

Potomac Valley Swimming Webmaster's/Technology Report

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Meet Manager 3.0: PVS needs to purchase (upgrade?) one license of MM 3.0 as soon as possible for Administrative use. PVS needs to be able to handle MM 3.0 files from clubs that have already upgraded to that version.

Updating all the PVS laptops to MM 3.0 is less urgent, but should be done before Hy-Tek discontinues MM 2.0 support next year.

Real-Time Results: I have found a solution that may work for real-time results at venues where we cannot get an external Internet hookup. This broadband wireless service is pay-as-you-use-it and requires no contracts or monthly fees. The modem costs \$150 and the cost to use it for each meet would be \$10-\$20.

<http://www.virginmobileusa.com/mobile-broadband>

Web Hosting: At the August board meeting, I discussed the problem of having to pay significant overage charges for bandwidth one or two months of the year. I can get web hosting with almost twice as much bandwidth for half the cost per month of the current hosting. It would also allow me to dynamically allocate the bandwidth between pvsweb.org and pvsweb2.org to handle any surges in traffic. I currently have five other websites with this particular web host and have had great service.

PVS Travel Assistance Application: I have been working with the Senior Chair, Riley Eaton to develop a web-based Travel Assistance application. The goal is to make the process easier for the coaches to apply and provide the applications electronically to the Senior Chair and the Travel Assistance Coordinator.

Web Updates: Terri has been busy posting meet announcements for the new season. John Hirschmann updated the PVS Records from the 2008-2009 season. The Officials Committee continues to make significant use of the website for clinic registrations, training materials, forms, and communications with our officials.

I have created or updated the following pages on the website:

- PVS Scholar Athlete Application
- PVS Top Times Lists for the 2008-2009 season
- PVS Clubs in the USA Swimming Club Recognition & Excellence Programs
- 2008-2009 USA-S Scholastic All American Lists
- The Swimsuit Rules page
- USA-S 2008-2009 Top-10 "Final Preview" Lists
- 2008-2009 Virtual Club Championship rankings
- Highlights of the 2009 USAS Convention (inc. photos of PVS awards)

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