

Potomac Valley Swimming
Executive Director Report
July 11, 2011

Eastern Zone Summer 2011 Planning

The contract to rent 3 buses from Golden Ring Travel for the PVS team to travel to State College Pa. for the summer 2011 Eastern Zone Meet has been finalized, signed and paid. Total cost excluding driver tips is \$14, 637.00.

The team will be staying at Days Inn Penn State. A credit card hold has been used to reserve rooms and provide payment for meals catering costs.

It is recommended that the athlete fee be set at \$500 which is the same fee as was required the last time the meet was held in State College.

June Distance Meet at Wilson

While this meet experienced numerous equipment problems, the facility itself proved to be a viable location for PVS to conduct future meets. One of the potential issues voiced in the past regarding usage of this facility for larger meets was the concern over a lack of adequate parking. This potential problem should be resolved with the opening in September of a 4 level parking deck at Wilson High School. While PVS probably could not use the parking deck during high school hours, preliminary discussions with DPR and Wilson Aquatic Center personnel leads me to believe that we could use it on most Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays.

Wachovia Banking

As previously reported, on July 15, 2011 PVS's bank accounts at Wachovia will convert from Wachovia to Wells Fargo. All back account numbers will remain unchanged. I am working with Wachovia to make sure that our process for electronically transferring and monitoring funds will continue to operate as PVS's internal controls require.

USAS Safety Chairs Workshop

As PVS's acting Safety Chair, I attended this workshop over the weekend of July 9-10, 2011. A detailed report will shortly be issued. Major subjects addressed at the workshop included: key elements of open water safety; managing risk exposure, safety of swimmers with disabilities, American Red Cross and coach training; and evaluating and managing the pool environment as it relates to emergency action plans, pool deck safety and best practices. Representatives from 40 LSCs attended the workshop. There was much networking during breakout sessions and over dinner Saturday night.

4th Site for January 2012 Open

FPCA has agreed to make Audrey Moore available to PVS for the January 2012 Open on the dates of January 21-22, 2012. Due to other commitments at Audrey Moore however, PVS would have to be done with the meet and out of the facility by 4:30 PM on both Saturday & Sunday. This would require teams to be assigned to the various sites to insure that the Audrey Moore site is sufficiently small to guarantee completion of the meet in time to vacate the facility by 4:30 PM. This would result in Audrey Moore being the smallest site, probably not allow accommodation for all of the Virginia teams wanting to go to a Virginia site and reduce the meet management fee paid to the host club for managing the site.

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Following are the finish times for the various sites from the January 2010 Open, the last time PVS used 4 sites for this meet:

Saturday: Fairland 1 - 5:45PM, Fairland 2 - 6:10PM, MLK - 6:58PM, PG - 6:10PM

Sunday: Fairland 1 - 5:52 PM, Fairland 2 - 6:24 PM, MLK - 7:18 PM, PG - 7:16 PM

Assuming that the meet is the same size as in 2010, clearly entries at Audrey Moore would need to be limited.

An alternative to Audrey Moore could be to attempt to rent PGS&LC as the 4th site. While this would eliminate the timelines issue it would increase the pool rental cost for the meet and eliminate the much desired Virginia site.

As a side note, I plan to tell FCPA that PVS wishes to reserve Audrey Moore as a site for the January Open in future years starting with 2013. Getting on the schedule for future years at this early date will eliminate conflicts with other commitments. PVS will be able to get the facility for full days starting in 2013.

Respectfully submitted

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