



April 1-6, 2008! The Countdown is On!

New Ontario Records

Congratulations to Sinead and Colin Russell (DS) for setting new Ontario Records this past month! Sinead set a new record for the Girls 13-14 100 Back LCM, 1:04.31 at the Geneva International Competition, January 20 and Colin set two new records for the Men's 200 free – 1:48.79 LC at Senior Provincials and 1:44.48 SC on February 10 in Etobicoke.



Race Tek Video Analysis available at Junior Provincials

Coaches you will have the opportunity to access the Race Tek Video Analysis system at Junior Provincials. Check out the pricing information [HERE](#).

Draft Schedule for 2008-2009 Available

Please note that a DRAFT schedule is available [HERE](#). Dates and locations will change as more information becomes available.

Provincial Team Events

Provincial Camp - March 20-23

Participants have been confirmed. Please download and fill out the Code of Conduct, Consent, Release and Medical forms [HERE](#). Please return these forms, by March 7, to [Kelly Steeves](#) or Fax: 416-426-7356.

2008 Tri Meet & Camp - May 7-11, 2008 - Ottawa

Swim Ontario will be selecting 32 swimmers to compete in 2008 Eastern Canada Youth Tri Meet in Ottawa. Details and Selection Criteria are now available [HERE](#)

High Performance Team - Charlotte 2008

The Selection criteria are available for download [HERE](#).

2008 Open Water Program

16 swimmers to be selected for the open water program which includes a camp in Huntsville in June and the Open Water Championships in July. Information and Selection Criteria is now available [HERE](#)

High Performance Club Grant

The 2007-2008 High Performance Club Grant funding has been issued. Check the information at the following link for recipients, amounts and criteria. [HERE](#)
Contact [Kelly Steeves](#) for questions:

Beijing Trials and Event Sponsorships

Interested in being a fan at the Beijing Trials? Here is your chance! Click [HERE](#) to buy tickets to watch the action and read more about sponsoring an event!

Coaching Education and Programming

2008 Swim Ontario Conference and AGM

Please mark your calendars for September 19-21, 2008! The annual Swim Ontario/OSCA conference will be held in Huntsville at the beautiful Delta Grandview Resort. Bring the family and take advantage of a weekend away in Muskoka complete with golf and recreation. Delegates will be responsible for booking their own accommodation; a registration form will be provided by the Delta Grandview and will be circulated in the coming months. We look forward to another successful well attended conference. Initial conference information can be found [HERE](#). Want to learn more about Grandview now? Please visit the resort website [HERE](#).

******CSCTA Membership Check at Jr. Provincials******

All coaches attending Jr. Provincials in London MUST be registered with the CSCTA. You will be asked to produce your current membership card, and if you are not currently a member, you will be required to register online on the spot, or you will be asked to leave the pool deck. Please do this ahead of time at www.casca.org to avoid the hassle. All club coaches are required to be members of the CSCTA every year in order to comply with the Swim Ontario insurance policy.

Coaching Courses

Upcoming Skills Coach courses in Toronto, Kingston, Leamington and London and a Technical 2 in Nepean (pending registration numbers). For more information and online registration, click [HERE](#)

Level 1 Coaches are Now Inactive

As we have been posting since October 2006, as of January 1, 2008 all Level 1 coaches who have not completed their Skills Coach Assessments and Making Ethical Decisions module have lost their active coaching status. Please upgrade to Skills immediately to reactivate your certification. More information on this can be found [HERE](#).

Club Administration

******Important Registration Information Memo******

The current agreement that Swimming Canada has with SwimDirect for the online registration system expires on March 31, 2008. Effective April 1st, Swimming Canada will assume the control of the registration process with the launch of our new national online system that will offer the similar functionality and ease that we are accustomed to with our current on line competition sanction and results system. Please read the complete memo [HERE](#).

Swim A Thon

The majority of packages have been mailed out for this years Swim a Thon. Please remember when submitting your completed packages to Swim Ontario that you have included the following: Original pledge sheets with signed affidavits **attached**, signed club affidavit, club fee structure, printed graspit report completed in full – tax receipts will not be eligible for donor names without a complete address, this includes postal codes, undated cheque

PIPEDA Forms

PIPEDA Forms were due to the Swim Ontario office at the beginning of the season however there are a number still outstanding. Please click [HERE](#) to see your clubs status on these forms. Cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

New Gold Bonus Invoicing

The new Gold Bonus Invoicing system now appears to be up and running. Once you have completed your meet and uploaded all pertinent information, while in the completed meets section of the swimmeet.ca site, go to the **Post Meet Report** and you will find your electronically generated invoice for that meet. You will notice that gold bonus is calculated at 0.525, this will include the 5% calculated tax that is required to be submitted.

As this is a new procedure, there may be some meets that will not show the calculated gold bonus for that event. In that case, please submit your gold bonus as you have done in the past using the hard copy forms. Please ensure that you have submitted the correct tax amount, 6% for meets held prior to January 1, 2008 and 5% for meets held after.

New Swim Ontario Website - Coming Soon!

Swim Ontario is currently revising and in the process of giving our website a facelift in order to serve you better. Keep your eyes open for a new site on the way soon!

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