

2004 U.S. COLLEGIATE

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 25-27 • Ann Arbor, MI

FINAL MEET ANNOUNCEMENT

DATES March 25-27, 2004 (Practice date: March 24)

| MEET MANAGER | Rebecca Trombley-Domegan 500 8 th Street Ann Arbor, MI 48103 734-665-3345 home | FACILITY | Donald B. Canham Natatorium University of Michigan Campus Ann Arbor, MI 734-647-0159 |
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| | Beckytrombley@hotmail.com | | <i>Contact:</i> Chris Onsted, Facility Director |

RULES TO GOVERN The 2003-2004 Official USSS Rulebook shall govern the Championships.

ENTRIES

MAIL ENTRIES

| FORM A | Club Entry Form (add additional sheets if necessary) |
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| FORM B | Athlete Affidavit of Eligibility |
| FORM C | Entry Fee Summary |
| FORM D | Host Fee Summary |
| FORM E | Housing and Transportation/Practice Time Request |
| FORM F | Officials Availability |
| FORM G | Collegiate Athlete Of The Year Nomination |
| FORM H | Technical Event Affidavit |
| FORMI | Additional Athlete Information |
| FORM J | Collegiate Contributor Award Nomination |
| FORM K | Mary Jo Ruggieri Collegiate Scholarship Nomination |
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ENTRY DEADLINE Entries and Forms must be postmarked no later than <u>March 3, 2004</u>. Use Postal Form #3817 to verify mailing date. (If a qualifying event is held after the entry deadline for this competition, a provisional entry must be submitted according to the above deadline. Within 72 hours of the completion of the qualifying competition, the proof of qualification must be submitted by phone and in writing to the Meet Manager.)

| AND FEES TO | 500 8 th Street Ann Arbor, MI 481 | 03 | |
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| MAIL ONE COPY OF ENTRY FORM A and FORM I (Add Athlete Information) | Ron Edgerton 7803 Woodstone Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45244-2834 (513)-474-1897 (513)-474-1837 (fax) RLEdgerton@aol.com | | |
| REGISTRATION | Wed., March 24 | 9 a.m5 p.m. | Registration at the pool |
| COACHES MEETING | Wed., March 24 | 7-9 p.m. | At the hotel |
| ATHLETES MEETING | Wed., March 24 | 7-9 p.m. | At the hotel |

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FEE INFORMATION

- Entry Fee \$15 per competitor per routine, including alternates. Make check payable to USSS. Any swimmer who is listed as an alternate for a routine and who is not swimming any other routine event shall pay the entry fee. (Rule Book, Appendix C, pg. 3.)
- Sponsor Fee \$25 per competitor. Make check payable to U of M Synchronized Swim Team.
- Credentials Each club will receive 2 coach credentials per 10 credentialed athletes.
- Tickets Spectator tickets will be required for all final events. Tickets are \$5 at the door on Thursday/Friday and \$10 on Saturday (\$5 students and kids).
- Parking Passes will be available for cars/minivans \$6 and buses/full-size vans \$10 a day, Saturday is free.

EVENTS

Technical Events

Category A – Technical Elements (Refer to Appendix E, Rulebook 2004 pages 25-32)

- Rocket Bent Knee, Twirl
- > Boosts and Eggbeater with Double Arm Travel
- Split to Walkout
- Traveling Ballet Leg Combination
- Porpoise Full Twist, Continuous Spin
- Rocket Split, 180 Degree Spin

Category B - Group 3

| 311g | Kip, Twist Spin | 2.5 |
|------|-----------------------------|-----|
| 421 | Walkover, Back, Closing 360 | 2.6 |
| 435 | Nova | 2.3 |
| 115a | Catalina, Half Twist | 2.6 |

| Category C - Group 2 | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-----|
| 125 | Eiffel Tower | 2.7 |
| 342 | Heron | 2.1 |
| 401 | Swordfish | 2.0 |
| 423 | Ariana | 2.2 |

Category D - Group 2 – Even Years

| 101R/L | Ballet Leg, Single | 1.6 |
|--------|--------------------|-----|
| 349 | Tower | 1.8 |
| 420 | Walkover, Back | 2.0 |
| 342 | Heron | 2.1 |

Routines

Routine competition in Solo, Duet, Trio and Team.

OFFICIALS Please return Forms E and F by the entry deadline.

HOST HOTEL Sheraton Inn Ann Arbor 3200 Boardwalk Ann Arbor, MI 48108 (734) 996-0862; Contact: Caroen Badge Room Rates-\$89/night plus state and local taxes (currently 8%) for all rooms. Rooms will be released February 24.

AIRPORTS

Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) – 25 miles (recommended) Toledo, OH Airport (TOL) – 50 miles; Detroit City Airport (DET) – 50 miles

To help our members, we have an agreement with United Airlines. To receive a five percent discount off the lowest available fare, call United at (800) 841-0460 and tell them you're with "U.S. Synchronized Swimming." Tickets booked 60 days in advance will receive a 10 percent discount.

DIRECTIONS

From DTW Airport to the Host Hotel

Follow signs to I-94 West (towards Chicago). Take I-94 West for 21.2 miles. Take the State Street exit, #177. Turn Right onto State Street and go 0.1 miles. Turn right onto Victors Way and follow it for 0.2 miles. Turn Left onto Boardwalk Street. The Sheraton Hotel is immediately on your left, and the Marriott is immediately on your right.

From Hotel to Pool

From Sheraton Hotel parking lot, turn Left onto Boardwalk Street (from the Marriott Hotel, turn right onto Boardwalk Street). Turn left onto Eisenhower Parkway (the first light). Turn right onto State Street (the first light) and go approximately 2 miles. Turn left onto E. Hoover (a light) and go approximately 0.5 miles. Turn left into the first driveway that you see (if you pass railroad tracks, you have gone too far). Drive around to the back of the Natatorium and look for the doors that say "Athletes and Officials Entrance."

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Taxi, van service and all major rental car companies available.

POOL SPECS

Competition Pool:Diving well, 25 yards x 25 meters, no lines on bottom of pool
Indoor Pool, pool temperature 82-84 degrees
Depth is 14-17 feet throughout
Spectator seating at north end of pool, routines will enter from south end
Practice space: 2 lanes in adjacent pool

VENUE RULES

- No food is permitted in the deck seating areas. Water bottles will be allowed on deck.
- There will be a designated gelling area at the pool. Please gel only in this area.

SOUND SYSTEM

An OceanEars sound system with a variable speed cassette deck and variable speed CD player will be used.

FOOD SERVICES

A concession stand will be open at the pool on Saturday only. No glass or food is permitted on the pool deck.

OFFICIALS AND COACHES HOSPITALITY

Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be available in the hospitality room throughout the competition. Please allow officials to eat first.

OFFICIALS/COACHES RECEPTION

The officials and coaches reception will be held in conjunction with the Coaches/Officials Meeting on Wed., March 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel

WRAP-UP SESSION

There will be a moderated wrap-up session at the conclusion of the competition. Judges and Coaches are asked to attend. Athletes are welcome

PROGRAM

Participating universities may email or mail photos to Rebecca Trombley-Domegan for the official program for \$20. **Deadline is Feb. 23**. Attach a caption listing the order of the swimmers pictured.

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

See 2003-2004 USSS Rulebook for details.

PHOTOGRAPHER

Team HotShots Sports Photography is the official championships photographer for USA Synchro. HotShots will be on-site to take action and posed photos of all routines. Photos can be purchased immediately following each event at the HotShots booth in the main lobby, or ordered on-line up to three months after the event at www.teamhotshots.com.

MEDIA SERVICES

To assist the USSS Media Relations Director at the event, please bring a phone/fax list of your university's local media outlets. You can acquire this list from your school's or athletic department's Sports Information Office or university Media Relations department.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE Please consult to the FINAL SCHEDULE distributed at Registration for any updates or adjustments.

| Start | End | Event |
|------------|-------------|--|
| WEDNESDA | Y, MARCH 24 | |
| AM 8:00 | 8:30 | Lap swimming only |
| 8:30 | 5:30 | Assigned practice with music |
| 9:00 | 5:00 | Registration |
| PM 4:00 | | Exhibition routine declarations due - no exceptions! |
| 7:00 | 9:00 | Athletes meeting at hotel |
| 7:30 | 9:00 | Officials & coaches meeting |
| THURSDAY, | MARCH 25 | |
| AM 7:00 | 7:30 | Lap swimming only |
| 7:30 | 8:00 | Warm-up Solo semifinal |
| 8:00 | 10:00 | Solo semifinal |
| 10:00 | 10:30 | Open Pool |
| 10:30 | 10:45 | Warm-up Duet semifinal – First Group |
| 10:45 | 2:00 | Duet Semifinal |
| 2:00 | 2:30 | Open Pool |
| 2:30 | 2:45 | Warm-up Trio semifinal – First Group |
| 2:45 | 5:30 | Trio semifinal |
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| FRIDAY, MA | RCH 26 | |
| AM 7:00 | 7:30 | Lap swimming only |
| 7:30 | 8:00 | Warm-up "D" Technical |
| 8:00 | 9:15 | "D" Technical competition |
| 9:15 | 9:45 | Warm-up "C" Technical |
| 9:45 | 10:45 | "C" Technical competition |
| 10:45 | 11:15 | Warm-up "B" Technical |
| 11:15 | 12:30 | "B" Technical competition |
| 12:30 | 1:00 | Warm-up "A" Technical |
| 1:00 | 2:00 | "A" Technical competition |
| 2:00 | 3:00 | Open Pool |
| 3:00 | 3:30 | Warm-up Team semifinal – First Group |
| 3:30 | 6:30 | Team semifinal |
| SATURDAY, | MARCH 27 | |
| AM 8:30 | 9:00 | Lap swimming only |
| 9:00 | 9:50 | Warm-up Trio & Duet finals |
| 10:00 | 10:15 | Parade of Athletes |
| 10:20 | 11:20 | Trio finals |
| 11:30 | 12:30 | Duet finals |
| PM 12:30 | 1:15 | Warm-up Solo & Team finals |
| 1:15 | 2:00 | Solo finals |
| 2:00 | 3:15 | Team finals |
| 3:15 | 3:45 | Wrap-up session for Judges, Coaches & Athletes |
| 3:45 | 5:15 | Awards |