Broomfield Barracudas Swim Club Newsletter

December 2009

Message from the President

Happy Holidays!

The Board, staff and coaches wish every swimmer, and swim family, best wishes for a relaxing holiday season. Short Course season has flown by and we've watched our swimmers grow and develop – both their swim skills and their physical appearance. I remember when my daughter and many of her swim friends were just 'bobbers' in the BCC pool. Now they are taller, stronger, athletes with many years of swimming ahead of them. The holidays are a great time to tell your athlete how proud you are of what they have accomplished.

During the holiday time, please take a moment to Thank your child's coaches as they put in many hours on deck, at meets, and in planning a successful swim experience.

Respectfully, Karen Zimmerman, BBSC President

Coaches Corner

First of all, congratulations to the Cuda swimmers for a great meet at Denver University last weekend. Among the highlights:

Head Coach Tex

Shelly Drozda dominated 7 events and set meet records in the 11-12 girls 100 free, 200 free and 500 free! Jacob Davis passed 3 other competitors in the last 50 to win the 13-14 boys 200 freestyle.

Fiona Dretzka had a breakout meet and added state qualifying times in the 50 free, 200 free, 200 back and 400 IM (improved 50 by over 2 seconds!)

Our 2010 State Teams will be stronger after Mary Lombardi qualified in the 1650 free and Hailey Spratte qualified in the 200 back!

Kaitlyn Allee swam in her first final after improving in the 100 breaststroke!

White, Advanced White, Senior and Elite swimmers have a great opportunity ahead to train and become better swimmers in 2010 - make them all!

The following is a list of changes to the Adams City schedule over the break:

December 21 - 23, 28 - 31:

 Senior
 8-10:15am @ADAMS

 Elite
 8:30-11:15am @ADAMS

 Advanced White
 9-11:15am @ADAMS

 White
 9:30-11:15am @ADAMS

December 24:

All 4 groups together at BCC from 8-10:30am, White finishes early (10am)

December 26, Jan 2:

Normal Saturday schedule, starting at 7:45am, + white group 7:45-9:30am

Swimmers of the month from BCC

Red Group

Girl ~ Megan Borfitz Boy ~ Kyle Mak

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Girl ~ Megan Borfitz: New to the sport, Megan has found her niche! Her attendance, work ethic, performance in meets, and recent promotion to the Silver group made this an easy call. Keep up the hard work!

Boy ~ Kyle Mak: New to the sport as of this Fall, Kyle has made amazing improvements, and continues to be one of the hardest workers in the pool. So much so that Kyle has just been promoted to the Silver group, congratulations!

Silver Group

Girl ~ Sidney Trimm Boy ~ Logan Sainsbury

Silver Group

Girl ~ Sidney Trimm: Sidney competed in her first swim meet ever in November, and while doing so she just missed a JO cut, and earned 3 Silver State times. Her attendance is steady, and her work ethic improves daily, great job Sidney!

Boy ~ Logan Sainsbury: Logan brought home the hardware from the CUDA Pentathlon. Not only that, but he

	continues to have superb attendance, and a tremendous work ethic at practice. Keep it up Logan!
	WAY TO GO SWIMMERS! ~Coach Tom
Upcoming Meets & Events	Mark your calendars! December 11 December 12 – 13 December 27 December 20 January 9 – 10 Red & Black Team Holiday Pizza Meet – Everyone Sign Up Loveland Meet – for swimmers who did not attend the CSI Open Duel in the Pool – Team Day at CB & Potts on 120 th in Westminster Suburban Meet MACS Meet
	March 5 – 7 Short Course State Meet EPIC, Fort Collins
State Meet Hotel Information	Comfort Inn 601 SW Frontage Rd. Fort Collins, CO 80524 (970)407-0100 The rate for a standard Double Queen is \$59.99 and King Suites or Double Queen Suites is \$74.99. There will be free standard continental breakfast available at 6:00am each morning.
	As you qualify to race in state, call and make your reservation. Ask for the Broomfield Barracuda Swim Club block rate. The rate will be released on Feb. 11th 2010. Also to avoid cancellation charges once your reservation has been made, you must call 72 hours prior to the arrival date to cancel in order to avoid the room charge for the entire stay.
Volunteer Job Sign Up	An Easier way to sign up to help out at Meets and get your credits for Volunteer hours. We now have in place an easy and convenient way to sign up for specific job opportunities and functions for meet support.
Pentathlon Meet	I'd like to thank all of you who timed this past weekend at the CSI meet and at the Cuda Hosted Pentathlon. Without involvement and support from our wonderful parents our meets would not happen. Thank you all so much for making our Team Hosted meets a huge success! It is so greatly appreciated.
	On another note I'd like to address a couple questions that have been asked frequently: - Can each family go in and look at their own volunteer hours? Yes, an individual can view their obligation and the up-to-dated balance under "\$ My Invoices/Payments" - "Volunteer Hours".
	- Can they adjust the hours themselves? No, an individual CANNOT change their yearly obligation or post hours. Only a Super User or Volunteer Coordinator can perform these tasks.
	Sincerely, Wendy Allee
Long Course Registration	The Long Course parent meeting and swimmer registration will be held on Feb. 21st, from 3:00-5:00 pm, at the BCC. All parents are encouraged to attend to hear a BBSC Club update, register their child for the LC season, pay their dues and purchase swim gear/equipment from our Club supplier, MISports.
Notes from the CUDA Treasurer	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

PAYMENT OPTIONS: You can submit payments the following ways (NO CASH please):

- mail payment to the BBSC P.O. Box 120, Broomfield, CO, 80038
- set up voluntary automatic withdrawal from you checking account (Setup Auto Pay on TeamUnify site)
- drop payment in the drop box in BCC drop box (there is NO drop box in Adams high school)
- We have just received approval from the credit card company to pay your dues/meet fees balance on a monthly basis. There will be a service charge of \$4 per month. Sign-up instructions will be sent out tomorrow.

Starting with the Long Course season (March 2010), there will be 2 payment options; either Automatic Check Withdrawal (ACH) or Credit Card (CC). There will be <u>no checks</u> accepted starting Feb 21st. Please consider starting to use ACH, or CC (when available). This is being done to increase the cash flow to the team and decrease the work load of the Business Manager.

This month there are a higher than usual number of bills not received by the due date. Please remember the Business Manager job is a volunteer position; please do not make it any harder by having her chase unpaid accounts. Payment not received by the 5th of the month will keep your child out of the water until payment is received in full. If your child has a different last name than the name on the check, please put your child's name in the Memo area. Team swim caps can now be billed thru the TeamUnify site.

Please send any questions you might have to cudacash@comcast.net

Fund Raising

King Soopers & Safeway gift cards

The new King Soopers cards are now re-chargeable; this means you can reload the cards on your own at King Soopers and a credit % still goes toward your family commitment. We are pleased that so many families are purchasing the King Soopers & Safeway Gift Cards and earning a percentage credit towards your seasonal \$50/family commitment. King Soopers & Safeway gift cards are easy to use for the purchase of groceries, grocery store gas, as well as the purchase of other national and local retailer's gift cards (Starbucks, Target, Olive Garden, Sears, Home Depot, Subway, etc.).

You may purchase the cards, in \$100 denominations, from our Scrip Volunteers: Kellie and Scott Bratcher (scottkellie@earthlink.net). Please email Scott and Kellie to arrange a time to meet, at one of the pools during regular swim practice to purchase your cards.

A percentage (%) of each, King Sooper & Safeway script purchased is credited to your swimmer's account and towards your \$50/Short Course, or \$50/Long Course, fundraising obligation.

Board Openings

We have been fortunate to have excellent parents/guardians over the years from a myriad of backgrounds and areas of expertise. We encourage any parent/guardian to consider joining the Board and supporting both the Team in an important way. This is a volunteer position and we are grateful for the time and effort given by each member.

Board duties include:

- Attend each regularly scheduled monthly meeting (held the third Friday from 11:00-1:00 pm)
- 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, in the Club community (at pools, events, meets), as a representative of the community

If you are interested in pursuing a Board position, please email the current Board President, Karen Zimmerman: karenIzimmerman@hotmail

Monthly BBSC Board Meeting

Starting in December and for the remainder of the 2009-2010 swim year (through August 2010), the Board will be meeting on the third Friday of the month from 11:00-1:00 pm at the Broomfield Community Center. We invite all interested parents/guardians to attend the board meetings.

	DECEMBER MEETING – Friday, December 18 th from 11:00-1:00 pm, at BCC JANUARY MEETING – Monday, January 15 th from 11:00-1:00 pm, at BCC FEBRUARY MEETING – Monday, February 19 th from 11:00-1:00 pm, at BCC
	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: www.teamCUDAs.com
	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.