

Minnesota Swimming – Webmaster Report

During the 2006-07 reporting period, maintenance and upkeep of the website for Minnesota Swimming was uneventful. The majority of the website activity involves: meet information and results, coaching safety, officials clinics, updating club contact information, and time specific document posting.

My goal was to post information within 24 hours of getting – barring any disruption in my internet service in Red Wing. There were 3 instances this past 12 months when internet service was disrupted for 24 hours.

During the course of the year, the use of Hy-Tek's On-Line Team manager feature was discontinued in favor of having people use SWIMS. Some aspects of the On-Line Team manager were appealing, but upkeep and maintenance of the database was virtually impossible to handle efficiently since every upload was 100 mb. Far too big for even very high speed connections.

There is room for enhancements regarding meet names and instructions for creating certain reports in Hy-Tek Meet Manager. I believe the site could be an effective location to collect pool pictures and details of the facilities around the state. There has been discussion about having people evaluate meets via the internet. I have some learning to do to make this more effective as well as waiting for feedback about the actual evaluation form.

We do not have a policy regarding advertising on our site by retailers, job postings for out-of-state clubs, and privacy. I have operated, in conjunction with Cassy, in a manner that we think is in the best interest of the members of Minnesota Swimming.

Visitors have been polite when not finding what they want and asking me about it

Specific details of the year:

Number of Meets Reported: 81

Administrative Meetings: 10