

CENTRAL ZONE

AUGUST, 2004

UPDATES FOR CONVENTION

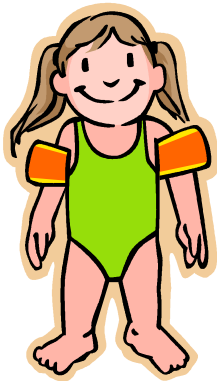
Julie Bare and Eric Nelson, Zone Directors
Betty Kooy, Secretary

Convention



Special points of interest:

- *We need bids for 2005*
- *Zone meets*
- *CZ Elections*
- *Tuesday Forum*



CZ Dues

Your LSC dues (\$100) must be paid to Betty Kooy by September 17.

Tuesday CZ Forum Topics

We are hopeful that after discussing the following topics, recommendations will come forward for presentation at the CZ meeting later in the week.

1. Zone Meet Format

- Addition of 200 strokes, etc. for 11-12
- Pool events Thursday-Saturday, Open Water on Sunday.
- Mega Zone Meet

2. Sectionals

- Open or closed
- Reduce summer sectionals to 2 sections
- Alignments of LSCs

2005 Zone Meets

Help! We have no bids to host the 2005 Zone Championships. Dates are August 5-7 and August 12-14, 2005.

Central Zone Elections

The following people have been nominated. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Zone Director—Non-coach

Arlene McDonald (IN)

Secretary/Treasurer

Betty Kooy (MW)

Assistant Age Group Coord.

Mark Davis (OH)

Zone Athlete Rep

No nominations

Age Group Planning—non-coach

No nominations

Other Agenda Items

- Appointment of CZ Officials Chair
- Selection of sites for 2005 Zone Championships
- Sexual Harassment Policy
- Meet Evaluation
- Short Course Zone Meet

House of Delegates

Go to the USA Swimming website to download the proposed legislation. Also check out the candidates.

Burning Issues

- Background Checks—Keep your eyes open on this one!
- Junior Nationals Format—If you haven't seen the proposal, contact Randy Julian for a copy. Get your feedback into juniors@usa-swimming.org

Summer Wrap-Up

Congratulations to Coach Eric Nelson for placing an athlete on the Olympic Team (Carolyn Bruce) and an athlete on the Paralympic Team (Jarrett Perry) in the same year. Eric is the first coach to accomplish this.

Trials—The Central Zone is proud of its Olympic representatives:

Mark Gangloff (LE)
Bryce Hunt (IN)
Dan Ketchum (OH)
Tom Malchow (MN/MI)

Scott Usher (WY/MW)
Peter Vanderkaay (MI)
Neil Walker (WI)
Lindsay Benko (IN)
Carolyn Bruce (MV)
Kara Lynn Joyce (MI)
Diana Munz (LE)
Carly Piper (MI/WI)
Jon Urbanchek (MI)
Michael Lawrence (IL)

Summer Sectionals—CZ Sectional Meets yielded 90 national qualifier swims.

Bloomington—466 athletes/26 NQ
Minneapolis—619 athletes/38 NQ
Wichita—480 athletes/26 NQ

Zone Meets—Pool

Oxford—891 athletes
First—Team Illinois
Topeka—722 athletes
First—Team Wisconsin

Zone Meets—Open Water

Oxford—207 athletes—1st—Ohio
Topeka—127 athletes—1st—Missouri Valley