

Potomac Valley Swimming Operations Division Report

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The PVS Equipment Manager, Carrie Tupper has completed her initial inventory and assessment of PVS equipment. She has made some repairs and identified some equipment that needs to be returned to the manufacturer for repair.

I met with Carrie earlier this month, and got the above status update. We are in good shape now and will be up to full capability with the repair of a few items and purchase of some additional parts like cables, starter mics, power modules, etc. I gave Carrie authorization to deal directly with Colorado Timing Systems on the repair and minor purchases, with copies to be sent to me and John Ertter (for payment).

We have begun the development of a database of the unique characteristics of each facility in regards to mounting touchpads so the proper brackets can be provided to each meet. This database will also include any other unique characteristics of the facilities that affect the operation of swim meets. Both Carrie and I will be working on this and may enlist the help of clubs practicing at the various competitive facilities.

The new procedures for renting of PVS equipment are going well. The increasing number of clubs with their own equipment has caused in an overall decrease in the number of rental requests.

Based on equipment availability, a decision was made to rent PVS timing systems for the VA Patriot, Concorde, and Liberty District H.S. Championships meets the weekend of 25-26 January. The meets are run by PVS officials, so we feel confident that proper care will be taken with the PVS equipment. The VA Northern Region H.S. Championship meet will also be renting equipment as they have in the past.

The Technical Committee, again using Jim Thompson's expertise, will be tracking qualifiers for the PVS Junior Olympic Championships. As of now, over 1100 swimmers have already qualified for the meet.

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