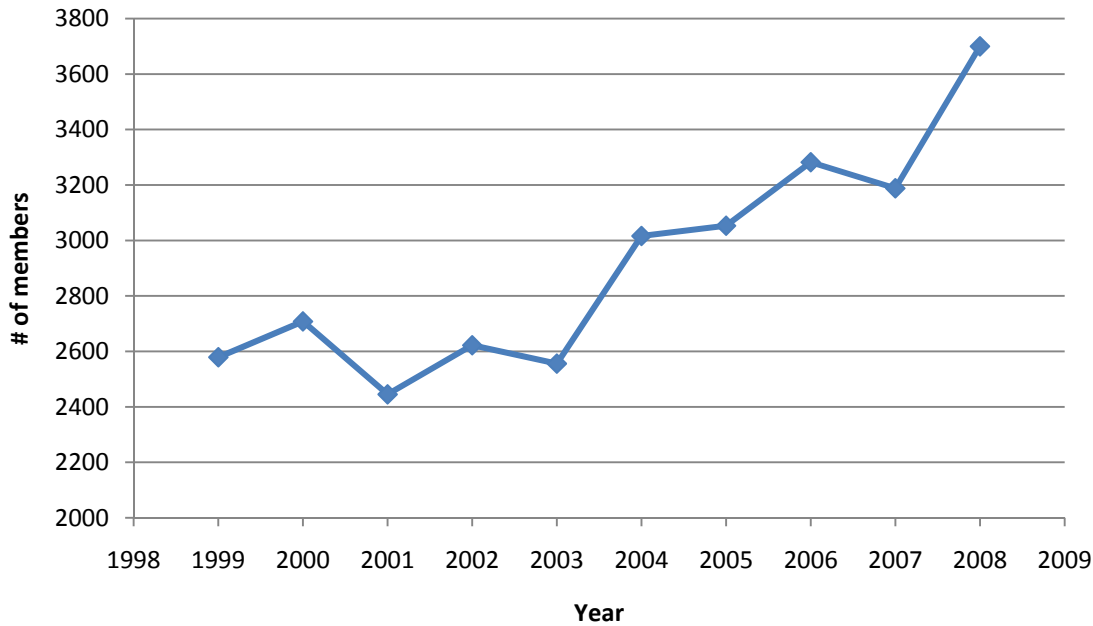


SPMA Registrar's Report As of August 20, 2008

Clubs: We have 69 clubs registered for 2008 (compared to 65 for 2007, 67 for 2006, 55 for 2005, 53 for 2004, 57 for 2003, 54 for 2002 and 55 for 2001).

Individuals:

	Jun '08	July '08	Aug '08	Sept '08	Oct '08	Yr Tot
Renewals	46	80				
New	131	204				
'08 YTD	3185	3469				
'07 YTD	2751	2959	2993	3099	3134	3188
'06 YTD	2900	3049	3137	3201	3273	3282
'05 YTD	2778	2778	2914	3049	3049	3053
'04 YTD	2692	2692	2766	3005	3005	3016
'03 YTD	2366	2366	2435	2553	2553	2556
'02 YTD	2425	2425	2506	2617	2617	2622
'01 YTD	2175	2175	2271	2445	2445	2445
'00 YTD	2414	2414	2515	2708	2708	2708
'99 YTD	2391	2391	2480	2579	2579	2579



Our current total for 2008 is **3551** as of August 20th. Last year on August 20th we had 3020, a difference of 531 swimmers. I have received many calls in the last couple of weeks that are clearly motivated by the Olympics. We will easily reach 3600, which will give us two more delegate spots to the 2009 convention in Chicago compared to this year's allocation.

It is interesting to note that our last large increase in members was in 2004, also an Olympic year. The graph shows a projected membership of 3700, which is a conservative estimate given that we had 168 people register between Aug 20 and the end of the registration year in 2007.

Reduced fee registration will go into effect on September 1st. The fee will be \$30. A mailing with the reduced fee form will go out to clubs this coming weekend. That mailing will also include a membership roster for each club.

I still have to deal with swimmer created problems from online registration. For some reason swimmers put their last name in the first name field (along with their first name) then repeat their last name in the last name field. So they show up as John Smith Smith. Another recent problem was a swimmer who registered as Female, but entered the Las Vegas meet as a Male. And the swimmer who entered her address as Main St, Beverly Hills, 90210 (street name is made up, but the city and zip were unforgettable). Turns out she had a house number and an apartment number, but didn't bother to put them down! This is the reason I have to go into each online registration record and check for errors, and when there is an error it involves phone calls and/or emails to resolve.

If anyone thinks that this job has gotten easier due to online registration, they are welcome to have it. Between fixing errors, and the fact that it takes much longer per registration to enter data compared to Leoware, I am still spending more time on average per registration than in previous year.

Newsletter: I am working on the November/December issue of the newsletter. It has to be to the printer on September 26th, which is during convention. The July/August issue reached our members in a timely fashion.

Top Ten & Records: Robert Mitchell currently owes me a bunch of paperwork and files from recent meets. I do not have the data file or paperwork from the Pasadena Senior Games, or the paperwork from the Las Vegas LCM or Mission Viejo LCM relay meets.

Library: Lending is in the mid-summer lull. I expect it to pick up after the Olympics; folks have enough other swimming to watch right now.

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