

Members who have a meet/event between now and August 6 should fax or mail in the forms and the payment. I do not recommend having clubs send everything to us since the in-house data entry will take much longer than it would take for them to go online. We will be under a 3-4 week at best for data entry if everything came into us. The 3 to 4 time frame is an established policy now. Keep in mind we can not do any entry now. We are entering names on a spread sheet. Or holding forms in a file to be processed. As we know all current members keep their number, therefore they do have a number if they need to send in entry forms for meets. Our challenge is the new member. Once again, these should come to us if they need to be "registered" for an event taking place in the next 2 weeks. We can not issue numbers at this time since this is generated by the computer through data entry.

We are sending out sanction report forms to those people who have requested a sanction in August. They are receiving these by mail or fax depending on the timing. All sanctions received through now for August will be done.

For those who send in forms now for events and memberships through early to mid August the following applies:

- There is no rush fee.
- May pay the internet price
- No late fee or on-site registration fees for courses through end of August
- No on site fee for National Congress
- No on site fees at congress ( Region 6 and National) courses

The current forms for 2007-2008 are on the website. All clubs received the club packets a few weeks ago, so they do have a copy of all forms.

The processing of professional member background checks will be postponed. I believe we will begin the requirement for checks in October. I will have more on this very soon. All members who need to renew or sign up new for professional membership in August should do so. The background will not be mandated for those August memberships.

Thank you for your support during this time. We will be back up and running and it is imperative that we all send a positive and professional message out to the community.

Business is continuing, just at this time a few procedures are being done differently. Business as "normal" should be back up and running during the week of August 6, if not sooner.