

**UNITED STATES AQUATIC SPORTS
CONVENTION XXIII INFORMATION
HYATT REGENCY – Dallas/Ft Worth AIRPORT, TX
SEPTEMBER 8-15, 2002**

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION: All persons attending any meetings at the convention must be registered. Registration fees are:

\$100.00 – postmarked by August 02, 2002
\$125.00 – postmarked August 03, 2002 or later

Please send your registration form and fee to: Ellaine Cox, United States Aquatic Sports, 17575 Darden Road, South Bend, IN 46635. If you need to cancel, you must do so in writing by August 31, 2002 in order to receive a full refund.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Reservations will be handled through the Hyatt Regency DFW by returning the enclosed/attached reservation form to the hotel or by calling the hotel at 402-592-6437. If changes need to be made concerning your reservations you **MUST** call the hotel directly. See the reservation form for detailed information, including rates.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A HANDICAPPED ROOM, PLEASE INDICATE THAT WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATIONS.

HOTEL GUESTS NOT REGISTERED FOR THE UNITED STATES AQUATIC SPORTS CONVENTION WILL BE CHARGED THE HYATT REGENCY DFW STANDARD ROOM RATE.

You may register as a convention delegate without making room reservations at the Hyatt Regency DFW.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS: Enclosed/attached is a meeting schedule for the USMS Meetings. It is subject to change, so check your convention book for room assignments.

FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL YOUR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS AT THE FOLLOWING:

USA SWIMMING – 719-866-4578

USA DIVING – 317-237-5252

SYNCHRO USA – 317-237-5700

MASTERS SWIMMING – 800-550-SWIM (7946)

U.S. WATER POLO – 719-634-0699

OFFICIAL HOTEL RESERVATION FORM
UNITED STATES AQUATIC SPORTS CONVENTION
HYATT REGENCY DFW
Dallas/Ft Worth AIRPORT, TX SEPTEMBER 8-15, 2002
RESERVATION CUT OFF DATE – AUGUST 13, 2002

Please print clearly. Any housing form that is not filled out in its entirety will not be processed.

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____

ARRIVAL DATE _____ DEPARTURE DATE _____

ROOM OCCUPANTS – LIST ALL

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

ACCOMMODATIONS (CHECK TYPE OF ROOM REQUESTED)

Single (1 person/1 bed) Double (2 people/1 bed) Triple (3 people/2 beds) Quad (4 people/2 beds)

Double/Double (2 people/2 beds) Suite (1 bedroom) Suite (2 bedroom)

Or, if due to disability, you have any special needs or requirements, please let us know here: _____

CONVENTION HOTEL RATE (PLUS 12% TAX) – Single - \$112.00, Double - \$112.00, Triple - 112.00, Quad - \$112.00, Executive Suite - \$275.00

CANCELLATIONS/CHANGES – All cancellations and changes should be sent or phoned directly to the hotel. Cancellation must be made 72 hours prior to arrival to guarantee refund of deposit.

PLEASE CALL YOUR RESERVATION DIRECTLY TO HAYTT REGENCY DFW AIRPORT AT: **800-233-1234, 402-592-6437 or fax 972-615-6850.**

TO RECEIVE THE CONVENTION RATE BE SURE TO MENTION THAT YOU ARE WITH UNITED STATES AQUATIC SPORTS

Hotel reservations will be on a first COME basis. **HOUSING WILL BE CUT OFF ON August 13, 2002** or when we reach capacity. Room requests must be submitted on this form via mail or phone to the hotel directly. Mail to the: **Hyatt Regency DFW, PO Box 619014, DFW Airport, TX 75261.** **No checks please** as taxes have not been figured into the above room rate. Discounted rates have been negotiated with the hotel. The hotel will require a one-night's lodging deposit to guarantee your reservation. Your reservation must be guaranteed by credit card.

American Express Master Card Visa Diners Club Other _____

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Cardholder's Name (please print clearly) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FREE SHUTTLE TO AND FROM AIRPORT

Go to the bank of hotel phones in the luggage claim area and call the Hyatt. They will send a mini-bus to pick you up outside of the baggage claim area.

COMPLIMENTARY PARKING

For all delegates there is complimentary parking. For the delegates not staying at the Hyatt your airport ticket will be validated at the bell stand.

FREE SHUTTLE TO GRAPEVINE

Restaurant Row

Downtown Grapevine – the Grapefest will be going on the weekend of our convention. The Grapefest starts on Thursday

Grapevine Mills Mall and Bass Pro Shop

FREE SHUTTLE TO BEAR CREEK GOLF COURSE

Bear Creek is one of the top ten golf courses in Texas. Tee times and golf tournaments can be arranged through the Haytt. Jogging course for early morning runs.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS WITHIN MINUTES FROM THE HOTEL

See you in Grapevine, Texas!

- Grapevine Mills mall – over 200 value oriented shops and theme restaurants, shoppertainment at its best!
- Bass Pro Shop
- Tarantula Steam Excursion Train
- Winery/Tasting Rooms
- Historic Downtown
- Antique shops and art galleries
- Grapevine Lake
- Grapevine Opry – music variety show
- Over 200 eateries – fast food to fine dining
- 63 holes of challenging golf – Bear Creek Golf Club, Cowboys Golf Club (Golf Digest's top rated course in the country), Grapevine Municipal (27 holes designed by Byron Nelson), Opryland Hotel 18 hole executive course (opening 2004)
- X Games skate park (opening 2002 at Grapevine Mills)
- Gameworks
- Polar Ice
- 48 Movie screens
- Main Event bowling, laser tag, and video games

ATTRACTIONS WITHIN 20 MILES OF DFW HYATT REGENCY

- Zoos/Aquarium - Dallas Zoo & Fort Worth Zoo, Dallas Aquarium
- Sports - Texas Rangers Baseball, Dallas Cowboys Football, Dallas Stars Hockey
- Historic – Stockyards, West End Historic District
- Museums - Kimball Art Museum, Dallas Museum of Art, The 6th Floor Museum
- Music/Concerts - Bass Performance Hall, Morton Meyerson Symphony Center
- Other - Mesquite Rodeo, Six Flags Over Texas and Southfork Ranch

For more information please call the Grapevine Convention & visitors Bureau at 800-457-6338

MORE INFORMATION JUST IN FROM USAS...

United States Aquatic Sports has blocked over 700 sleeping rooms at the hotel. There will NOT be a shortage of rooms. The hotel has the same number of double/double rooms (two double beds) as convention hotels we've used in the past, so we do not anticipate that there will be a shortage of rooms with two double beds. Delegates should be able to book the type of room that they prefer - either two double beds or one king bed – without any difficulty.

There will be food stations set up in several auxiliary places throughout the meeting room and lobby floors of the hotel. There are four eating venues.

- IL Nonnos will have Italian lunch and dinner buffets with different menus daily.
- The Brighton Taproom will be open from 11:00 am - 2:00 am and food is served in there.
- Papayas will be open from 6:00 am - 10:00 pm and has buffets for all three meals a day.
- Starbuck's Coffee Bar will be open from 5:00 am to 5:00 pm and then transformed into a Lobby Bar for the evenings.

Room service is available from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm.

For those who want to go off site there will be free shuttle service to "restaurant row", the Grapevine Mills mall, and the quaint main street in Grapevine, Texas. There will be a wine Festival being held in Grapevine on September 12-15 as well.

The Grapevine Convention/Visitor's Bureau will have representatives at the hotel to answer your questions and provide helpful information about restaurants and their activities in the area.

There is free shuttle service to and from the airport, and free hotel parking (which must be validated by the hotel). All airport entrance tolls will be validated at the hotel bell stand for any delegate that chooses to stay off site or at home.

Bear Creek Golf Course and Racquet Club is near by. There will be free shuttle to the course should anyone have time to play a few holes. For those who want to run, there will be a free shuttle to the running course at Bear Creek each morning. If anyone is interested in any kind of a golf tournament, the Hyatt will set that up.

2002 USMS CONVENTION Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas September 11-15 Meeting Schedule (subject to change)		FRIDAY	September 13
		8:30-10:30 am	BLOCK #3 MEETINGS Communications Marketing Publications Registration
WEDNESDAY	September 11		
9 am-4 pm	Executive Committee		
1-4 pm	Coaches Seminar + Maca Meeting	8:30-10:30 am	Rules
4:15-5:15 pm	Convention and Zone Committee	10:45-12:45 pm	HOD/Championship bids
5:30-7 pm	BOD	12:45-1:45 pm	Lunch Endowment Fund
7:15-8:15 pm	Sports Medicine Seminar	2-4 pm	BLOCK #4 MEETINGS Fitness Insurance Long Distance Safety Sports Medicine
8:30-10 pm	Social and "Joke off"		
BLOCK "collective" meetings will meet as follows: 20 minutes together 1:10 breakout with individual committees 30 minutes together to "wrap up"			
		4:30-6:30 pm	House of Delegates Committee Reports, Election
THURSDAY	September 12		
8:30-11 am	House of Delegates Roll call, Introductions RRO, Speeches Theme and Mission presentation Reorganization of Convention	7-10 pm	Dinner and social
11:00-11:30 am	Lunch (buffet ??)		
11:30-1 pm	Coach's Presentation		
1-3 pm	BLOCK #1 MEETINGS Championship Coaches International Officials Rules	SATURDAY	September 14
3:15-4:15 pm	Rules - Open Forum	8:30-10:30 am	BLOCK #5 MEETINGS ISHOF Nominating History and Archives Recognition and Awards Records and Tabulation
4:15-4:45	Ad Hoc Database Task Force		
5-6:45 pm	BLOCK #2 MEETINGS Finance Legal Counselors Legislation Planning	8:30-10:30 am	Finance
5-6:30 pm	Long Distance Bids	10:45-11:45 am	Marketing Presentation
7-9 pm	USAS Insurance Reception	noon-1:30 pm	Zone Meetings and Lunch Breadbasket Colonies Dixie Great Lakes Northwest Oceana South Central Southwest
9pm-11 pm	Ransom Arthur presentation cmte.	1:45-6 pm	House of Delegates Committee reports
PRACTICE TIMES FOR MASTERS SWIMMERS		7-10 pm	Aquatics Awards Banquest
Thursday, Friday, Saturday Bus leaves - TBA Practice from - TBA Bus returns to hotel - TBA		SUNDAY	September 15
		8-9 am	USAS Board of Trustees
		9-10:30 am	House of Delegates Convention Wrap-up and Continental Breakfast