RMSC February Qualifier Meet Announcement

February 25-26, 2012
Germantown Indoor Swim Center
Sanctioned by USA Swimming through Potomac Valley Swimming
Meet Sanction # PVI-12-48

Meet Director: Christa Krukiel <u>christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov</u> (240) 777-8070

Meet Referee: Amy Hsu <u>amy.hsu@nih.gov</u>

Officials: Officials: Certified officials wishing to work the meet should contact Amy. Any trainees must contact Amy at least one week in advance to schedule a training session.

Clubs will be responsible for providing their fair share of timers, and will be assigned lanes by the meet director.

Location: Germantown Indoor Swim Center, 18000 Central Park Circle, Boyds, MD 20841 (240) 777-6830

• 10 lane, 25-yard pool, with non-turbulent lane lines and continuous flow-through gutters

- Water depth is 17' in lane 1 and 6'9" in lane 10 at the starting end and 13'5" at the turning end.
- Separate 7 lane, 25 yard pool will be available for continuous warm up/cool down. Diving is not permitted in this pool.
- The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C, and is on file with USAS.
- Colorado Electronic Timing system, touch pads, horn start and a 10 lane scoreboard will be used.

Meet Schedule:

- Saturday, February 25, 2012

Warm-ups: 7:00 – 8:00 AM
 Event Start: 8:10 AM

- Sunday, February 26, 2012

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 Event Start: 8:10 AM

Warm-Up Procedures: The prescribed Potomac Valley Swimming warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed. It may be necessary to assign lanes for warm-up.

Eligibility: This meet is open to invited athletes from FAST, FGAC, TIBU, Tollefson and RMSC. Swimmers will compete at the age attained on the first day of the meet. It may be necessary to limit entries due to the time constraints at the facility and to maintain reasonable timelines. It may also be necessary to limit the number of entries/heats of the 500 Free/400 IM. If entries need to be cut the process will start at the bottom with NT entries being the first removed. Note: Coaches should only enter swimmers who have legitimate chance for JO's or Junior Champs.

NO swimmer may compete in an event in which he/she has achieved a PVS Junior Championship or above qualifying standard for 15&O's and PVS Junior Olympic qualifying standard for 14&U's. Age based on March 8, 2012 (Junior Champs) and March 15, 2012 (JO's). Anyone entered in an event for which he/she has already qualified for one of the above meets will be removed **without notification**. For a list of these time standards, please visit http://www.pvswim.org/schedule.html.

PVS and host clubs along with their Meet Directors are committed to the Inclusion Policy as adopted by the BOD. Athletes with a disability are welcomed and are asked to provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition.

Rules: Current USA Swimming rules will govern this meet. A contestant may enter no more than three events per session, and no more than six individual events for the meet. All events will be timed finals. Dive over starts will be used.

The Meet Director and the PVS Technical Committee reserve the right to limit events, heats, swimmers or adjust the format to conform with the 4-hour provision for the 12 &U sessions in Rule 205.3.1F.

In compliance with USA Swimming Rules and Regulations; the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone is not permitted in the changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. As per PVS policy; the use of equipment capable of taking pictures (i.e. cell phones, cameras, PDA's etc) are banned from behind the starting blocks during the entire meet, including warm up, competition and cool down periods.

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

The practice of deck changing is prohibited at all PVS Sanctioned events. Swimmers participating in deck changing would be violating the USA Swimming Sportsmanship policy.

Meet Format: Seed times are short course yards. The 500 Freestyle and 400 IM will be swum fastest to slowest, alternating Girls and Boys and swimmers must provide their own timers and counters. Depending on the number of entries received and allotted time it may be necessary for the meet director to re-structure the sessions in any manner. Information regarding these changes will be available the week prior to the meet in the form of an e-mail to each participating club.

Positive Check In: Positive check-in will be required in events 400 yards and longer. Athletes who have not checked in prior to the specified time will be scratched from the event. The Meet Director will determine if positive check-in will be necessary for events 200 yards and longer or all events in order to maintain manageable timelines. Information regarding the possibility of additional check-in times and procedures will be available the week prior to the meet in the form of an email to each participating club.

Entry Information:

- Entry Fees: \$4.50 per individual event.
- Entry Deadline: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 11:59 PM.
- No late entries will be accepted.
- Deck entries will be accepted provided there is an empty lane available. A new heat will not be created.
- Swimmers must show their 2012 USAS Athlete registration card.
- No on-deck USAS registration permitted.
- Deck Entry Fee: \$10.00 per individual event, due at time of acceptance.
- Meet Director is requested to acknowledge receipt by return e-mail within 24 hours. Clubs submitting entries that do NOT receive an acknowledgement should contact the Meet Director by other than e-mail to confirm receipt.

Electronic Entry Procedures:

- Email a Hy-Tek entries file (preferred) or a SDIF file to christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- Email subject should be labeled "February Qualifier Entry".
- Email must include reports by name. Include total number of swimmers and total number of events, along with contact information (name, phone number, e-mail) of a club representative in the body of the e-mail.
- Send entry fee check payable to MCRD to: Christa Krukiel

Kennedy Shriver Aquatic Center 5900 Executive Boulevard N. Bethesda, Maryland 20852

- Each club is requested to remit one check to cover the entry fees of the entire team. Please do not send cash. Entry Fees are due with entries.

Warning: Any club that enters an unregistered athlete, falsifies an entry in any way, or permits an unregistered coach to represent them, will be fined the sum of \$100.00, and no further entries will be accepted from the club until the said fine is paid. All swimmers, coaches and officials must be properly registered with USA Swimming for 2012.

Spectator: There will be no charge for admission. Heat sheets may be available for \$2.00 each.

Swim Center Rules and Conduct

At the request of <u>Montgomery County Recreation Department</u>, swimmers are not to leave the pool deck without appropriate attire. Coaches will be responsible for the conduct of their athletes while in the facility and surrounding grounds. Failure to follow these rules or any inappropriate behavior will result in the athlete being barred from further competition in the meet. Parents will be responsible for the conduct of any minor children that accompany them.

- No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
- Swimmers must be in direct contact with their supervising coach before they will be allowed to enter the pool for warm-up.
- No camera cell phones are permitted in the locker rooms.

Special Note

In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Germantown Indoor Swim Center, Rockville Montgomery Swim Club and the Montgomery County Rec Department shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Order of Events

ROCKVILLE - MONTGOMERY SWIM CLUB

Saturday, February 25, 2012

Girls	Event Description	Boys
1	13&Over 200 Individual Medley	2
3	12&U 200 Individual Medley	4
5	13&Over 100 Freestyle	6
7	12&U 100 Freestyle	8
9	13&Over 100 Breaststroke	10
11	12&U 100 Breaststroke	12
13	13&Over 100 Backstroke	14
15	12&U 100 Backstroke	16
17	13&Over 100 Butterfly	18
19	12&U 100 Butterfly	20
21	Open 500 Freestyle	22

Sunday, February 26, 2012

Girls	Event Description	Boys
23	12&U 200 Freestyle	24
25	13&Over 200 Freestyle	26
27	12&U 50 Butterfly	28
29	Open 200 Breaststroke	30
31	12&U 50 Backstroke	32
33	Open 200 Butterfly	34
35	12&U 50 Breaststroke	36
37	Open 200 Backstroke	38
39	12&U 50 Freestyle	40
41	13&Over 50 Freestyle	42
43	12&U 100 Individual Medley	44
45	Open 400 Individual Medley	46

Entries may be limited based on session time constraints.