

2013 JO's and the other 3

- 1) Current JO meet will be split into an 'A' and 'B' level meet. The 'A' level would be our current JO meet with significantly faster qualifying times. Our 'B' meet would back up to the 'A' meet and also have bottom cuts.
- 2) The A level meet would be run in its current time slot. The B level meet would be run in February on the weekend currently held by 18 and Under Champs.
- 3) 18 and Under Champs moves to April on the same weekend as Short Course Zones.
- 4) Both JO meets together would be approximately 1600 athletes, with the larger of the two meets being the A level with roughly 900 athletes and the B level meet with roughly 700.
- 5) We would switch to single age cuts {9 & U, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14}. This method would promote a better progression from one age group to the next. We would run the age groups in the traditional format at meets though. This allows us to raise the bar for our 10, 12, 14 year olds without adversely hurting our developing 9, 11, 13 year olds.
- 6) The calendar would look as follows

JO's 'B' Level	JR Champs	SR Champs	JO's 'A' level	18 & U Champs
February 22 - 24	March 7 - 10	March 7 - 10	March 14 - 17	April 29 - 31
550 - 700	1500		850 - 1000	900 - 1000

- 7) The 'B' level JO meet would be run as Timed Finals. Athletes would be able to qualify for the 'A' level in one of two ways. Either by QT or by finishing in the Top 3. This formula would only add a max of 105 additional splashes to the 'A' meet. Of these 105 splashes many of them will have achieved the QT and would have been eligible regardless.
- 8) For the Distance events the Top 32 1000's and the Top 24 1650's swim. Top 8 at finals and 3 / 2 heats during prelims. This would yield around 35 minutes of the 1000's and around 40 minutes of the 1650.