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Co-Head Coach: Brad Voss

Co-Head Coach: Karl Klomp

Coach: Lisa Jackowiak

Coach: Liz Barrett

Coach: Dave Nowinski

Coach: Linda Thomson

Coach: Maria Johnston

Coach: Katie Harrigan



SWIM BIZ



December 16, 2009

Just a Reminder

- Holiday swim schedule has been posted on the website on practice webpage.
- Online Meet Signup for the 28th Annual Marlin Invitational is now available from our Online Signup web page. The entry deadline is 12/30/09.
- There will be no newsletters on Dec. 23 and 30 due to the holidays. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
- Swimmers must fulfill their Marathon obligation by December 31 to be able to swim in any further meets. Please contact Marianne Ross at 586-792-4708.

Coach's Corner

The Coaching staff would like to thank everyone on the team for their generous gifts. It was unexpected but certainly appreciated. We all had a blast at the Holiday fun meet and I would like to personally thank Helen Pugh (AKA Santa) and all of her wonderful elves for putting on a wonderful party. Thx Thx Thx.

We had a healthy contingent of Marlin swimmers swim at the FFYS Invitational this past weekend and boy, did they put on a show! Our 8 & Unders were just wonderful with numerous great swims. Our 10 & Unders also did a great job with the boys swimming a near zone cut in the 200 Free relay and Jackson Pitlock had a great 100 Free. Our 11 & 12 year olds were equally impressive also just missing a zone cut in their free relay while Sierra Wilson was dominant all weekend long while Tori Pellerito has the Dakota High School coach's salivating. Our old folks had a mighty fine meet with Ben Pitlock knocking down a great 500 free and John Nowinski continually showing improvement. Great Job Swimmers

Please keep track of the Holiday practice schedule, it is quite different then our normal schedule.

High School Boys, Need you to do some planning for me. You are allowed to swim 2 meets with the Marlins during your high school season. Please take a look at the meet calendar. We are targeting our Marlin Invitational and the Eastern Cluster meet for your two meets. Zone and Nationals are outside your season so you are good to go with them. We are not targeting State meet this year because for you boys, it falls on the Sunday that you have division meet. Division meet is on Friday and Saturday and I don't think too many of you are keen to drive to Grand Rapids immediately after your division meets. Please see me if you have questions regarding this because if someone is absolutely dead set on swimming in State, we can accommodate you but we will have to drop one of the other two meets.



Coach's Corner cont.

High School Girls, please remember, I need a copy of your best times from your high school season. A couple of you have already done that but I am still owed by many. Girls, you also have to look at the meet schedule. You need to swim in three meets to be eligible for our championship meets. Our Invitational counts as two if you swim on both days. We also have a dual meet in January that will count as one. If you don't have any meets in yet and can NOT make one of those meets, please see me. Have a great week.

MARLIN MARATHON

We still have many families that have not turned in their contribution for their marathon obligation. Remember, your swimmer will NOT be able to swim in any further meets as of December 31, 2009 until the obligation is fulfilled. Feel free to mail your check, payable to MYM, to: Marianne Ross, 36306 Egan, Clinton Twp, 48035.

holiday party thank you

A fun time was had by all that attended the Marlins holiday party. A big thank-you to coach Brad for the awesome relays! Thank-you to Rich Thomson for being our official and Sharon Wilson for all her help. Wishing everyone has a wonderful holiday season.

Helen Pugh
Holiday Party Chairman

WE NEED YOU!

As the holiday season rolls around, and we are all in the spirit of giving, please keep your Marlin Swim team in mind. Our Marlin Invitational is just around the corner, and we are in need of volunteers. Whether it is working concessions; helping out with scoring, marshalling or timing, your help is important. It takes a great many people to put on a swimming invitational, and we have always prided ourselves in putting on the best. So when a team representative approaches you to ask for your help, please be generous with your time, it's for a worthy cause.....your team!

Dave Pitlock

High School Swimmers

High School swimmers, it is your responsibility to obtain your high school best times and provide them to Mr. Mark Victor at results@macombmarlins.com. We can only use these times for entry and qualification purposes if we know about them. You may have qualified for a championship meet during the high school season and we can use these times as long as we have them. Please see a coach if you have any questions and thank you to those swimmers who have already provided this information.



NEW OFFICIALS

Congratulations to the following people who have successfully completed their YMCA officials training. As swimmers (and their parents) move on after high school graduation, it is important that we periodically replenish the list of those trained to officiate a swim meet. The size of this year's class is particularly gratifying, and will benefit us for years to come. Additionally, many thanks go out to the current group of officials, who tirelessly give of their time year after year. Your consistent support sets a good example for this new group to follow.

Nadine Korneffel Cliff Bliss
Kelli Dexter Sue Bagans
Tim Gelmini Steve Gesch
J.R. Maskeny Jeff Hearn
Vince Fisher

Missing

If anyone knows the whereabouts of the Marlins Concessions Binder, please contact Kathleen Gray at 412-0799 or kathleen.gray@ireland.com. It is white and says Marlins Concessions on the front cover. It was last seen at the Marlins Meet.



HIGH SCHOOL CORNER

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

Dec 11: Alex Francisco, Sean Smith (Dakota), Nick Victor, Aaron Shields, Brad Scott, Mike Martin (Anchor Bay)

Dec 16: Charles Ross, Daniel Ross (Fraser),

CONGRATULATIONS BOYS!!

Congratulations also goes out to Aaron Shields and Mack Biggert for being named Athlete of the Week

Please accept our apologies if we have missed anyone

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following high school girls who made Macomb's All-County Girls Team:

Brooke Will, Nichole Contesti, Nicole Hranchook, Hannah Pugh, Alyssa Kulczycki, Shaina Kulczycki, Megan Ross, Laura Konopka, Lyndsay McCarver and Grace Pytell.

Special Congratulations go to Hannah Pugh for being named Macomb County Swimmer of the Year.



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

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



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) 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. For questions, contact Mark Victor via email at mark.victor@att.net.

Scrip Program

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

Zone Hotel Information

Quality Inn
1550 E. Wooster
Bowling Green, OH 43402
419-352-5211

Block of rooms is held under "Macomb Swim" for March 19 & 20, 2010. Price is \$79.95 per night + tax and offers a deluxe continental breakfast. Reservations must be made by February 18 – the rooms not booked will be "released" at that time.

Just a note: This hotel is an exterior building, all room entrances enter from the outside.

upcoming meets

Dec. 12-13, 2009 - Holiday Invitational @

Waterford Kettering High School

Meet Entry Signup is available from the Meet Information web page. **Entry is closed.**

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)

Jan. 9-10, 2010 - FYF Winter Invitational

@ Waterford Mott High School

Meet Signup Form for this meet is available from the Meet Information web page. **Entry Deadline is 12/18/09.**

NOTE: Due to the limited availability of our MYM coaching staff for this swim meet, we are accepting team entries for the PM sessions only (swimmers 13 & Older).

For questions/issues with entries for this meet, please contact Brigid Hranchook via email at matthewhranchook@att.net or Mark Victor via email at entries@macombmarlins.com

Saturday/Sunday PM Sessions: 13-14 Boys/Girls, 15-18 Boys/Girls -- Warm-up 12:00 PM, Meet starts 1:00 PM

Jan. 16-17, 2010 - 28th Annual Marlin Invitational @ L'Anse Creuse North High School

Online Meet Signup for this meet is available from the Online Signup web page. **Entry Deadline is 12/30/09.**

For questions/issues with entries for this meet, please contact Mark Victor via email at entries@macombmarlins.com

Saturday/Sunday AM Sessions: 11 & Over Boys/Girls --
Warm-up 7:30 AM, Meet starts 8:30 AM
Saturday/Sunday PM Sessions: 10 & Under Boys/Girls --
Warm-up 1:00 PM, Meet starts 2:00 PM

Jan. 23, 2010 - MYM-BWO Dual Meet @

L'Anse Creuse North High School

Online Meet Signup will be available soon.

For questions/issues with entries for this meet, please contact Mark Victor via email at entries@macombmarlins.com

NOTE: With the exception of our high school boys, ALL Marlins should swim in this meet!! There are NO FEES for this meet!!

Warm-up and start times are TBD.

Jan. 29-31, 2010 - GPG "Romp in the Swamp" Meet @ Grosse Pointe South High School

**** This is a USA swim meet. Only USA registered swimmers can swim in this meet.**

Meet Signup Form for this meet is available from the Meet Information web page. **Entry Deadline is 12/23/09.**

For questions/issues with entries for this meet, please contact Brigid Hranchook via email at matthewhranchook@att.net or Mark Victor via email at entries@macombmarlins.com

Friday Afternoon Session: All age groups - Warm-up 5:00 PM, Check-in by 5:15 PM, Events start 6:00 PM

Saturday/Sunday AM Sessions: 12 & Under Boys/Girls - Warm-up 7:30 AM, Check-in by 7:45 AM, Events start 8:30 AM

Saturday/Sunday PM Sessions: 13 & Over Boys/Girls - Warm-up 12:30 PM, Check-in by 12:45 PM, Events start 1:30 PM

Open Positions

2nd Vice President - If anyone is interested in being considered for the board position of 2nd Vice-President, please contact Mark Victor at webmaster@macombmarlins.com. The candidate will work with the current 2nd 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.

Macomb Marlin National Swim Team Fundraiser

**A great cause
and some great food**



All friends, family and supporters of the [Macomb Marlin National Swim Team](#) are invited to participate in their fundraising event on **Monday, December 28, 2009**

Everyone is invited to gather at Buffalo Wild Wings in Mt. Clemens (48 Market St.) for lunch, dinner, or a snack. On this day, 20% of purchases* accompanied by the certificate below will be donated to the

Macomb Marlin National Swim Team.

**Macomb Marlin National Swim Team Fundraiser
Monday, December 28, 2009**

Present this certificate to your server at the time of your order and 20% of your purchases* will go to support the

Macomb Marlin National Swim Team.



*Valid towards Dine-In and Carry-Out. Not valid towards gift card purchases.

Only valid at 48 Market Street, Mt. Clemens, MI (586) 469-0725