

PVS Webmaster's/Technology Report

June 10, 2008

Web Site Cleanup: I did cleanup of the Records and Time Standards and Qualifying Times pages. I also started the work on the cleanup of the Officials pages as identified by the Officials Committee.

Meet Directors Page: No work was done on this proposed new page. I received some material from board members, but could use some help with this page.

Privacy Policy: I have not made any progress on this.

PVS Database: I took a look at having two swimming databases based on the comment by Mark Eldridge at the May House of Delegates Meeting.

The major **benefit** of the TMOonline database is the inclusion of the 25y events, not loaded into the USA-S SWIMS database.

The **negatives** of the TMOonline database include the amount of time it takes to load meets and upload the database to the website, the difficulty in correcting errors in the results (such as name, DOB, or ID typos), and the fact that changes in team affiliations are not automatically handled. It also doesn't include times from observed and approved meets.

Within the last few years, both the Middle Atlantic and Virginia LSCs have stopped using the TMOonline database. I did a survey of LSCs still using the database. I don't have data on how many LSCs used the product in the past. For reference, PVS keeps the last four years of meets in the database, which is the maximum amount allowed.

- Gulf Swimming – last two years of results
- Michigan Swimming – last two seasons of results (since Oct 06)
- Midwestern Swimming – last two years of results
- Niagra Swimming – current season of results (since Oct 07)

I recommend that the board consider discontinuing the use of TMOonline, or cut back in the amount of data loaded.

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