

| SANCTION: | Held under the sanction of USA Swimming \& Virginia Swimming, Inc. SANCTION NO. VS-08-57 |
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| LOCATION: | George Mason University, Freedom Aquatic and Fitness Center, Manassas VA., (703) 993-8444 |
| FACILITY: | Ten Lane, 50 Meter indoor pool; Non-Turbulent Lane Markers; Colorado Automatic Timing System; The pool will be configured to conduct competition in 10-lanes except as noted. |
| MEET DIRECTOR: | Scott Perry <br> Email: Chopnyip@aol.com <br> Phone: (540) 891-5658 |
| ELIGIBILITY: | - Open to all USA Swimming/VSI registered swimmers <br> - All swimmers participating in this meet must be registered by the first day of the meet. <br> - No on deck registration will be permitted. <br> - Age on June 7, 2008 will determine age for the entire meet. |
| DISABILITY SWIMMERS: | - Athletes with a disability are welcomed and shall provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. <br> - The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition. |
| FORMAT: | - The meet announcement has been revised. The events order has changed. 50 Meter events will be run first in each session. We are no longer offering relays due to time limitations. <br> - All 12 \& Younger swimmers will swim on Saturday and Sunday morning. <br> - All 13 \& Older swimmers will swim on Saturday and Sunday afternoon. <br> - All events will be timed finals. |
| WARM-UP: | - Morning sessions: Warm-ups at 6:30 am; competition starts at 8:00 am. <br> - Afternoon sessions: Warm-ups no earlier than 12:00 noon. Information will be posted on the RAYS' website, www.swimrays.org, by Wednesday, June $4^{\text {th }}$. <br> - Distance session: The pool will be opened for 15 minutes of open warm-ups immediately following the finish of the afternoon session, with the distance session competition starting 5 minutes thereafter. <br> o The approximate start time for the distance sessions will be posted on the RAYS' website by Wednesday, June $4^{\text {th }}$, and will also be emailed to the contact person of the participating clubs. <br> o The distance session will start no earlier than the estimated times. <br> o Lane 1 will be open during the 800 free for warm-up/cool down. Lane $\mathbf{2}$ will be closed as a buffer lane. <br> - Lane assignment and warm-up times for individual clubs will be posted on the RAYS' website by Wednesday, June $4^{\text {th }}$, and will also be emailed to the contact person of the participating clubs. <br> - If the morning session runs late, afternoon warm-ups will begin immediately after the morning session ends. |
| ENTRIES: | DEADLINE FOR THE RECEIPT OF ENTRIES IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2008 <br> - Entries must be submitted in long course meter times using Hy-Tek Team Manager and Commlink-2 software, or on a VSI master entry sheet. <br> - Teams may submit entries as an e-mail attachment (preferred) or on a $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ computer disk. <br> - A Team Manager printout of entries must be included or the meet checklist/summary sheet with the name, email address, and phone number of the person to contact in case of questions must accompany the entries, regardless of how they are submitted. <br> - Coaches' Times (CT) will be accepted for events in which a swimmer does not have a time of record. Coaches' times may not exceed a "B" time. All entry times other than Coaches Times |


|  | must have been achieved in USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competition. <br> - No Time (NT) entries will not be accepted. <br> - Swimmers may enter a maximum of three individual events. <br> - Entries will be processed in the order received. This meet will be limited to a total of 750 Swimmers. <br> - The Meet Director reserves the right to limit entries in any events, if necessary, to prevent too lengthy a session. This may include combining heats and events, which actions may require reseeding. <br> - Email entries to: ssuhling@yahoo.com <br> - Mail entries to: Stephanie Suhling <br> 6 Daventry Place <br> Stafford, VA 22554 <br> - IMPORTANT: If entries are sent via Express Mail/FedEx/Airborne/UPS/etc., please ensure that a signature is NOT required for delivery as this will delay the receipt of your entries. <br> - If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your entries within 24 hours of sending them contact the Stephanie Suhling 540-903-7164 cell or via email immediately. <br> - After May 30, late entries will only be accepted if there is room in existing heats. New heats will not be created. |
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| FEES: | Individual events: \$4.75 <br> Swimmer surcharge: $\$ 2.00$ per person (entered in the meet in any capacity) <br> Late Fees: In addition to the regular entry fee, a fee of $\$ 5$ per event prior to the first day of the meet and $\$ 10$ per event on or after the first day of the meet will be charged for any entry received after the entry deadline. <br> - Checks should be made payable to: RAYS. <br> - Payment must be received by May 28, 2008 for email entries. Payment must be included with all mailed entries. |
| AWARDS: | - Individual events: Ribbons will be awarded for first through eighth place. <br> - 13 \& Older events will be given separate awards for 13-14 and 15 \& Over age groups. <br> - 9-12 events will be given separate awards for 9-10 and 11-12 age groups. <br> - 12 and Under events will be given separate awards for 11-12, 9-10 and 8 \& Younger age groups. <br> - 10 \& Younger events will be given separate awards for 9-10 and 8 \& Younger age groups. <br> - Heat winner ribbons will be awarded for all 10 \& Younger individual events. |
| SEEDING: | - All events, except events 43, 44, 45, 46 (400 IM), 47 \& 48 (800 Free), 69 \& 70 ( 400 Free), 71, \& $72(400 \mathrm{IM})$ will be pre-seeded. Swimmers should report directly to the blocks for their events. <br> - Events 15 \& 16 (200 IM), 19 \& 20 (200 free), 43, 44, 45, 46 ( 400 IM) 47 \&48 ( 800 Free), 69 \&70 ( 400 Free), 71, \& 72 ( 400 IM ) will require a positive check-in to swim. <br> - Event 47 and 48 ( 800 Free) will be swum fastest to slowest. Two to a lane using 8 lanes (310). <br> - Swimmers who are alternates for events must report to the referee prior to the event starting. <br> - Chase starts will be used for all 50 meter events and for the 800 free. <br> - All odd numbered events (girls) will be swum fastest to slowest. <br> - The 11-12 200 free and the 11-12 200 IM have been combined with the 10 \& $Y$ events. <br> - Event 21 and 22 will be swum fastest to slowest alternating girl/boy. If the 4 hour timeline expires, the session will be immediately terminated. Any swimmers not able to swim due to time constraints will be given a refund. <br> - Coaches are encouraged to report known scratches to try to accommodate alternate swimmers. <br> - Positive check-in will close at the conclusion of that session's warm-ups. <br> - SWIMMERS FAILING TO POSITIVELY CHECK-IN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SWIM THE EVENT. |
| PENALTIES: | Penalties for entries using fraudulent and/or non-verifiable entry times: |


|  | - Swimmer shall be disqualified from the event entered illegally and the event shall be rescored and awarded. <br> - Club may be fined $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0}$ for each offense, and a record of such offenses shall be kept and published as part of the official meet results. <br> - Clubs entering swimmers not legally registered with United States Swimming by the first day of the meet may be fined $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0}$ per swimmer in each event so entered. <br> - If the swimmer is representing a club in competition, the fine will be levied on the Club. If the swimmer is unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer. |  |
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| RULES: | - The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations will apply. <br> - The overhead start procedure will be used for the afternoon sessions, and may be used for the morning sessions at the discretion of the Referee. <br> - In accordance with VSI Policy, only those coaches who display current, valid USA Swimming credentials will be permitted to act in a coaching capacity at this meet. Coaches who do not possess these credentials will be required to leave the deck area. |  |
| OFFICIALS: | Meet Referee: Stephanie Suhling <br> Email: ssuhling@yahoo.com <br> Phone: (540) 720-1474 <br> - Officials at all positions will be required for this meet. Team Officials Chairpersons should submit the names and session availability of certified officials, as well as the names and session availability of trainees to Stephanie Suhling no later than May $28^{\text {th }}$. <br> - Training will be allowed at this meet. Please contact Stephanie prior to the meet to make sure she has someone to mentor you. <br> - There will be an officials' meeting approximately 45 minutes prior to the start of each session. |  |
| SAFETY: | - VSI Safety and Warm-up procedures will be in effect. <br> - Marshals will be present throughout warm-ups and competition, and have the authority to remove, with the concurrence of the Meet Referee, any swimmer, coach, or club for the failure to follow the safety rules <br> - Shaving in the swim venue is not permitted. Swimmer noncompliance will result in dismissal from the meet |  |
| TIMERS: | - Clubs will be required to provide timers in proportion to the number of swimmers they have entered in each session. <br> - The number of timers required per club and their lane assignments will be posted on the RAYS' website no later than Friday, May $30^{\text {th }}$ and will also be emailed to the contact person of each of the individual clubs. <br> - Teams with swimmers in the 800 free must provide 2 timers for each swimmer. |  |
| GENERAL: | - Concessions with food and heat sheets will be provided. <br> - Sports Fair will sell equipment and apparel. |  |
| FACILIT RULES: | - Swimmers are not permitted in any room of the building not directly associated with the meet. <br> - Swimmers and spectators are expected to camp out in the gym or outside patio off the pool deck. <br> - By order of the Fire Marshall, swimmers will not be allowed to set up "camp" areas in the hallways. <br> - Only swimmers, coaches, and officials can be on deck. All spectators are required to be in the elevated bleachers or in the gyms. <br> - Each club is responsible for the conduct of its swimmers. |  |
| DIRECTIONS: | Directions to the Freedom Center are posted on the RAYS' website. |  |
| HOTELS: | The Courtyard, Manassas VA (At I-66 exit \#47) $703-335-1300$ Marriott's Fairfield Inn, Manassas, VA (At I-66 \#47) $703-393-9966$ Springhill Suites by Marriott, Centreville, VA $703-815-7800$ Best Western Battlefield (5 miles to pool) (703) 361-8000 | Country Inn \& Suites by Marriott (703) 393-9797 Fairfield Inn by Marriott ( 5.5 miles to pool) (703) $393-9966$ Hampton Inn (4.8 miles to pool) (703) 369-1100 Comfort Suites (4.8 miles to pool) (703) 686-1100 |

## ORDER OF EVENTS

SATURDAY AM SESSION

| Girls | Event | Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11-12 50 Free | 2 |
| 3 | 10 \& U 50 Fly | 4 |
| 5 | 11-12 50 Back | 6 |
| 7 | 10 \& U 50 Breast | 8 |
| 9 | 10 \& U 100 Back | 10 |
| 11 | 11-12 200 Back | 12 |
| 13 | 11-12 100 Fly | 14 |
| 15 | 12 \& U 200 IM | 16 |
| 17 | 10 \& U 100 Free | 18 |
| 19 | 12 \& U 200 Free | 20 |
| 21 | 11-12 100 Breast | 22 |

SATURDAY PM SESSON

| Girls | Event | Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23 | $13-1450$ Free | 24 |
| 25 | $15 \&$ O 50 Free | 26 |
| 27 | $13-14100$ Breast | 28 |
| 29 | $15 \&$ O 100 Breast | 30 |
| 31 | $13-14200$ Free | 32 |
| 33 | $15 \&$ O 200 Free | 34 |
| 35 | $13-14100$ Fly | 36 |
| 37 | $15 \&$ O 100 Fly | 38 |
| 39 | $13-14200$ Back | 40 |
| 41 | $15 \& O 200$ Back | 42 |
| 43 | $13-14400$ IM | 44 |
| 45 | $15 \& O 400$ IM | 46 |

## SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

| Girls | Event | $\frac{\text { Boys }}{47}$ |
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|  | $13 \& 0800$ Free | 48 |

All teams please bring your own LAP COUNTERS Must have at least a BB time in your age group

SUNDAY AM SESSION

| Girls | Event | Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 49 | 11-12 50 Fly | 50 |
| 51 | 10 \& U 50 Back | 52 |
| 53 | 11-12 50 Breast | 54 |
| 55 | 10 \& U 50 Free | 56 |
| 57 | 11-12 200 Fly | 58 |
| 59 | 10 \& U 100 Fly | 60 |
| 61 | 11-12 100 Back | 62 |
| 63 | 11-12 200 Breast | 64 |
| 65 | 10 \& U 100 Breast | 66 |
| 67 | 11-12 100 Free | 68 |
| 69 | 9-12 400 Free | 70 |
| 71 | 11-12 400 IM | 72 |

SUNDAY PM SESSION

| Girls | Event | Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 73 | 13-14 200 Fly | 74 |
| 75 | 15 \& O 200 Fly | 76 |
| 77 | 13-14 100 Back | 78 |
| 79 | 15 \& O 100 Back | 80 |
| 81 | 13-14 200 IM | 82 |
| 83 | 15 \& O 200 IM | 84 |
| 85 | 13-14 400 Free | 86 |
| 87 | 15 \& O 400 Free | 88 |
| 89 | 13-14 200 Breast | 90 |
| 91 | 15 \& O 200 Breast | 92 |
| 93 | 13-14 100 Free | 94 |
| 95 | 15 \& O 100 Free | 96 |

