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Hurricane Katrina

USA Swimming along with LSC's and clubs around the country are working together to help those who have been affected by the wrath and aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. To see what is being done and how you may be able to help, [click here](#).

Best Practices

We haven't received many submissions to our most recent Best Practice topic, "Recruiting, Training and Managing Timers at Meets." If you have suggestions that have worked for you in the past or any documents that are used at your meets (such as those that are laminated or attached to the timers' clipboards), please send them to onthesamepage@optonline.net. To get to the LSC *Best Practices* page, [click here](#).

National Championships/Duel in the Pool

Continuing as we did with the spring championship meet, we have listed the officials who worked the Duel in the Pool, Nationals and Junior's meets this August. We also have pictures of the Nationals and Junior's crews. To see who worked the meets from you LSC and see their smiling faces, [click here](#).

FINA Rule Changes

FINA has published the swimming rules for 2005-2009 based on the changes approved at the FINA Technical Congress in Montreal this past July. To see the FINA swimming rules, [click here](#).

USA Swimming Proposed Rule Changes

In addition to the FINA rule changes which will be reviewed by the USA Swimming Rules & Regulations Committee for inclusion in our rule book, there are a number of changes that have been proposed by our own membership. To see the proposals, [click here](#).

Sanctioned, Approved and Observed Meets

We've put together a document that provides an overview of the requirements for each source of "official" times. To see this one-page document, [click here](#).

Swimposiums

There are at least four Swimposiums scheduled over the next eight weeks. If you are interested in attending one of them, click the link shown below to see the specifics or for more information:

[Virginia Swimming](#) – Richmond, VA – September 24th - presenters are Charly Mallery and Jeannine Dennis

[Potomac Valley Swimming](#) – Fairfax, VA – October 2nd – Presenter is Pat Lunsford

New Jersey Swimming – Newark, NJ – October 15th – presenter is Pat Lunsford - [contact Jim O'Neil](#)

[Midwestern Swimming](#) – Omaha, NB – October 29th – presenter is Jeannine Dennis

If you have any questions, suggestions or comments for the publishers of this newsletter or for the USA Swimming Officials Committee, we can be contacted via e-mail at onthesamepage@optonline.net.