

Officials Representative's Report

July 15, 2014

- Chase starts were also used at PVS LC AG/SR 1 at Fairland. The procedure at those sessions also worked very well and was readily adapted and supported by the swimmers, coaches and officials. Jim Thompson is updating PVS Chase Start Guidelines to reflect experiences at this season's 2 meets utilizing chase starts.
- Updated Officials training and evaluation forms will be posted on the PVS website before the end of summer.
- Beginning in the Fall, when beginning their certification process, new officials must be registered with USA Swimming. If they choose not to immediately purchase a USA Swimming membership, they will have the option of registering as an Apprentice Official with USA Swimming, good for 60 days and available at no cost. The Apprentice official is not required to complete certification in 60 days, however he/she must then purchase a USA Swimming membership if they wish to continue as an Apprentice official.
- PVS Officials training clinics are expected to be offered at this Fall's Swimposium. Officials clinics for the Fall are currently being scheduled and clubs are invited to submit their requests for clinics to the Officials Committee clinic coordinators – Steed Edwards (MD & DC) and Mike Rubin (VA).

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Rubin