

4th annual Burning Bright for Breast Cancer

For the 4th consecutive year Synchro Swim Ontario member clubs across the province will be participating in a province-wide charity initiative throughout the month of October for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation - Ontario Chapter called "Burning Bright for Breast Cancer".

During October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Ontario synchronized swimming athletes will be participating in an event at their club where they will incorporate a common theme of keeping a candle burning within the pool for a minimum of one hour, in which swimmers will hand off the torch in a relay format. The candle symbolizes keeping the flame alive for creating a future without breast cancer. Over the past three years Synchro Swim Ontario and its member clubs have raised over **\$100,000** for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation - Ontario Chapter, the largest donations ever to the Ontario Chapter by an amateur Provincial Sports Organization.

"Synchro Ontario will once again be striving for excellence. Our highly inspired group of athletes have made amazing accomplishments in and out of the pool", said Synchro Ontario President Suzanne Laroche. "They continue to dedicate themselves participating in this wonderful opportunity, and we look forward to raising funds for CBCF in hopes of surpassing last years outstanding contribution. I am thrilled to be a part of such a special group who look outside of themselves to raise awareness and funds for an important cause."

This year Synchro Swim Ontario and its member clubs hope to bring the four-year donation total to over \$125,000 or more. Donations to Burning Bright for Breast Cancer can be made by contacting your local synchro swim club or Synchro Swim Ontario. Pledges from member clubs will be tallied for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation - Ontario Chapter by Synchro Swim Ontario and presented Sunday, December 9th at the

Lisa Alexander Figure Competition at the Canada Games Aquatic Centre in London, Ontario.



In support of

CANADIAN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION



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New for 2007!!!
Pink Pool Party Picture Contest

Participating clubs are asked to send in their best Burning Bright photo via email or mail with their completed donation package by **November 15, 2007** to Kara Heald (kheald@osrc.com).

The photos will then be forwarded to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation - Ontario Chapter where the staff will review and select the winning photo!

Synchro Swim Ontario opens Provincial Championship meets

Synchro Swim Ontario will be welcoming out-of-province and out-of-country teams to participate in four major provincial competitions this season.

The 2008 Provincial Championships (February 15-17 in Guelph, ON), 2008 Masters Provincial Championships (April 26 in Oshawa, ON), 2008 Tier Championships (May 29-June 1 in Toronto, ON) and the 2008 Trillium 12 & Under Championships (June 14-15 in Burlington, ON) will be open to out-of-province and out-of-country clubs to participate as exhibition entries.

"Ontario strives to be a progressive province and seeks to increase opportunities for new experiences, relationship building,

and the development of coaches, athletes and officials", said Synchro Ontario Executive Director Leslie Makins. "We hope that this new initiative will prove to be a win-win for everyone involved."

Meet packages will be distributed to all provinces and to international federation offices and clubs, as well as posted on the Synchro Swim Ontario website www.SynchroOntario.com.

For questions regarding these competitions and joining Ontario for these competitive opportunities please contact Sport Development Coordinator Kara Heald at 416-426-7407 or kheald@osrc.com.

2007-08 Recreational Competitions!

Synchro Swim Ontario is EXCITED to be hosting our recreational competitions for the 4th season!

Don't miss these great introductory meets designed especially for the recreational participant.

**4th annual Recreational Figure Meet
Alder St. Pool, Orangeville
Saturday, November 24, 2007**

**4th annual Recreational Figure Meet
Jack Burger Sports Centre, Port Hope
Saturday, February 23, 2008 (tentative)**

**4th annual Recreational Routine Meet
Alder St. Pool, Orangeville
Saturday, May 3, 2008**

November figure meet package now posted!
For more information contact: kheald@osrc.com

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October-December 2007

Burning Bright for Breast Cancer 2007

October 1-31, 2007
Clubs across the province!!!

Synchro Spirit 2007

October 20-21, 2007
Etobicoke Olympium

Leadership Conference

November 17-18, 2007
Kempfenfelt Centre, Barrie

Recreational Figure Meet

November 24, 2007
Alder St. Pool, Orangeville

Lisa Alexander Meet

December 9, 2007
Canada Games Aquatic Centre
London, ON
Hosted by: London Synchro

OWG Trials - East

January 13, 2008
Oshawa Civic Pool
Oshawa, ON
Hosted by: Durham Synchro

Provincial Trials

January 26-27, 2008
Etobicoke Olympium
Toronto, ON
Hosted by: Olympium Synchro

Central/North Regionals and OWG Trials C/N/W

February 8-10, 2008
Newmarket Pool
Newmarket, ON
Hosted by: York Synchro



CLUB NEWS!



The Club News page is a new monthly feature in News Splash! Email your club announcements (new coaches on staff and special event dates) to newsplash@osrc.com for inclusion in the monthly newsletter! Submissions are due by the last day of the month for inclusion in the next month's issue.

UPCOMING CLUB INVITATIONALS

The following club invitational (tentative) dates have been communicated to Synchron Ontario . . .

Markham Synchron is tentatively planning a competition at the end of November for swimmers new to competitive to prepare for the Lisa Alexander meet. More information to come.

Waterloo Synchron is planning their mammoth annual Waterloo Invitational competition for Tier 1-5 routines (team, duet and combo). The meet is scheduled for Sunday, January 20, 2008. Stay posted for more information: www.waterloosynchron.on.ca.

Burlington Synchron is planning their Rec Extravaganza for April 5, 2008.

Kingston Synchron is planning a competitive routine meet for April 5, 2008 (Tier 1-5 routines).

Variety Village Synchron is planning their annual Spring Invitational for Sunday, May 4, 2008.

The host clubs will be distributing meet packages to all clubs. Please contact the clubs above if you are interested in more details regarding these competitions.



2007 Leadership Conference

November 17-18, 2007 ~ Kempenfelt Conference Centre, Barrie

Registrations are due Monday, October 8th for guaranteed spots for ...

- One primary delegate (President or designate)
- One coach per club
- Officials fully-certified at level 1+ (first-come-first-served with direction from Officials Rep)

Remaining spots will be filled after October 9th (first-come-first-served basis) for ...

- Additional Club Delegates (executive)
- Additional Coach Delegates
- Officials fully-certified at level 1+

Complete conference information is available on www.SynchronOntario.com