



# COACHING CONNECTION



## Regional Coach Clinics

Join us this June for the 2026 Regional Coach Clinics to explore "Why It's Not About Talent: What Actually Drives Long Term Success."

### Featured Guest Speakers

- **Las Vegas (June 5-6):** Ron Aitken, Sandpipers of Nevada
- **Baltimore (June 12-13):** Michael Brooks, York YMCA

### Registration Details

- **Pricing:** \$125 for members, \$140 for non-members, or \$250 for a team discount (up to five coaches)
- **Inclusions:** Lunch is provided daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- **Deadlines:** Register by May 27 for Las Vegas or June 3 for Baltimore

For more information, click [here](#).

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## Connect With Team Services

Team Services is meeting clubs and coaches across the country. Take advantage of the opportunity and reach out to say hello while they are in your area. Check dates and locations below.



[Beth Winkowski](#), Lead Senior Team Services Advisor:

- June 8-19 | Middle Atlantic and New Jersey



[Dana Skelton](#), Senior Team Services Advisor:

- May 16-17 | Oklahoma club visits
- June 11-14 | Zone Select Camp/Regional Coach Clinic in Baltimore, MD



[Jay Chambers](#), Senior Team Services Advisor:

- June 17 | TYR Pro Series in Indianapolis, IN
- June 18-21 | Lifetime meet in Dallas, TX



[Mark Hesse](#), Senior Team Services Advisor:

- June 4- 7 | Zone Select Camp/ Regional Coach Clinic in Las Vegas, NV



[Mike Novell](#), Senior Team Services Advisor:

- May 16 | Southern California club visits and International Water Safety Day
- June 4-7 | Zone Select Camp/Regional Coach Clinic in Las Vegas, NV



[Terry Jones](#), Senior Team Services Advisor:

- May 26-30 | South Carolina club visits and meets
- June 11-14 | Zone Select Camp/Regional Coach Clinic in Baltimore, MD
- June 17-21 | Georgia club visits/Athlete Leadership Summit in Atlanta, GA

## Safe Sport Club Recognition - April, 2026

Congratulations to the 34 clubs from 17 different LSC's who were approved for Safe Sport Club Recognition in the month of April!

**USA SWIMMING** **SAFE SPORT** **CLUB RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

**34 CLUBS**

**17 LSC'S** LOCAL SWIMMING COMMITTEES

**APRIL 2026**

Dublin Community Swim Team Edina Swim Club Elevation Athletics Ellensburg Area Swim Team Greater Baltimore Swim Assoc	Hamburg Swim Club Kearns Youth Aquatic Team Mako Aquatics Mecklenburg Swim Association Monocacy Aquatic Club	Oak Forest Swim Association PACK Swim Team of Pittsford Race Swam!l Reach Aquatics Swim Club Riptide Aquatics	River Falls Swim Club Sandpoint Sharks Sharks Aquatic Club Sooner Swim Club South Bay Aquatics	Utah Valley Aquatics, Inc West Valley Aquatic Seawolves WSY Swimming
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## Run a Short Course Meet this Summer

We know that not every swimmer goes to long-



course championships. **Serve your swimmers who aren't attending long-course meets this summer by running a short-course Block Party.** These meets are short, fun, and adaptable to your club's needs.

The **Short Course Summer Slam** is the perfect opportunity to try this new and inviting meet format. Remember, **Block Party meets are fully sanctioned USA Swimming competitions available to any USA Swimming member club.** They are directly sanctioned by USA Swimming and allow any member, regardless of membership type or meet number restrictions, to participate. Learn more about how to sanction a Block Party meet [here](#).

Check out our latest [video](#) that explains more about what a Block Party meet is.

Are you interested in learning more? Check out the Block Party website [here](#) to get started.



## SportsEngine Named as Official Team Management Partner

SportsEngine is helping USA Swimming create a more connected club experience with a focus on streamlined operations, reduced administrative burden, and stronger day-to-day support for teams. Over time, this partnership is designed to simplify workflows and improve efficiency for swim club operators, coaches, and administrators nationwide.

Learn more about the partnership and what it



## Speedo Expands Partnership Through 2028

As part of the expanded agreement, Speedo will continue serving as a key partner of USA Swimming while increasing its support of the organization's National Team and National Junior Team programs.

The partnership expansion includes dedicated National Junior team kit entitlements, further investing in the next generation of American swimming talent as they progress through the high-

means for clubs by clicking below.



performance pathway.



## National Diversity Select Camp 2026

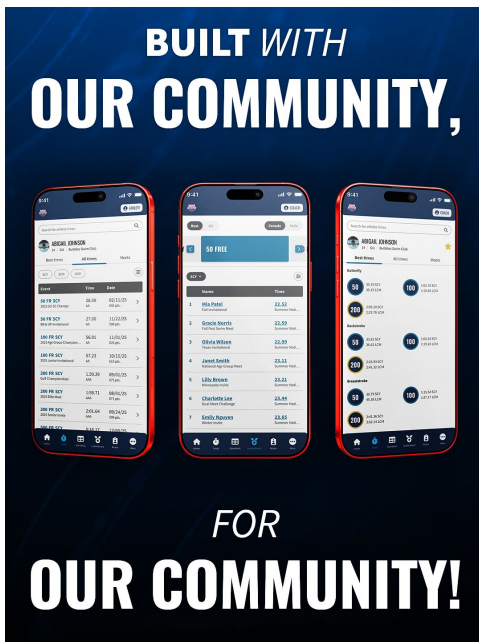


Congratulations to the 48 athletes who attended the National Diversity Select Camp, held April 30-May 4 at the USOPC.

The Western Zone leads all regions with 20 participants, while the remaining athletes represent the Central, Southern and Eastern Zones.

At the Local Swimming Committee (LSC) level, 24 LSCs are represented, with Pacific Swimming leading all LSCs with 10 selected athletes.

Learn more [here](#).



## Coming Soon

After undergoing three weeks of beta-testing with members, USA Swimming is launching a new version of the USA Swimming Mobile app on June 15, 2026. This update will introduce a modern design and new tools to help all members stay connected and informed on performance. A few new features will include times and performance tracking, leaderboards, and the ability to add favorites.

Learn more about the beta-testing and new features [here](#).

## Coaching Tips and Tricks

Download the free [USA Swimming Network](#) app to unlock coaching tips and tricks from Abbie Fish on the *Swim Like A. Fish* channel. New videos are added weekly focusing on a variety of coaching topics. Learn

more about some of the videos being released this month below for Mental Health Awareness Month.

May 5: Mental Health Check-Ins: Why They're the New Warm Up Set

May 7: Building Resilience as a Coach: Mental Health in the Competitive Space

May 12: Performance Anxiety: What Coaches Can Do Before the Blocks

May 19: The Loneliness of Leadership: How to Create a Coaching Support System

May 21: Hard Conversations: When a Swimmer Isn't Ready (or Willing)

May 26: How to Talk to Your Swimmer After a Bad Race (and What Not to Say)

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## Upcoming Events

- [Pro Swim Series \(Sacramento, Calif.\)](#)
  - May 20-23, 2026 | LCM
- [Central Zone Open Water Championships \(Pleasant Prairie, Wisc.\)](#)
  - June 11-12, 2026
- [Pro Swim Series \(Indianapolis, Ind.\)](#)
  - June 17-20, 2026 | LCM
- [Western Zone Open Water Championships \(Maui, Hawaii\)](#)
  - June 20, 2026
- [Speedo Sectionals](#)
  - Various locations and dates
  - Multi-site
- [Western Zone Senior Championships \(Fresno, Calif.\)](#)
  - July 29-August 1, 2026 | LCM
- [Toyota National Championships \(Irvine, Calif.\)](#)
  - July 28-August 1, 2026 | LCM
- [TYR Futures Championships](#)
  - July 29-August 1, 2026 | LCM
  - Multi-site
- [Southern Zone Senior Championships \(Houston, Texas\)](#)
  - July 29-August 2, 2026 | LCM
- [Eastern Zone Age Group Championships \(Richmond, Va.\)](#)
  - July 29-August 1, 2026 | LCM
- [Southern Zone Age Group Championships \(Orlando, Fla.\)](#)
  - July 29-August 2, 2026 | LCM
- [Central Zone 14&U Championships \(Evansville, Ind.\)](#)
  - July 30-August 2, 2026 | LCM
- [Speedo Junior National Championships](#)
  - August 3-7, 2026 | LCM
- [Western Zone Age Group Championships \(Mt. Hood, Ore.\)](#)
  - August 5-8, 2026 | LCM
- [Central Zone 14&U Championships \(Minneapolis, Minn.\)](#)
  - August 6-9, 2026 | LCM
- [Eastern Zone Senior Championships \(Buffalo, N.Y.\)](#)
  - August 6-9, 2026 | LCM
- [Pan Pacific Open Water Championships \(Long Beach, Calif.\)](#)
  - August 10, 2026
- [Pan Pacific Swimming Championships \(Irvine, Calif.\)](#)

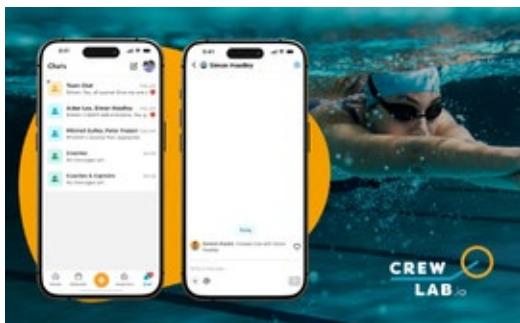
August 12-15, 2026 | LCM

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View all events [here](#).

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## From Our Partners



### CrewLAB

CrewLAB is now the first platform to natively meet USA Swimming's MAAPP requirements for direct messaging — and it's free for every member club. Every direct conversation with a minor athlete automatically includes parent visibility, with no manual setup required. Bring your team's communication into one organized, professional space.

Learn how it works by clicking [here](#).



### USA Swimming Fan Shop

The Official USA Swimming Shop has everything you need to show your USA Swimming pride in style. Browse an unbeatable selection of officially licensed USA Swimming apparel and merchandise, such as hats, shirts, accessories, and more to add to your wardrobe. Click [here](#) to access.



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