

NIAGARA DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
JUNE 2, 1991
UNIVERSITY OF BUFFALO

PRESENT: Betty Barry, Secretary; Dick Heller, Top 10 Chairman; George McVey, Registrar; Kay Turner, Treasurer; Bill Walter, Chairman; Gary and Kathy Austin; Gene Donner; Marrie Neumer, University of Rochester; Emily Ward, University of Buffalo.

1991-1992 CALENDAR

Gene Donner has approached Betsy Durrant about hosting the 1992 Short Course Zone Championships at the University of Buffalo in April. Betsy's most recent Colonies newsletter asked for comments. The pool is available the second weekend in April (the Colonies Newsletter mentions the first weekend which was the original suggested date).

After a lengthy discussion, and taking into consideration last year's meet schedule, the following calendar was tentatively planned for the 91/92 season. Before any sanctions are granted, swim clubs will be contacted and asked to notify the Sanctions Chairman if they intend to seek sanctions during the coming year.

October	27	University of Buffalo	SC Yds.
November	(?early)	Binghamton	SC Yds.
November	(?late)	Irondequoit	SC Yds.
December	15	University of Rochester	SC Meters
January	?	Syracuse	SC Yds.
February	8/	MCC, Rochester	SC Yds. Distance & Relays
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March	6-8	University of Rochester	SC Yds. STATES
April	10-12	University of Buffalo	SC Yds. ZONES
May	3	University of Rochester	SC Yds. Reg. Format/Pentathlon
May	14-17	Chapel Hill, N.C.	SC Yds. NATIONALS
June	27 to		
July	5	Indianapolis	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
August	20-23	Federal Way, Washington	LC CHAMPIONSHIPS

One of the concerns expressed which would require further investigation: The October meet request by U.B. could fall within one week of the annual Binghamton meet if it is held the first weekend in November. Binghamton will be asked for input...The meets would be at opposite ends of the district, but our goal remains to offer the best possible calendar to district swimmers without jeopardizing the success of any meet by sanctioning another too closely either in time or proximity.

Gary Austin suggested a 1992 Long Course State Meet as well as a State Open Water Swim. He also asked that we contact those groups who register as clubs rather than Niagara to reconsider. Such registrations prevent them from participating at national meets in Niagara relays. Gary would like to organize the Niagara team for the INDIANAPOLIS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS so that relays can be entered in advance. It was agreed that the district would pay for the relays.

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1991-1992 DISTRICT OFFICERS

The following slate of officers was presented:

Chairman	Gene Donner	Buffalo	New
Registrar	George McVey	Rochester	Remains Same
Treasurer	Kay Turner	Rochester	Remains Same
Secretary	(Open)	-----	
Top 10 Chair	Dick Heller	Buffalo	Remains Same
Sanctions Chair	Betty Barry	Rochester	New
Newsletter	Gary Austin	Rochester	New
Officials	Hugh Reinhard	Rochester	Remains Same

No one has yet been nominated for the position of Secretary.

It was suggested that the bylaws be amended to give the Past Chairman a voting position on the Board. There were no objections, although it was noted that we tend to make our decisions more on a consensus of those present than on an exact vote per se.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be held after the National 2-MILE OPEN WATER SWIM on August 11 at Lake Ontario's Hamlin Beach and notification to district members will be given in the June newsletter.

NEWSLETTER

It was decided that the WATERPOWER GAZETTE would be issued bimonthly (instead of 5 times per year), that each issue would include deadlines (most likely the 1st of September, November, January, March, May and July) and officers names, addresses and phone numbers (perhaps printed on district letterhead). Any meet sheet that was not sent to him by the Sanctions Chair in time for a newsletter would have to be distributed by the host club with the district providing the labels at a charge to cover expenses. In such a case, the newsletter could contain information on the meet, including who to write to for a meet sheet, if that information is available at deadline time.

TOP 10

Dick Heller explained that he would like to maintain two district record lists -- one for record times swum in the district by any USMS registered swimmer, and one for record times swum by Niagara District swimmers regardless of where they were achieved. Dick has a Top 10 listing but no district records.

The records listed in the State meet program were the records set at State Meets - not district or state records.

ANNUAL CONVENTION - LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, SEPTEMBER 18-22, 1991

George McVey and Betty Barry will be the two district representatives. Gene Donner, delegate-at-large, Legislative Committee, and member of the Championship Committee, will also attend, giving us three votes. The

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cost of hotel, transportation and one meal per day will be paid for by the district as was the case last year.

2-MILE OPEN WATER SWIM, AUGUST 11, 1991

George reported that shirts with logo would be distributed to those who swim the 2-mile course as well as helpers. Caps would be given to all swimmers. It was expected that there would be approximately 50-55 participants for the 2-mile race and 25-30 for the 1-mile race. The cost to the district is estimated at \$400.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty J. Barry, Secretary
8/5/91