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Potomac Valley Swimming Competition Committee Meeting May 6, 2025 Video Conference

Presented by Sr. Chair - Aaron Dean & AG Chair-Chris Schlegel

- Call to order The meeting was called to order by Senior Chair, Aaron Dean.
- Approval of Minutes from Winter CCM Motion to approve the minutes from the Winter 2025 CCM minutes, seconded and approved.
- Approval of Agenda Motion to approve the agenda, seconded and approved.
- Administrative Updates:
 - LSC Services Manager
 - House of Delegates is coming up on Tuesday, May 20. Additional information will be sent, as will a request for Club Delegates.
 - o Board of Directors Introductions & Reports -
 - General Chair Cherlynn Venit reported:
 - Thank you to the clubs who have hosted PVS Open, Distance and Champ meets during the 2024-2025 seasons. We are still looking for hosts for the LC Distance and both Virginia for LC Open 1 and LC Open 2. Please reach out to Cherlynn and Terri if you are interested in hosting.
 - We would like to the secure the hosts for the fall Open meets by the May House of Delegate meeting. Please let us know if you can host.
 - At HOD Cherlynn will review the "VSI Surcharge" issues and the proposal that PVS has sent forward to USA Swimming HOD.
 - Tim Husson updated and posted PVS records on the website on May 1. Thank you to Tim for all your hard work and volunteering your time.
 - Tim Husson reported
 - He went through multi year process to gather historical data on PVS records. Records prior to 2003 were not in SWIMS3.0. A long list of records was then sent to USA Swimming to get times/records added to the database so the records would be current.
 - One interesting thing; A swim from 1991in the 100M
 Backstroke with a time of 108.80, is now being recognized as an NAG. It has previously been listed as an LSC record, but not an NAG. Tim is looking for more details, so this swim can accurately be recorded.

- Nicole Erikson Coaches Rep reminded the coaches that Coach Rep nominations will still be taken though HOD and then we will start the voting process.
- PVS Meet Hosts We are still looking for LC Open and LC Distance hosts.
 Please reach out to Terri & Cherlynn if you are able to host.
- Travel Assistance will be set up similar to last year with a 10% increase in the Travel budget.
- Mental Health First Aid If you are interested in learning about First Aid for Mental Health, please reach out to Aaron Dean for more information. There are a number of courses and certifications. Some are free, some require a fee, however there is still some grant money available upon request.
- Education Grants & Coach Awards If you were an award winner, announced in the fall, please reach out to Aaron.
- Summer Zones Update Chris Schlegel reported that a vast majority of the planning is done. There are 3 coaches who have applied, but we are still looking for 3 more coaches, including a head coach. Once qualifying times are released from the EZ, there will be a Google form set up to collect data on who is interested in the meet.
- PVS House of Delegates is set for Tuesday, May 20 at Overlee. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and the meeting will start at 6:30 pm. As a reminder, all clubs are expected to send a delegate to the HOD.
 - PVS Budget 2025-2026 Ellen Colket reported.
 - The proposed 25-26 budget has been posted to the PVS Website, along with a narrative and additional details. Please plan to review the budget prior to HOD and reach out to Ellen with any questions prior to the meeting.

Old Business

- PVS Meet Schedule for 2025-2026 There were a few changes/updates that were reviewed.
 - Motion to endorse the 2025-2026 PVS Club Meet schedule as presented, seconded and approved.
- Review Short Course PVS Championship meets Both NCAP and MACH were thanked for hosting the two short course championship meets. Both meets were well run and served our athletes well. There were many great swims.
 - 14 & U Short Course Champs
 - It was noted that the athletes liked the additional recognition after each event.
 - Sr/Jr Short Course Champs was well run and a great meet.
 - Championship Scratch Rule Review It was noted that there
 was an unusually large number of Declared False Start at the
 meet. As a reminder DFS are supposed to be a last chance to
 scratch and should be used for emergencies only, such as
 illness, injury, etc. Please adhere to the scratch deadlines so

that we can ensure we are swimming with full heats during finals.

New Business

- Zone Coaches Chris Schlegel noted that we are looking for 3 more Zone Coaches. This is a team travel meet for the 11-14 year olds and we need enough coaches to supervise the swimmers.
 - As a reminder, each Zone coach does receive a stipend and coaches are reimbursed for some expenses.
 - The current coaches interested in being a Zone Coach are: Brady Van (Fish), Marye Carter (NCAP) and Jake Ball (NCAP).
 - Motion to submit Brittany Van, Marye Carter and Jake Ball to Board for approval as three of the assistant coaches for LC Zones, seconded and approved.
 - Motion to give Chris Schlegel the ability to fill the Zone Coaches Position, with coaches in good standing, once chosen the additional slate will be shared with the BoD, seconded and approved.
- PVS Long Course Open Champs Format Aaron Dean presented the Proposal for LC Open Format:
 - Changed the format to combine the 13-14 with the 12 & U, for a combined Age Group Championship and the 15 & Over will be a Junior and Senior Champ combo.
 - For Open Champs; Senior and Junior Champs being prelim/finals format.
 - Time standard close to what they were several years ago
 - Discussion:
 - There was a strong suggestion to have qualifying times for the 50s of strokes. A Senior Champ level meet should not allow no times. By having qualifying times, it will also help keep timelines under control.
 - Time Trials? Several coaches expressed it was a good idea to leave them in meet.
 - There was a brief discussion on the proper number of heats in finals. The final recommendation was 3 final heats Senior Champs and 2 heats for Junior Champs.
 - Motion to approve the LC Open Champs meet format as presented (see updated proposal), seconded and approved.
- PVS Long Course Age Group Champs Format Chris Schlegel presented the proposed format for the LC 14 & Under Champs. Chris worked with a task force over the past few weeks to set the format and the order of events. He highlighted the details.

- By adding the 13-14 age group back into the meet, the meet will be a full 4 day format. It was previously voted on to host the meet on Thursday, Friday, Sunday and Monday.
- Timelines are estimated to be close to 2-2.5 hours for 13-14 prelim session and 3.3-3.75 hours for the 12 & U prelims, with finals 2-2.25 hours. Finals will be top 16, except for 10 & U which will be Top 8.
- Distance events will have one heat at finals
- For the 12 & U 400 IM, 800 free, 1500 free events we will swim them combined but scored separately pending total number of entries.
- We plan to do the podium after each event.
- We can add 5min break after relays
- 50s will use 100M QT times.
- Max event count per swimmer will be 6 events
 - There was a brief discussion but the general consensus was in agreement with the format.
- PVS Short Course Senior/Junior Champs Combine meet (not two meets) –
 Aaron reviewed.
 - Currently we have Senior Champs in one course and Junior Champs in the other course. It is proposed to combine to one meet and run the meet with a girls pool and boys pool.
 - Finals with 6 heats of the 50s, 100s, 200s with the 6th heat reserved for 16 & U.
 - 4 heats 400 IM, 500 free with the 4th heat reserved for 16 & U.
 - Discussion
 - Concerned that this will exclude a number of athletes since there will not be a "Junior Champs", but Aaron indicated that he expects the time standards to be too similar to the Junior Champ cuts to allow for the proper size meet.
 - There was a concern with the number of finals heats. It was recommended that number of heats are reduced by 1.
 - Despite some concerns, it was noted that OME can handle the 50s with 100 QT,
 - At this time we will vote on the first two items on the proposal and wait until the fall to review and add more specific details.
 - Motion that the SC Junior/Senior meet be combined to one meet for the 2026 SC Champs (#1 & 2), seconded and approved.
- PVS October, November, January Open PVS assigns teams to provide somewhat equal timelines and space for teams. Some Open sites are larger, have more lanes. This results in the Meet Management fees not always being equal for the different hosts.
 - Proposal: After all PVS Open entries from the three or four sites are split and financial reports are submitted, the payment to the three or

four teams that are hosting the meets will be evenly split into the appropriate shares.

- There as a brief discussion/ideas:
 - Instead of based on number of splashes, maybe split revenue based on the pre meet timelines.
- Motion to combine the financials for the PVS Open meets and then evenly split the revenue between the host clubs, seconded and defeated.
- Should we continue to offer these meets?
 - While there is still some interest in PVS Open meets, more and more clubs are hosting their own meets and we have struggled for a number of years finding enough hosts for the Open meets.
 - Motion will no longer host PVS sponsored Open meet and LC Open 1 & 2 for the 2026-2027 season, seconded and defeated.
 - In 2025 the Open meets ran a deficit of \$1900. In prior years we made a little money, but not in the 2024-2025 season.
 - Many feel it is very fundamental for the LSC to offer meets.
 - As per our facility contracts, we need to know hosts and be able to confirm the meets at least 4 months in advance. If we cancel the meet/site with less than 4 months, then we have to still pay the rental fee.
 - o It would be helpful if the larger teams helped/mentored the smaller teams to help them learn to host meets.
 - With LC Open 1 & 2...
 - Are there any teams out there that are willing to try?
 Anyone have questions? WE want to encourage all clubs to host...this helps clubs and yourself at the same time.
 - One advantage to continuing with Open meets is that the entry fees are manageable. If we were to switch to a club run meets we will have to get entry fees under control and more standard.
 - o This is to get the feeling from CCM.
 - CCM/clubs need to understand that we cannot sustain these meets unless clubs step up to host.
 - We can increase the training with MD training.
 - Motion to remove the Opens for the 26-27 season, seconded and defeated.
- Weighted voting at CCM based on team size See proposal:

- Motion using the same formula for scoring at PVS Championships meets the following weight would provide for teams: over 1000 athletes – 3 votes, 400-999 =3votes, less than 400 = 1 vote based on number of athletes from previous season, with 1 individual per vote and must be present to vote, seconded and defeated.
 - There was a great discussion with comments both for and against this proposal.
 - A change like this could be a slippery slope. Feels that most things get past without a lot of discourse. It is possible that there were a few votes in recent history that people did not like, so now they want to make a change.
 - This has come up several times over the years, there have been other variations. It comes down to representation of athletes for the LSC. We could look at it similar to Congress, we are representing the athletes. PVS gets more votes at USA S HOD because we are one of the largest LSC in the country.
 - Amendment Vote must be submitted only bey present delates that attend CCM – one vote per person.
 - Everything the CCM votes on/endorses still has to pass the BoD.
- o Fall Meeting Date, Tuesday, October 7 (virtual or in person)
- Adjournment



Potomac Valley Swimming Competition Committee Meeting

Senior Chair – Aaron Dean Age Group Chair – Chris Schlegel May 6, 2025 Zoom Virtual Meeting – 7:00pm

Agenda

- 1. Call To order
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Approval of Minutes from Winter CCM
- 4. Approval of Agenda (additional new business, old business review or reporting)
- 5. Administrative Updates:
 - a. LSC Services Manager (Terri Marlin)
 - b. Board of Directors Introductions & Reports
 - c. PVS Meet Hosts Upcoming
 - d. Travel Assistance
 - e. Mental Health First Aid (grants still available)
 - f. Education Grants & Coach Awards
 - g. Summer Zones Update
 - h. PVS House of Delegates
 - i. PVS Budget 2025-2026

6. Old Business

- a. PVS Meet Schedule for 2025-2026
- b. Review Short Course PVS Championship meets
 - i. 14 & under Short Course Champs
 - ii. Sr/Jr Short Course Champs
 - 1. Championship Scratch Rules Review

7. New Business

- a. Zone Coaches
- b. PVS Long Course Open Champs Format
- c. PVS Long Course Age Group Champs Format
- d. PVS Short Course Senior/ Junior Champs Combine meet (Not two meets)
- e. PVS October, November, January Open
 - i. Revenue Sharing
 - ii. Should we continue to offer these meets?
- f. Weighted voting at CCM based on team size
- g. Fall Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 7 (virtual or in person)??

8. Adjournment

2025 Spring CCM Attendance

| 2025 Spring CCM Attenda | nce |
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| AAC | |
| ANSC | |
| APEX | |
| ASA | Bob Walker |
| ASTS | Heather Purk |
| AU | |
| BWST | |
| CSC | Russ Ramey |
| DCPR | |
| DRAG | |
| ENSA | |
| ERSC | |
| FAA | Drew Killian |
| FAST | Manga Dalizu |
| FISH | Bruce Andersen |
| FXFX | Marian lozano |
| GW | |
| HACC | Augusta Wood |
| HEAL | |
| JFD | |
| LIFE | Dan Rhinehart |
| MAC | |
| MACH | Jason Cochran |
| MAKO | Erik Collins |
| NCAP | Pete, Tim, Tom, Jeremy |
| occs | Jorge Bohabot |
| PAC | John Venit |
| PAVA | Matt Halpt |
| PGPR | Corey Wallace |
| PM | Bill Marlin |
| QODS | Kyle Brown |
| RIPS | Shandra Richardson |
| RMSC | Kent Williams |
| RY | Arthur Raven |
| SA | |
| SDS | lan Handerhan |
| SSCT | |
| STJS | Jessie Bricker |
| TANK | Priya Aurora |
| TIBU | |
| TOLL | Henry Tollefson |
| TRA | |
| TSAC | David Miller |
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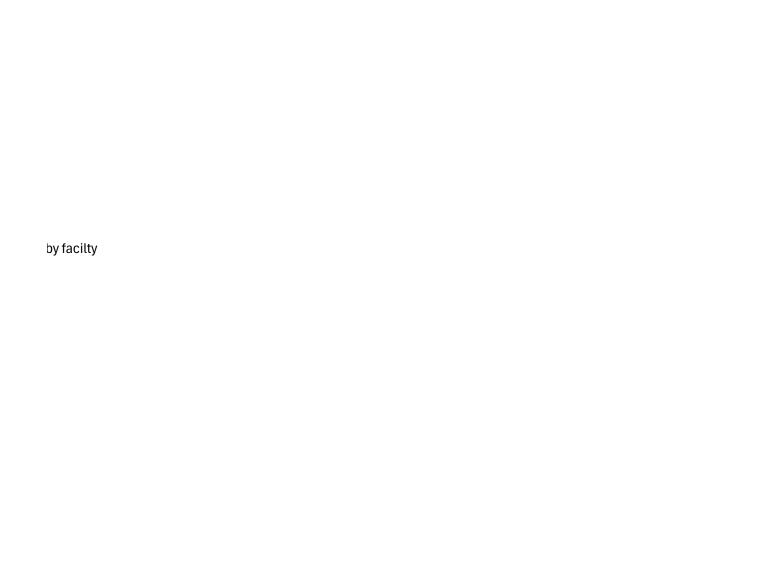
| VLAC | Priya Aurora |
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| WEA | Jared Miller |
| WSH | |
| YBCC | |
| YORK | Shelley Gesker |
| YSS | |
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2025-2026 PVS Club Meets

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| Date | Club | Meet | Location |
| 9/13/2025 | PM | PM Open Water - Reston | Lake Autobon |
| 9/26-28/25 | NCAP | Splash and Dash | Freedom |
| 9/27/2025 | PAC | All Freestyle Meet | Fairland |
| 9/27-28/26 | MACH | Distance Run | The St. James |
| 9/27-28/25 | MAKO | Fall Invite | GMU |
| 10/4-5/25 | HAC | Harvest Moon | Herndon Rec |
| 10/4-5/2025 | TSAC | TSAC Fall Classic | Fairland |
| 10/4-5/2025 | occs | Medley Series 1 | OSA |
| 10/10-12/25 | PVS | October Open | Various |
| 10/11-12/25 | occs | Medley Series 2 | OSA |
| 10/10-12/25 | ASA | October Kick Off | Stone Ridge |
| 10/17-19/25 | RMSC | October Kick Off (Dual) | GISC |
| 10/18-19/25 | AAC | Fall Gator Mini | Long Bridge |
| 10/18-19/25 | NCAP | Autumn Kingfish | The St. James |
| 10/18-19/25 | DCPR | Pumpkin Spice Pacer | Takoma |
| 10/18/2025 | ASTS | Jack-O-Quacks Mighty Ducks Mini | SAARC |
| 10/18/2025 | PM | Ghouls & Goblins Mini Meet | Audrey Moore |
| 10/25/2025 | DCPR | Trick or Treat Mini Meet | Takoma |
| 10/25/2025 | ASA | ASA Age Group Distance | Stone Ridge |
| 10/25/2025 | PAC | Rock-Hopper Penguin 10 & U | Fairland |
| 10/25-26/25 | MAKO | Pumpkin Classic | GMU |
| 10/25-26/25 | SDS | Monster Mash | South Run |
| 11/1/2025 | RMSC | Autumn Challenge (Intrasquad) | MLK |
| 11/1-2/25 | occs | Medley Series 3 | OSA |
| 11/1-2/25 | DCPR | November Distance | Takoma |
| 11/1-2/25 | ASTS | Mighty Ducks Medley Marathon | Fairland |
| 11/2/2025 | YORK | Nov Friendship Mini | Providence |
| 11/7-9/25 | PM | Marlin Invite | UMD |
| 11/8-9/25 | RMSC | Autumn Mini Meet | OSC |
| 11/8-9/25 | RMSC | Distance Free (Intrasquad) | OSC |
| 11/8-9/25 | MAKO | Gobble Gobble | The St. James |
| 11/8-9-25 | FXFX | Loughmiller Memorial | PWCS |
| 11/8/2025 | ASA | ASA Senior Distance | Stone Ridge |
| 11/14-16/25 | PVS | November Open | Various |
| 11/14-16/25 | RMSC | RMSC November Dual Meet | GISC |
| 11/21-23/25 | occs | Nov. Fall Festivus | Freedom |
| 11/21-23/25 | SDS | Swim & Rock | Oak Marr |
| 11/22-23/25 | FAST | Odd Ball Challenge | Fairland |
| 11/23/2025 | NCAP | Pilgrim Mini | Dulles South |
| 12/4-7/25 | MACH | Turkey Claus | UMD |
| 12/4-7/25 | PM | Winter Classic | GMU |
| 12/5-7/25 | SA | Christmas Champs | Fairland |

| 12/6-7/25 | YORK | Reindeer Mini Meet | Providence | | |
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| 12/11-14/25 | NCAP | NCAP Invitational | UMD | | |
| 12/11-14/25 | RMSC | Holiday Invite | GISC | <u> </u> | |
| 12/-12-14/25 | MAKO | MAKO Holiday Invite | The St. James | | |
| 12/12-14/25 | PAC | Snow Globe Champ Meet | Fairland | | |
| 12/20/2025 | FAST | Splash and Dash | Fairland | _ | |
| 12/20/2025 | DCPR | Candy Cane Sprints | Takoma | _ | |
| 12/21/2025 | PAC | Reindeer Games (10 & U mini) | Fairland | _ | |
| 1/3-4/26 | PVS | January Distance | The St. James | _ | |
| 1/3-4/26 | ASTS | ASTS Winter Invitational | Fairland | | |
| 1/3-4/26 | AAC | AAC LC Invite | Long Bridge | _ | |
| 1/10-11/26 | MAKO | Polar Plunge | GMU | | |
| 1/10-11/26 | occs | Winter Wonderland | OSA | 1 | |
| 1/10-11/26 | PM | Snow Dude Mini | Mt. Vernon or Fran | nconia | |
| 1/10-11/26 | DCPR | IMX-Perience Meet | Takoma | 1 | |
| 1/11/2026 | RMSC | Frosty Pentathlon Mini | GISC | 1 | |
| 1/11/2026 | TSAC | New Year Speed Run | Fairland | confirmed | |
| 1/11/2026 | SA | New Years Classic | Fairland | | |
| 1/16-18/26 | RMSC | January Intrasquad | GISC | _ | |
| 1/17-18/26 | PVS | Janaury Open | various | - | |
| 1/23-25/26 | PM | IMX Games | UMD | | |
| 1/23-25/26 | MACH | Green/Orange Bowl | The St. James | | |
| 1/24-25/26 | SDS | Polar Bear | South Run | | |
| 1/25/2026 | NCAP | Polar Pentathlon | Dulles South | | |
| 1/25/2026 | PAC | Little Blue Penguin Pentathlon (10 & U) | Fairland | <u>-</u> | |
| 1/31-2/1/26 | FISH | Super FISH Bowl | Spring Hill | | |
| 2/1/2025 | PAC | Emperor Penguin Pentathlon | Fairland | | |
| 2/1/2026 | YORK | Feb. Friendship Mini | Providence | | |
| 2/7-8/26 | MAKO | February Qualifier | GMU | | |
| 2/8/2026 | PVS | February Distance | Fairland | | |
| 2/8/2025 | FAST | Munchkin Mania | Fairland | - | |
| 2/7-8/26 | PM | 14 & U Qualifier | Cub Run | | |
| 2/13/2026 | NCAP | Winter Qualifier | WARF | | |
| 2/13-14/26 | AAC | Winter Gator | Long Bridge | <u>-</u> | |
| 2/13-15/26 | DCPR | 39th Annual Black History | Takoma | | |
| 2/13-16/26 | ASA | ASA Presidents Day Classic | Stone Ridge | | |
| 2/14-15/26 | RMSC | Gender Blender Mini Meet | osc | <u> </u> | |
| 2/14-16/26 | occs | Presidents Day Classic | Freedom | 1 | |
| 2/20-22/26 | MACH | Machine Qualifier | The St. James | 1 | |
| 2/20-22/26 | RMSC | February Invitational | MLK | 1 | |
| 2/21-22/26 | FXFX | Forty Niner | PWCS | 1 | |
| 2/22/2026 | NCAP | Clock Crusher Mini | Freedom Center | 1 | |
| 2/27-3/1/26 | PAC | Cherry Blossom SC Champs | Fairland | 1 | |
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| 3/5-8/26 | PVS | SC Junior Champs | UMD |
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| 3/7-8/26 | RMSC | Mini Champs | OSC |
| 3/12-15/26 | PVS | 14 & U SC Champs | UMD |
| 3/20-22/26 | RMSC | Spring Finale | GISC |
| 3/20-22/26 | MAKO | Spring Fling | GMU |
| 3/20-22/2026 | SA | Spring Champs | Fairland |
| 3/20-22/26 | YORK | March Madness | Oak Marr |
| 4/11/2026 | PAC | Spring Penguin Meet (10 & U) | Fairland |
| 4/11-12/26 | FISH | Spring Showers | St. James |
| 4/18/2026 | PM | April Spring Sprints | St. James |
| 4/18-19/26 | occs | April LC Pentathlon Kick Off | Freedom |
| 4/18-19/26 | FXFX | Pirate Pacer | PWCS |
| 4/25-26/26 | NCAP | Mini Champs | Freedom |
| 4/24-26/26 | PAC | Dive into Spring LC Meet | Fairland |
| 4/24-26/26 | MACH | Machine LC Classic | The St. James |
| 4/25/2026 | MAKO | MAKO Sprint Classic | GMU |
| 4/25-26/26 | SDS | Spring Sprints (name might change) | South Run |
| 5/1-3/26 | RMSC | Spring LC Classic Intrasquad | Rockville |
| 5/1-3/26 | occs | May Spring Splash | Freedom |
| 5/2-3/2026 | SA | Early Bird LC | Fairland |
| 5/2-3/26 | FISH | The FISH Derby | GMU |
| 5/8-10/26 | PM | VA States LC Champs | The St. James |
| 5/9/2026 | PAC | Summer Splash SC | Fairland |
| 5/15-17/26 | MACH | May LC Meet | Claude Moore |
| 5/17/2026 | PM | Lake Montclair OW Swim Fest | Lake Montclair |
| 5/26/2026 | ASA | ASA Springtime Splash | Stone Ridge |
| 5/30-6/1/26 | RMSC | Maryland States | Rockville |
| 6/6-7/2026 | FISH | The FISH June Invitational | The St. James |
| 6/13-14/26 | PVS | LC Distance | Fairland |
| 6/19-21/26 | MACH | June LC Meet | Dulles South |
| 6/21/2026 | PVS | LC Open 1 | Various |
| 6/21/2026 | DCPR | Juneteenth LC Meet | Takoma |
| 6/25-28/26 | NCAP | Elite Qualifier | Elite Qualifier |
| 6/26-28/26 | FXFX | Summer Solstice LC | GMU |
| 6/28/2026 | PVS | LC Open 2 | Various |
| 7/9-12/26 | PVS | LC Open Champs | |
| 7/12/2026 | MACH | DHI LC Summer Send Off | The St. James |
| 7/16, 17, 19, 20/26 | PVS | LC Age Group Champs | |



PVS 2025 LC Open Championships Proposal & Open Discussion

July 10-13, 2025 University of Maryland

Format Outline:

- 1. One Meet
- 2. AM prelims Senior 3-3.5 hours (8:30am-12:00pm)
- 3. PM prelims Junior 3-3.5 hours (1:00pm-4:30pm)
- 4. Finals 2.5 hours (6:00-8:30pm) 3 heats from each meet except 2 heats of 400 IM and 400 free
- 5. Move the girls 1500 to Sunday (800s Thursday/ 1500s Sunday)
- 6. Move the 800 free to first event in finals for Thursday (to provide more time for JR champ break)
- 7. Use of OME

Rule Changes

- 1. Bonus up to 2 events (800free/1500free no bonus except if have the other distance qualifying time) 50s are open (no time standards) USA JRN: Any swimmer who qualifies for one individual event will be permitted to enter and swim in up to two bonus events that they do not meet the qualifying criteria, as well as up to two 50s of stroke (backstroke, breaststroke, or butterfly). There will be no qualifying standard for the 50s of stroke (backstroke, breaststroke, or butterfly). Athletes may enter at their fastest 100 of stroke time from within the qualifying period, or at no-time. These events will be seeded so that the fastest 100 LCM seed times will be in the fastest circle seeded preliminary heats.
- 2. Senior 800 free (Thursday) and 1500 free (Sunday) may choose AM/Prelims or PM
- 3. All relays may choose AM/prelims or PM/ Finals
- 4. No score relays???
- 5. Deck entries allowed \$25/entry only entered swimmers and only open lanes (no new heats) seeded into open lanes only after seeding.
- 6. Time Trials end of finals

Time Standards to support:

Standards return to similar to 2023 qualifying times for each meet. (last year the standards were lightened to reflect swimming in Stafford and a slightly lighter attendance in 2023, this year times are a bit faster; note that non-conforming times are 'more challenging' to encourage swimmers to compete in LC racing opportunities.)

PVS 2026 Short Course Open Championships Proposal & Open Discussion

March 5-8, 2026 University of Maryland

Format Outline:

- Combine the two meets into one meet with standards reflective of a goal of a 3-4 hour prelims session (girls pool/ boys pool) standards would need be a bit faster than current junior champ times.
- 2. Finals:
 - a. 6 heats of 50s, 100s & 200s (F heat will only be open to swimmers 16 & under)
 - b. 4 heats of 400 IM, 500 free (D heat will only be open to swimmers 16 & under)
- 3. Use of OME for entry
- 4. National scratch rule (needs to be respected & limit DFS use)
- 5. Bonus up to 2 events (800free/1500free no bonus except if have the other distance qualifying time) 50s are open (no time standards) USA JRN: Any swimmer who qualifies for one individual event will be permitted to enter and swim in up to two bonus events that they do not meet the qualifying criteria, as well as up to two 50s of stroke (backstroke, breaststroke, or butterfly). There will be no qualifying standard for the 50s of stroke (backstroke, breaststroke, or butterfly). Athletes will enter at their fastest 50 times.
- 6. All relays may choose AM/prelims or PM/ Finals
- 7. No score relays???
- 8. Deck entries allowed \$25/entry only entered swimmers and only open lanes (no new heats) seeded into open lanes only after seeding.

Remove the PVS October, November, January Open & LC1, LC2 Meets

Current issue: There is a lack of interested teams to run the PVS hosted open meets. While there continues to be interest in attending, teams that are willing to host generally run their own meets.

Proposal: PVS will no longer host the PVS sponsored Open meets and LC1/2.

PVS Budget implications:

Other implications:

- 1) Ensuring smaller clubs have access to meets in PVS.
- 2) Ensuring ample competitions are offered
- 3) What would need to be cut financially.

PVS October, November, January Open Revenue Sharing

Current issue: PVS assigns teams to provide for somewhat equal timelines and space for teams. Some meets are larger and pools have 6, 8 or 10 lanes. The fees that are given to teams are based on the number of entries each site has, although the work is equal if you're running 6 lanes vs. 10 lanes.

Proposal: after all entries from the three or four sites are split and financial reports are submitted, the payment to the three or four teams that are hosting the meets will be evenly split in three shares.

Change to voting for PVS CCM

Current issue: There are teams that have multiple sites and represent 20x as many athletes as some of the smaller teams in the LSC. Because of the impact of the actions at CCM on larger teams, there should be more consideration of the heavier impact of the vote supporting the larger organizations.

Proposal: Using the same formula for scoring at PVS Championship meets, the following weight would be provided for teams:

Over 1000 athletes = 3 votes

400-999 athletes = 2 votes

<400 athletes = 1 vote

Numbers would be generated based on the previous season numbers as of August 30.

Votes may be submitted by one person or two or three individuals if they attend CCM.