

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Saturday, December 8th/07.....	Ritmika Annual Christmas Show
December 22-26/07.....	Christmas Break (competitors)
December 22-Jan 6/08.....	Christmas Break (recreational stream)
March 4-9/08.....	Winter Games - Base Borden, Barrie
March 5-9/08.....	Elite Canada - Edmonton
March 10-16/08.....	March Break
March 29/08.....	Elite Ontario - Sport Seneca-Toronto
April 5-6/08.....	Provincial Qualifier # 1
April 26-27/08.....	Provincial Qualifier # 2
May 1-4/08.....	Eastern Regionals - Sport Seneca-Toronto
May 10th.....	Ritmika Annual 28th Spring Show - Burton Auditorium
May 17th.....	Red Ribbon - Kanata, Ontario
May 31-June 1/08.....	Nationals - Montreal
June 7-8/08.....	Provincial Championships/RhythmFest
June 14-15/08.....	AGG World Championships U of T
August 9-24/08.....	XXIX Olympic Games - Beijing, China



▲ AGG group with Coach Kairi Tirel and Annely in Salou, Spain on June 6th, 2007



▲ On July 20th, Ritmika members with coach Helle Varrik, parents, at World Gymnaestrada in Durnbirn, Austria

FUND RAISING GOALS FOR RITMIKA CLUB

IMMEDIATE

- Change room renovation
- Competitors workout/track suits - subsidized
- Summer camp - subsidized

2 YR. PLAN

- Separate area for Ballet
- Gymnaestrada

Fund raising ideas thus far consists of selling of chocolates and a Valentines Dance. Each member of Ritmika Club in all levels, excluding Recreational, will be receiving one box of chocolates to sell to family and friends. If you should require more boxes you may call Rita Patriarca at 905-856-3840. More information on Valentines Dance to come in next issue of Ritmika newsletter.



Ritmika

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N E W S L E T T E R



Annely Riga
President

Greetings,

Ritmika's new 2007/08 season has started. I am glad to see our old members back and my warmest welcome to all new members!

Ritmika gymnasts had a very busy and productive summer. In June, our 6 member AGG Senior team: Ria Micks, Kayla Medeiros, Rhea Reble, Nathalie Ngo, Dani Boyaninska and Olivia Selvam with their coach Kairi Tirel competed at AGG World Championships in Salou, Spain. I attended the competition as a judge and IFAGG Board member. Our girls came 19th, which is a very respectable place. Congratulations to all of you.

On July 20th, Ritmika members with coach Helle Varrik, myself (team manager/coach) as well as some parents, attended World Gymnaestrada in Durnbirn, Austria. 20,000 gymnasts from all over the world demonstrated their skills in a week long amazing international event.

Our Novice elite members: Mari Pikkov, Sara Becko, Cristina Chong, Amy Wall, Julie Scherzer and Andrea Caracciolo with coach Helle Varrik and our famous ladies elite group: Sue Thomson, Lena Wahlberg, Magda Keilhack, Mia Wall, Elaine Fabiano, Anne Osso and Helle Varrik brought home great

memories. We are already looking forward to the next World Gymnaestrada in Lausanne, Switzerland in July 2011.

We also had summer camp at Ritmika Centre in July for our recreational stream gymnasts and in August for our provincial level competitors. Our National level athletes Alexandra Orlando, Stefanie Carew and Rosanna Tso with their coach Mimi Masleva had summer training and competi-



tions in Europe. Also, in July Alexandra Orlando and Stefanie Carew competed at XV Pan American Games in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. Following an unusual occurrence when her ribbon detached from the stick in the qualifying competition she went on to win gold medals in each of her apparatus finals. Alexandra was also selected to be the Canadian Team's flag bearer for the closing ceremonies. Great honour! Stefanie was 4th in hoop, ribbon, rope and 7th in clubs. She was 2nd AA after Qualifying competition. Great job Stefanie!

After the National Championships, we finished 2006/07 season with 3 top gymnasts in a country: Alexandra Orlando # 1, Carly Orava # 2, Stefanie Carew # 3.

Thank you gymnasts and coaches. You all deserve huge applause and acknowledgement for your outstanding results.

Well, our 2006/07 season was amazing and I am looking forward to this upcoming season. I know we have many challenges ahead, but life would be too boring without them. Overcoming difficulties and beating challenges, that's life and especially life in rhythmic gymnastics!

I wish an amazing new season to everyone!

FUND RAISING A MUST!

Check the back of Newsletter for more information on Fund-raising events and ideas.

Rita Patriarca will be heading the fund-raising events.