



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

### Provincial Team Events

#### *Provincial Camp - Nepean March 20-23*

Swim Ontario is in the process of putting the final details together for the second Provincial Camp. Nandi Kormendi, ROW and Andrew Craven, LAC will be the Mentor Coaches for the Camp and Pierre Lafontaine will be participating for most (as he busily prepares for the Beijing Trials) of the sessions. It will be a great camp experience, with six water sessions, two Pilates classes and some five pin bowling all planned for the schedule.

Due to the fact that some of the selected swimmers may be attending the Beijing Trials, **please confirm whether or not these swimmers are also going to participate in the camp. Contact Kelly Steeves as soon as possible.** Click [HERE](#) for camp info

#### *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](#)

#### *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](#)

#### *Future University Stars Tour Team - IMU 2008 Zurich, Switzerland*

Travel details, accommodations and meet information are available [HERE](#). Best of luck to our selected athletes!

#### *Canada Games Hopefuls - Stage 1*

Test set reminder from Coach Boles! Click [HERE](#)

#### *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. Conference information and tinerary details will be posted soon [HERE](#). Want to learn more about Grandview now? Please visit the resort website [HERE](#).

#### *Skills Coach Courses*

Upcoming Skills Coach courses in Orillia, Toronto, Kingston, Leamington and London. 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 and Coaching Survey*

All clubs are asked to complete the following survey for Swimming Canada. Click [HERE](#)

### Club Administration

#### *New Club Affiliation Policy and Applications*

Swim Ontario's Board of Directors are currently revising the process for applying as a new club. On January 7, the process has been suspended until the policy and procedure on this matter can be finalized.

#### *Swim A Thon*

2008 Swim A Thon order kits are due to Swim Ontario on January 31. Please find them [HERE](#)

Tax Receipts will be mailed out to each individual club by month end. Please ensure that receipts are cared for and disbursed promptly. Should any receipt be misplaced or lost, it is not a simple task to replace it. Any clubs that still have outstanding information due, please submit at your earliest convenience in order to receive your receipts in time. If you have not yet received your SAT donation cheque from Swim Ontario, please contact the office as there may be some outstanding issues with your submission.

#### *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.

#### *Sanctions*

Please be reminded that results need to be uploaded in a timely manner and gold bonus is due in the Swim Ontario office within 7 days of completion of the meet. The automatic invoice system is being worked on and hopefully we will see this kick into action in the very near future.

Please remember that only competitive sanction applications are to be submitted via the [www.swimmeet.ca](http://www.swimmeet.ca) site and that all pre-competitive approval applications are to be handled as they have been in the past, through the Swim Ontario site. Any club hosting a meet that incorporates both competitive and pre-competitive swimmers must treat the events as two separate meets which requires two different, sanction and approval, submissions.

#### *Shop & Support Gift Cards*

The Shop & Support Fundraising program has proven to be quite resourceful to a number of our clubs. With this in mind, club co-coordinator's for this program, may at any given time, be holding in their possession, cards valuing into the thousands of dollars. As these are gift cards, they are treated as cash. For those clubs who may be concerned about loss or theft, you may choose the option of purchasing additional insurance coverage from our insurance company, B.F. Lorenzetti. Please feel free to contact them at 1-800-465-2842 for further information.

#### *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!