



## April 2002 News

# Greetings

### **New Club Manager**

As the new club manager, I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the membership. I was raised in West Seattle and fondly remember spending warm summer days at Arbor Heights Swim Club. I graduated from Rainier Beach High School where I swam four years as part of an All-Metro relay team. Through high school and my early college years I worked at Evergreen Pool as a head lifeguard and swim instructor. I completed my Bachelor's degree in Business Management at Seattle University, and gained the majority of my management experience overseeing the Pro Shop at the Seattle Tennis Club for five years.

I am excited to once again be part of a swim club that shares similar family values, which complement a strong sense of community. Lastly, I am looking forward to splashing around in the pool during swim lessons, re-capturing the excitement of swim meets, and soaking up some fun in the hot summer sun!

See you at the pool.

Jodi

### **Former Swim Team Stars Return to Coach the Gators**

Adam Besagno has been a member of GSSC since the day he was born. He started swimming on the swim team at the age of four, under the tutelage of Mike Fosberg and Lori Jensen-Box. He attended St. Francis of Assisi School and went on to graduate from John F. Kennedy High School in 1999. He is currently a student at Gonzaga University in Spokane and is studying public relations and journalism. He has been an employee of the pool for nearly 8 years and has been an assistant coach for 2 years. His swimming experience includes 14 years at GSSC, Husky Swim Club for 7 years and West Seattle YMCA Dolphins for one year. This summer he will also teach swim lessons and serve as the club's Assistant Manager.

Look for bios on Lindsey Bjork and Cecily Bailey who will be Assistant Coaches with Adam on Swim Team and Jenny Besagno, the new Dive Coach in the May newsletter.

## Water conservation at GSSC

The past two years GSSC has had a significant increase in water usage due to leaks. Last season, we had a leak in the pool at the mid point seal. It required that we drain the pool to fix it. Unfortunately, that initial repair had problems and we had to drain the pool again to have it fixed correctly. This was a significant use of water, which resulted in large water bills, some of which was credited back to us by the water district.

Late this winter we had a pipe break in the pump room, which was discovered by the increased water usage, by the water district. This has been fixed, luckily without having to drain the pool. The consequence of these leaks, beyond increased water usage, has been a huge increase in our sewer bill. The sewer district determines the yearly sewer bill based on the amount of water that was used in the previous year. Unfortunately, the water that was drained from the pool twice last year, even though relatively clean, was treated by the sewer department. Our sewer bill this year will be roughly three times the normal rate, each month. The leak early this year will increase our bill for next year as well, though not as much.

This year and always, we should all try to conserve water, not just because of the precious natural resource that it is, but also to try to contain our sewer bill. We have all seen or heard the children frolicking in the showers, having a joyous time. We need to limit this and redirect their energy back into the pool. The swim and dive team members are known to use the showers as a warm up area, especially on those cool early summer evenings. We will need to limit this! The easiest culprit that we can all fix is those ghostly showers. I know that I have entered the restrooms often to find an empty shower stall with the water still going. Hopefully, we can all work together to bring our water consumption down and rein in our sewer bill. If anyone has any other ideas for conservation, please let the Manager, staff or a Board member know.

### Events to Remember:

**Work Parties** – are on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>. The times for both days are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come and help spruce up the place for opening day!

**Opening Day - Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** Pool opens at noon for an all-day general swim. Hot dogs, chips and pop will be served from Noon till 2:00 p.m. Membership dues must be paid by this date. Also, we will be signing up names for Swim, Dive and Tennis teams.

**Teen Party - Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-10 pm** - This party (rain or shine) is open to children currently in 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Team Suit Fitting- Tuesday, April 30, 2002, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00** - This year GSSC Gators will order a new team suit. The fitting night is earlier this year and not during the Team Parent Information Night. Yes, even before the pool opens!

## Swim/Dive Team Suit Order Form

Swim and Dive Team is just around the corner and we want to make sure you get all the information you need for the upcoming season. We have chosen Pacific Bay Swim & Sport to outfit our team suit for this season. In order to receive your team suit by the first swim meet, your order should be placed by **May 15, 2002**. Orders take 3-4 weeks to process therefore orders received by this date should be available for the first meet.

The suit we have chosen is:

Vendor: Nike      Style: Adriatic      Color: Blue/Black 44

**Suits: Prices reflect TEAM DISCOUNTED PRICE.**

Type	Item Number	Sizes	Prices inc. tax
Female Youth	33043	22-28	\$48.57
Female Adult	33042	30-38	\$51.70
Male Youth Jammer	33045	22-28	\$29.77
Male Adult Jammer	33044	30-38	\$31.33
Male Youth Brief	33046	22-28	\$26.63
Male Adult Brief	33045	30-40	\$29.77

Our scheduled fitting date is: April 30, 2002

Location: Gregory Pool      Time: 5-7:30pm

### TEAM DISCOUNT ORDERING TIMELINE:

Ordered By	Due In (approximate)	Point of Order
<b>May 15th</b>	<b>June 15th</b>	<b>Online or mail orders through Pacific Bay</b>
<b>June 1st</b>	<b>July 1st</b>	<b>Go through team representative</b>
<b>June 6th</b>	<b>July 6th</b>	<b>*Suits may not be available</b>

You may also order individually directly through their store at any time. Individual orders will not receive the team quantity discount, but your order can be processed without waiting for other team members.

Thank you for placing your orders on time so that we can get our suits by the first meet!

**Pacific Bay Store Hours: M-F 10-6 pm    Sat. 10-5 pm    Sun. noon-5 pm**

**\*\*\*To check on orders: M-F 8-3 pm phone: 206-244-0622**

**ORDERING BEFORE MAY 15<sup>th</sup>**

There are several ways to place your order:

- Order Online and either pay online by credit card or send a check.
  1. Go to: [www.pacbayswim.com](http://www.pacbayswim.com).
  2. Click on: Team Orders. Click on our team logo (or button)
  3. **Select: OPTION 1: Answer to the question is: Molly**
  4. Add your name, phone number, email address and select a personal password that you will remember. You may wish to write it here: \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. Add suits to cart. Refer to the sizing chart if you are unsure of the size.
  6. Review your order form to make sure you want everything that is in your cart. Remove any items you don't want.
  7. Print a copy of your order. Double-check it. You will be charge a re-stocking fee if you "accidentally" add unwanted items to your cart, therefore triple check!
  8. Complete the payment process. Follow the directions to pay be credit card or by check. Note: If you are paying by credit card, you will be charged at the time of order but the TEAM order will not be processed until the whole team has ordered on May 15, 2002. The suit will then take 3-4 weeks. Refer to timeline for approximate delivery dates.
- Print an order form and send to Pacific Bay with a check.
  1. Go to: [www.pacbayswim.com](http://www.pacbayswim.com)
  2. Click on: Team Orders. Click on our team logo under summer teams.
  3. **Select: OPTION 2: Fill out and print a copy of the order and mail to Pacific Bay by May 12, 2002 to ensure it arrives by May 15, 2002. Your cancelled check is your receipt. \*Keep a copy of the order for your records.**
- Go to Pacific Bay to Place your order. They are located just east of the Southcenter Mall in the same building as Pro Golf Discount. Their phone number is (206) 244-0622. (For directions go to: [www.pacbayswim.com](http://www.pacbayswim.com) and click on the "Contact us" button).
  - They will outfit you and take your payment by check or visa at their retail store. Please bring in this letter with you. Pacific Bay staff cannot give you the team price unless you have a copy of this letter.
- If the team fitting is scheduled before May 15<sup>th</sup>, you may order at your team's fitting.

Pick-up and Delivery: Orders placed at the team fitting will be the responsibility of your team rep. All other orders will be available for pick up at Pacific Bay either by you, the team rep, or other pre-authorized person. The person picking up the suit is responsible for loss or theft. Pacific Bay will call each customer when your suit arrives. If you would like to have your suit mailed to you, arrangements can be made directly with Pacific Bay. Standard shipping/handling is an additional \$6.95 and other shipping options are available. Be sure to use a daytime telephone number on your online order.

**Ordering after May 15, 2002**

There are 3 choices and these orders will not arrive by the first meet.

- If scheduled after May 15<sup>th</sup>, you may order at your team's scheduled fitting. Contact your team rep to arrange including your order as part of the team order. Print a copy of your team order form from the Pacific Bay website.
  1. Go to: [www.pacbayswim.com](http://www.pacbayswim.com)
  2. Click on: Team Orders. Click on our team logo under summer teams.
  3. **Select: OPTION 2: Fill out and print 2 copies of the order.**
  4. **Deliver 1 copy of your order form with payment to your team rep. Keep the second copy of the order for your records.**
- Place a Special Order directly through Pacific Bay.
 

**Note the team quantity discount will not apply to these orders.**

Pick up and Delivery will be made by the team rep and be handed out to the swimmers at practices or meets. Please make sure you have the correct phone number so the team rep can reach you easily.

*Note for orders placed after June 1, 2002: Suits may no longer be available.*

**Pre Season Swim Team Practices will start on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>  
Monday -Thursday**

Speedy Sixer's & 8 Under	10 Under & 12 Under	14 Under & Older
7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.	8:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

**Parent Information Night for Swim, Dive and Tennis Team will be on  
Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

We would like to ask all parents whose children are interested in participating in this year's swim, dive or tennis teams to come meet the coaches and listen to their goals and ideas for this year. This is the best opportunity for new and returning parents to ask questions and reacquaint themselves with the team's routines. We will have available a Parent Information Packet, which will include medical authorization forms, directions to the event locations, practice schedules, etc. As always, your level of participation in your children's activities will determine the degree of success of our programs.

**Volunteers Needed!!** We want this season's team events to be fun and successful. For this to happen we need your help. You will see sign-up sheets and other information that will identify help that is needed. Please be generous with your time when asked to help with timing, ribbons, car-pooling, baking, concessions, etc. Please call Molly Bruns (Youth Coordinator) at [brunsseattle@yahoo.com](mailto:brunsseattle@yahoo.com) or (206) 433-2899 if you would like to sign up.

**2002 Swim Team Schedule**

<i>VISITING TEAM</i>	<i>HOST TEAM</i>	<i>DATE</i>
GSSC	KENT	6/27/02
ARBOR HEIGHTS	GSSC	7/02/02
MARINE HILLS	GSSC	7/09/02
TWIN LAKES	GSSC	7/11/02
GSSC	NORMANDY PK	7/16/02
GSSC	LAKERIDGE	7/18/02
GSSC	OLYMPIC VIEW	7/23/02
B CHAMPS	?	7/25/02
GIRLS PRELIMS	LAKERIDGE	7/29/02
BOY PRELIMS	OLYMPIC VIEW	7/23/02
SOUTHERN DIV	GSSC	8/01/02
ALL CITY	ARBOR HEIGHTS	8/06/02

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