



Newsletter Items

State Age Group Meet

Thank you to all of the volunteers that made this meet the best ever!

Registrations and Payments

Registrations and payments must be mailed if not completed at the registration tables on registration night. Please do not hand them to the coaches on deck. Lost or damaged papers create more work for everyone. On an added note, please respect MCA's registration policies and group practice scheduling. Every effort has been made to accommodate days/weeks to swim and costs, without jeopardizing MCA as a whole. Coach Billy or Mike Schumacher will be happy to address questions you may have.

Officials Training

If you are at all interested in becoming an official, there is an official's clinic at 9:00 a.m. on April 29, 2006, at Liberty Diversified Ind., 5600 North Highway 169, New Hope, MN. All officials, new and old, are encouraged to attend. Please let Mike Schumacher know if you plan to go so that transportation can be arranged.

Spring Banquet Time Change

The Spring Banquet will be held Sunday, April 30 at Grace Lutheran Church from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.. Last names A-K please bring a side dish, L-Z an entrée and board members a dessert. Hope to see all of you there.

New Coach on Deck

Tim Firstbrook is on deck to help while the other coaches are away. Tim is a **very** well respected and knowledgeable coach. He started Mach III Flyers Swim Club, coached at Winona High School and Wayzata Country Club. Stop by, say hi, and introduce yourself while at the pool.

Adopt-A-Highway

We will be picking up our adopted stretch of County 22 (West Circle Drive) on April 22 at 10:00 a.m.. Meet in the Cinemagic theater parking lot. No children under 12 please per MN/DOT regulations.

Team Suits

In the past, we have ordered team suits in the fall. Due to our current suit being almost two years old and many of them are starting to wear out, we checked into the possibility of ordering new team suits this spring. Unfortunately, TYR has a limited amount of new styles available for the spring season. Therefore, we have elected to wait until fall to do the team order. For those in need of new competition suits, Elsmore Aquatics has a suit style similar to our current suit, red and black, but different pattern. Please contact Elsmore directly if you need to purchase a new suit. We will be selecting a new and different suit this fall when many more styles are available. The competition suits are meant for competition only, and will wear out much sooner if used during practice.

Sterling Illinois Meet (team travel for 14 and over)

We are entertaining the idea of taking swimmers to Sterling, Illinois, (340 mi) for a long-course meet June 30-July 2. Swimmers age 14 and up will be traveling as a team and staying together in a hotel. We would attend the meet on two of the days and on either Friday or Sunday of the meet, we would do an outing to a water park possibly in the Dells. The estimated cost per swimmer is \$150, which includes van, gas and room. Splash fees, food, and entertainment will be extra. We need a minimum of 12 attendees to keep the cost as low as possible. If interested contact Lynn Caflisch by May 1.

<http://www.sterlingstingrays.com/July%20Swim%20Explosion%20Meet%20Information.pdf>

Below is a list of MCA sponsors who recently donated to the Age-Group State Meet. Please keep these businesses in mind when making local purchases, etc.



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