Report to PVS House of Delegates – May 23, 2011

Maintaining PVS's Swimming Records

PVS implemented a new process to recognize and update its records in March 2010. Considerable effort was expended at that time to initialize our records using the new software. We are now benefitting from that effort and PVS uses it to continually update its records (both SCY and LCM.)

Approximately 134 new records have recognized since last year's House of Delegates meeting. Approximately 40 were set during last summer's long course season and about 94 from the 2010-11 short course season. The records came from 9 different short course meets and 10 different long course meets.

Records for the following ages are maintained: 10/Under, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18 and Open (no age requirement.) In addition relay records for the 15-18 age brackets are kept. In contrast to most other LSC's – PVS also maintains both Resident (generally swims by athletes registered to PVS at the time of the SWIM) and Open (generally swims swum in our territory at sanctioned meets.) This means PVS maintains 928 records – 468 SCY and 460 LCM. (The difference being 100 IM is not swum in a LCM pool.)

PVS records in the new format (that now includes the exact date of the swim and the name of the meet) were posted to the PVS website in March 2010. The only exception is old historical records for which only the calendar year of the swim is known.

The new process utilizes the enhancements USA Swimming has added to their SWIMS software that allows PVS to quickly determine when PVS records, both Open and Resident have been set. We have been able to use this capability to update our records almost immediately after a record is set, rather than waiting until the end of the respective SC and LC seasons. The prior methodology required extensive research and thus was usually done only once or twice per SC or LC season.

The software also provides the capability to output this information so it can be input into Hy-Tek Meet Mgr files and thus include up to date PVS records information as part of a meet program. Meet managers are encouraged to make use of this capability for meets where it would be appropriate to do so.

Congratulations to the swimmers who set new PVS records in the past year. We look forward to recognizing many new records in coming year as our swimmers swim faster and faster..