

SENIOR REPORT

Our Senior program in PVS continues to thrive and grow. Many of the challenges we've been experiencing the past few years with our age group program have now reached the senior level as those athletes are now older.

We had 35 athletes attend Winter Junior Nationals. Our performance levels at local December meets continues to rank as some of the fastest swimming on the east coast, and probably nationally as well. With a full year to go PVS has 29 athletes already qualified for Olympic Trials, representing 5 clubs. Congrats to those athletes and their coaches.

At 2014 LC Champs we had quite a bit of juggling to get both meets to fit into our parameters. To alleviate some of the pressure we voted to move to a full 4 Day format for this summer. Most cuts for both LC meets have also been adjusted. We will have to either reformat or split our SCY Junior / Senior Champs meets for 2016, or find a new host facility . Many facilities are reassessing their occupant loads and conferring with fire safety professionals, and are setting lower maximum numbers that are forcing PVS to reduce the size of many meets.

There have been varying viewpoints on whether we should continue taking 15-18's to Zones. Some have felt that if we weren't taking the top swimmers that were eligible we shouldn't field any entries in this age group, and that PVS would also likely not have a chance of winning the Zone meet. This proved to be false this past Spring as PVS won the Zone meet. While we may not have fielded the top eligible athletes (15-18's), those who went contributed to the winning effort, which suggests that it's worth continuing to support this meet at all age levels.

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