

TEAM RIDGLEA/MANSFIELD MASTERS Swim Program (USMS certified & registered)

June 2010 Newsletter

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Upcoming TEAM RIDGLEA/MANSFIELD MASTERS events:

June 26-27, 2010: Dallas Area Masters Swim Meet @ SMU

July 25, 2010: Ironman Lake Placid; ***Good luck, Amy Andra!***

****** July 23-25, 2010: South Central Zone Swimming Championships – Southlake***

July 30 – August 7, 2010: FINA World Swimming Championships - Sweden

August 9-12, 2010: United States Masters National Swimming Championships –

@ San Juan, Puerto Rico (meters)

August 29, 2010: Ironman Louisville; ***Good luck, Scott Ayer!***

November 28, 2010: Ironman Cozumel; ***Good luck, Emilia Zeller!***

April 28-May 1, 2011: United States Masters Spring National Swimming Championships – Mesa, Arizona

August 3-6, 2011: United States Masters Summer Swimming Championships – Auburn, Alabama

Congratulations to our team members that competed in the United States Masters National Swimming Championships in Atlanta last month: ***Jeri Hepworth, Linda Hepworth, Petie Connolly, Jane Birkhead, Mark Stephens, Mark Hepworth, David Lyons and David McManic.*** There were many, many outstanding performances from Team Ridglea swimmers – highlighted by ***David Lyons'*** 2nd place finish in the 50-yard backstroke! There are 511 registered masters swim teams in the United States – we finished this meet, as a team, in 55th place! Top 10% - great job swimmers! Thank you for making us all proud!

This September 23-25 will be the dates for the 2010 United States Masters National Convention. This is the same national convention that I have been attending, and representing Team Ridglea for many of the past 10 years. During this period of time, this conference has been held in such cities as Atlanta, Los Angeles, Indianapolis, Chicago, and Las Vegas. However, this year the conference is being held in Dallas, at the Hyatt Hotel (Reunion Tower). Our Local Masters Swimming Association (LMSC) – North Texas, will be hosting this entire convention. It takes a large number of volunteers to put this event on, which serves to represent the 511 masters swim teams in the United States, and the 50,000 registered masters swimmers nationwide. Since our association is hosting this event, all 27 registered teams in North Texas (of which we are a member team) are being 'asked' to supply volunteers to cover a number of shifts to man areas of the convention; hospitality, tourism, etc. In our next newsletter, I will have the specific areas that Team Ridglea will be in charge of. Be thinking if this is something you would be interested in participating – it's actually a lot of fun!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – PLEASE SWIM IN THIS MEET

WE ARE GOING TO TRY AND WIN IT!!!

The next Zone Championships are less than 2 months away – in Southlake – July 23-25. If you only plan on swimming in only one meet this year, please make plans to participate in this one. Registration entries are up on-line right now. Deadline to submit your entries is July 13. Don't be late. **Let's try and win this meet!**

We have an obstacle to overcome this Fall. I was notified by Texas Wesleyan University 2 days ago that they are increasing their pool rental expense; was \$35 per hour. Effective immediately, the new hourly rental rate is \$60 per hour. I am considering our options, but I'm leaning on now conducting 4 one-hour (5:30 – 6:30 A.M.) weekday morning practices at this pool, rather than 5 ninety minute practices. Your thoughts, please.

A continued huge 'THANK YOU' to **Gideon Davis and Steve Wood** for keeping our www.teamridglea.com website up and running, and up-to-date. Your help is certainly appreciated:

* 100 Mile Club: You receive a ... 100 Mile Club Team Ridglea t-shirt

* 200 Mile Club: You receive a ... 200 Mile Club

* 300 Mile Club: You receive a ... 300 Mile Club

* 400+ Mile Club: You will be treated to a dinner for 2 at ...

100 Mile Club for 2010: Aly Peters on February 26 Brian Miller on February 26

Brent Poulsen on March 4 Mark Hepworth on March 6 Jason Ramos on March 8 Dennis Light on March 12 Jim Dunn on March 15 Susan Torpy on March 19 Brent Bunnell on March 24 Scott Ayer on March 26 Mike Wright on March 31 Diana Guess on April 9 Art Torpy on April 11 Gary Milam on May 3 Julie Jackson on June 3

**200 Mile Club for 2010: Brent Poulsen on May 7 Jason Ramos on May 11 Brian Miller on May 25
Jim Dunn on May 30**

Dennis Light on May 30 Sue Torpy on June 8

*** To find the chart, to easily record your daily mileage, **Tad Chichester** created a very easy and useful yardage log. To download this chart, begin by going to our team website: www.teamridglea.com. Click 'Team Records'. Then scroll down and click 'TCYL' (which stands for 'Tad Chichester's Yardage Log'). Begin recording your daily yards/meters. It will automatically add your distance every day.

Happy Birthday's in May: Emilia Zeller June 6

Katie Farina June 17

(*If I ever miss someone's birthday, it's most likely because I don't have your birthday recorded. If you have never given it to me, please let me add it to the team roster).

Please remember, **EVERY TEAM RIDGLEA MEMBER MUST REGISTER for USMS!!!** The annual fee of \$42 includes insurance for you while you are participating in all team practices, meets, etc. This registration is a national requirement. **IT MUST BE DONE!!!** Get a registration form from Chuck at practice, or download a form yourself at www.ntmasters.org – 'on-line registration.

We will be moving outdoors soon. The outdoor water is still around 70 degrees – about 10 degrees away from 'thinking' about swimming outdoors. Please be patient with the mild Spring we are having. As we know, it will be hot enough very soon – for a long time! Let's enjoy the cooler than normal temperatures.

***** CURRENT SWIM PRACTICE SCHEDULE *****

68 organized and structured professional swim practices to choose from each month

Monday thru Friday 5:30 – 7:00 A.M. at Lockheed Martin Recreation Area

Monday thru Friday 5:30 – 6:30 A.M. at Mansfield ISD Natatorium

Monday and Wednesday 7:35 – 8:35 P.M. at Lockheed Martin Recreation Area

Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 – 11:00 A.M. at Benbrook YMCA

*you need to be a member of the Benbrook YMCA for these 2 practices

Saturday 7:00 – 8:00 A.M. at Lockheed Martin Recreation Area

Sunday Noon – 1:00 P.M. at Lockheed Martin Recreation Area

Tuesday 5:30 P.M. Open Water Swim at Benbrook Lake – Dutch Branch Park

Our primary practice facilities:

Texas Wesleyan University 1201 Wesleyan, 76105 (pool located on South Collard Street)

Mansfield ISD Natatorium 1001 North Holland Road Mansfield 76063 (corner of Hwy. 360 & Broad St.)

Lockheed Martin Recreation Area 3400 Bryant Irvin Road, 76109

Benbrook Community Center/YMCA 1899 Winscott Road, 76126

Tarrant County College – Northwest Campus 4801 Marine Creek Parkway, 76179

Thank you to our swim coaching staff at the Mansfield and Fort Worth area pools:

Wednesday at LMRA – ***Kristen Canaday***

Monday's at Mansfield – ***Dennis Light***

Thursday's at Mansfield – ***Gary Milam***

Tuesday's at Mansfield – ***Bob Button***

Friday's at LMRA – ***Steve Wood***

I coach at Mansfield every Wednesday and Friday morning; and at the Fort Worth practices all other times.

Feel free to contact me at any time: 817-560-POOL (office), 817-560-7666 (fax), 817-903-1978 (cell) or chuckburr@sbcglobal.net.

Chuck