

Front Range Barracudas 🚐





Swim Club

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November 2010

Message from the President

The short course season has started with a bang!! I want to welcome you all back to the team and I am looking forward to meeting you poolside. There are many new families this season and we are very excited to have you with us.

We have begun swimming in our new pool! So far the reports have all been positive – thanks to everyone who helped out on this transition.

We have updated our name and website to better reflect our geography and streamline the flow of information we provide to you. Go check it out. I want to thank the many parent volunteers and the coaches who worked hard over the August break to make this happen, this is a great team to be a part of, and I encourage you to jump in and help out wherever you can.

You may contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns. CUDAPresident@gmail.com Thank you for your continued support of the FRBSC. Kevin Mackey, FRBSC President

Coaches Corner

Head Coach Andrew

The Cudas had a very cool thing happen recently; something that most swim clubs don't get the chance to experience. Last week we had two prominent individuals from the club development side of USA Swimming drive up I-25 from Colorado Springs to visit our club. They met with me and Tom, and spent some time chatting with a couple of members from our board. We got to give them the layout of our club, we got to convey what we are doing to progress forward, and we were able to ask important questions about the future of our team. We left the meeting, for the most part, with the feeling that we are doing the right things as a club to eventually become one of the elite swim teams in Colorado. There were some interesting and intriguing angles that they brought to the table. We learned that we have a ways to go to get to where we want to be, but the overall consensus was that we were definitely going in the right direction. It was great to hear it from their mouths; that we are doing a lot of things well. It was a great to have such a reaffirming response from these individuals who have worked with literally hundreds of clubs from around the country.

Now, I used the word 'we' almost a dozen times in this article up until now, and when I use that word, I don't just mean the coaching staff and the board. I truly mean every family who has a Cuda swimmer. Without you folks, we would not be here, and would not be doing what we're doing. Your continued support is appreciated and absolutely necessary as 'we' move towards becoming one of the top swim clubs in the state. Thanks.

Coach Andrew

News from BCC

October Swimmers of the Month

Coach Tom

Red Group

Girl

Maja Deniro- Maja went out of the 8 and under age group with a bang. In her last meet before she turned 9 Maja went swimming crazy at the Boulder meet achieving all best times. She then had that carry over to some great practices and is setting herself up for Silver group soon. Keep it up Maja!

Kayin Bratach-Kayin has come a long way in his 2 years on the team. He is showing that he is really growing into being a swimmer by going two meets without getting disgualified, and getting all best times! Congratulations Kayin!

Silver Group

Girl

Sophia Verlinich- Sophia has begun to really find her stride in the pool. Her much improved practice attendance, and her swimming all best times at both the Boulder and the Longmont meet were evidence that her hard work is starting to pay off. Great job Sophia!

Micah Bratach- Micah is walking proof that daily pushups have a positive effect on swimming! After a year of not being

		being DQ'd, Micah has shown that he is starting to figure out this swimming nuch better, and he also went two whole meets without being disqualified. Nicely
Mark your Calendar	Date Meet Tuesday, November 9Apparel Order form deadline Friday, November 12-14Pineapple Open	
	Saturday, November 13Officials Clinic @ George Myers Pool Tuesday, November 16Pentathlon Job sign-up deadline Friday, November 19Team Pictures @ VMAC Saturday, November 20-21Cuda Pentathlon XXIII Friday, December 3Jump Street*BCC Groups*4pm-6pm Friday, December 3-5CSI Open	
Practice Schedule	Developmental: Monday - Thursday 5:00	- 5:45 @BCC
BCC Swimmers:	Tuesday/Thursday 6:30	– 7:15 @BCC
280 Lamar Street	Friday 4:00	- 4:50 @BCC
Broomfield	Red:	6.20 @BOO
		- 6:30 @BCC - 5:00 @BCC
	Silver:	
	Monday - Thursday 5:00	-6:00 @BCC
	Friday 5:00	- 6:30 @BCC
VMAC Swimmers:	White:	
136th Ave and Holly	Monday - Friday VMA	AC winter schedule is posted on the website.
St. Thornton	Senior:	
	Monday - Thursday Friday	
	Saturday	
	Elite:	
	Monday - Friday	
Notes from the	Saturday Dues and Payment Options	
CUDA Treasurer	Below is the dues structure (11-month billing cycle):	
	Developmental \$55/month Red \$71/month	
	Silver \$82/month	
	White \$104/month Senior \$125/month	
	Elite \$142/month	
		CY: All dues and meet fees are billed on the 21st of the month with payment
	que by the end of that month. Non-payme	ent of all dues/fees past the 1st day of the following month will necessitate non-

participation for the swimmer(s) in practice and all meets until payment is made. Late Fee: If dues are not paid by 1st (check, CC, ACH), a \$15 late fee will be assessed and the swimmer(s) will not be allowed to practice.	
Returning swimmer(s): Thank you for completing the on line registration. Family Information & Demographics: Please edit any demographics that are not current in your swimmers account on the website, email address, phone numbers, etc. It is very important that all info is current and correct.	
As always, if you have questions or issues with paying your bill, please contact Lisa Abeyta, our Treasurer/Business Manager at cutamanager@gmail.com .	
Upcoming general Board meetings are generally scheduled for the third Monday of each month, from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. All Barracuda team members and parents are invited to attend and participate in the meetings. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, December 13th from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, location TBD.	
The CUDAS want YOU!!! Want an easy way to accrue volunteer hours? Become an official for USA swimming! You will learn the technical side of the sport and help the Cudas in a huge way. 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 is a clinic scheduled for Saturday, November 13 taking place during the Pineapple meet. If you are interested in attending the clinic, or if you would like more information, please send an e-mail to CoachAndrew@teamcudas.com .	
Thanks, Coach Andrew	
Other than the coaching staff, we are a volunteer organization and count on our families to support the swim program. Other teams have much higher volunteer hours required. We offer many volunteer opportunities so you are able to complete your 4 hours/family/season. Volunteer hours are 4 hours/family/season- 4 hours for Short Course (Sept 1-Feb 15)	
• 4 hours for Long Course (Feb 16-Aug 5) 4 hours must be completed by the end of Short course (or LC), otherwise your swimmer's account will be charged \$25/hour for hours not completed. All volunteer job postings (meets, CUDA events, etc.), descriptions and job sign-up is done on the www.teamcudas.com site. This enables real-time sign-up, reporting, and volunteer hours tracking Volunteer duties include: Each volunteer (parent/guardian) is responsible for signing up for a volunteer job (done online). After the job sign up is closed (approx. 3 days before meet) if you are unable to fulfill your volunteer duties, you are responsible for finding your replacement. Your replacement needs to email the volunteer coordinator to notify her of the change prior to the day of the meet/event.	
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 .	
The Team does not sell or communicate outside of the CUDAS any personal information including email addresses.	