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Please join us in keeping Sue Shollenberger in our thoughts and prayers as she recovers from a brain aneurysm last month. She is out of the hospital and back home undergoing therapy. If you'd like to wish her well, please send her an email to shollek@sbcglobal.net with 'Dear Sue' in the subject field. Sue has been a tremendous supporter of Illinois Swimming as a coach and as an official.

This email covers the following topics:

- (1) How to update your email information
- (2) Meet Manager demo
- (3) Please don't take on-line tests until May 19 - USA Swimming is doing some maintenance work
- (4) DQ log - changes and clarification
- (5) Championship meet dates and Officials Scholarship Information
- (6) Recertification clinics in the fall - 9/21 in Bloomington and 10/4 at New Trier.

- (1) How to update your email information

If you have not established an on-line account at USA Swimming, please do so. This will allow you to update your contact information, including email. Please ensure your email address is correct, and if not, change it on the USA Swimming website. This is the source of email information, and will be reflected in the officials roster as it is updated. (Link to USA Swimming: www.usaswimming.org, account set up/log in is in the top right corner of the home page).

- (2) Meet Manager demo

For all the Referees, Admin Starters, and Admins, if you have ever wanted to spend more time with Meet Manager reports, but didn't have the licensed copy, did you know the Meet Manager demo will allow you to review meets, create reports, and even create a generic access database from the meet information? This is not a solicitation for Hy-Tek or an endorsement of their software, but many of us use Meet Manager for meets. You can download the demo and become more proficient on reporting capabilities and general navigation. You won't be able to interface with the timing computer. You can download the demo at: <http://www.hy-tek ltd.com/downloads.html>

- (3) On-line tests

USA Swimming is conducting maintenance for the on-line tests, and requests that no test be taken until May 19. Please make a note of it!

- (4) DQ Log - changes and clarification

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The DQ log no longer needs to be submitted to the ISI office with the meet certification form. The log is intended to be a tool for the meet referee to review the DQs for the session and was also used to provide information to coaches regarding trends on where DQs were being made.

The DQ log is not an acceptable method to communicate disqualifications to the swimmer or coach. There have been instances where the log has been posted as communication of DQs to swimmers and coaches - this is not an acceptable practice and does not comply with the following USA Swimming Technical Rule:

102.10.2 The Referee or designated official making a disqualification shall make every reasonable effort to seek out the swimmer or his/her coach and inform him/her as to the reason for the disqualification.

(5) Championship Meet Dates and Officials Scholarship Information

6/05 - 6/08: Mutual of Omaha Swimvitational - A USA Swimming Grand Prix Event (app to officiate:

http://www.centralzones.org/generalinfo/cz_officials_app_grandprix_2008Omaha.pdf)

7/17 - 7/20: USA Swimming Speedo Sectional Meet at Schroeder YMCA, Wisconsin (app to officiate:

<http://www.centralzones.org/generalinfo/Officials%20Application%202008%20CZ%20Summer%20Sectionals.doc>)

7/24 - 7/27: Illinois State Senior Championship at Northwestern University (app to officiate:

<http://www.ilswim.org/officials/SR%20LC%20Champ%20App%2008.pdf>)

7/29 - 8/02: US Open Championship at University of Minnesota (app to officiate:

<http://www.usaswimming.org/USASWeb/Rainbow/Documents/869323ab-3849-4141-81c9-b185d6a07dd8/2008%20Applic%20US%20Open%20WEB%20email.pdf>)

8/01 - 8/03: Age Group Championship at UIC (app to officiate: <http://www.ilswim.org/officials/AG%20LC%20Champ%20App%2008.pdf>)

8/04 - 8/08: Junior National Meet at University of Minnesota (app to officiate:

<http://www.usaswimming.org/USASWeb/Rainbow/Documents/7a0d5775-f60c-434f-8d2d-bfcf397e413c/2008%20Applic%20Junior%20Nationals%20WEB%20email.pdf>)

8/06 - 8/10: Mega Zones Central Zone Meet at IUPUI Natatorium, Indianapolis, IN (app to officiate:

http://www.centralzones.org/generalinfo/cz_officials_app_zonemeet_2008.pdf)

8/08 - 8/24: Olympics at Beijing, China

ISI provides scholarships for ISI officials working National Championship Meets. General requirements are to be a certified ISI referee for at least 1 year and have worked 8 sessions at senior or age group champs in the past year as an official. Eligible meets include World Cup, US Open (7/29-8/2), Us Disability, Nationals (8/4-8/8), and Olympic Trials. Details are on the application form located on the ISI website (direct link:

<http://www.ilswim.org/officials/scholarships/NationalsOfficialsScholarshipInformation.pdf>). Please direct any questions to Dave Olack (daolack@comcast.net).

Websites:

Zone website: <http://www.centralzones.org/>

USA Swimming applications to Officiate web page: <http://www.usaswimming.org/USASWeb/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabId=99&Alias=Rainbow&Lang=en>

(6) Recertification clinics in the fall - save the dates!

2008 is the bi-annual year where we must recertify. You may recertify by taking the tests on line, or, you may recertify by attending a recertification clinic hosted by your LSC. Current dates and locations for the recertification clinics are:

- 9:00 am on Sunday, September 21, Bloomington, IL at the State Farm Insurance Companies Oakland Avenue Training Facility
- 9:00 am on Saturday, October 4 (tentative date), Hosted by New Trier Swim Club

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