



Masters Swimming Ontario

Staying In Touch

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Important Dates and Deadlines

Provincial Championship
Sudbury
March 23-25 2007

Next MSO board meeting
March 3 2007

Swim Conference
Sept 22-23 2007
(Tentative)

MSO Annual General
Meeting Etobicoke
Nov 11 2007

Links

Masters Swimming Ontario
<http://www.mastersswimmingontario.ca/>

Master swimming Canada
<http://mymsc.ca/Million.jsp>

Your MSO Board of Directors
<http://www.mastersswimmingontario.ca/contacts/contacts01.htm>

Staying in Touch with our Swimmers

We are in the process of developing bi-monthly newsletter to keep your MSO Board in touch with all master swimmers at all levels in Ontario.

With this in mind we are asking that if you change your club contact during the swim year that you notify the MSO registrar at msoreg@mastersswimmingontario.ca or your communications Chair at marionswims@sympatico.ca

This will ensure that your club or in the case of unattached swimmers the swimmers themselves get information in a timely manner.

What you can expect from your Newsletter

Included will be a report for each of our board members.

This Report will outline activities and plans for the future development of Master swimming in Ontario.

It will list

- News on upcoming Health and Life Style issues
- News on Competition
- It's main goal is to communicate to **all** our members

This is an evolving project and your response is welcome.

President's Report

Sally O'Brien

Swimmers Conference

To stay in touch with the on going developments of swimming in Masters and across the spectrum of all swimming in Canada we are investigating the swim conference in Toronto for our club members to attend Sept 22-23. If it offers enough Masters Content we will encourage our clubs to go. More information to follow.

Annual General Meeting

The date for our AGM has been set for Nov 11 2007 in Etobicoke More information will be available closer to the date We encourage you to have a club representative attend. This is your chance to see your board in action. The Board meets twice physically each year in different venues. The remaining meetings are via tele-conferencing. This allows swimmers from across the province to have the chance to sit on the board with the least disruption to their lives. Please consider adding your voice to the future decisions of your organization.

Health & Life Style

Hillary Richardson

Survey on-line

There is a survey available at to address the needs of our non-competitive swimmers as well as our competitive.

Coaches Survey + Swimmers Survey

MSO Website <http://www.mastersswimmingontario.ca/>

Please take a few minutes to help us fill your needs as master swimmers.

Hall of Fame

We also will be looking for nominations for the Hall of Fame in Master Swimming.

If you have a candidate in your club Please send your Hall of Fame suggestions to sallyobrien@shaw.ca

Million Meters +

We encourage all swimmers to join the Million Metre Challenge for fun and fitness on the MSC website <http://mymsc.ca/Million.jsp> Check out you friend's progress.

Competition

Olenka McKee

New Swimmer Fees

To acknowledge the partnership between masters swimmers and officials your board passed a motion that beginning Sept 1, 2007 that at every meet \$2/swimmer is to be collected as part of the meet fees or \$5/swimmer for provincial meets. This money will be sent to OSOA to support the work and training of officials.

Future Provincial Championship Competitions

The host clubs for the 2008 Provincials are Aurora Ducks and EOMAC.

We are looking for commitment for a host club the 2009 Provincials.

If your club is interested please contact Olenka McKee

olenka.mckee@sympatico.ca

A new master's official's rulebook is in the works and should be out soon.

Be Courteous

Just a reminder –When entering an event NT be sure it is not going to interfere with our slower swimmers It is best to use an estimated time for seeding when possible.

Registration

Brian Croker

The Wave of the future

We are researching on-line registration for Masters Swimming Ontario. If feasible on-line registration begins with the next swim season.

More information will be sent to clubs and independent swimmers as soon as it is available.

Presently we have 2424 master swimmers registered in Ontario; most of them are part of a Masters club.

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