

# **刈DA** Broomfield Barracudas Swim Club

**Broomfield Barracudas Swim Club Newsletter** 

June 2010

# Message from the President

I want to let you all know about a change in leadership on the Broomfield Barracudas. Coach Tex will be leaving the team after the long course season in August. We thank Coach Tex for his service and wish him well.

Coach Andrew will assume the role as Head Coach. We are excited to welcome Coach Andrew in his new position. Coach Tom and Coach Jonathan will continue their roles as assistant coaches.

Again, as I stated last month, Communication is critical to the success of our team. The www.teamcudas.com web site is the core of that communication along with email and newsletters. I would also encourage you to attend any of our general board meetings; your input is greatly appreciated. You can always email me CUDApresident@gmail.com, any Board member or Coach directly with any items you wish to discuss.

Thank you for your continued support of the BBSC. Kevin Mackey, BBSC President

#### **Coaches Corner**

#### **Head Coach Tex**

When we hype a meet as much as we did this Missouri meet and we travel 11 hours to race, we expect to swim very fast. The swimmers who attended more than delivered. While facing competition from 700 other swimmers, our 18 swimmers raced all weekend at 90% lifetime bests for the meet! Many of the improvements where substantial and the rest were unbelievable to the Cuda crowd in the stands. The meet began with the 1500 free, where Ryan Drozda improved by a minute to go 18:19, Hailey Spratte improved by a minute and 20 seconds to go 18:45 and her first ever Western Zone qualifying time. Jacob Davis and Shelly Drozda improved by around 30 seconds, fast enough for each to set the new club record (17:26 for Jacob and 18:30 for Shelly).

As we settle into shorter races, the speeds came up and the improvement continued. Sidney Trimm placed 2nd in the 50 freestyle out of 55 competitors and made the top 10 in 4 other events. Logan Sainsbury swam his fastest ever 100 free in the first half of his 200 free and then finished the 200 with his 2nd fastest ever 100 freestyle what a swim! Shelly Drozda took 3 meet records the 100 Breast, the 200 IM and the 200 free.

Our backstrokers dominated their heats. Elizabeth Peterson and Hailey Spratte battled from lane 8 and lane 1, leaving the rest of the field way behind in the 200 backstroke; that same pair both achieved Western Zones qualifying times in the 100 back. Alix Field was able to improve her 200 back by 10 seconds. Mary Lombardi added to her state qualifying times the 100 back, the 400 IM and the 400 free. Kris Kerr was on the whole meet, putting together a spectacular 200 breaststroke, 11 seconds faster than ever, and the fastest 200 breaststroke by any Barracuda of any age. It was beautiful to watch our swimmers, up against incredible competition, swimming at their best for the whole weekend way to go Cudas!

Tex

## **Coach Andrew**

Summer is here and the days are about to fly by. On the calendar however, days pass by literally once inch at a time, and as this summer progresses we as a team inch closer to a pool to call home in the fall and foreseeable future. Barring any sudden change in construction deadlines we should be able to begin practice for groups white and up come September; at the brand new, Adams 12 operated, 50-meter Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center (located in Thornton.) This is long awaited and great news.

As a club, our upper tier have been nomads for almost two years now. Constantly bouncing from one pool to another, swimming wherever there was an empty lane of water. We greatly appreciate the loyalty of all of those that have stuck with us up to this point! Now, nothing is official as of yet. All agreements we have at this point are still verbal and tentative. The good news though is that we've been working very closely with the top brass in the district for the past few years and intensified negotiations in the past few months (give Laura Peterson a big pat on the back if you see her!) This being a brand new facility though, T's need to be crossed and I's must be dotted, thus the reasoning for the process taking as long as it has. Hopefully by early July we should be able to write a more concrete and definitive newsletter article about having a contract in writing and signed.

Swimmers of the month from BCC Red Group

#### Red Group

**Girl ~ Annie Shen:** Annie improved greatly in the month of May by coming to practice, and working hard. Great Job Annie!

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Girl ~ Annie Shen Boy ~ Hsuen Lee	Boy ~ Hsuen Lee: Hsuen has shown remarkable improvement in his first month back since last summer. His great attendance, wonderful attitude, and hard work serve as a great model for the group. Keep it up Hsuen!
Silver Group Girl ~ Sophia Romero Boy ~ Michael Du	Silver Group  Girl ~ Sophia Romero: Sophia has been working as hard as anybody in the group, and the results have been evident. Sophia swam out of her mind fast this past weekend at the Maxx meet, and we look forward to seeing her continue her torrid pace throughout the rest of the season!
	<b>Boy ~ Michael Du:</b> Michael took incredible strides in May, culminating with his 30 second total time drop performance at the pizza meet. Unfortunately, Michael then broke his arm and we hope to see him pick up where he left off upon his return!
	WAY TO GO SWIMMERS! ~Coach Tom
Mark your Calendar	Date June 30th Water World – TEAM Day Info posted on website July 10-11 Northern Colorado Gold and Silver Meet July 20 8 & Under Championship meet July 30 – Aug.1 Colorado State Meet August 22nd Team Registration Day for next season
State Meet is being held in Grand Junction, CO 7/30 – 8/1	The team has reserved a block of rooms at the <b>Comfort Inn</b> in Fruita, CO. There is a large soccer tournament occurring the same weekend so hotels are already filling in the Grand Junction area. Fruita is located about 12 miles from the Lincoln Park Pool. Below is the hotel information:  400 Jurassic Avenue  Fruita, CO 81521-9535
Hotel Information: Comfort Inn Fruita, CO	(970) 858-1333  We have very few rooms in our team block and are seeking additional. Call now to reserve your room if you know you are attending. Queen and King standard rooms are available for \$89.00. The block will expire on June 30th.  Cancellation Policy Guaranteed reservations need to be cancelled by July 20th, 2010-approximately 1 week prior to the arrival day by 5:00 PM or you will be charged.
	We have rooms July $28^{th} - 31^{st}$ . Choose the number of nights that works for your family.
	You may also look in Grand Junction at other hotels. Below is a budget hotel (\$69.99/night) that some families have been able to call in individually and book:
	Rodeway Inn 141 N First Street Grand Junction, CO 81501 970-245-8585
Practice Schedule	White, Advanced White, Senior and Elite:
North Glen HS Swimmers:	White:         9:00 – 10:45am 5:30 – 6:30pm sprint @NorthGlenHS           Tuesday/Thursday         7:15 – 9:00am @NorthGlenHS           Wednesday/Friday         9:00 – 10:45am @NorthGlenHS
	Advanced White:         Monday       7:00 – 9:15am -&- 5:00 – 6:30pm @NorthGlenHS         Tuesday       8:45 – 11:00am @NorthGlenHS         Wednesday/Friday       7:00 – 9:15am @NorthGlenHS         Thursday       8:45 – 11:00am -&- 5:00 – 6:15pm @NorthGlenHS         Saturday       8:00 – 10:15am @NorthGlenHS

Senior:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:45 – 11:00am @NorthGlenHS

Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 – 9:15pm -&- 5:00 – 7:00pm @NorthGlenHS

Saturday 8:00 – 10:30am @NorthGlenHS

Elite:

Monday 7:00 – 9:30am -&- 5:00 – 7:00pm @NorthGlenHS Tuesday/Thursday 8:45 – 11:00am -&- 5:00 – 7:00pm @NorthGlenHS

 Wednesday
 7:00 – 9:30am @NorthGlenHS

 Friday
 7:00 – 9:30am @NorthGlenHS

 Saturday
 8:00 – 10:30am @NorthGlenHS

Developmental, Red and Silver:

Developmental:

Monday/Wednesday 5:00 – 5:50pm @BCC

Tuesday/Thursday 4:00 – 4:50pm -or- 5:00 – 5:50pm @BCC

Friday 4:00 – 5:00pm @BCC

Red: (practice up to 5 times each week)

 Monday/Wednesday
 6:00 – 7:00pm @BCC

 Tuesday/Thursday
 5:30 – 6:30pm @BCC

 Friday
 5:00 – 6:00 pm @BCC

Silver: (practice up to 5 times each week)

 Monday/Wednesday
 5:00 - 6:15pm @BCC

 Tuesday/Thursday
 4:00 - 5:30pm @BCC

 Friday
 4:00 - 5:15pm @BCC

# Notes from the CUDA Treasurer

**BCC Swimmers:** 

## **Dues and Payment Options**

Below is the dues structure:

Developmental \$55/month
Red \$195/quarter
Silver \$225/quarter
White \$285/quarter
Advanced White \$315/quarter
Senior \$345/quarter
Elite \$390/quarter

This time of year, we often receive questions regarding taking time off from swimming and the impact on your bill.

Team policy states that we do not credit your account for time taken off. The primary reason is we bill on a weighted average of expected expenses for our entire fiscal year (September 1st through August 31st). For the same reason, please be aware, that all swimmers in the Red group and above are charged for the entire 4th quarter even though the team does not practice during the month of August.

So even though your swimmer may be taking some time-off from practice, the team still incurs a number of fixed expenses that we still are charged for, whether it is the middle of October, or the middle of July. Exceptions are made for medical conditions that prevent your swimmer from getting in the pool, as well as any other unusual situation that may arise. We are always more than willing to consider and evaluate these situations.

Change in dates to Fundraising and Volunteer Hour Credit Cutoff: The board recently approved minor changes to the cutoff dates for volunteer hours and fundraising. In order to receive credit for LC volunteer hours, all hours must be worked by July 25<sup>th</sup> (which coincides with the last meet of the season).

Further, all King Sooper gift card purchases and card reloads must be made by July 10<sup>th</sup> (this is due to King Soopers' reporting cycle). Purchases of Pizza Pals and Safeway script from the Bratcher's must be made by July 15<sup>th</sup>. Purchases after these dates will carry over and be applied against next season's SC billing cycle. This will allow our business manager time to make adjustments and credits for the August billing cycle.

	Please send any questions you might have to <a href="mailto:cudacash@comcast.net">cudacash@comcast.net</a>
Board Openings	Upcoming general Board meetings are generally scheduled for the third Monday of each month, from 7:00 am-9:00 pm, at the BCC. All Barracuda team members are invited to attend and participate in the meetings. Our next meeting will be held on Monday July 19 <sup>th</sup> (the third Monday) from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
	We have two board members whose terms will expire in August 2010. We will vote in two, new, Board members (from parents/guardians of current, BBSC swimmers) at the August 22nd Parent/Registration meeting.
	This is a volunteer position and we are grateful for the time and effort given to support our club. We encourage any parent/guardian to consider joining the Board Board duties include:
	Attend each regularly scheduled monthly meeting     Attend any executive or special Board meetings     Actively participate in Board discussions, actions and voting
	Have daily access to email. The Board conducts many discussions (between regular Board meetings) via email so that Club activities/decisions can take place in a timely manner.      Be visible as a representative of the CUDA Team (help hosting meets, team parties, etc.)
	If you are interested in pursuing a Board position, please email the current Board President, Kevin Mackey, <a href="mailto:cubApresident@gmail.com">CUDApresident@gmail.com</a> .
Call for Officials	The CUDAs are in need of more officials to assist the club when hosting meets. Officials play a critical role in making each meet count for times, without this role, meet times can not be entered into USA swimming results. You do not need to have previous swimming experience, just the joy of seeing your child from the front row. There are several training opportunities to become an official over the next several months. If interested please contact Marilyn Kerr, at MKKerr@Q.com, and she can explain the training process.
Volunteer Policy	Each family is required to volunteer 8 hours per year, 4 hours for Short and 4 hours for Long Course
	<ul> <li>Swim meets (timing, concession stand, etc)</li> <li>Other BBSC sponsored functions (Swim-a-thon, Broomfield Days, etc.)</li> </ul>
	Each hour under 4 not volunteered will result in a \$25/hour charge at the end of each season. Sign-up to volunteer at <a href="https://www.teamcudas.com">www.teamcudas.com</a> or submit questions to <a href="https://cudavolunteer@gmail.com">cudavolunteer@gmail.com</a>
Team Communications	If you have not done so already, please visit the Team web site and register yourself as a CUDA parent. ALL Team communication, meet information, meet registration, and member updates, etc. is done via email. Web site: <a href="https://www.teamCUDAs.com">www.teamCUDAs.com</a> or find <i>Broomfield Barracudas</i> on Facebook.
	Please contact Laura Peterson with any questions regarding registering as a CUDA parent.
	The Team does not sell or communicate outside of the CUDAS any personal information including email addresses.