

VSI Disability Committee Report - April 25, 2018 (submitted by David Strider, Chair VSI Disability

Samantha Tubbs is still training as a resident of the Olympic Training Center. She just broke the 50 yard breaststroke and the 100 meter breaststroke American Records, since Jan 1, 2018.

Jody and Sandy Pappersack report that they just returned from Indianapolis, where their son Joseph competed in the Par-swimming World Series. Joseph did well, earning two (2) SECOND places and one 3rd place for his division. This summer, Joseph plans to be back practicing with his club team, NOVA South, in the mornings and he will coach the Sherwood Hills Sharks in the Southside Swim League. Joseph will return to UMW in the fall and the UMW Eagles Swim Team. (Univ of Mary Washington).

Other VSI current or former disability swimmers who are still quite active in the sport are Sean Harrington (currently employed at Chesapeake Regional Medical Center) who has been swimming up to 7,000 yards, 3 times a week; Paloma Wiles (Coach Ann Wood), and Emilia Scovel (northern Virginia).

Our athlete representatives on the VSI Disability Committee are Katie Nunez and Brianna Romney.

(Brianna attended the NCSA Spring Championship in Orlando, Florida and placed 31s in the 100 Free and 8th in the 50 Free. For the Summer, Brianna will be coaching and swimming on her summer league team, as well as life-guarding. She will be attending the NCSA Summer Championship in Indianapolis at the end of the summer.)

Other members of the VSI Disability Committee include Coach Dalton Herendeen, Coach Art Anthony, Jessica Simons, Pat Donahue, Kim Downs, John Harrington, Sandy Peppersack, and Sean Harrington.

World Paralympics Events are Listed Below:

Loterias Caixa Swimming Open (Sao Paulo, Brazil) - April 26 – 28, 2018

Para Swimming World Series (Lignano Sabbiadoro, Italy) May 24 – 27, 2018

World Para Swimming World Series (Berlin, Germany) June 7 – 10, 2018

World Para Swimming - Dublin, Ireland (Aug 13 – 19, 2018)

Asian Para Games - Jakarta, Indonesia (October 6 – 16, 2018)