50, which includes a \$7.50 service fee collected by the online service.

Before you start

You will need your kayaker's email address, home address, birth date, phone number and shirt size.

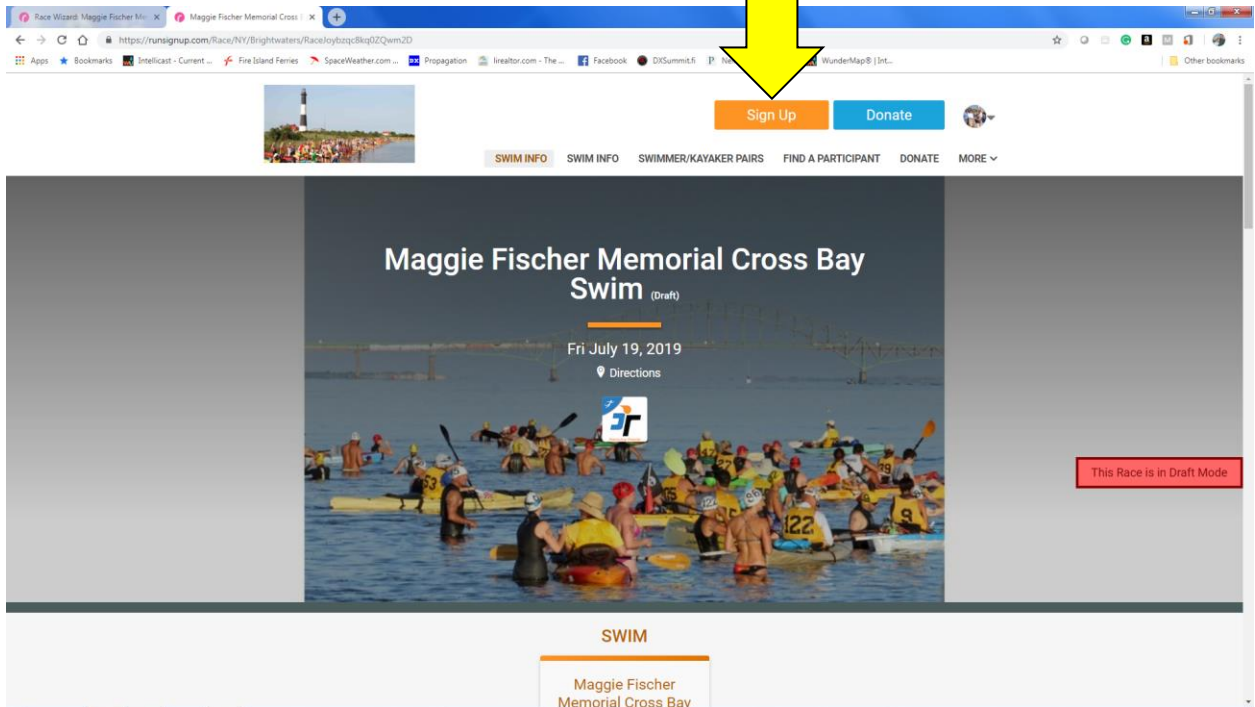
Go to RunSignUp.com and find the Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim, or go to

<https://runsignup.com/Race?raceId=48675>

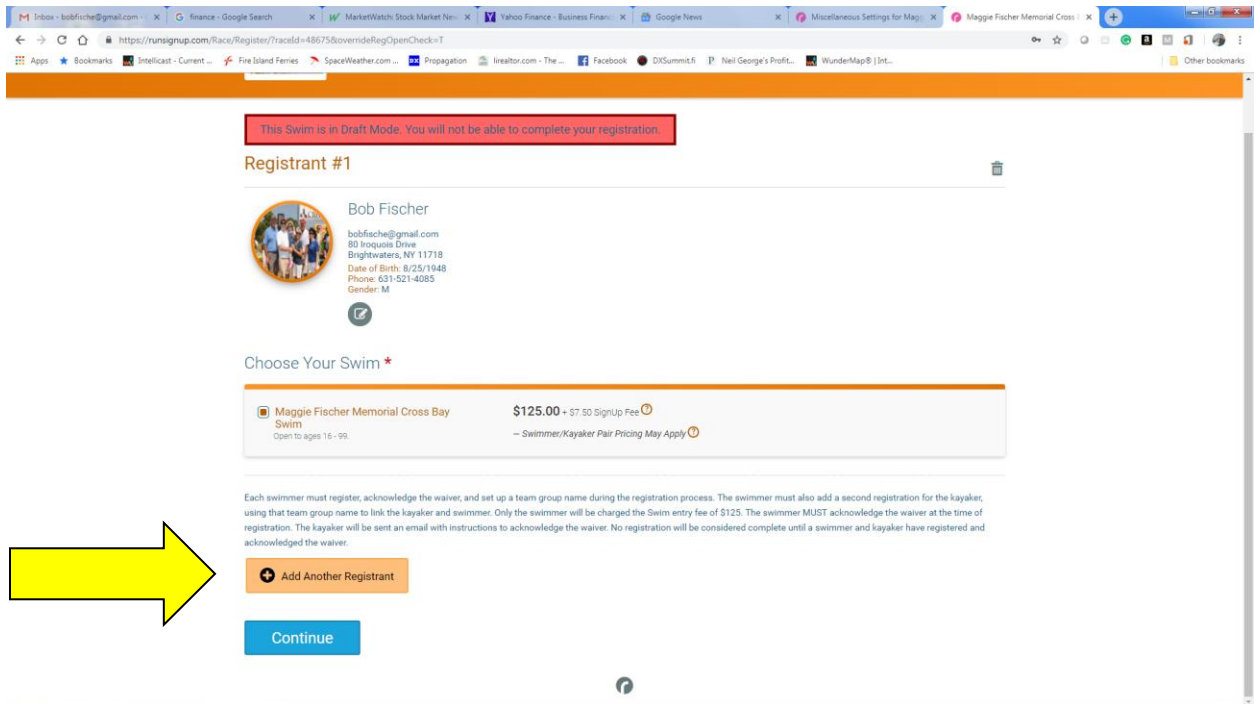
This site is operational now, serving information about the Cross Bay Swim prior to registration opening.

Follow these instructions when registering. We strongly suggest that you become familiar with these instructions. They require the swimmer to sign up his 'team' of swimmer and kayaker. The site uses generic race day language for the participants and may be confusing at first.

1. Click 'Sign Up'



2. Add your swimmer information, then click 'Add Another Registrant' to add your kayaker.



3. Add information for your kayaker. Press 'Continue' when done.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://runsignup.com/Race/Registrar/trackId=48675/boverndeRegOpenCheck=T>. The page title is "Registrant #2". Below the title, there is a question "Who are you registering?*" with three radio button options: "Myself" (selected), "Friend", and "Minor".

The "Basic Info" section contains the following fields:

- First Name: Mary
- Last Name: Fischer
- E-mail Address: mary2ngl@gmail.com
- Confirm E-mail: mary2ngl@gmail.com

The "Additional Information" section contains the following fields:

- Date of Birth: 01/01/1970
- Gender: Female (selected)
- Phone: 6316651284

The "Address" section contains the following fields:

- Street Address: 80 IROQUOIS DR
- Country: United States
- Zip Code: 11718
- City: Brightwaters
- State: NY - New York

4. Swimmers must agree to the waiver here. Scroll down the waiver. Agree to the waiver for yourself. Choose the option to have the kayaker sign the waiver later. Be sure you have a valid email address for your kayaker! They will be sent an email with instructions to sign.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://runsignup.com/Race/Registrar/trackId=48675/boverndeRegOpenCheck=T>. The page title is "Register For Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim".

The "Waiver" section contains the following text:

10. I acknowledge that mobile tracking services are informational only, not safety systems.

11. In the event of an illness, injury or medical emergency arising during the event I hereby authorize and give my consent to the Event Director to secure from any accredited hospital, clinic, and/or physician any treatment deemed necessary for my immediate care. I agree that I will be fully responsible for payment of any and all medical services and treatment rendered to me including but not limited to medical transport, medications, treatment and hospitalization.

12. By submitting this entry, I acknowledge (or a parent or adult guardian for all children under 18 years) having read and agreed to the above release and waiver. I further certify that I understand all of the foregoing and that I am voluntarily consenting thereto.

13. Further, I grant permission to the Maggie Fischer Memorial Great South Bay Cross Bay Swim to use my name, voice and images of myself in any photographs, motion pictures, videos, results, publications or any other print, videographic or electronic recording of this event for legitimate purposes.

Open waiver in new window

Waiver Agreement for Bob Fischer

- By checking this box, I agree to the waiver and confirm that I am 18 or older and agree to the [Privacy Policy](#).
- Sign waiver later

Waiver Agreement for Mary Fischer

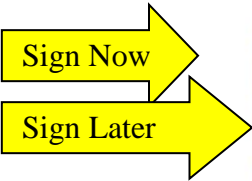
- Sign waiver later

Please enter an E-mail address where we should send the waiver instructions.

E-mail to Send Instructions

test@gmail.com

Continue Back



5. **Pair swimmer and kayaker. First click “Create a New Swimmer/Kayaker Pair”, choose a name and verify your age group. Next, click ‘Join the same swimmer/kayaker pair’ at the lower right of this screen for the kayaker.**

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://runsignup.com/Race/Register/?regToken=899f8ed28&raceId=48675#>. The page title is "SWIMMER/KAYAKER PAIR FOR BOB FISCHER".

At the top, there are three buttons: "Join an Existing Swimmer/Kayaker Pair", "Create a New Swimmer/Kayaker Pair", and "Join the Same Swimmer/Kayaker Pair". A yellow arrow labeled "1. Click Here" points to the "Create a New Swimmer/Kayaker Pair" button.

The form fields include:

- Swimmer/Kayaker Pair Type: Swimmer - Kayaker Pair
- Swimmer/Kayaker Pair Name: Team Fischer
- Age Group: 16-99

A yellow arrow labeled "2. Complete This" points to the form fields.

Below the form is a description: "Description: Size Limits: 2 members. Each swimmer must register, acknowledge the waiver, and set up a team group during the registration process. The swimmer must also add a second registration for the kayaker, using that team group to link the kayaker and swimmer. Only the swimmer will be charged the Swim entry fee of \$125. The swimmer MUST acknowledge the waiver at the time of registration. The kayaker will be sent an email with instructions to acknowledge the waiver. No registration will be considered complete until a swimmer and kayaker have registered and acknowledged the waiver."

Below the description, the text reads "Swimmer/Kayaker Pair for Mary Fischer".

At the bottom, there are three buttons: "Join an Existing Swimmer/Kayaker Pair", "Create a New Swimmer/Kayaker Pair", and "Join the Same Swimmer/Kayaker Pair as Bob Fischer". A yellow arrow labeled "3. Click Here" points to the "Join the Same Swimmer/Kayaker Pair as Bob Fischer" button.

At the very bottom, there are "Continue" and "Back" buttons.

6. **Answer these questions.**

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://runsignup.com/Race/Register/?regToken=6699195360&raceId=48675#>. The page title is "Questions for Bob Fischer".

The form fields include:

- T-Shirt Option: XLarge
- What is your expected time to finish?: 3 Hrs, 0 Mins, 0 Secs
- Please enter the time in which you expect to finish the course.
- Will the kayaker need to use the Fire Island Ferries to get a kayak to Fire Island? Yes (selected), No
- Please confirm your role as swimmer or kayaker: Swimmer

Below this section, the text reads "Questions for Mary Fischer".

The form fields include:

- T-Shirt Option: Small
- Will the kayaker need to use the Fire Island Ferries to get a kayak to Fire Island? Yes (selected), No
- Please confirm your role as swimmer or kayaker: Kayaker

7. If you wish to make a donation at this time, it can be done here.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://runsignup.com/Race/Register/?regToken=ef9803fd0b&raceId=48675&track=donations#>. The page header is orange and contains the text "Register For Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim" and a "Back to Swim Website" link. Below the header, the text reads "Donate to the Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim" and "Donations Benefit the Following Charity: Maggie Fischer Memorial Great South Bay Swim Inc". A "test" label is present. A note states "This race is accepting donations that will be processed through FirstGiving". Under "Donation Information", there are two input fields: "Donation Amount" with a "\$" symbol and "On Behalf Of". At the bottom of the form are "Continue" and "Back" buttons.

8. Review the charges, enter your credit card information, and confirm.

The screenshot shows the registration review page. The header is orange with "Register For Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim" and "Back to Swim Website". The main content is titled "Review your registration information:". It is divided into three sections: "Swim Information", "Registrants", and "Registration Cart".

Swim Information

- Swim: Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim
- Location: Brightwaters, NY US 11718
- Swim Date: July 19, 2019

Registrants

Bob Fischer

- Date of Birth: August 25, 1948
- Age On 07/19/2019: 70
- Address: 80 Iroquois Drive, Brightwaters, NY US 11718
- Phone: 631-521-4085
- Email: bobfische@gmail.com
- Swim: Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim
- Swimmer/Kayaker Pair: ttt
- T-Shirt: XLarge

Mary Fischer

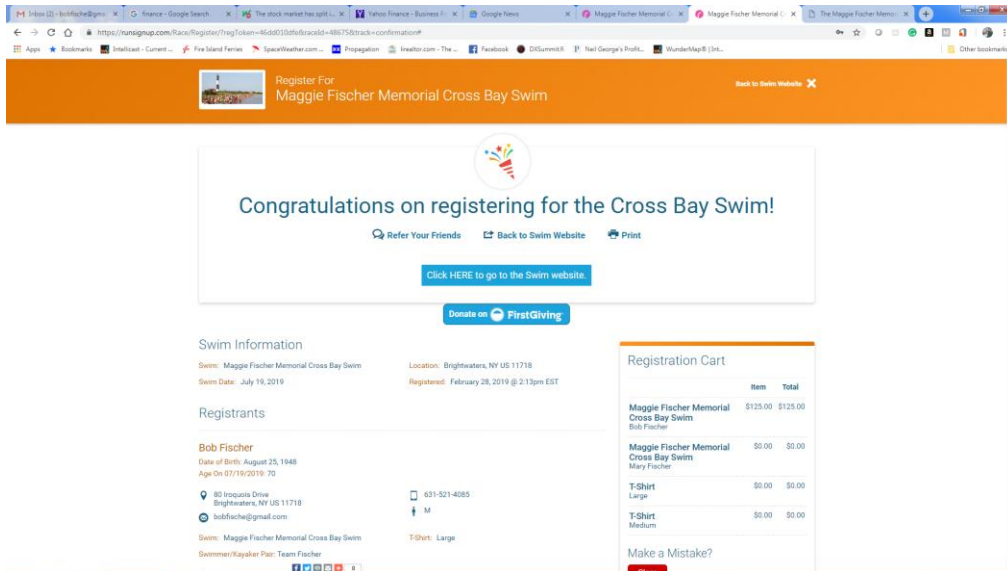
- Date of Birth: January 1, 1970
- Age On 07/19/2019: 49
- Address: 80 IROQUOIS DR, Brightwaters, NY US 11718
- Phone: 631-665-1284
- Email: mary2ngl@gmail.com
- Swim: Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim
- Swimmer/Kayaker Pair: ttt
- T-Shirt: Small

Registration Cart

Item	Total
Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim Bob Fischer	\$125.00
Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim Mary Fischer	\$0.00
T-Shirt XLarge	\$0.00
T-Shirt Small	\$0.00
Coupon Code	
Apply	
Base Cost:	\$125.00
Processing Fee:	\$7.50
Total:	\$132.50

At the bottom of the registration information section, there is an "Add Another Registrant" button.

- 9. Your transaction is shown, and an email will be sent to you confirming your actions. Your kayaker will get an email with instructions as well. Please urge your kayaker to sign the waiver ASAP.**



Filling Out The Paper Application

- Fill out the application ON LINE, then print and sign, include \$125 fee and send to the PO Box 332, Brightwaters NY 11718. If you must complete the form by hand, please print legibly! We especially need a legible email address since all of our communications will be done by email.
- If you and your kayaker are applying separately, each must fill out the application ON LINE, print and sign, and cross-reference one another on the form. The \$125 entrance fee is for BOTH the swimmer and the kayaker ! Registration fees are non-refundable. The entrance fee covers our expenses of organizing the swim.

Please mail completed applications to:

**Maggie Fischer Memorial Cross Bay Swim
 PO Box 332
 Brightwaters, NY 11718**