Potomac Valley Swimming Technical Committee Report

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The PVS Technical Committee is still being formed and our role is not yet fully defined. But, the committee had a fair amount of activity in the last month.

Meet Announcements - The Technical Committee has been reviewing all meet announcements for compliance with all PVS and USA Swimming requirements.

Four-Hour Rule - The Technical Committee worked with several meet directors to bring their sessions into compliance with the 4-hour rule for 12&U sessions. All PVS-sanctioned meet announcements now have the statement passed by the Board regarding this rule, and most PVS meet directors are being proactive in ensuring compliance with the rule.

Touchpads - A study was done of the number of invalid touchpad times at the PVS November Open. The results were sent to the Board. Jim Thompson provided the technical support for this study.

Junior Olympic Qualifiers - At the request of the PVS General Chair, I began an analysis of the potential size of the PVS Junior Olympic Championship Meet. I exported PVS results from SWIMS based on the swimmers age for the JO meet. Jim Thompson then created a spreadsheet that extracted the number of swimmers qualified in each event. This provides an upper bound for the meet as not all qualified swimmers enter every event. The spreadsheet also provides estimated timelines for this number of swimmers per event. The data will be updated later this week or next week to include all the meets through last weekend. The Age Group Chair can use this data to help plan the Junior Olympic meet.

Comments and suggestions are always welcome.

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