

April 21, 2009

Well, here we are again for another summer of fun. A few things to think about for the Spring meeting. We have decided to send this out to all because there are changes in coaching staff and this way everyone can be informed of the upcoming season. On that note if your team is going through staff changes please contact us with those changes so we can add or delete to keep our records up to date.

Thanks to Vicki Greff for updating our by-laws. They are on the website, www.bvssl.com. Please review before the meeting so they can be approved. Also on the website you will find the eligibility form for 2009. Make sure that this is the form you use, no modifications to fit your team please.

Other notes:

--Remember, any swimming from Oct. 31 to the start of summer league needs to be a STROKE CLINIC program - any yardage or endurance swimming cannot be a coached program - has to be independent! This rule excludes any high school swimmer swimming in season with their respective team.

--Please take into consideration the banning of the new fast suits that were seen in high school competition this year, before the summer league kids start. We would like to bring this proposal to the spring meeting to vote on for the summer. The ban would include, but not limited to the Blue 70, LZR, or similar type suits (TYR's Fusion2, Tracer Light, and Nike's Hydra and Swift). It might be helpful to put a price limit on suits. If the suit retails for more than \$100.00, then is banned. The suits will be limited to tanks, jammers and briefs. Only one suit may be worn at a time. This is a national debate and we need to keep the integrity of the league records. These suits might not be legal next year on any level and we would like to see the summer league records remain attainable for all swimmers. We don't want anyone to have an unfair advantage.

--Bring your rosters to the spring meeting with any eligibility forms that have been signed to date.

See you all soon,

Gretchen McSwain, President