

Potomac Valley Meeting Minutes  
3/22/98

1) Chair Report:

- \* Jayne Bruner has been inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame.
- \* USMS rule changes for breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle were made effective, March 6, to conform to FINA rules.

2) Treasurer's Report:

- \* We are \$1337.91 under budget on expenses for 1998. We also received \$886 less in income than projected (for 1998).
- \* The new budget carried over last year's figures with the exception of the 1998 convention expenses. These will probably be lower this year than last.
- \* The Treasurer is resigning in July due to a job relocation. We are looking for candidates to fill the treasurer's position.

3) Registrar's Report:

- \* Potomac Valley registration as of today, is 1161. It was 1123 on this date, last year and 777 on this date in 1992.
- \* The Potomac Valley website contains printable versions of the team transfer form and registration forms, as well as contact names, email addresses, and teams with number of registrants.
- \* The PV club application has been changed to ask for a list of the pools a club uses.
- \* An inventory of significant supplies (such as a printer or calculator) and who has them will be kept by the Treasurer.
- \* Team renewals will be sent out earlier to give teams a chance to register in advance of their members. Members sometimes send in PV renewals in November before their clubs have renewed. In these cases the individuals' applications are held up.
- \* Germantown Masters noted that there is an NCAA rule that college swimmers can compete with USMS during the off-season and before attending college and still not lose their NCAA eligibility.

4) Sanctions Report:

- \* Evaluators were identified for the following meets:
  - a) JCNVV Lox & Bagles Meet - 4/19 - Evaluator: Wayne White
  - b) Reston 2 Mile Lake Swim -5/31 - Evaluator: Debbie Morrin
  - c) Terrapin 800/1500 Meet - 6/28 - Evaluator: Rob Whitters
- \* A request was made to meet directors to submit meet results in the correct order, according to the USMS handbook.
- \* A request was made from the floor that PVMSC help teams conform to meet requirements, that rules not be enforced in a punitive manner, and that teams be made aware of why fines are levied.
- \* Meet results should be kept for one year and must include the name of the meet, the location (name of pool, city and state), date of the meet, name and address of the meet director, name and

certification status of officials (referees, starter, stroke and turn judges) and sanction or approval number.

\* Any meet protests should be presented to a meet official within 30 minutes of the completion of a race.

#### 5) Newsletter Editor's Report:

\* The newsletter editor has a new email address which will be in the next newsletter.

#### 6) Top Ten Report:

\* Joann Leilich recommended that individuals contact her by phone rather than email.

#### 7) Official's Reports:

\* Lynn Hazlewood, our Colonies Zone Rep, is looking for a team to sponsor a SCM zone meet in October or November.

\* Dave Diehl said he has a list of USS officials who are willing to officiate at USMS meets in case anyone needs this information.

\* USMS rule changes:

1) Breaststroke: shoulders now permitted to drop on turns and during swim.

2) Butterfly: shoulders are permitted to drop on turns.

3) Butterfly and Freestyle: there is a limit of 15 meters underwater swim (same as backstroke).

\* Rules changes will be explained in detail in the newsletter.

\* 1998 is a rules change year at convention. Rules change ideas should be submitted to Debbie Morrin, PV Chair.

\* There is no certification course for USMS officials. USMS accepts certification credentials from YMCA, USS, NCAA, and high school federations.

\* Potomac Valley will send four voting delegates and two at-large delegates to convention. Jeff Roddin, and Debbie Morrin volunteered to be voting delegates. Lynn Hazlewood and Dave Diehl will serve as at-large delegates. If anyone is interested in filling the two remaining voting delegate slots, please contact Debbie Morrin, PV Chair.

\* Coach of the Year nominations should be submitted to Scott Rabelais, and Fitness Program of the Year nominations should be submitted to Mo Chambers by July 15.

\* DCAC needs a coach. Interested individuals should contact Robert Stofferson, (703) 741-1000.

\* Alexandria Masters needs a coach 2 nights a week, 7-8PM. Interested individuals should contact Ray Novitske (703) 960-4598.

\* The next Potomac Valley meeting will be on June 28 at approximately 11:30AM after the Terrapin 800/1500m meet. Location will be the University of Maryland Campus Recreation pool. Directions:

a) From the beltway, take Rte 1 South towards College Park.

b) From Rte 1, take Rte 193 (University Blvd) west.

c) From Rte 193, turn left onto Stadium Drive.

d) From Stadium Drive, turn left from the circle (3/4 of the way).

e) After 50 yards fork left into parking lot 2.

f) Pool is on your right.

Attendees:

Ray Novitske - ALEX  
Cinco Calfee - AAMS  
Rob Whitters - AVST  
Joann Leilich - DCM  
Matt Fetters - DCRP  
Marc LeGoff - DCAC  
Robert Stofferson - DCAC  
Brian Ellis - FXCM  
Mark Walters - GERM  
Jeff Roddin - ANCM  
Margot Pettijohn - ANCM  
Wayne White - PMAC  
T. Medara - PMAC  
Sarah Mahoney - RMST  
Bill Fisher - RMSC  
Dave Diehl - TERR  
Cheryl Wagner - TERR  
Debbie Morrin - TERR  
Linda Eckrich - UMCY