

Barracudas Bubble #3



Newsletter #3

June 6th, 2003

Cudas Dates to Remember!

BURNABY A/B MEET

June 21st & 22nd
Central Park Pool
*The Best Swim Meet
in the SFU Region!*

June 24th

Picture Day & Splash
Party- 4:15pm to 7pm -
Central Park
Hosted by
Kensington Parents

July 21st-

Splash Party
& Raffle Draw-
Central Park
Hosted by
McPherson Parents

July 7th to 18th

HELL WEEK!
All Pools

July 26th/27th

Burnaby 'B' &
Development Meet-
Central Park

SFU Region Swim Meets

June 13-

PoCo Development

June 14/15-

Poco A/B- 'A' Finals

June 21/22-

Burnaby A/B- 'A' Finals

June 28/29-

Port Moody Spike-

'A' Finals

July 12/13-

Port Moody

B/Development

July 15

Mantas Best Ever (SFU)

July 19/20-

Coquitlam A- 'A' Finals

July 26/27-

Burnaby B/Development

'B' Finals

July 26-

PoCo Speed Meet

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Burnaby A/B Meet- June 21 & 22



Make sure you mark your calendars for our own **Burnaby**

Barracudas A/B Meet on June 21st and 22nd held at Central Park Pool. The Barracudas have the **best facility**, the **most** parking and host the **best** swim meets around! If you've never attended a meet or plan to only go to one meet this season, make sure you attend our own Barracudas Meet. It's exciting, fun and there's a lot of swimming to be had!

Watch for sign-up sheets posted at your pool!

All Hands on Deck!

Calling all Volunteers- it's **our turn** to host a meet and we need **everyone's** help! Many parents have already signed up for jobs, but we need **everyone to help out** on June 21st and 22nd. If you would like to help and have not yet been enlisted by **Meet Manager, Donna**

Chilling out in the CUDAS tent between races at last year's Burnaby A/B Meet

Hua, please call **604-526-3613** to sign up.

Set-up:

Set up for our meet takes place on **Friday, June 20th** at Central Park Pool starting at **5pm**. Drop by if you can help out. **Latecomers are welcome!**

Night Security:

Do you like to stay up all night? Do you have a big dog? Would you and a friend like to **make \$200?** The Club is in need of **two adults**, preferably with a tough-looking dog, to **stay overnite** at Central Park Pool on Friday June 20th from **8:30pm to 5:30am** Saturday and from Saturday, **6pm to 5:30am** Sunday. This is to deter anyone from entering the secured pool area overnite. To offer your services or for more info: call **Wendy Jung at 604-522-1199** or **Donna Hua at 604-526-3613**.

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Parent Free Zone

This is a friendly reminder to all parents that the **Pool Deck is a "Parent Free Zone."** Everyone who is a **non-registered Barracuda** (eg. parents, siblings, relatives, caregivers, drivers etc...) **MUST stay off the pool deck, outside the chain link fence at ALL practices at ALL pools.** This is for safety and insurance reasons. Consider keeping a lawn chair or blanket in your vehicle because at most of the pools, there is no seating outside the fences.



Cudas Pub Nite

Back by Popular Demand!
Another Fun Nite for the adults. Join us for a nite out-away from the pool!

DATE: Saturday, July 5th
TIME: 6:30pm
LOCATION: Burnaby Mountain Golf Course at 7600 Halifax St.

Only **\$12**each

Includes: Pasta Bar & a Glass of Beer. \$5. from each ticket sold goes to the Club.

Live Entertainment. 50/50 Draw. Putting Contest. Raffle Draw.
(Any donations would be greatly appreciated)

Tickets are available from your Pool Rep or any member of the Executive.

Hurry! Get your Tickets early. Invite your family, friends & neighbours. The last Pub Nite was a huge success!!!

Note: Ticket holders must be 19 years of age or older.

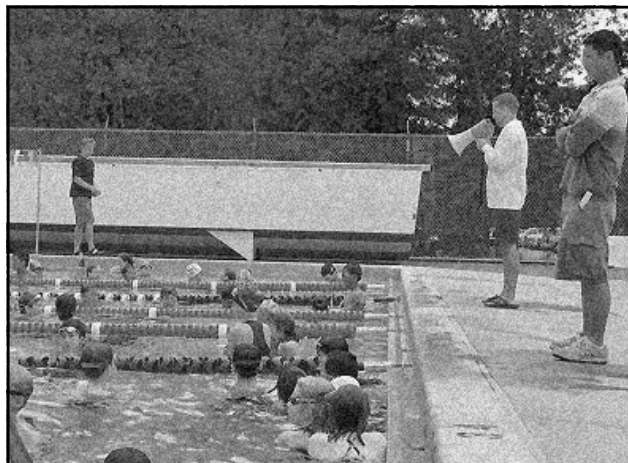
Clothing Drive

The Annual Barracuda Clothing Drive for Big Brothers held during the Mock Meet hauled in over 200 bags of used clothing, shoes and linens and the Club raised over \$600.

Many thanks to **Chris & Wendy Murao** to for organizing the clothing drive.

Thanks to all Club members who donated- Chris was a little worried that it all wouldn't fit into the Big Brothers van! Remember, start collecting and saving for next year!

Mock Meet A Splashing Success!



The first ever **Barracudas Mock Meet** was a **huge** success! It was nice to see **new &**

Swimmers receive instructions from Ryan while Arthur watches on

returning swimmers and their families come out and experience the swim meet setting in an informal atmosphere.

There were a lot of fast times in the pool and the younger swimmers really did well!

Overall, things ran smoothly- once we got going. There were a couple glitches- thanks, **Matt** for running home to get extra computer equipment and supplies!

The Mock Meet was a great way to practice setting up for a regular meet and an excellent way for parents to learn about new and different jobs in running a swim meet.

It was great to see a lot of new parents participating in learning about timing and recording. It's definitely alot less intimidating way to learn about what to volunteer for than at a formal swim meet setting.

Many thanks to the Executive for heading up the various deck sections of a meet.

Chris & Wendy Murao did an excellent job organizing the Big Brothers clothing drive as a fundraiser for the club. Plus, Wendy reports that sales of Cuda clothing & gear went well.

Wendy Melton and **Nicole Rolland** did an outstanding job in organizing the food for the Splash Party. It's probably the first time we didn't have a ton of food left over!

Many thanks to the coaches for giving up their free time to run the meet: **Jennifer & Mike** for helping with the shed in the morning as well as the meet; **Ross, Arthur, Kathryn, Travis, Bronwyn, Brandon, & Dave** for helping with the young, new members of the club and the meet. Thanks especially to **Ryan and Matt** for planning the meet in the first place and an extra special thank you to Matt for printing all the cards and the program and bringing both your personal laptops & printer when ours wasn't working properly.

And last but not least, thanks to **Director of Equipment, Barrie Remple** who single-handedly cleaned out and re-organized the Club shed. Over the past few years, Barrie has spent countless hours alone keeping the Club's equipment in top notch condition. Someone **please help** the man out!

Finally, thanks to everyone for coming to our first Mock Meet and making it a great success!

Lost & Found

The following items were found at the Mock Meet:

- Black Telus Folding Chair
- A Blue jack with BMW on the back

Call Wendy at:
604-522-1199 to claim

More Cudas Dates to Remember

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Water Polo Meets:

June 27th- P3 Cadets
6am to 5pm - Central Park

June 27th- P1/P2

8:30am to 4:30pm - ABB

July 1- Haney Jr

July 2- P3/P4

Port Moody

July 9- P1/P1

Port Moody

July 14th- P4

6am to 5pm- Central Park

July 16th- P3

North Van

July 23rd- P1& P2

6am to 2pm Central Park

July 24th- P3/P4

North Van

July 28th- P1/P2 SFU Regionals

Central Park

July 29/30- P3/P3 SFU Regionals

CCAC

August 2/3

'A' Regionals- Coquitlam

August 9/10:

'B' Regionals- PoCo

August 12 to 17

Provincials- Victoria

September 12th

Swedish Community Hall

October 7th

Annual General Meeting
Shadbolt Centre- 7pm to 9pm

RAFFLE TICKETS

DUE! July 21st

Raffle Prizes will drawn at the Splash Party

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Raffle Donations

Apart from having the best concession food and the best swim meet, the Cudas are also known for our **great raffle draws**. The raffles provide a big portion of the money we make hosting our meet. We are in **need of prizes** for our Burnaby A/B Meet on June 21st & 22nd. If you or your company can **donate** a raffle prize, please contact **Chris** or **Wendy Murao** at **604-322-2960** or email: **canasawa@aol.com**

Deadline for Advertising or sponsorship for the Burnaby A/B Meet is **Wed. June 18th**. For more info contact **Wendy Jung** at **604-522-1199** or **Donna Hua** at **604-526-3613**.

Club Photo Nite & Splash Party

We invite all swimmers, waterpolo players, synchronized swimmers and coaches to have their individual photos taken and to be in the Club photo. Then join us for our 2nd Splash Party of the season.

DATE: **Tues. June 24th 4:15 7pm**
 TIME: **4:15pm for Group Photo**,
 Individual pics to follow.
 Splash party after photo session.

WHERE: **Central Park Pool**
 COST: **\$7** for "Memory Mate" pkg.

Photo packages start from **\$7** for a Memory Mate which includes an individual swimmer photo and a Group Club photo. Many other packages are available. Payment is **cash (exact change please)** or **cheque** only on Photo Nite.

The **Splash Party** hosted by **Kensington** parents will follow after the photo session is finished. All Barracuda swimmers are invited to join in for an hour of fun-filled pool activities followed by our famous barbeque. The Club supplies hot dogs, burgers, chips & pop all at bargain prices. Kensington Parents supply salads, veggies and desserts. **Kensington parents, watch for notices on your bulletin board for sign up sheets & more info.**

Other pool parents please volunteer to help out at this Splash Party as it will probably be the largest one of the year.

The Best Swim Meet in Town!!!

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Deck Food:

Deck food is one of the reasons why the Barracudas have the reputation of hosting the **best swim meet** around.

As the **host swim club** for the meet, the Barracudas supplies "**deck food**" (snacks and drinks) for all volunteers working the meet. It's a way of thanking volunteers for helping out. **Bonnie Burnell, Deck Food Co-ordinator**, will be calling everyone shortly to ask what your deck food contribution will be. Please remember that you'll be asked to bring deck food for both Saturday & Sunday, and it should be something that can be easily passed out **and eaten by hand**.

Concession:

One of the highlights of our Meet is our **famous concession stand!** Help serve or take cash. Or those who have **Food Safe Level 1**, you can help prepare the food. If you would like to don an apron and help flip burgers or our famous potstickers, and would like to **take the Food Safe** course (1 day course and the certificate is for-

ever), the Club will **reimburse you** for the course fee. Contact **Wendy Jung** at **604-522-1199 a.s.a.p.**

Take Down:

Take down happens immediately after the Meet ends on Sunday, June 22nd. We'll all be tired, so if everyone could stay for a short time and help out, it would be greatly appreciated

Runners, Recorders, Timers, Marshalls, Data Entry:

And many other volunteers are needed. **No Experience necessary!** If you are new to all of this swimming stuff, please **don't be shy** or think we don't need your help- we really do! Everyone is expected to do their part. It's a good way to get to know some of the great people involved in the Club- plus you'll get to indulge in deck food as well! **Please call Meet Manager, Donna Hua** at **604-526-3613** (so she doesn't have to call you). The sooner you sign up, the more choices in jobs and times you'll have.

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Mock Meet Report by Maria Parente

Wow! The Mock Meet turned out to be a great success! I was especially impressed with the enthusiasm of **NEW and returning parents** that showed up for the Junior Level 1 Course prior to the Meet. Special thanks to **Nicole Rolland** for setup and manning the information table for me. "Coming forward to volunteer *is the way!*" To all new and returning parents who volunteered, a big **"THANKS!"** It's people like you that keep clubs like the Barracudas afloat. As Director of Officials for the past 7 years, I

must say a Mock Meet before a regular swim meet is a **great way to start** off the summer swimming season for both swimmers and parents.

I'd like to thank **Head Coach, Ryan Skomorowski** and his reliable coaching staff for their involvement and **Club President, Wendy Jung** for her support. Thanks to parent section heads who were available to train anyone wanting to learn about their particular sections of the working pool deck

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Burnaby A/B Meet:
Note to Cuda Swimmers
5:45am-stretching,
6am
In the pool



Mock Meet Report

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Lyn Nelson- Clerk of the Course; **Debbie Massullo**- Marshalling; **Nicole Rolland**- Info Table; **Joanne Campbell**- Crash Desk; **Tom Wong**- Computer & Office; Electronics- **Rich Pughe & Neil Campbell**; **Dino Fantillo & Doug Melton**- Runners; **Carrie Marsh**- Announcer; Starter- **Tom Routtu**; Stroke & Turn Officials- **Leslie Pughe & Jim Toy**; **Jim Gritchen & Gord Robinson**- Chief Timers; **Ron Chan & Al Wallington**- Place Judges- and a new position for me- Referee.

All our swimmers participated well with excellent attitude and fast swimming.

Congratulations to **Lesley Pughe, Ron Chan, Jim Gritchen & Donna Hua** on receiving their Level 1 Green Pin.

Thanks to everyone who helped with set-up and take-down for

both the Mock Meet and Splash Party.

Thanks to **Wendy & Chris Murao** for working so hard on making the clothing drive a success.

Thanks to **Barrie Remple** for transforming the shed into a neat and clean, presentable area.

Just a reminder- with the **Burnaby A/B Meet** quickly approaching on **June 21st & 22nd** at Central Park, should any parents be contacted by **Donna Hua, Meet Manager**, please help! The Barracudas also host a **B/Development Meet on July 26th & 27th**. We'll be looking for your help then too. Of all the SFU region clubs, when the Barracudas host a meet, **we do it the best!** Your help is greatly appreciated. **See you on deck!**

-Maria Parente

Pool Reps

Thanks to the following people for volunteering as **Pool Reps** this season:

Nicole Rolland: Robert Burnaby
Phone: 604-434-1201
email: robinsonrolland@telus.net

Lynette Deaton- Kensington
Phone: 604-294-3355
email: ldeaton@telus.net

Colleen Day- McPherson
Phone: 604-438-8888
email: goodday@telus.net

Marie Slama- McPherson
Phone: 604-521-8451
email: hslama@telus.net

Judy Melton- Head Pool Rep
Phone: 604-434-4254
email: dmelton@telus.net

In addition to getting pool schedules, newsletters and organizing Splash Parties, Pool Reps will also be **collecting funds for extra strokes** that swimmers sign up for at meets and for **no-shows and deck entries**.

Contributions and comments to the Barracudas Bubble Newsletter are welcome and greatly appreciated. Contact: Sandra Lee at 604-438-8921 or e-mail: sandra_lee@shaw.ca



Check out our website at:
www.bcssa.bc.ca/sfu/bur

Didn't Swim? You Pay

What if you sign up for a swim meet and then you are unable to attend? As the Club has **already paid** your entry fee for the swim meet, you will be asked to **reimburse the Club for missed events**. If possible, please let your coach know you will be unable to attend. The Club pays for 4 strokes. If your swimmer signs up for more than 4 strokes, you will be asked to pay for the extras. **Pool Reps** will be collecting the extra funds

Carpooling

Have **conflicting schedules** with swimmers at **different pools**? Can't be at 2 or 3 places at once? If this sound like you, watch for **sign up sheets** at each pool for parents interested in **carpooling**.

Important Dates to Remember!

The Deadline for turning in all Raffle Tickets is Monday, July 21st at Central Park Pool. Draw for raffle prizes will take place during the Splash Party. Ensure your tickets are winners by handing them in early to **Wendy or Chris Murao**, Head Pool Rep- **Judy Melton** or your own **Pool**

Waterpolo News

Just a reminder to all Waterpolo players that **ALL Waterpolo practices are held at Central Park Pool.**

If any parent has not already done so, please email **your email address** to **Jim Toy** at toy_jim@yahoo.com. Check out the Waterpolo schedule on our Web site at: www.bcssa.bc.ca/sf/bur

Rep. More tickets are available to sell if you would like to help out

Watch for more info in regards to the **Barracudas Annual Awards Banquet**. This year it will be held at the **Swedish Community Hall on Friday, September 12th**. Tickets will be available **for sale soon**.

Cuda Website

I'm not sure how many of you have looked at our **website** recently, but we have a "new" updated look. This is a **work in progress**, so please be patient, everything will be up & running soon. I'd like to thank **Sandra Lee** for spending time on re-vamping our site. Great job, Sandra. I'd also like to thank **Tom & Tanis Wong** for all their help in keeping our site updated over the last few years. **Thank you!**

-Wendy Jung

