

Comets Newsletter March 2009

Presidents Message

Welcome back to winter...it's a good thing it is warm inside the pool!

What a great showing the Comets had at the recent senior championships in Medicine Hat as well as "A" provincials in Calgary. Hats off to all the swimmers who worked so hard and achieved great things.

You too, can achieve great things by joining our executive team for the upcoming season. It's a great way to support our swimmers and build community. Please talk with anyone on the executive team or coaches and you'll be warmly welcomed.

We've just wrapped up our annual swim-a-thon, a two-hour endurance swim for bragging rites! It's great fun (for the spectators) watching the swimmers trying to out-lap their partners. Thank you to the donors for post-swim treats and to all friends, family and neighbors for sponsoring a swimmer.

We are still looking for a parent to volunteer one day – a single 8 hr day to attend an information session put on by the gaming commission regarding our casino. Please talk to one of the coaches or one of the executive if you are interested.

Thank you to our corporate sponsors who provided funding for the great silicon caps the kids are now wearing displaying their last names - we are no longer a "small town club"!

Hope everyone is looking forward to the long-course meet season starting and maybe getting ready for spring to arrive. As always, if you have photos, please forward to Danielle Genung for the yearbook.

Cochrane Comets Own The Pool!

Donna Matthezing
Club President

Merchandizing

As you all know from previous news, the Comets launched a campaign to seek funding from local businesses and I'm pleased to announce that we received some very generous donations. Their names are recognized on our website.

This round of funding paid for silicone competition swim caps with the surname of each swimmer in the blue, black and gold squads. This form of displaying ones name has become very popular with various swim clubs participating at meets. Wear your name and team colors with pride!

As always, visit the merchandiser website for all your team paraphernalia.

Ron Matthezing
Merchandiser

Swim Meet Information

As a result of the Town of Cochrane providing the club funds that are to be used for the sole purpose of subsidizing a year-end bus trip, we will be going to Lethbridge on National Coach Lines - similar to the Fernie trip in 2008. We have also blocked rooms at the Best Value Inn in Lethbridge. The cost to cover the balance not funded by the grant will be \$25.00 per person. Swimmers entered in the meet and their parents have first priority on seats available. Any seats leftover will be available for siblings. The bus is a 48 passenger vehicle, so space should be adequate. Info on the trip:

LA Swim Club Spring Challenge May 1, 2 & 3, 2009

www.lethbridgeswimming.com

Warm-ups: Friday May 1 @ 3:30 pm
Meet: Saturday May 2 @7:30 am & 2:30 pm
 Sunday May 3 @ 7:30 am

All sessions include all swimmers, no split for different age groups
***This is a longcourse swim meet**

- Bus departs Cochrane Pool @ 12 noon Friday May 1st.
- Bus departs University of Lethbridge Pool @ 1 pm Sunday
- Arrival in Cochrane approximately 4 pm
- Cost \$25.00 per person payable when boarding on Friday
- Accommodation at Best Value Inn for two nights
- Rate is \$84.00 per night. These rooms must be reserved by you personally before April 15, 2009.
- Please contact the hotel @ 403-328-6636 for booking.
- The hotel has provided a conference room for Fri and Sat nights, so we'll be looking into some sort of team dinner. The hotel has a continental breakfast

www.bestvalueinn-lethbridge.com

Please let me know asap if you are attending and how many are going on the bus. Parents wishing to drive may elect to send their swimmer on the bus proving that they have arranged for another parent to assume responsibility for them.

Suggestions or questions can be sent to me at mcwilk@shaw.ca, or 403-239-3380.

This will be the last swim meet for most of the blue squad and should be as fun as last years Fernie trip!

Matt Wilkins

Photos

If you're taking great photos of our swimmers, please forward to Shelley Luckasavitch at luckasar@telus.net for use on our website and to Danielle Genung at dannygirl4@mac.com for our yearbook.

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