

COMSA
Team Rep Meeting - Minutes
January 12, 2005

Those in Attendance:

Marcia Anziano (Chairperson, Zone Representative), Heather Hagadorn (Vice Chair, DU Rep), Susan Nolte (Treasurer), Kathy Garnier (Secretary), Ellen Campbell (Newsletter Editor, Inverness Rep), Nicole Vanderpoel (Long Distance Chair), Sandy Golding (GAC Rep), Melanie Dullea (S. Suburban Rep), Richard Hess (Greeley Rep), John Hughes (Registrar, Highlands Ranch Rep). Guests Larry Green and Doug Martin also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm at Colorado Athletic Club-Inverness in Englewood, CO.

Topics of Discussions:

1. National State Games of America – Larry Green and Doug Martin
 - a. Colorado Springs will be hosting the 2005 Annual National State Games of America on Friday, July 29 – Sunday, July 31, 2005. It is a 24 sport, 3-day Olympic-style competition with opening ceremonies to be held on Thursday night. They are anticipating approximately 9,000 athletes will participate. The swim meet will be held at the Cadet Natatorium at the U.S. Air Force Academy. They are encouraging Colorado Masters swimmers to participate. Typically, home state qualifying swims are necessary to participate at nationals. However, all athletes of the host state are exempt from this qualification requirement. This will be a recognized COMSA meet, not a sanctioned meet. If a swimmer wants times reported at the national level for top tens or national/world records, it is their responsibility to do so. This will be a long course meters meet with the masters competitors heated in the 15 & over division. Medal recognition for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will follow the 5- year groupings per masters with an 80 & Over age group at the top.
 - b. More information can be found on their website at www.stategames.org. Entry deadline for Colorado participants must be received by July 19th.
2. Focus on Fundamentals Clinic – Nicole Vanderpoel
 - a. This clinic is scheduled for February 18-20, 2005 with Bob Bruce, USMS Coaches Chairperson, directing the clinic. Spaces are filling up quickly. The clinic will be held at the University of Denver pool. Nicole will be meeting with the DU aquatics director to finalize preparations for this clinic this week.
3. New Website – Marcia Anziano
 - a. The new/transferred website is up and running. Mel Dyck, COMSA Webmaster, reports that new usage is up roughly 10 times higher than the rate for the site in it's previous location. He attributes this to regular use of email notification and to regular updates of the web site information.
4. Team Updates:
 - a. Greeley – Richard Hess reporting: The team is steadily growing with a core group of UNC students of which approximately one-half compete.
 - b. GAC – Sandy Golding reporting: They have a new coach with a lot of enthusiasm. Membership is up with typically 15 or so at workouts and there is a buzz about nationals with the team members.
 - c. South Suburban – Melanie Dullea reporting: Approximately the same numbers are participating. A new, 3rd recreational center called the “Buck Center” west of downtown Littleton is opening. It is anticipated that the Goodson Pool will become the “competition” pool and the water temperature will be lowered accordingly.
 - d. Highlands Ranch – John Hughes reporting: Susan Williams is providing a triathlete swim training program for HR swimmers and is very enthusiastic.
 - e. Inverness – Ellen Campbell reporting: Pre-masters program going strong which offers drills and technique (not conditioning) with a 2:00 minute 100 scm sendoff. Masters program remains strong.

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5. Misc:

- a. Open Water Series – Is COMSA willing to sponsor? What other race series are planned?
- b. Registration is official when signature and check is received.
- c. New volunteer, Carrie Slover, from Pueblo, has contacted Marcia and wanting to offer her services to help COMSA. Welcome, Carrie!

Next meeting scheduled for February 2, 2005 at the Highlands Ranch Library at 7 pm. This is an Executive Meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by Kathy Garnier, Secretary