

**Ohio Swimming  
House of Delegates  
October 5, 2008**

**Club Attendance:**

Anderson Barracudas (Bannon)	Bowling Green Swim Club (Strunk)
Buckeye Swim Club/Hiliker Y (Jurg)	Bobcat Swim Club (Wakeley)
Cincinnati Aquatic Club (Rice)	Columbus Hilltop Y (Miller)
Northern KY Clippers (Roberts)	Cincinnati Marlins (Wolford)
Delaware Ohio Racing Club (Hawes)	Dayton Dolphins (Davis)
Dayton Raiders (Peaden)	Dublin Community Swim Team (Kuck)
Dynamo Swim Team (Sherman)	Findlay Area Swim Team (Leatherman)
Greater Columbus Swim Team (Nye)	Greater Toledo Swim Club (Pierson)
Kingfish Aquatic Club (Bachman)	Kettering City Swim Team (Back)
Licking County Family YMCA (Fightmaster)	Liberty Township/Powell Y (Promenschenkel)
Lancaster Y Swim Team (Heather ??)	Miami Valley Aquatic Club (Lindsay)
Milford Area Swim Team (Tameris)	Miami County YMCA (Ellis)
Miami University Swimming/Redhawk Aquatics (Davis)	New Albany Aquatic Club (Wharton)
Napoleon Aquatic Club (Finn)	Oak Hills Swim Team (Brodbeck)
Ohio State Swimming (Wadley)	Ohio University (Werner)
Powel Crosley YMCA (Leonard)	Mason Manta Rays (Heis)
Sycamore Flying Fish (Schlosser)	Sand Otter Swimming (Moran)
Springfield Y (Patmos)	Sylvania Tsunami Swim Club (Black)
Upper Arlington Swim Club (Saltus)	Westerville Aquatic Club (Peterfish)
Worthington Swim Club (Vrancken)	Washington Township Swim Club (Limkemann)

**Club Absent:**

Blue Ash YMCA	Beavercreek Y	Coffman Y
University of Cincinnati	Countryside YMCA	Defiance Y
RC Durr YMCA	Columbus Eagles Swim Team	Hilliard Hurricanes
Kettering South Comm Family Y	Mariemont Aquatic Club	Mercy Healthplex Sea Wolves
Seneca Aquatic Klub	Toledo Y Swimming	Wauseon Aquatic Club
YMCA Wahoos Swim Club		

**Board Attendance:**

Boettcher (General Chair)	Reynolds (Administrative Vice-Chair)
Black (Senior Chair)	Carrigan (Age Group Vice-Chair)
Strunk (Secretary)	Davis (Coach Chair)
Bockstiegel (Officials)	Schwab (Reg/NTV)
MacDonald (Sanction and Scheduling)	Pristash (Safety)
Nye (Technical Chair)	Peterkowski (High School Rep)
Wunderle (Jr Ath Rep)	Peaden (Top Times/Records)

**Call to Order:** 1:15 p.m.

**Secretary:** Minutes from May 2008 meeting approved

Team Athlete Representatives: currently in session; Jay Finn (Napoleon): athlete attendance is a problem because athletes from Napoleon are not currently registered because they are seasonal athletes.

Tim Myers: last year of second term of two year term will not be completed due to health.

**General Chair:**

GENERAL CHAIR'S REPORT TO OHIO SWIMMING, INC

OSI House of Delegates – October 5, 2008

As you will see in the Treasurer's report in a few minutes, our cash reserve position is very close to our target of one year of operating expenses. This means that at some point in 2009, we will be able to consider additional investment in or improvements to programs for our athletes. One of the key factors in helping improve our fiscal position was the good work that Tim Myers did in negotiating the Swim Connections fees to a level that represents an excellent cost/benefit ratio for OSI. I have also asked Tim and Kristi Princell to expand our budget and forecasts to a four year quadrennial horizon. We will be using that format in the future for our budget requests to the HOD. This is the same process that USA Swimming uses in its fiscal management process.

I want to take the opportunity in this report to congratulate and thank Todd Billhimer for his excellent work in getting our Camps Program up and running in a very short period of time! All I can do now is to encourage everyone to support Todd in the future as he develops this important program for all of our athletes.

In May we agreed to institute an improved process for athlete involvement in the governance of OSI. At the Convention in Atlanta, I convened an adhoc group to work out the details of the process. The report of that group is attached to this report. This is a very important area of improvement for us, because the athletes are the sole reason for our existence and our programs. From this point forward, all of our standing and adhoc committees need to target for 20% athlete membership in their groups. This will align us with the objective of USA-S.

The annual convention of USAS (of which USA-S is a part) was held in Atlanta last week. You will hear some of the highlights of the USA-S workshops and legislation in other reports to follow. I would like to address two areas that will affect our overall governance and operations.

First, USA-S is starting a program for LSCs called the LSC Evaluation and Achievement Program (LEAP). They will be piloting the program over the next few months with selected LSCs, and will have it available for general use in mid to late 2009. It is modeled after the Club Recognition Program and uses the same processes for the users to evaluate and plan for the future. I have reviewed the draft outline, and I believe that it will be an

excellent tool for us to use at this stage in our development. I'll be sending the outline of the program to the rest of the BOD so that they can start thinking about how we can use this tool over the next year or two.

The second area that will affect us is the movement of key parts of the LSC Bylaw template into the Rule Book, deleting obsolete portions of the template, and updating some of the language and provisions. I will be asking John Reynolds and Carolyn Strunk to review these changes against our current Bylaws and recommend any changes necessary to the HOD.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dick Boettcher  
General Chair, Ohio Swimming, Inc.

**Treasurer:** travel issue was resolved. \$25,000 surplus. Goal is to open a new cd with it. \$185,000. Please remember to take caring of details to put into expense report. Tom Burt makes approximately a \$500 payment every other month or every 3<sup>rd</sup> month. Courts have told us they will not support going after him. Unless the insurance company decides to go after him and spend their own money, Dick Boettcher would like to drop the matter. Disability budget item has been added. Proposed budget accepted and seconded. Complete treasurer reports can be found on the Ohio Swimming website.

**Registration:** starting fall 08 new address for mailing paperwork and checks. All forms and money go to Kristy. Documentation is critical. **Transmittal of funds form – on website; math checklist; how Kristy and Erin communicate.** Kristy removes money and then forwards everything else on to Erin. Erin still gets electronic file; it serves as intent to register that person. **Date, batch # and # of records!!!!** Failure to include documentation will delay registration. Errors in payment will delay registration. **TRANSFERS** will not be accepted from parents. Erin will mail them back. Again, must go through Kristy. Transfer fees are now waived unless they have already been registered for 09. It is important to have last date of meet. If there is no date, 120 days starts the date Erin receives the forms. **Coaches:** don't need to provide proof you have passed the online coach test until current certification expires. Lifeguarding is ok to use, but must provide proof of online test. **Background check:** recommend you initiate background check at the beginning of the month it is set to expire to allow for time to go through. **Meeting attendance:** reminder that teams must send the appointed (check your club registration form) club rep to one House of Delegates meeting per calendar year.

**NTV:** We will be auto loading relay leadoffs. No form required. Form needed only for intermediate splits of longer distances. Electronic or 3 watches. Electronic: ask for print out of electronic copy of that time to send in with the form. Approved/observed meets: application for both need to be to Erin a minimum of 10 days prior to the competition. USA is keeping track of these meets also. NCAA: all Division I NCAA loaded

automatically by USA. D2 and D3 go through Erin. Individuals must be registered at the time of swim.

**Admin Vice-Chair:** Changes that came out of convention need to be updated.

**Officials Chair:** Dayton clinic remaining. Very encouraging with the number of those who have attended. Swim suits: Beginning May 15, 2009, all 12 & unders may not wear a suit that goes higher than the neck, beyond the shoulder, or below the top of the knees.

### OFFICIALS REPORT FALL 2008 HOD

We are about done with our official's clinics for this fall. There is one remaining in Dayton on Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Please encourage any volunteers that would like to become an official to attend. See the web site for additional information.

USA Swimming Convention Note – Rules & Regulation Change. The following change is effective May 15, 2009, and will appear in the 2009 Rules and Regulations.

#### 102.9 SWIMWEAR

##### .1 Design

A Swimsuits worn for all 12 & under age group defined competition shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulder, nor past the knee.

B Swimsuits worn for competition must be non-transparent and conform to the current concept of the appropriate.

C The Referee shall have the authority to bar offenders from the competition until they comply with the rule.

Informational Note: 12 & under swimmers participating in senior events are not subject to this provision.

**Safety Chair:** Safety training for swim coaches/accidents: nationally-up; locally-down; Virginia graham- baker spa safety..... covering pool drains – please be sure your competition/training facility is up to code!

### Ohio Swimming, Inc. Spring House of Delegates Meeting Safety Chair Report October 5, 2008

1. Safety Training For Swim Coaches
  - Procedures for renewal approved by USA Swimming in July 2008.
  - Complete the online Safety Training Test and present the email showing completion of the test along with a current lifeguarding card to your LSC Registration person.
  - Present a Safety Training for Swim Coaches certification card. This card can be obtained by successful completion of the online Safety Training Test combined with demonstrating certain required water skills to a certified Red Cross instructor OR by taking a full Safety Training for Swim Coaches course. Either way, a Safety Training for Swim Coaches card will be generated.
  - More detailed information on USA Swimming web site.
2. 2008 Six Month (January-June) Accident Statistics.
  - 534 accidents reported nationally (up slightly from 530 last year).

- 5 accidents reported in Ohio (down significantly from 12 last year).
  - Summary/statistics available: contact John Pristash.
3. Virginia Graeme Baker Pool & Spa Safety Act
- The Act specifies that on or after December 19, 2008, swimming pool and spa drain covers available for purchase in the United States must meet specific performance requirements. Additionally, public swimming pools, wading pools, spas and hot tubs must meet requirements for installation of compliant drain covers. New drain covers which meet the current standard are now beginning to make their way into the marketplace. Additionally, in certain instances, public pools and spas must have additional devices or systems designed to prevent suction entrapment.
  - Portions of e-mail from Mick Nelson, USA Swimming Club Facilities Development Director: *"The new federal regulations - Graeme Baker Act - do not always adversely impact commercial pools since their main drains can be part of a piping loop that also includes skimmers or gutters. Sometimes it is simply just installing a valve (see below) that would go get water from someplace else if the drain were obstructed or even better just immediately shut the pump off.. Manufacturers are in the process of designing safer drain grates that are anti-suction.*

*The biggest snafu is that the specific regulations initially set forth really were written pertaining to smaller sized drains and sumps. In fact, the only item that has been actually brought to market that meets the ASME/ANSI standards is only designed for a maximum of a 9" x 9" drain opening. Some of the final requirements for the larger size grating areas may not have been finalized – even as we speak. The industry has addressed these smaller, generally 'residential' sized drains this past year. To date, while several companies are in development/ testing approval process, there is not a "sanctioned" replacement cover yet available today for your Standard 12" x 12" or 18" x 18" commercial sizes – let alone the larger custom units typically used for special spray features or lazy rivers, etc.*

*We deal with folks who have, and still can, been able to manufacture grating assemblies that keep flow velocities down and limit any potential entrapment possibilities. However, now that this bill is being enacted, they are waiting for the final criteria to be set forth – so they can determine what alterations, if any, they need to make so that their products can be submitted for testing. The testing requirement adds a very large cost to manufacturing the products – making the producers think very hard about exactly what size units they will offer as "standards". Following that line of thinking you can imagine that it really complicates trying to fabricate custom size drain covers.*

*The things we are stressing in regards to this whole issue are:*

- # 1). Bottom line, the law is designed to prevent harm to swimmers from drain entrapment.*
- # 2). If the pool drains are not directly connected to a pump suction (flows into a surge tank or vacuum-type filter that is open to atmosphere) then nothing needs to be done.*
- # 3). Until such time as practical, accredited products are available for the drains that are directly connected – install an automatic vacuum safety shutoff/anti-entrapment device on the pump suction line. One such device is the Stingl SVRS device [Lincoln part number 33-338]. With this device in place you have ensured that your pump will shut down in a matter of milliseconds should it detect a sudden rise in vacuum. The pump will remain off until it has been manually re-set to run. Lincoln aquatics has an on line catalog [www.lincolnaquatics.com/](http://www.lincolnaquatics.com/)*
- # 4). As a practical matter, there may not be viable, accredited products on the market for large commercial size drains until sometime in mid to late 2009 – so do what you can to be as protected as possible in the meantime.*

*We are monitoring the "hotlines" from various manufacturers and will do our best to stay abreast of the situation and available products as they develop.*

*I do not think that you will lose a pool because of this as it will have a relatively economical solution for just about any pool."*

- A good analysis of this rule can be found at the Consumer Product Safety Commission's web site (<http://www.cpsc.gov/phth/vgpsa.pdf>)

Respectively submitted:



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Safety Chair  
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**Information on Safety Training for Swim Coaches**

TO: LSC Safety Chairs, Zone Consultants, LSC Membership Chairs

I'm getting flooded with calls from coaches who call their local ARC chapter and are told that the chapter (a) doesn't offer STSC or (b) doesn't have any instructors. What I have found is that the person answering the phone at that chapter may not have the correct information, but the instructors usually do know what's going on. I tell coaches to call their local chapter and ask to speak directly with an LGI or WSI (Lifeguard Instructor or Water Safety Instructor). Every ARC chapter has LGI's and WSI's, and these are the people who can now teach Safety Training for Swim Coaches. It should be much easier to find a course now, not more difficult. If the instructor doesn't know that s/he can teach STSC, tell her/him to go to the ARC website and visit Instructor's Corner. All the information is right there. When coaches call you for help in finding a STSC class, please relay the above information to them.

Safety Training for Swim Coaches has two components - a four-hour classroom session and a four-hour water session. Coaches can opt out of the classroom session by going online and passing the 26-question STSC written test. Coaches who pass the online test will receive a confirmation email from USA Swimming. They print out the email and take it to their local ARC chapter, and schedule the water session. Upon successful completion of the water session, they will receive their STSC certification. It may take 3-4 weeks for their card to arrive, so they can ask the chapter to email or fax a copy of the Course Record Sheet to their LSC Membership Chair. A note written by the ARC instructor is not acceptable. The only acceptable paperwork would be the course record sheet or the STSC card itself.

Coaches who prefer to take the four-hour classroom session and the four-hour water session will receive their card several weeks after the course has been completed and can have the course record sheet sent to their LSC Membership Chair as well.

The ARC instructor is not supposed to give the four-hour water session to a coach until that coach has completed (a) the four-hour classroom session or (b) passed the online test. The ONLY time a STSC card should be issued is after BOTH components have been successfully completed.

Coaches who have a lifeguard certification are also required to take the 26-question online STSC written test when it is time to renew that certification requirement. These coaches will send their LSC Membership Chair a copy of the email confirmation that they have passed the test, along with their updated lifeguard certification.

Any coach who needs to renew his/her Safety Training for Swim Coaches requirement - or any new coach joining for the first time - must present one of the following:

\*STSC card issued by an ARC chapter (the course record sheet is also acceptable)

OR

\* Lifeguard card from the approved list, along with a printed copy of the email certifying that the coach has completed the online STSC written test.

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**Coaches:** athletes attended first meeting today. Megan Foster/Mary Wunderley: convention – politics; how decisions were made; new jr rep Mason Davis – for conv 09;

commission reps: NW: Michael Cavanaugh; SW: Morgan Emter; Central: Matt Gleason; Dayton: Max Litvinov;

**High school:** clinic was here all weekend. Same weekend next year (1<sup>st</sup> weekend in October); hs state meet: prelim d2 fri am pre d1 fri pm finals d2 sat am fin d1 sat am. Working on determining breaks during the sessions. Still looking at that.

**Age group:** new 3 year contract with hasty awards for championship awards. Thanks to KAW for their providing awards for the last 3 years. 50 strokes for 13-14 events was withdrawn; suit only applies to 12 and under events not open (11 yr girl swim in open 1650 may wear suit to ankles). Imx meet 09. 11-14 yr olds. Regional meets will be scored. Anyone not running regional or JO meet according to meet template, needs to get approval from age group committee rep.

**Senior:** USA Swimming requires 20% attendance/involvement by athletes in lsc. Oversight and ethics committee; cover issues of recruiting, etc. to this committee before going to board of review. Question came up as to whether this worked with our bylaws. See chris report July 9-12 for senior meet

Senior Chair Report  
October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008

The 2008 USA Swimming meetings for senior level swimming was largely a review of the USA National team performances at the Olympics. The primary goal for most of these meetings was to open discussion about the successes and failures of the US National team. The discussions largely focused on how to improve athlete performances at the 2012 London Olympics.

National Team director Mark Schubert spent 30 minutes reviewing the US team performances and the 2009 – 2012 Quadrennial Plan for the US National team and athletes. He briefly discussed attempts to have the 2012 Olympic Trials in Omaha June 17 – 24. However these dates conflict with the NCAA college world series and negotiations are ongoing to move dates so that Omaha can host the trials again.

The 2009 World Championship Trials are going to be hosted in Indianapolis and block rooms can be made through [www.allgreatracers.com](http://www.allgreatracers.com). You may also contact Arlene McDonald at [arlenemcd@aol.com](mailto:arlenemcd@aol.com). Time standards for this meet are posted on the USA Swimming web site. This is a trials meet with a subsequent US Open in August.

Because in a Trials event year, the trials become nationals, a US Open is used to replace USA Nationals. This summer will also have a trials meet and subsequently a US Open. This summer's US Open will be held in Federal Way, Washington with Jr. Nationals being contested there the week after the US Open.

Coach Schubert did recognize Jack Roach who has been named USA Swimming Jr. National Team Director. USA Swimming is looking to add two Jr. National team events and they are looking at qualifying criteria for selection to those teams. Their concern is that 160 athletes made the Jr. National Team time standard and that there are not that many slots to put athletes in. They have also changed the bonus event criteria for Jr. Nationals/Nationals from 1 for 1 to 1 event gives you two bonus events as long as the athlete meets the Bonus Time Standard. The Jr. National Time Standards are posted on the USA Swimming web site.

Along with the discussion of meeting the needs of our athletes and providing meaningful competitive opportunities a new meet concept has been developed. The concept is the Senior Zone Championship and details are still forthcoming. This is a team meet for individual clubs and is not an LSC championship meet. It will not replace the Sectional meets and has to be contested the same weekends as Sr. and Jr. National events. The initial year that this meet will be hosted is in 2010. It will be 15 and over swimmers who; 1) 18 & under swimmers who have not surpassed the Summer Jr. National cut in that event. 2) 19 & over swimmers who have not surpassed National time standards. The meet will utilize 15 – 16 AAA time standards. The finals of the meet will be established as follows; 1) A – Final Top 8 Swimmers 2) B – Final, next fastest 18 & under swimmers 3) C – Final, next fastest 8 Swimmers.

The 2007 – 2008 swim season was a successful season for Ohio Senior Swimmers. Ohio Swimming had the following athlete representation at:

USA Swimming Olympic Trials

- 19 OSI Athletes competed in the Olympic Trials
- 11 athletes were of high school age
- 8 athletes were collegiate or post collegiate athletes

USA Swimming Open

- 7 OSI Athletes competed in the US Open

USA Swimming Jr. Nationals

- 34 Ohio Athletes competed in the Jr. Nationals in Minneapolis

USA National Team Members from Ohio

Jr. National Team Members

- Margo Geer – SPY
- Kate McNeilis – WAC
- Brian Howell - CM

Sr. National Team Members

- Nick Thoman – Longhorn Aquatics (formerly with CAC)
- Katie Carroll – Club Wolverine (formerly with GTAC)
- Whitney Myers – Tuscon Ford (formerly with MAKO)

While senior swimming in Ohio appears to have been successful during the past 12 months we are also faced with some challenges for the coming quadrennial period. The first challenge is dealing with the lack of participation, performance, and enthusiasm in the summer senior championships. We must also decide how to implement/support the Senior Zone Championship if Ohio Swimming indeed wants to support this meet format. Increasing the number of high school aged athletes that OSI sends to Jr., Sr., US Open, and Trial level meets. Finally, as a coaching community we need to find ways of increasing the number of athletes who make the US Jr., National teams, and USA Swimming national time standards.

**Adaptive:** (NOTE: I deeply apologize for the delay in completing this report. Your patience in receipt of this is greatly appreciated.)

Ohio Swimming, Inc. was well represented this past Olympic year on the adapted side of swimming. Ohio Swimming was represented by athletes Beth Kolbe and April Kerley of Seneca Aquatic Klub along with Coach Peggy Ewald as an assistant coach on the staff and Cindy Roberts (GTAC) served the IPC as an official at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games. Coach Keith Kennedy was appointed to the trip as an assistant coach but had to decline the position due to scheduling conflicts.

Kolbe finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50 Freestyle setting a new American Record and 8<sup>th</sup> in the 50 Backstroke for the S3 classification while Kerley finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50 Free, 9<sup>th</sup> in the 100 Freestyle and 14<sup>th</sup> in the 100 Butterfly in the S9 classification. This was both Kolbe and Kerley's first Paralympics games experience, although Kolbe earned a position in 2004 for Athens, she declined and began her freshman year of college at Harvard University.

Kolbe graduated this past spring from Harvard and will begin Law School at Stanford in the fall of 2009. Kerley, resides in Loveland, and works fulltime for Financial Consultants in Cincinnati. Both athletes will continue to train over the next quad in preparation for 2012 in London. Ewald will continue to be part of the Travel Coaches list serving the US Paralympic Team.

Interest in adaptive swimming has improved with the increase in publicity of the Paralympic Games. As increased awareness continues, the goal is to improve the inclusion of disabled athletes into able bodied programs. US Paralympics, with increased support from the USOC, will be implementing a few new programs in 2009 and begin the US Paralympics Swimming resident program in January of 2010 in preparation of the 2012 Games.

The next meet for classification of disability swimming will be March 22-24, 2009 in Portland Oregon at the Spring Can-Am Meet at Mt. Hood Community College. Interested parties can visit the adaptive page of swimohio.com for further information.

Bag tags were purchased to pass out to teams and swimmers interested in Ohio Swimming. The tags refer people to the website for information on abled and disabled swimming.

If any Ohio team is interested in more information on inclusion of disabled swimmers, please feel free to contact me. Packets of information on the classification process and more are available and ready to send to those in need. If a team or coach would like to have a packet on hand for reference, please let me know, I can send you one.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peggy Ewald, Ohio Adaptive Chair

**Diversity:** participation in outreach hasn't taken off in Ohio. USA doesn't provide much support except for discount in USA reg. Can enter meets for no fee. Host team can be reimbursed those fees. Registrations MUST go through Tammy first. Actively negotiating with KastAWay to get equipment donated. Will receive a goody bag to be outfitted as the rest of teammates. OSI has a budget line item to be used. Dec 31??:  
Form avail for reimbursement of host clubs??

**Zones:** see Brent Peaden's report Aug 7-9, 2009 Noblesville, IN. New time standards for 09-12.

#### OHIO ZONE TEAM REPORT Oct 5, 2008

##### 2008 USA Central "Mega" Zone Championship Recap

Team Ohio finished 3<sup>rd</sup> out of the 15-team field in the Central Zone. Excellent job considering we did not field a large 15-18 boy and girl age group. The 11-12 girls won the age group. The 10 & Under boys were second. The 10 & Under girls and 13-14 boys were 3<sup>rd</sup>. Alisabeth Marsteller (12) won the individual High Point for the 11-12 girls.

Congratulations to the "Mega Zone" Champions – gold medals were awarded to these individuals at the 2008 Central Zone Championships – which is (and could be for a long time) the largest Age Group Championship in USA history: **Alisabeth Marsteller (12) – Mason Manta Rays**, 200 IM (2:29.52 – 13<sup>th</sup> in USA), 200 Free (2:10.32 – 9<sup>th</sup> in USA) – central zone meet record. **Kendra Crew (13) – Springfield YMCA**, 100 Breast (1:15.52 – 9<sup>th</sup> in USA). **Zhada Fields (10) – Greater Toledo Aquatics Club**, 50 Back

(:35.11 – 11<sup>th</sup> in USA). **Tommy Cope (10) – Dayton Raiders**, 50 Breast (:38.78 – 4<sup>th</sup> in USA). **Scott Richmond (12) – Miami Valley Aquatics** (Oxford), 100 Breast (1:14.93 – 10<sup>th</sup> in USA). **Sharli Brady (12) – Northern KY Clippers**, 100 Fly (1:07.85 – 16<sup>th</sup> in USA)

### **2009 Central Zone Championships**

Teams: AR, IL, IN, LE, OH, OK, OZ

Location: Noblesville (IN)

Dates: Aug 7-9, 2009 (Registration on Aug 6, Open Water on Aug 10)

The Ohio Travel Team and staff will have lodging setup north of Indianapolis; information will be available in spring 2009.

### **National Time Standards Updated For 2009-2012**

There are new time standards for the quadrennial years 2009-2012, which includes AAA standards that qualify swimmers to the Zone Championships.. You can view the new time standards at the USA Swimming and Ohio Swimming websites. To qualify for the Central Zone Open Water Championships, the qualifying criteria is unchanged – swimmers must have achieved a National A time in the longest distance freestyle of their age group within the 12 months preceding the previous year's Zone Championship Meet.

### **Website**

Visit the Ohio Swimming, Inc (OSI) website at [www.swimohio.com](http://www.swimohio.com) and select "All Star Teams" from the menu.

### **E-Mail Distribution List**

Parents & swimmers wanting to be added to the "Ohio Zone Team" distribution list send an e-mail to the Ohio Zone Team Coordinator Brent Peaden at [bpeaden@woh.rr.com](mailto:bpeaden@woh.rr.com)

*Respectfully Submitted by:*

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OHIO ZONE TEAM COORDINATOR

**Records/Top 16:** Let Brent know if any records did not get updated. All-Central Zone team: jr/natl/olymp team. Names to be sent to Brent if qualify under criteria.

### **OHIO RECORDS REPORT**

**Oct 5, 2008**

#### **Ohio Long Course Records**

- A total of six (6) Ohio Championship meet records and six (6) Ohio Local Swimming Chapter (LCS) records were broken and reported to the Ohio Records Chair during the 2008 long course season. These records have been added to the entire list of LSC records and will be posted to the OSI website by Nov 1. No "Records Applications" were received by the Records Chair, so if a club is unsure if a record has been captured, they can inquire from the Records Chair.
- Coach Chris Pierson and Brent Peaden have made a final scrub of all LC records dating back to the 1970's. They are approximately 85% through the entire list. They have been going line-by-line and cross-checking records with all available USA databases and meet results. The reason is due to poor recordkeeping in the late 1980's and early to mid-1990's when computers were not accurately carrying over records from year to year. We plan to have all lc records available for review on the OSI website by Nov 1.

#### **Ohio Short Course Records**

- All short course records following the 2007-2008 season are posted to the Ohio Swimming website at [www.swimohio.com](http://www.swimohio.com)

#### **National "Top 16" Rankings and USA-Swimming**

- National T16 certificates from long course 2007 have been (or are being) distributed to Ohio clubs and coaches. If you did not receive your club's T16 certifications, contact the Ohio Records Chair.

- All certificates are awarded based on times that are ranked in the top 16 in the USA-Swimming SWIMS database at the conclusion of the sc and lc seasons. Simply achieving a “Top 16” time standard does not generate a National Top 16 certificate.
- Beginning with sc 2008 and lc 2008, USA-Swimming no longer tracks “Top 16” times. USA-Swimming will now distributed certificates based on the nation’s “Top 10” times for all ages 11 & over. These will be done by age (not age group). For example: top 10 “11 year olds”, top 10 “12 year olds”...etc.
- The Toyota National Club Championships is now available on the USA-Swimming website. This program extracts results from the official USA SWIMS database, applies an IMX ranking to each performance, and creates a national club ranking. Certain criteria apply; please review the guidelines on the USA-Swimming website.
- USA-Swimming will be implementing a “mythical” point system based on top 16 times for each age group. Details coming soon.
- A summary of IMX programs and Virtual Club Championships has been submitted to all participants at the Spring 2008 HoD. If you did not attend and wish to have a copy e-mailed to you, please contact the OH Records Chair.

**SWIMS and SWIM CONNECTION**

- All Ohio Sanctioned meets from lc 2008 have been uploaded to the official USA-Swimming “SWIMS” db, as well as the Ohio “SWIM CONNECTION” db so long as Ohio maintains its relationship with SWIM CONNECTION.
- All results can be viewed in the public-access “SWIMS” database at [www.usaswimming.org](http://www.usaswimming.org), select “Times/Time Standards” from the main menu.
- Coaches and team managers should know that Hy-Tek “result files” for every meet an Ohio swimmer attends, whether in-LSC or out-of-LSC, are always available at Ohio’s “SWIM CONNECTION” within a day or two after the conclusion of the meet, as long as you request and gain approval for “meet manager privileges” when you logon. Go to [www.swimconnection.com/oh/](http://www.swimconnection.com/oh/) ...no more waiting around after a meet to get your results file!!

*Respectfully Submitted by:*

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**Camps (Billhimer):** level 1- too early. Cancelled. Level 2 camp in December. Will determine how the program continues. Hosts are good. Waiting for USA to get weekend for training center availability. Camps flier to put in meet packets, post around facility.

**Technical Chair (Nye):** trying to work with hs/coach/ag/sr comm. Helping keep a balance between all the programs.

**Old business:** At the May meeting, we tabled dues and fees with swim connection. Dick: leave on the table. Why: Tim Myers negotiated a fee for services 2. Should financially support it because we have generated a surplus of funds and should be able to pay. Don’t see a need to discuss further at this point.

**New business:** website: if want to do on own, get login/pass from Chris Pierson; anything on front page, email Chris Pierson

**Sanction lc 09:**

Sr meet: mason @kenyon 9-12

Reg meet: gtac @bg 10-12

Cm

JO: mako 7/16-19

May 16-17 at bgsu (Sylvania )

May 15-17 cinci m imx

Mccorcle 15-17 ossc p/f sr/open

may 30-31 clippers

june 6-7 bg invite

june 5-7 cac classic

june 19-21 creekside cols

19-21 napol inv

19-21 david webb clippers

June 24 open water

June 26-28 findlay

June 26-28 typ p/f cinci

July 4-5 holy tol inv at detwiler

July 3-5 mike peppe p/f osu

7 fast lc tt

Cm 7 ch qual keating

**Spring meeting:** May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, Bowling Green State University

**Offices to elect:** Senior Chair, Age Group Chair, Treasurer, Officials Chair, Technical Chair, any nominations must be submitted, with consent, to the Nominating Committee (roberts, wendorff, olilla, boett, houk).

**Motion to adjourn 2:38 pm**