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What's New in R 8?

The following is a list of “what’s new”, several changes and things to be expected at the 2008 Level 9 & 10 Regional Championship Meets.

All Programs:

- 1) **ALL** attending coaches will be asked to wear the commemorative “TR” bracelets that will be available at the Regional Meets. These bracelets are to honor the passing and memory of Tim Rand – One of Region 8’s great coaches, mentors and contributors.
- 2) There will be a short survey available at Regionals that needs to be filled out and sent back to Brad Harris by May 5th. This survey will serve as your voice and opinion on possible changes to the J.O. program.

Programs that qualify an athlete or athletes to the 2008 Eastern or National Championship meets:

- 1) “Congratulations” packets for all qualifying athletes and coaches mapping out the apparel order forms and processes, the Region 8 host hotel, 2008 Training Camp opportunities and the Region 8 “All-Star” Team selection process will be available following each session at Regionals.
- 2) Apparel size samples. – All coaches that qualify athletes to one or more of the championship meets and plan on attending those meets will be required to try on the sample apparel and fill out the appropriate order forms. In 2008 all apparel will be custom ordered for each individual coach attending the Championship meets. It is essential that every coach that is to be on the floor at one or both of the National Meets fill out and return this form. All apparel will be distributed at the Championship meets.
- 3) Plans for National Championships. – In 2008 there will several meetings planned at the championship meets. Specific times and locations will be available in the “congratulations” packets that you will receive at Regionals. It is imperative that you plan on attending these meetings as they are where plans will be discussed and the apparel will be distributed.
- 4) Training Day and Competition Day organization. – **ALL** Level 10 Athletes that attend the training session on Friday, May 16th at 2:00 p.m. at the meet site will workout with their age group teammates. All programs with multiple athletes in multiple age groups must plan accordingly. Any conflicts can be resolved at the pre-workout meeting scheduled in Kissimmee prior to Region 8’s specific work-out time.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and see you at Regionals.