

## FALL NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our first edition of the Booster Club Newsletter and to the 2018-19 gymnastics season!

### **New Members**

For those of you that have just joined the USAG JO (Compulsory or Optionals) or XCEL teams or CAT pre-Team, we all would like to welcome you to the Club Champion Booster Club. As part of the Club Champion team, your family automatically becomes a member of the Club Champion Booster Club.

The Booster Club is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit entity, which is separate from Club Champion Gymnastics (a.k.a. the Gym), that promotes the sport of amateur gymnastics by supporting the Club Champion team gymnasts through various fundraising and social events throughout the year.

We highly encourage you to volunteer and/or attend these events. They are an excellent way to meet other members!

The Club Champion Boosters website contains gym news, meet schedules, competition results, general information, and links to USAG, Region One, and other useful gymnastics websites. It provides a comprehensive look at Team Club Champion!

Please visit <http://www.clubchampionboosters.org> for more information.

### **All Members**

The Booster Club is currently transitioning to a new role this season, and we are still committed to supporting the teams and creating a positive experience for our athletes.

As a result of the recent election, we'd like to introduce you to the Club Champion Booster Club Board of Directors for 2018-2019!

Marty Amundson, *President*

Cindy Yung, *Vice President*

Jerry Whitfield, *Secretary*

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If you have any questions regarding the Club Champion Booster Club or are interested in becoming a part of the Board, please feel free to contact us via the emails above.

Booster Club Board meetings this season will be held quarterly, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of November, January, April and August at 6:30 PM at Club Champion Pasadena. All members are welcome to attend the meetings.

We'd also like to express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks to past Board of Directors and CAT/Team Liaisons who gave their time to serve on the Board last season. It was a pleasure working with you!

### **JO OPTIONAL & XCEL Parents**

With the 2019 JO / XCEL season rapidly approaching, your Club Champion Board of Directors thought it would be useful to provide some helpful information for those of you who are new to the "travel meet" experience.

First off, check your daughter's team leotard/warm-ups for sizing issues and/or damage before the new leotard purchasing deadline. Resolve any problems now, as it will be extremely difficult, if not impossible, once the season starts.

The competitions generally span two to four days depending on the number of athletes, and the venue layout. The date and time our girls compete is usually not finalized until two weeks prior, so if you are planning a hotel stay, it's prudent to book early for the entire span of the meet, then cancel the days you don't need once the actual competition date is confirmed. For most hotels, there is no penalty for cancelling the additional stays if it is done 72 hours in advance of the reservation start date.

Many of the host gyms partner with local hotels and negotiate lower rates for competing athletes. That information is usually listed on the meet website, along with spectator entry fees, directions to the venue, and useful tidbits regarding the local area.

The links for the first six meets of the season are below: (We will provide information for the state and regional meets once we receive it.)

OC Classic – Team OC

<http://www.teamocfun.com/events/oc-classic>

San Diego Classic – Poway Gymnastics

<http://www.powaygymnastics.com/hostedmeets.html>

Brestyan's Las Vegas Invitational – Brestyan's Gymnastics

<https://www.brestyanlasvegas.com/>

The Long Beach Open – American Gymnastics Academy (AGA)

<http://longbeachopen.com/>

Heart of a Champion Invitational – Waller's Gymnastics

<http://heartofachampioninvitational.com/>

When booking your room, don't automatically assume the partner hotels have the best rate. If you book early, it is sometimes possible to get an even lower rate at nearby hotels via rewards programs or AAA memberships.

Finally, make sure your daughter's team leotard, backpack, and grips are packed prior to every meet! Those are the priority items and will result in a long drive back to Club Champion if you forget them!

### **FUNDRAISING**

We will be having a "Gently Used" Leo Sale in the near future and asking for donations of leotards that your gymnast has grown out of to help with this fundraiser. More info to come!

As is always the case, the Board is here to help if you have any questions, concerns, or anxieties regarding the upcoming season. Feel free to contact us via the Booster website at <http://www.clubchampionboosters.org/contact.html>

Have a great competition season!

Sincerely,  
*The Booster Club Board*