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Greetings Ontario Diving Family,

## Re: Dive Ontario Operations - 2014-2015 - Update #1

Hi everyone,

I hope this finds you all well and I'm pleased to provide the following updates as we embark upon what promises to be a very exciting 2014-2015 diving season.

1. Our annual general meeting was held on September 14<sup>th</sup> and much information was shared regarding competitions, schedules and the status of the various business and activity involving Dive Ontario. Thanks to Mitch Geller, Chief Technical Officer of Diving Plongeon Canada, and James Cunningham, our representative at the Canadian Sport Institute Ontario, for joining us and sharing their insights particularly with respect to the operations at the new Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre. The positions of President, VP Administration and VP Sport Development were up for election. The VP Sport Development was acclaimed by the incumbent, Paul Wouters, and after the elections for the other positions, the new board for 2014-2015 is as follows:

President - Bernie Olanski
VP Administration - Pam Julian
VP Finance - Pat Grobe
VP High Performance - Joel Madden
VP Sport Development - Paul Wouters
Director at Large - Scott Grover

2. I am pleased to announce that Anna Dacyshyn has been hired, effective September 22, 2014, as Ontario's Provincial Head Coach. Anna will assume responsibility for management of Dive Ontario's high performance programs including the Ontario Elite, Greater Toronto Area and Greater Ontario Initiatives and will work closely with the National Centre Coach once that person is hired. Anna has a bachelors' degree in physical and health education and a masters' degree in exercise science and sport psychology. In addition to her educational background, Anna has over 15 years' experience coaching experience with high performance athletes; she is a 6-time Sr. National Champion and an accomplished diver with many international successes including a gold medal from the 1990 Commonwealth Games. Given her track record in the role of Sport Development Officer, I know that Anna will do an amazing job and I am looking forward to seeing the results of her hard work.





- 3. On a more melancholy note, Bev Lauder has notified the board that she intends to retire at the end of December. On behalf of myself and all of the Dive Ontario family, our heartfelt thanks go out to Bev for her 18 years' of hard work, dedicated service and support of the diving community. Best wishes for a long, healthy and happy retirement Bev, you will be sorely missed by all.
- 4. As a result of the hiring of Anna Dacyshyn as the Ontario Provincial Coach, the role of Sport Development Officer has been vacated. And, in light of Bev's retirement, the board is in the process of expanding the role of Sport Development Officer to include the administrative duties previously assumed by Bev, as well as the responsibility for our provincial meet hosting and management. This new expanded role will be posted in the coming months. In the meantime, and on the recommendation of Diving Canada (our sole funding partner for the current position), the board has hired Pam Julian to assume the role of Sport Development Officer on an interim basis until such time as the position can be filled permanently. Over the past several years, Pam has demonstrated that she is exceedingly capable of managing these responsibilities through her work as the VP Administration for Dive Ontario.
- 5. Registration Many of you will have already received notice that Dive Ontario has instituted the ClubLink online registration system. Although this process is new to Dive Ontario, it is the same system that all other provincial diving associations have used to register their divers for a number of years now. We anticipate that this new process will streamline and simplify the registrations for you and our friends at Diving Canada. If you have any questions or concerns regarding registrations or the new process, please feel free to contact Pam Julian.
- 5 Finally, Dive Ontario is in the process of relocating its offices from Bev's home in Penetanguishene to the sparkling new facilities at the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre a great new space where the national centre coach, the provincial head coach and the sport development officer can work together on all of Dive Ontario's exciting new business and initiatives. Until our new email addresses and phone numbers are activated, you can contact Dive Ontario as follows:

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