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## Club Leaders Newsletter

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## Coaches/ Club Presidents E-Blast April 10, 2020 Newsletter

Illinois Swimming Members-

We know right now is a tough time for all of us in Illinois Swimming. We should be starting our Long Course Seasons with practices and early season competitions. Given the fact that we are all adapting to our new normals Illinois Swimming has some updates for all of you.

### Sanctions

As you are all aware all sanctions have been cancelled thru April 30th. At our Board of Directors Meeting this week we approved the following.

Any meet that did not take place due to the sanction cancellation policy thru USA Swimming will receive a credit for a future sanction. This credit must be used by December 31, 2021. The meet does not have to take place by December 2021, your sanction must be applied for by that date.

We have no further update on when sanctioning will resume. Those decisions will be based on USA Swimmings decision to allow sanctioning and the re-opening of the state.

Please contact us with any questions regarding the sanctioning of your event and or cancellation of your planned events.

### Central Zone Meets

On Tuesday, April 7, 2020, the Central Zone Directors, along with the LSC General Chairs, met to discuss the 2020 Central Zone Championship meets, including the June Central Zone Open Water meet and the August 14&Under Central Zone Championships.

It was decided to cancel both the 2020 Central Zone Open Water and 14&Under Championships.

The decision was made based on the health and safety of participants, concerns about travel and spread of illness, costs to LSCs and hosts, and LSC planning purposes.

Decisions like this are never easy, and we understand that they are incredibly disappointing.

#### ISI Senior Champs

We have decided to postpone the ISI Senior Championships to the weekend of August 6-9, 2020. We felt it was best to move the meet to the later date given the uncertainty of if and when practices and training will resume in the pool.

#### ISI Age Group and Regional Championships

As of now Friday April 10th, there are no planned changes for any of these events. We will continue to keep you updated as things change in regards to either of these events.

#### ISI Open Water State

We are communicating with Wisconsin, as this is a Co-Hosted LSC Championship. We will update everyone in regards to this event as information becomes available.

#### Cancelled/Postponed Programming

To date the following programming has been cancelled

- 2020 Dual in the Pool
- 2020 Olympic Trials Camp
- 2020 ISI Open Water Camp
- Illinois Swimming Hall of Fame Induction (postponed until 2021)

#### ISI House of Delegates

At this time the Illinois Swimming House of Delegates scheduled for April 19th has been cancelled. Instead we will hold a Zoom information meeting on Sunday May 3rd at 1pm. This will strictly be informational as we cannot conduct any voted on business virtually.

The board of directors shall award bids for the 2021 Winter Regionals, Age Group Championships and Senior Championships.

All elections will take place during the Fall of 2020 House of Delegates meeting.

We will send Zoom information and other important information the week of the event.

#### Zoom Check-ins

We will be hosting another round of Zoom Check-Ins next week. Again we are requesting that Head Coaches, Team Owners and Board Presidents join us for one of these events.

Tuesday April 14, 2020 2pm

Wednesday April 15, 2020 9am

Thursday April 16, 2020 7pm

[Click Here to go to the Zoom Meeting](#)

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Webinar

On Tuesday April 22 at 7:00pm we will host a NCAA informational meeting with guest speaker Tim Loeffler, Head Coach of the University of Illinois at Chicago Mens and Womens Swimming. Tim will go over how COVID-19 has forced changes in NCAA recruiting, what the college athletes are doing to keep their team environment vibrant, and what can potential athletes expect going forward.

Please let your parents and athletes know that this is open to all.

[Click Here to join the webinar on April 22 at 7:00pm](#)

In closing your LSC leadership has been hard at work trying to navigate everything. I personally have been on more Zoom events than I care to admit. I want to encourage everyone to apply for your SBA PPP loans, if your organization qualifies.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me. We have other projects being worked on, we will share updates on these projects as we have more information.

I hope everyone is doing well, staying safe and in good spirits. I look forward to hearing from everyone next week.

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