

# **NORTH ZONE REPORT**

## **Convention**

### **September 2004**

The North Zone was host to two major competitions the year. The US Collegiate Championships were held at Michigan hosted by Becky Trombley-Domegan and Stephanie Sherk. The meet was well attended and well run by Becky and team. Thanks to all for bringing that level of competition to the North.

Indianapolis was the site of the largest meet of the season. The US Age Group Championship was hosted by Indy Synchro, Lori Eaton and the UIPUI Natatorium. There isn't a better facility to have a meet of this magnitude. With all three pools available, plenty of comfortable seating for fans, and well organized volunteer hosts it was a really great meet.

As always, we owe a lot of thanks to Ed Kaminski for making the sound happen at these events, and Jackie McDaniels and her scoring room staff for the quick and efficient results. Of course we need to thank our own North Zone Scoring Chair Ron Edgerton for working the Collegiate Meet, the Age Group Meet and our own North Zone Championship. Ron is retiring from his position this year and we will sorely miss his efficiency in the scoring room. Thank you, Ron, for all your years of service!

The Rocky Mountain Association was host to the North Zone Championships in March. They provided a great meet at the EPIC facility in Ft. Collins. Thanks to all the clubs and volunteers in Colorado! Numbers of officials continue to be a problem for this meet, but Officials Chair Shari Darst is working very hard to help judges move to the Zone Levels. Thanks Shari!

Our Education Chair Myrna Hagedorn put together a fantastic synchro clinic with hosts, the Michigan Assoc. and clinicians Charlotte Davis, Gail Emery, Suzannah Hyatt, and Victoria Bowen. The clinic was very well received by coaches and athletes alike. Myrna, along with the host, was able to keep the costs very reasonable so attendance at the clinic was at full capacity. Myrna is finishing her term as Education Chair, we appreciate all of her hard work it making the detailed arrangements for our clinics. Thank you Myrna!

Many thanks to all of the officers of the Zone, Joan, Shari, Myrna, Lisa, Scotti, Re and Nan who have worked to help me this year and thanks to all of the volunteers who do so much for the sport. Congratulations to all of the North Zone athletes who did so well in meets this season. We continue to see North Zone Clubs moving up the list in finals... congratulations girls!

One last note: Way to go Marilyn Deister! Marilyn won the eVamor Trip to Athens. We love you, but boy, are we all jealous! We'll be waiting to hear your stories from the games!

Respectfully submitted,  
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