

## REGISTRATION REPORT

August 10, 2005

Athletes	5854	Increase of 509
Seasonal	156	Increase of 40
Non-Athlete	957	Increase of 60
Clubs	47	Same
Seasonal Club	1	Same

A new club, located in northern Virginia, has joined Virginia Swimming. They are the Wahoo Swim Club. I also have the forms for a new club to join in the Strasburg/Winchester area. This group was part of Snow Bird in Potomac Valley. These forms will go to USA Swimming for approval. The club will be called Valley Swim Team-Phoenix. I will notify everyone when I have received notification that their application to become a club has been approved. Also a Y team in Richmond working towards becoming a club. They have been competing for the 2005 year as unattached.

The following are items for Board Consideration.

Over the past 5 years Virginia Swimming has been sending out Welcome Packets to all new registered swimmers. The first 2 years USA Swimming supplied the materials and reimbursed us for the postage. The following year we supplied the materials and they paid a portion of the postage. After that we were on our own. In the packet that was mailed this season was a patch, decal, key chain and a welcome letter. USA Swimming also sends a welcome package. I don't know what they include in it. There is no way that I can tell whether this mailing encourages swimmers to renew their membership. I have never received any word from a coach or parent concerning this. I put together the approximate cost this year, based on what it cost for postage, envelopes, labels, patches, etc. The cost for 2000 mailings is around \$9635. I sent over 1850 this season. I think that we need to step back and reevaluate this program and make a decision on whether we should continue. I see 3 options.

1. Discontinue
2. Discontinue for a year (I can check at the end of 2006 for renewals of news)
3. Continue.

It is a time consuming job and I don't mind doing it. But if we are to continue I need to know right away, as materials need to be ordered.

For my vote, I would like to put this off for a year and see what the figures on how many renewed for 2006 that were new in 2005.

## POLICY F: Meet Results

Host clubs are required to send the office a disk and hard copy, etc. I would like the words “and hard copy” deleted. I have never received a hard copy and it isn’t needed. This year Steve, our Technical Planning Chair had asked for final results, also. This has caused a problem as some clubs only send me a copy, or send only one to Steve. Sometimes I end up with 4 copies of the same meet. It is time consuming and not necessary. I can understand why Steve wants to check the results, so I would propose that we change the policy to have one copy of the results sent to the Technical Planning Chair. Then Technical Planning would send it on to Records, Zone, Office and Web Master.

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