Registration Report 9/30/12

2012 REGISTRATIONS:

Athletes: 5961
Seasonal Athletes: 181
Individuals: 765
Families: 61
Clubs: 51

CHANGES ON ATHLETE REGISTRATION PROCESSES:

- SWIMS database will now recognize Outreach Athletes from electronic files generated by Team
 Unify or Active Network using Team Manager 6 only. If this membership category is chosen by
 the parent/user, the Club Administrator will be alerted to contact the parent to make sure that
 the athlete qualifies and all necessary paper work for an Outreach Athlete membership
 accompanies the printed report and payment upon submission.
- Team Unify has agreed to introduce the question to ask if the athlete has ever been registered
 with another USA Swimming club on the parent/user screen during the registration process.
 This in turn will generate a notation to alert the club administrator to contact the parent /user
 for submission of a transfer form. Development date should be approximately within the next
 two months or so depending upon their other programming needs time frame.

DECK PASS:

- Programming request has been submitted to allow the athlete's US A Swimming registration id to appear upon accessing their Deck Pass app.
- Please tell your swimmers that some of the patches they received last year will disappear from their Deck Pass main screen. However, they will still be able to see them by clicking on a link that will appear on their page.

CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR COACHES:

- Safety Training for Swim Coaches and First Aid: A change to the curriculum for the requirement was made that will be in effect beginning 9/1/2013 for the 2014 membership year. As implementation draws near we will keep all posted on these significant changes.
- Foundations of Coaching Format Change Effective Jan. 1, 2013: two new phases of this requirement will be implemented for coaches who register for the first time after January 1, 2013.
 - Phase 1: Any individual registering as a <u>new</u> coach after January 1, 2013 will be required to complete and pass the on line test <u>Foundations 101 prior</u> to be granting coaching status. At this time we are told this will follow the business rule set up much like Athlete Protection Training in that the individual will need to be in the membership database first to gain access to the test. The format of this test will mimic the Athlete Protection Training where the content will be provided online with videos that will be linked to chapter questions after each video with an overall test at the end. There will be a charge of approximately \$15.00 to complete this requirement with the payment being made on line.
 - **Phase 2:** This portion, <u>Foundations 201</u>, must be completed for all new coaches prior to renewing the coach membership for the second year. The format of the test will follow the

same procedure as listed above with a cost of approximately \$25.00 to be paid on line. This will be a two part test with the second portion directed to the Rules and Regulations of USA Swimming. This test will be available sometime in May 2013.

- **Individuals who were first year coaches in 2012** must pass the current online Foundations test in order to be a coach member in 2013.
- Individuals who have already registered as first year coach for 2013 or will before Jan. 1, 2013, may elect to take the original Foundations test or the two parts Foundations 101 and 201. If s/he chooses to take the original test, it must be done before Sept. 1, 2013.

BACKGROUND CHECK RENEWALS FOR ALL NON-ATHLETE MEMBERS:

- The first wave of background checks will expire in January 2013. The cost for renewing a Level 1 and Level 2 will be \$19.00. There will be a new link created for renewing background checks. People who don't use that link will pay \$39 for a Level 2 check. People who renew prior to the link being available will pay the full \$39.00 to renew their checks. Please wait until the renewal link is available. Refunds will not be an option.
- In order to save mailing costs and save cards, I will not 2013 mail cards for Officials who whose checks expire in January. I will enter the renewal and deposit the check as I receive them then mail a card when the BG check has been completed.

UPDATES TO SWIMS: SWIMS (USA Swimming National Database): As SWIMS approaches its "10 Year Birthday" significant advances in technology and programming are rendering it outdated. Programming to bring SWIMS up to date will start this fall. Among the list of improvements is the ability to gain access through different internet platforms and tablets.

SAVE-A-POOL AND BUILD-A-POOL WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED: The USA Swimming Facilities Department will host these two workshops in Norfolk on the following dates:

• Save-A-Pool Workshop: October 10, 2012

• Build-A-Pool Conference: October 13 – 14, 2012