

Poem to Introduce Morgan Brewster CBSC's new President

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"The Next One"

There's always one.
One who knows the feeling of CBSC
as more than just a summer club.....it's a way of life.

One who grew up in the pool and on the tanks,
who carries the memory of every whistle blown,
every Bullhorn Bob announcement at the Tanker Swim,
like moments that make up their personal story.

They swam before they drove,
volunteered before they parented,
coached the kids of their parents' friends,
And found sanctuary in a borrowed hot tub (mine)....
steam rising, laughter echoing, finishing off a late-night Crescent Beach adventure.

They learned from legends;
not from afar,
but from dinner tables where past Presidents
were more than photo's in the Seahorse;
they were dad, and granddad.

Yes, three generations of commitment
stand behind the one now stepping forward.
This isn't a passing of the baton;
it's a continuation of a lineage
that's been present since 1969.

This one knows the rules of the beach....
not just the gala and lifeguard ones,
but the unwritten ones:

- Show up.
- Volunteer.
- Focus on the Kids.
- Keep our Traditions.
- Have Fun.

This one's compass?
Always points toward what is right,
even when the winds try to turn the ship.

- Direct.
- Grounded.
- Honest.
- Committed.

They have built things here.....
 not just registration systems and timing programs,
 but a deeper sense of safety
 that lives in our facilities and on our beaches,
 And when I suddenly need a tow back to the marina.....
 they're there.
 Of course they are.

Twelve years they've sat at the Boards table,
 not counting the years before,
 when the work was quieter
 but no less essential.

They don't need a tutorial,
 don't need a warm-up lap.
 They've been training for this their whole life;
 not because they wanted power,
 but because they believe in the Club's mission.

They embody our values:

- Tradition Keeping,
- Enthusiastic Volunteering,
- Generational Mentoring,
- Lifelong Relationship Building.

They don't just uphold these things.....
 they are these things.

So today,
 we pass the responsibility,
 the continuity,
 and the strange mix of traditions and new opportunity,
 to someone whose veins run green.

And it is my absolute honour
 to welcome the next President
 of the Crescent Beach Swim Club.....

Mr Morgan Brewster.