

THE SANDPIPER

SCOOP

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1996

1996-97 SEASON PROMISES TO BE THE BEST YET!!!!

As a new season begins, we welcome all returning swimmers for another fun-filled year. For those of you new to Sandpipers we welcome you to our team. This promises to be an exciting year. As most of you know, there have been some changes in the coaching staff. Ron Aikens is now head coach, over the National Training group and Senior Training group, Chris Barber is the assistant coach and is over Junior Training group and Kelly Boylan remains as the Lessons coach. Each of these coaches are dedicated to help our child attain their goals in swimming. They are always available to discuss any concerns that we, as parents, may have. Again welcome back and good luck this coming year.

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT PARENTS MEETING 9-12-96 6:00 P.M.

We will have a very important meeting for all parents September 12, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. at which time we will elect officers for the upcoming year. The candidates for office are:

PRESIDENT: PAUL SASKINS
VICE PRES: DIANE FRISBY
SECRETARY:
TREASURER: RICK ROBERTS

It's extremely important that all parents attend this meeting and exercise their right to vote. Sandpipers is a parent-run organization and without parental involvement we won't be the team we could be.

SANDPIPERS LADAH, HASHAGEN, EICHHOLZ, AND NAVARRO MAKE BIG SPLASH AT LONG COURSE JUNIOR OLYMPICS

THE FOUR SWIMMERS, AS A TEAM, PLACED 42ND OUT OF 66 OTHER TEAMS.

RAMZY LADAH WAS AT HIS BEST IN THIS MEET. HE TURNED IN BIG IMPROVEMENTS IN ALL HIS EVENTS. THE HIGHEST PLACE THAT HE FINISHED WAS 2ND IN THE 100 METER BREASTSTROKE, WITH THE TIME OF 1:10.26. THIS TIME IS FAST ONLY 1.9 SECONDS AWAY FROM JUNIOR NATIONALS AND 1.7 SECONDS AWAY FROM TOP 16 IN THE NATION. RAMZY ALSO PLACED 3RD IN THE 200 I.M. AND IN THE 200 BREASTSTROKE, ALONG WITH A 5TH IN THE 400 I.M.

JODI HASHAGEN, COMING OFF OF A SUMMER BREAK FROM SWIMMING, HAD SOME VERY SURPRISING SWIMS. SHE HAD A BIG DROP IN HER BACKSTROKE TIME TO GO FROM 16TH TO 10TH IN CONSOLATION FINALS. SHE ALSO PLACED 11TH IN THE 100 FLY AND 13TH IN THE 100 BACKSTROKE.

AFTER A LONG SUMMER OF HARD WORK, TIM EICHHOLZ ATTENDED JO'S TO FIND HIMSELF ENTERED NOT VERY WELL AGAINST THE COMPETITION. TIM

ROSE TO THE OCCASION AND MADE TOP 16 IN, BOTH, THE 100 AND 200 BREASTSTROKE BY SHAVING A TOTAL OF 8 SECONDS OFF HIS BEST TIMES.

JENNIFER NAVARRO, IN HER LAST JO MEET, SHE, ALSO, MADE IT TO THE TOP 16 IN BOTH OF HER MAIN EVENTS, THE 100 AND 200 BACKSTROKE. JENNIFER IS NOW ATTENDING SCHOOL AT M.I.T., AND WE ALL WISH HER LUCK.

COACH RON AITKEN WAS VERY PLEASED WITH ALL THE SWIMMER'S IMPROVEMENTS AND CANNOT WAIT FOR ANOTHER BIG MEET!!!!

LAS VEGAS SANDPIPERS ARE OFF TO A GOOD START WITH THE 96-97 SWIM SEASON

THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND MEET REALLY SHOWED THAT THE SANDPIPERS HAVE STRENGTH IN NUMBERS. THIS MEET HAD 42 SANDPIPERS ATTENDING, WHICH PUT US AS THE 2ND LARGEST TEAM AT THE MEET. COACH RON AITKEN SAID THAT, "THIS WAS THE MOST KIDS AT ONE MEET SINCE I STARTED COACHING THE SANDPIPERS, IN 1994". THIS MEET HAD MANY OUTSTANDING SWIMS FROM ALL THE SWIMMERS AND, EVEN A MEET RECORD BY SABRINA FABER IN THE 50 BREASTSTROKE "CONGRATULATIONS, SABRINA".

COACHES CORNER

Introducing the newest addition to the Sandpiper Swim Team, Christopher Barber. We thought you'd like to know a little about his background. Welcome aboard, Chris!!!

Chris is a second grade teacher at Doris Hancock Elementary School. He started swimming competitively at the age of 10 with the Nevada Rapids. He swam three years for the Las Vegas Gold (but we won't hold that against him) and for Bishop Gorman High School. For the past four years he has coached for Clark County Parks and Rec, the Maslow Mighty Ducks. Due to Chris' enthusiasm for swimming, many of the swimmers from Maslow continued on in year-round swimming and are members of the Sandpipers. We welcome Chris to our team.



WHO AM I????

SWIMMER #1: This swimmer has been swimming for four years. His/Her favorite colors are green and black. His/Her favorite group is Boyz 2 Men. This swimmer enjoys roller skating, music and talking on the phone. He/She was born January 18, 1984 in Rochester, New York and is in the 7th grade at St. Joseph's.

SWIMMER #2: This swimmer has been swimming for 4 years since the ripe old age of 5. His/Her hobbies include riding a bicycle, going to Mt. Charleston with Dad and looking at the stars and bugging his/her sister. This swimmer's favorite color is purple and his/her favorite food is pizza. His/her favorite stroke is fly. His/her was born June 24, 1987 in Fairbanks, Alaska and is in the 4th grade at Charlotte Hill Elementary school.

How well do you know your fellow Sandpipers? Have you guessed who the spotlighted swimmers are? Swimmer #1 is Nicole Reddout. Swimmer #2 is Rosalie Raymond.