

Coaches Report

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I am please to say that our Christmas camp was an outstanding success with three full classes of Learn to Dive and a full camp of competitive divers. The camp ran over four days (December 27-30, 2005) from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.. I think all of the campers had a great time and many have come back for the Winter Learn to Dive session. My guesstimate from Learn to Dive is around \$2500.00 of fees which is pretty good for four days. Since this is the first time we have run a Christmas camp with Learn to Dive it is probably something we will explore again next season. It appears that many parents are happy to have something for their kids to do during this period.

Our numbers for the new Winter session beginning this week are 101 (21 advanced who will repeat in five weeks) which puts the number at about 122. Counting the Winter camp this would put us ahead of last years registration which was the highest ever. We have also moved up four new divers into the competitive section so our numbers here should be 39 or 40 athletes. All in all we are ahead of budget for all of these programs.

Our athlete preparing for the Nationals are beginning to look presentable and I am feeling confident that we will be ready for such an early event. All areas of their preparation are being covered from in depth diving analysis to physical testing.

I have started working on a meet schedule for the Polar Bear. I have heard that there will be a lot more teams this year due to the trials events. CAMO has indicated they are bringing up to 40 divers. I want to be prepared with a four day and three day schedule. My feeling right now is that this will turn out to be a full four day meet. I am going to send out a notice to attend sheet to all of the clubs to see if we can get a better idea of the numbers.

A couple of decisions need to be made tonight as Jayne needs to book tables and also complete applications.

We have to decide if we are going to be part of the sport show at the arena which require that we book and pay for a table.

Second decision is that the sport legacy grants are due on the 16th and I am planning on submitting for a full Dartfish setup which comes out to around \$9000.00 but would give us a DLP projector, a laptop and another digital video camera. We are putting in a second grant application for three diving boards which will also be around \$9000.00. What I need is a vote on the two projects so that the decision appears in the minutes.

In summary I feel confident that we are ahead of projected incomes from the programming and if we keep up the advertising barrage we should be able to continue this trend throughout the year.

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