

Potomac Valley Swimming Update – Friday, October 30, 2020

Safe Sport Recognition - I am pleased to report that York Swim Club is the 24th PVS club to achieve Safe Sport Recognition (SSR). Congratulations to the coaches, administrators, and all the members of the York Swim Team for putting in the work to document their commitment to a safe environment for our athletes. We have reached my goal of 50% of the non-college clubs in PVS to achieve this status this year. But, I'm setting a new goal of 75% of our clubs to achieve SSR during the first quarter of 2021.

Other PVS clubs are still working on the Safe Sport Recognition Program. As part of this recognition program, a percentage of athletes (12 & older) and parents need to complete Athlete Protection Training. If you have not yet taken the training, please consider doing so. Information about the training is available from <u>USA Swimming</u>.

18&U Winter Championships - The PS Senior Vice Chair Evan Stiles and Age Group Vice Chair are working hard to put together a meet to be part of the USA Swimming <u>Virtual 18&U Winter Championships</u>. The <u>Qualifying Times</u> are 1% slower than Futures Qualifying Times. The dates have been set for December 3-6, 2020 and the location will be the Claude Moore Recreation Center in Sterling, VA. We are working as hard as we can to fill in all the details of the meet. As more information becomes available, we will relay it through you club, on the PVS website and in these weekly updates.

Return to Competition - As we return to competition, please remember that we are still in the midst of a pandemic and need to keep all our participants (athletes, coaches, and volunteers) safe. This COVID-19 Notice is part of every meet announcement and posted at facilities where we hold meets. Please make sure that all participants read it.

The PVS Board is focused on keeping all our member clubs in operation throughout the duration of this pandemic.

Stay safe! Stay healthy! And, wear your mask.

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