

BAC Members,

Hello, my name is Don Pijor and I have the privilege of serving as the Winterfest Meet Director for BAC. For those of you who are new to the club, I would like to explain what the Winterfest Meet is and what it means to our club.

The 2010 BAC Winterfest Meet is being held January 15-17, 2010 at Royal Oak Middle School (formerly Dondero High School). It serves as our main fundraiser and provides the BAC with exposure to many other clubs in the immediate southeast Michigan Area. It is also an opportunity for the BAC membership to come together as a team to support each other as well as our swimmers. This meet has had a reputation of being a very well run swim meet that attracts many top swimmers in the area.

In order to have a successful swim meet, all members need to contribute their time and talents during this 3 day event. Each family is expected to work a total of 3 sessions during the weekend to fulfill their obligation. For those who are unavailable during that weekend, there are a limited number of opportunities to assist with some of the preliminary work needed leading up to the swim meet. Any member who does not meet this requirement will be assessed a \$60.00 fee per session (maximum \$180.00).

If you are looking to earn credit towards your dues, you can sell advertisements for the Swim program that we sell at our meet. Please see the Winterfest webpage for the flyer with all of the prices and details. As with all BAC fundraisers, you will receive 70% of the amount credited to you and the other 30% will go into the BAC general fund. Remember that a healthy general fund helped BAC keep dues the same as last year.

As a first time meet director, I am only beginning to appreciate the work the current officers and past meet directors have had to do to both run the club and execute a successful swim meet.

PLEASE HELP ME OUT BY SIGNING UP FOR YOUR VOLUNTEER SLOTS WITHIN THE NEXT 2 WEEKS. To sign up as a volunteer go to the Winterfest meet web page at <http://www.bulldogaquaticclub.com/Winterfest/2010/00WinterfestMembers.aspx> to view the available jobs. Then you can send an email to the volunteer email address at: winterfestvolunteers@bulldogaquaticclub.com with your name, your first and second choice of job and the days/shifts you should like to volunteer. Please contact me if there are any questions concerning the Winterfest Swim Meet at winterfestmeetdir@bulldogaquaticclub.com.

For your reference, here is a schedule for your swimmers since most people prefer to work while their child is swimming:

Session	Groups Swimming	Warm-Up* Meet Starts	
Friday PM	All Swimmers	5:15 PM	6:00 PM
Saturday AM	All 10 & Unders + 11-12 Girls	7:30 AM	8:30 AM
Saturday PM	All 13 & Over + 11-12 Boys	12:30 PM	1:30 PM
Sunday AM	All 10 & Unders + 11-12 Girls	7:30 AM	8:30 AM
Sunday PM	All 13 & Over + 11-12 Boys	12:30 PM	1:30 PM

If you have a job that is not on-deck you will be able to take a short break to see your child(ren) swim.

Thanks again and looking forward to working with you at the meet.

Donald Pijor
Winterfest Meet Director
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