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### Marlin Web Page Address

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Co-Head Coach: Brad Voss

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Coach: Lisa Jackowiak

Coach: Liz Barrett

Coach: Dave Nowinski

Coach: Linda Thomson

Coach: Maria Johnston

Coach: Katie Harrigan



# SWIM BIZ



## October 21, 2009

## Just a Reminder

- Oct. 24-25 BBD Fall Festival and Sunday Fun Meet at Waterford Kettering High School. See upcoming meets section for swim times
- Oct. 27 - Jr/Sr practice at Mt. Clemens High School - Jr 5:30-7 pm Sr 7-9pm
- Meet Entry Form for the Holiday Invitational, Dec. 12-13, 2009 available on our website (see [Meet Information](#) web page)

## Coach's Corner

We had a small group of swimmers swim in the OLY USA meet this past weekend and we had some fantastic swims! Katie Hennells and Sean Smith swam a pair of great 500 freestyles. Katie took all of the suspense out of State Qualifying by doing it in the first meet of the year. Her time in the 500 would also qualify her for the High School county meet and she is only 13. Sean had an equally impressive 500 free going 5:01. This is an amazing swim for this early in the year. Just a hair off of a high school state cut and well within hailing range of a Nat cut! Jackson Pitlock had a number of excellent swims to include a very very impressive 100 Fly while Cameron Sanders continues his blazing start. Ben Pitlock also had a number of fine swims to include a 2:03 in the 200 free. Marah Pugh rounded out our noteworthy swims with a number of efforts that show her to be in mid-season form. Great job swimmers!

This weekend brings us to the BBD Invitational. The main page of our website has a section titled "upcoming meets". You should check out the team entries link to verify the events you are swimming. The meet will be at Waterford Kettering High School. You should make sure you have your directions lined up for this meet. There are two Waterford high schools that we swim at so make sure you have Kettering and not Mott. Make sure your swimmer checks in with a coach when they get there. We do have relays in some of the age groups and the coaches will be putting them together on deck. The entry deadline for the YPAC invitational has now passed so the next Invitational you should be looking for is Farmington's Holiday Invite which takes place in December. I highly recommend that all of our swimmers consider swimming in these meets.

Please remember that all of our swimmers are required to swim in the Marathon. This is a very important fund raising event for us so please give it your all.

Our High School girls continue to dazzle everyone in their meets. They are making us all proud to be Marlins.

Please make sure you keep an eye on the web page and Yahoo group messages. We often have late breaking information that is distributed via these avenues.



### *Coach's Corner cont.*

**High School Boys** – Please remember that you need to swim in three YMCA meets to be eligible for our championship meets. From looking at our entry for BBD, I think we are doing a pretty good job of getting into these meets. Remember, a two day meet such as BBD or YPAC counts as two meets.

Have a great week!

## 2009 Marlin Marathon

All Marlin Marathon pledge forms that were not picked up at the Marlin meet were sent out in the mail. If you did not receive a pledge form please let me know ASAP ([mrossmym@comcast.net](mailto:mrossmym@comcast.net) or 792-4708).

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and all swimmers are to participate. Last season's Marathon not only benefited our returning swimmers, but our new swimmers as well as it allowed us to reduce every swimmers dues by \$75.00. We would like to continue to keep our dues increases to a minimum and we can only do that with everyone's efforts to solicit as many pledges as possible. Remember: Everyone Swims; Everyone Wins!

Marianne Ross

## Lost and Found

Found: A light green towel at the Marlin Meet. Please contact Brigid Hranchook at [matthewhranchook@att.net](mailto:matthewhranchook@att.net) if it is yours.

# Officials Training

**There will be a Level I Officials training class on November 1 from 10 am to 2 pm at the YMCA.**

We are looking for volunteers to sign up to become officials for our meets. Please think seriously of becoming a swim official. It is a great opportunity for parents to get involved. Not only will you get to be on deck to see your kids swim, it's also a chance to have a great time and to get to know other Marlin parents.

**If you are interested in becoming an official, please contact Dave Schoenegge at 586-243-5241 or Dave Pitlock at 586-412-0987.**



Please send in your USA Swimming renewals or new swimmer registrations to Brigid Hranchook by October 31, 2009. The form can be found on our website by using the following link:

<http://www.macombmarlins.com/TeamInfo/2010%20USA%20Application%20-%20Y-R%20Athlete.pdf>

# HIGH SCHOOL CORNER

We would like to recognize some of our High School swimmers who made the Macomb Daily.

Oct 15: Jillian Wills (Regina)

Oct 16: Megan Ross, Grace Pytell, Laura Konopka (Fraser), Julia Gniadek (Ford)

## CONGRATULATIONS GIRLS!!

*Congratulations to Nicole Hranchook for being named Athlete of the Week!*

Please accept our apologies if we have missed anyone

# INCENTIVE

If you are an existing swimmer family that brings another swimming family to the team, you will receive a \$50.00 cash rebate once the new swimmer is paid in full including their Marathon fundraising obligations. If you bring in two families, you get \$100.00 and so on, no limit. Once the new family's dues are paid in full, you receive the gift.

The \$50.00 gift is for each swimming family brought to the Marlins, not each swimmer. So if you bring in three families that have a total of 5 swimmers, you receive \$150.00.

# Open Positions

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - If anyone is interested in being considered for the board position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, please contact Mark Victor at [webmaster@macombmarlins.com](mailto:webmaster@macombmarlins.com). The candidate will work with the current 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. over the course of the upcoming season to help make this transition smooth and easy for you, as well as transparent to the team.

Concessions Committee Chairperson - We are in need of someone to take over as the Concessions Committee Chairperson either alone or as a co-chair with someone else. If you are interested, please contact Kathleen Gray at 412-0799 or any board member listed on the front page of the Newsletter.

# Meet Entry Deadlines

We are asking our Marlin Families and Swimmers to please pay very close attention to the date posted for each Meet entry deadline and to plan ahead so that all entries are submitted by the entry deadline.

Due to the increasing popularity of this sport, many meets are getting quite full. It is imperative that we submit our team's entries as early as possible. In some cases, we might only be able to give our team one week to submit their entry forms. Everyone also needs to consider that once the entries are put into the database, the coaches still need to put together the relays. We are doing everything we can to accommodate everyone..... but we need everyone's cooperation to adhere to and honor our deadlines.

In order to help in getting entries submitted, a drop box has been installed at the YMCA. The box is located across from the front desk, and next to the glass trophy case. Of course, you will still be able to give your entries to any board member, as well.



The Macomb YMCA Marlins have joined an affiliate program with SwimOutlet.com. With this program, the Marlins Swim team will earn an 8% commission of all sales that are made using our personalized web link (URL). All you have to do is make sure you use one of our links (provided on our web site [www.macombmarlins.com](http://www.macombmarlins.com) ) when you make your purchases. Receive FREE shipping for purchases of \$75 or more. If your order doesn't add up to \$75, you can ask someone if they would like to make the order with you. Tell your friends and family to use [www.swimoutlet.com/mym](http://www.swimoutlet.com/mym). For questions, contact Mark Victor via email at [mark.victor@att.net](mailto:mark.victor@att.net).

# Scrip Program

**Major Retailers Want To Give Our Swim Team Money!**

We're pleased to share some exciting news about a new fundraising program for our organization. It's called "scrip", and it's the fundraising program that works while you shop.

Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money" – in other words, scrip is gift certificates from national and local retailers. They're the same gift certificates that you buy at the store. Many popular retailers participate in our scrip program including Visa, American Express, JCPenney, The Gap, Shell, Pizza Hut, Red Lobster and many, many others.

For more information please visit our website:  
[http://www.macombmarlins.com/marlin\\_fundraisers.htm](http://www.macombmarlins.com/marlin_fundraisers.htm)



If you have not taken advantage of the Kroger fundraiser and would like to, all you have to do is register your Kroger Plus account with the Marlin Swim Team organization. To do this you will need to go to:

[www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

Click on "Michigan" - and follow the instructions to sign up.

**The Macomb Marlins ID number is: 83022.**

**Please remember to e-mail Cindy Martin with your card number and name after you sign up.**

Then you and the Marlins benefit every time your Kroger Plus card is scanned at the register. As in the past, with the Kroger Fundraiser, 50% of the money raised goes to the team, and 50% goes to YOU!! You can register your family and friend's Kroger Plus cards with Marlins too!!!

If you have any questions regarding the Kroger Fundraising program, please contact Cindy Martin via email at [cswimtaxi@comcast.net](mailto:cswimtaxi@comcast.net)

# Marlin Team Suit

The Marlin Team Suit for the 2009/2010 swim season is called "Solar Bliss". The suits can be purchased at Different Strokes.

Female – Super Pro Back  
(Youth) size 22 – 30 are \$52.50  
(Adult) size 32-40 are \$54.00  
Male - Jammer  
(Youth) size 22-28 are \$32.50  
(Adult) size 30 – 38 are \$34.00

# upcoming meets

## **Oct. 24, 2009 - BBD Fall Festival Meet @ Waterford Kettering High School**

Meet Entry Signup Form is available from the [Meet Information](#) web page. **Entry is closed.**

AM Session: 8&Under Boys/Girls, 9-10 Boys/Girls, 11-12 Boys -- Warm-up 7:45 AM, Events 8:30 AM  
PM Session: 11-12 Girls, 13-14 Boys/Girls, 15&Up Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 12:30 PM, Events 1:15 PM

## **Oct. 25, 2009 - BBD Sunday Fun Meet @ Waterford Kettering High School**

Meet Entry Signup Form is available from the [Meet Information](#) web page. **Entry Deadline is 10/2/09.**

AM Session: 8&Under Boys/Girls, 9-10 Boys/Girls, 11-12 Boys -- Warm-up 7:45 AM, Events 8:30 AM

PM Session: 11-12 Girls, 13-14 Boys/Girls, 15&Up Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 12:30 PM, Events 1:15 PM

## **Nov. 7-8, 2009 - YPAC Invitational @ Royal Oak Middle School**

Meet Entry Form is available from the [Meet Information](#) web page. **Entry Deadline is 10/16/09.**

AM Session: 8&Under Boys/Girls, 9-10 Boys/Girls, 11-12 Boys -- Warm-up 7:30 AM, Meet starts 8:30 AM  
PM Session: 11-12 Girls, 13-14 Boys/Girls, 15-18 Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 12:30 PM, Meet starts 1:30 PM

## **Nov. 13-15, 2009 - Lakers "Swim Your Own Age" Meet @ L'Anse Creuse High School**

**\*\*This is a USA Meet. Only USA registered athletes can swim in this meet\*\***

Meet Entry Form is available from the [Meet Information](#) web page. **Entry is closed.**

Friday Evening: Warm-up 5:00 PM , Meet starts 5:45 PM  
Saturday AM: 10 & Under Boys/Girls, Warm-up 7:30 AM, Meet starts 8:15 AM  
Saturday PM: 11 & Over Boys/Girls, Warm-up 12:30 PM, Meet starts 1:15 PM  
Saturday Evening: Warm-up 5:00 PM, Meet starts 5:30 PM  
Sunday AM: 10 & Under Boys/Girls, Warm-up 7:30 AM, Meet starts 8:15 AM  
Sunday PM: 11 & Over Boys/Girls, Warm-up 12:30 PM, Meet starts 1:15 PM  
**\*\* Remember to check in no later than 15 minutes after warm-up begins.**

## **Dec. 5, 2009 - MYM-YPAC-BWO Triangular Meet @ Royal Oak Middle School**

**Online Meet Signup for this meet will be available soon. All Marlins should swim in this meet!!**

Warm-up starts at 8 AM, Meet starts at 9 AM

## **Dec. 12-13, 2009 - Holiday Invitational @ Waterford Kettering High School**

Meet Entry Signup is available from the [Meet Information](#) web page. **Entry Deadline is 11/9/09.**

AM Sessions: 8 & Under Boys/Girls, 9-10 Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 7:30 AM, Meet starts 8:30 AM  
PM Sessions: 11-12 Boys/Girls, 13-14 Boys/Girls, 15-18 Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 12:00 PM, \*Meet starts 1:00 PM (\*or 1 hour after completion of the morning session)

The greater the  
obstacle, the  
more glory in  
overcoming it.

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# MARLIN MARATHON



The Marlin Marathon is the largest fundraiser of the Marlin Swim Team. In order to keep team dues down, the team needs everyone to participate in this activity. EACH SWIMMER IS REQUIRED TO SWIM THIS EVENT. To be a successful fundraiser it is asked that each swimmer obtain pledges of at least \$100.00/\$150.00 per family.

The Marathon will be held Sunday, November 1, 2009 at the YMCA. The schedule for the day is as follows:

8:00 am to 10:00 am	Last Names	A to F
10:05 am to 12:05 pm	Last Names	G to L
12:10 pm to 2:10 pm	Last Names	M to R
2:15 pm to 4:15 pm	Last Names	S to Z

Please try to swim your assigned time to keep the number of swimmers in the pool manageable. This is a fun event. You may bring flippers or anything else you would like to use to swim your assigned laps.

## **PRIZES**

The following are the prizes offered for the Marathon:

Grand Prize: The swimmer with the highest money turned in.

**\$100.00 cash**

Runner Up: The swimmer with the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest amount of money turned in.

**\$50.00 Cash**

**Each Swimmer** who raises \$125.00 or more and turns the money in by the due date will receive a Marlin Marathon t-shirt.

- To qualify for a prize, money must be turned in by the last collection date. Collection dates to be announced at the Marathon.
- Bring your pledge sheet with you on November 1. Officials need to sign off on the sheet.
- Make-up dates will be determined after the Marathon.
- Parents, please come with your swimmer to count laps.

