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Moana Site Demolition Date

Moana Site Demolition Event
Tuesday, July 10, 2012
4:00 pm – 5:30pm

The date has been set for the exciting celebration for the future Moana Springs Aquatic Center and Park. This Tuesday, July 10th from 4pm to 5:30pm, the City of Reno will be holding the first ever Moana Site Demolition Event!

The City of Reno will not only be demolishing the old ballpark, but most importantly to Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics, they will be demolishing the old Moana Pool. (We are confident that this will be the only Demolition Event at this site for a very long time!)

The City of Reno staff is encouraging all the groups to come up to the event. We are encouraging all of the aquatics groups and supporters of SNCA and those eager for the construction of a new aquatics facility to attend this historic event.

At the event, SNCA will raffle **two adult tickets** to this year's *Aquafest* (Saturday, August 25th), SNCA coffee mugs and hats. We will also have *Aquafest* tickets for sale at this event. If you have any ideas for a fun aquatic event at an empty old dilapidated pool let us know. Reno's Youth Soccer is planning on having an 'easy' game of soccer with the City Council. If any of you would like to help us at the SNCA booth, we would love to have your help. The location of this event is on the lawn in front of the pool.

Moana Site Lease Agreement with SNCA

Reno City Council Meeting
Wednesday, July 11, 2012
Beginning at 12pm

On **Wednesday July 11th**, the ***Reno City staff will present the lease agreement with Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics (SNCA), for the Moana site to the City Council.*** With the approval of the City Council, this lease agreement will give SNCA control of 5 of the 22 acres of the Moana site. For the past few years SNCA has been working toward the construction



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of a new Aquatics facility and this is the first big step to completing this dream for all of us.

At this same City Council meeting staff will be making a presentation of this year's Adopt-A-Pool event. There will be a power point presentation given by Julee Conway, Park and Rec. Director of the event and a thank you to everyone that participated.

SNCA would love to see you at next week's City Council meeting to show your support with our efforts and your support of the building of a new aquatics facility.

We are hoping the City of Reno will give us a time certain for these agenda items. Please clear those calendars, this is a big day for SNCA and our aquatic community. We hope to see you there!!!

Olympic Trial Inspiration a Nevada Native

After one of the most anticipated races of the US Olympic Team Trials in Omaha, the men's 400 meter IM, SwimSwam (<http://swimswam.com/>) reported that "**Michael Weiss** from Wisconsin continued his incredible run from nowhere in the last 6-months by taking 5th in 4:16.31. That's 5-seconds faster than he had ever been coming into this meet."

What SwimSwam failed to realize is that this apparent run from nowhere actually began 18 years ago, in 1994, when Michael learned to swim at Lakeridge Tennis Club. At age 7, Michael competed in his first Nevada State Championships, and while soccer was an integral part of his early athletic development, by the time he was 11, Michael chose to be a swimmer and a swimmer only. His age group career included countless hours, in the pool, at the pool, around the pool, in the sun, the wind, and the rain. During his run from nowhere, he stopped long enough to leave a trail of Lakeridge Swim Team club records and win Nevada State Championships in a variety of events, from breaststroke to the 1,650 yd freestyle.



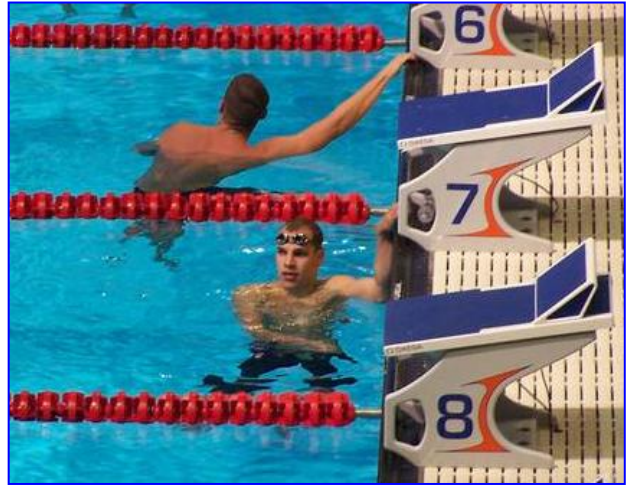
He was a Nevada State record holder; Far Western champion and record holder; Pacific Swimming age group record holder; Western Zone champion, record holder, and Swimmer of the Meet; Nevada High School state champion and record holder; Junior National finalist; US National Championships qualifier; and Scholastic All-American.

Since becoming a Wisconsin Badger in 2009, Michael has only picked up the pace. Over the past few years, he has matured as an athlete, embracing the idea that 'Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work very hard'. As a Badger, he has been a Big-10 Championships finalist and is the current University of Wisconsin school record holder in breaststroke, freestyle, and IM. In 2011, he finished 6th at the US National Championships in the 400 IM, then 3rd at this year's NCAA Championships, also in the 400 IM.

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The truth is, Michael Weiss' so-called run from nowhere began in Reno, Nevada, where pools are few and far between and his home pool is just 4 lanes wide and 5 feet deep. As Michael, along with his age group coaches, family, friends, and local swim community well know, a 5th place finish at the Trials is not only a new mile-marker, it's a longtime coming. His 400 IM at the US Olympic Team Trials may have been his best on his 5-event format, 5 seconds faster than his previous best, and the 26th fastest time in the world this year, but swimmers, just like pools, don't come from nowhere; they come from commitment, willingness, hard work, dedication, community, and passion...for the sport of swimming.



As the City of Reno furthers its quest to build a new aquatics facility, Weiss is back in the pool training, preparing for the US Open next month, and the goal of qualifying for next year's World University Games and a top-6 ranking (he is currently 7th) in USA Swimming, where he would find himself on the US National team and looking ahead to 2016.

Article contributed by Sharon Weiss

Aquafest 2012

Tickets are on sale now!

They can be purchased at www.sncaquatics.org/snca-store.

Aquafest 2012 will be held **Saturday, August 25th**, at Idlewild, with day long events and evening festivities from 5pm to 9pm.

Adult tickets are just \$25 and include dinner, dessert and a drink from the bar. Kid's tickets (12 and under) are only \$10 and include dinner, dessert and a drink.

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