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FRASER VALLEY ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP SWIM MEET OCTOBER 25, 2012

Surrey Sport & Leisure Complex (Fleetwood Pool)

16555 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC

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MEET MANAGER

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Warm-ups: 7:00 AM

- 7:00 AM - Lower Fraser Valley teams
- 7:40 AM – Upper Fraser Valley teams
- 8:20 AM - warm-ups close

Lane selection for warm-ups is random. Coaches and athletes, please share lane space generously. With the large numbers of teams, it is not feasible to assign lanes for warm-up activities. There will be a lane available during the competition for warm up/ warm down.

FOR SAFETY REASONS THERE WILL BE NO DIVING PERMITTED DURING WARMUPS.

Competition: 8:30 AM

ENTRIES

Deadline - Friday, October 19, 2010 at midnight.

REGISTRATION/ MEET ENTRIES

Please refer to Region's web site for Entries workbook in Excel.

Meet registration needs to be submitted on the attached Excel Workbook, emailed to the meet manager at the email address above by the registration deadline. Payment in the Lobby at the swim meet. We expect to distribute a fee report to all schools 5 days prior to the meet. Failure to pay by October 25th may result in your Provincial Qualifiers not being entered into that meet.

COST:

- Individual events: \$2.00
- Relay events: \$5.00

Please be sure to check, in advance of registration, to ensure that your school has paid its BC School Sports "Member School Fee," and to ensure, as well, that it has submitted its "Player Registration Form" and "Sport Declaration Form" to the BC School Sports office.

LATE ENTRIES: Late entries are discouraged. Significant additional work is required of meet organizers to accommodate entries submitted after registration deadlines have passed. Acceptance of "late entries" – if at all possible - is at the sole discretion of the FVSSAA Swimming Commissioner. **No additional heats will be created.** If a late entry is accepted, additional registration fees will be levied, as follows . . .

- \$20.00 per swimmer
- Maximum late entry charge per school: \$100.00 (five swimmers or more)

ELIGIBILITY & CLASSIFICATIONS

Swimmers with a disability (SWAD):

SWAD swimmers must be classified under SNC classifications. Athletes **MUST** compete at their zone meet but automatically qualify for the provincial championships in any event which they complete to a maximum of 4 events. There is no separate category for SWAD relays. Swimmers who are not classified must do so before the regional championships. Please contact your meet manager as soon as possible for details on how to obtain a classification.

Open Category swimmer:

All athletes that meet the BC School Sports criteria to compete are eligible to swim in this category. Swimmers registered with SNC/ Swim BC are required to compete in this category. NOTE: All swimmers registered in October, 2010 with a winter club are considered "Open" category swimmers.

Category "B" swimmer:

As of January 1st of the championship year, a „B Category" swimmer trains and competes from May 1st to Sept. 30th with no restrictions.

From Oct. 1st to April 30th a B swimmer may train with their high school team and may participate in other speed swimming training (eg. Winter maintenance, Triclub, private coaching, etc.) as long as it does not exceed 2 hours/week.

"B" category swimmers – additional comment on training . . .

Swimmers can . . .

- train for two (2) hours with a BCSSA winter maintenance program
- train as many additional hours as they wish with a school program - but only with one school team – up to the date of the BC Provincial Championship Swim Meet – November 19-20, 2010. Within those parameters, there do not appear to be any restrictions on the number of training hours.

Age Groups:

Junior – grades 8-10 and under 17 years

Senior – grades 11-12 and under 19 years
(only two years of eligibility at senior level)

6.3.4 SCHOOL STANDARDS: Students must live up to accepted school and District standards as judged by the School Administrator.

RULES:

- 1- SNC and Swim BC rules including the one start rule and warm-up rules will be in effect.
- 2 - All competitors must meet BC School Sports Eligibility rules. Competitors must be entered into their events under the secondary school they are registered in. Two same sex schools may combine to enter a relay team in the "Mixed" events.
- 3 - No swimmer may compete (swim) in more than four events. **Being included as an alternate on a relay is considered to be one of those four allowed events.**
- 4 – "B" Category swimmers may swim in "B" or "Open" events, **as long as they do not swim the same stroke in both.** Subject to the four swim rule, "B" swimmers are free to swim any "B" or "Open" relays except **a swimmer may not compete in the same relay event for both the "B" and "Open" categories.**
- 6 - "Open" category swimmers may not compete in "B" category events.
- 7 - **Only two relay teams per event per school may advance to the BC Championships.**
- 8 - A swimmer may not "scratch" an individual event at the Zone Championship meet in order to add a relay event. All individual events entered at the Zone Championship meet will count as one of the swimmer's four (4) swims, whether the swimmer swims the individual event, or not.
- 9 – All races are swum as timed finals

SCRATCHES

Coaches are asked to hand in scratches at the Clerk of the Course table at pool level by 7:15 a.m. on the day of the meet.

As a courtesy to all possible Provincial qualifiers, the coach of any athlete qualifying to advance to Provincials but who does not intend to compete in that event at Provincials is **REQUESTED** to advise the regional commissioner or his designated official of that fact before leaving the competition facility on the day of the meet. As Fraser Valley region's Provincials entries are automatically generated the following day, coaches with qualifying athletes who are not going to compete in that event at Provincials are **REQUIRED** to advise the Regional Commissioner of this fact by email no later than midnight on October 25th. Any scratches not so received will result in the school being charged for those events. Coaches and teacher liaisons should watch the web site closely. When swimmers are scratched from events, the next qualifying swimmers will learn of their opportunities to replace the scratched swimmer at the subsequent meet from postings on the web site. Swimmers, coaches and teacher liaisons will **not** be notified directly of their entries into swim meet events if it is a result of higher- qualified athletes "scratching" from events.

MARSHALLING

This is a cardless meet. It is the coach and athletes' responsibility to be available at the start end of the pool for your event. Coaches please instruct your new athletes in the process of watching the details on the scoreboard so as not to miss their races.

SCORING

Individual Events

1st-8th: 20, 18, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11

9th-16th: 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

Relay Events

1st-8th: 40, 36, 32, 30, 28, 26, 24, 22

9th-16th: 20, 16, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2

AWARDS

Individual events . . . 1st to 3rd in each event

Relay events . . . 1st to 3rd in each event

Team banners . . .

- Junior Male Aggregate
- Junior Female Aggregate
- Senior Male Aggregate
- Senior Female Aggregate
- Overall Aggregate

All awards including team banners will be presented as soon as possible following the conclusion of the Zone Championship meet.

In the event that awards are not prepared in time for distribution on meet day, they will be mailed to schools for distribution to athletes. Schools must present self-addressed envelopes (8.5 in. x 11 in.) when registering on arrival at the Zone Championship Meet, to be used when mailing awards subsequent to meet activities.

QUALIFYING FOR PROVINCIALS

For both "B" and "Open" category swimmers, the top ten (10) qualifiers in each individual event and in each relay event – **COMBINING JUNIOR AND SENIOR EVENTS** – advance to the provincial championship swim meet. For example (see the "Event List" at the end of this meet package), the fastest ten (10) swimmers in events 133 and 233 – regardless of the mix of junior and senior swimmers that would result – advance to the provincial meet.

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IMPORTANT!!

REGISTRATION OF VOLUNTEERS: Adult volunteers are essential to the ability to effectively manage a swim meet. Volunteers are required for a variety of positions around the pool while a meet is in progress – for example

- Timers and recorders
- Stroke and turn officials
- Clerk of Course
- Food service (officials)
- Security and crowd management

Due to the anticipated length of the meet this year, we expect to designate 2 shifts of volunteers 8:00 am to 12:00 pm and 12:00 pm to end of meet (4:00 pm anticipated).

We are asking each school sending swimmers to the FVSSAA Swimming Commission meets – in addition to a coach and/or teacher sponsor - to register at least one volunteer for every ten (10) swimmers registered, up to a maximum of five (5) adult volunteers per school – and for these volunteers to be in attendance through the entire operation of the meet and to be available to assist with the variety of tasks involved.

Please register volunteers on the "on line entries" page on the web registration page along with their shift availability when you are completing your meet entries AND when signing in on your arrival at the swim meet. If volunteers who can be available are qualified to officiate as stroke and turn (summer or winter officials) on deck, please indicate this where requested when signing in.

Volunteer categories are as follows...

- Stroke & Turn Judge (winter or summer rules qualified)
- Other (timers; food service; crowd control; clean-up, security, etc.)

DECK FOOD AND A SANDWICH LUNCH WILL BE SERVED TO ALL VOLUNTEERS.

Signing in at the meet . . .

Teams and all team officials (including "volunteers") will "sign in" at the meets (Clerk of Course), prior to warm-ups commencing. In the absence of the correct number of volunteers, it will be at the sole discretion of the Meet Manager whether schools will be allowed to compete.

Volunteer registration will be monitored at the deadline for event registration and schools will be advised if additional volunteers are required.

FACILITY USE

Coaches & Administrators:

It's up to you to police not only your own athletes but to report any incident to meet management, RECOGNIZING THAT COACHES DON'T USUALLY HAVE THE TIME TO POLICE THEIR ATHLETES, WE WOULD REQUEST THAT ANY TEAM WITH MORE THAN FIVE (5) ATHLETES BRING AN EXTRA PARENT OR ADMINISTRATOR WHO'S SOLE JOB IS MONITORING YOUR ATHLETES.

- We have encountered some difficulty in previous seasons in accommodating the large numbers (800+) of athletes that have attended this swim meet, putting some strains on our relationship with the facility. Special traffic control measures will be in place at this meet. Please be attentive (adults and athletes) to advice and instructions from facility and swim meet staff.
- Meet officials will endeavor to manage “traffic” flow throughout the meet in a way that minimizes the impact of the meet on other more normal functions of the pool complex. One of the difficulties we encounter is that the depositing of athletes’ gear often interferes with the ability of the pool administration to maintain public programming concurrently with ongoing meet activities. **PLEASE OBEY REQUESTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE MEET OFFICIALS AND FACILITY STAFF DIRECTING ATHLETES, COACHES AND SPECTATORS TO SUITABLE AREAS.**

- **ATHLETES AND THEIR GEAR . . .**

swimmers can stow their gear:

- along the north side of the pool deck. Bleachers for athlete use will be installed along this area of the pool deck
- in the upper mezzanine area on the inside of the pool chamber. **The mezzanine above the café table area is NOT to be used by athletes.**

- **GEAR IS NOT TO BE LEFT IN ANY OTHER AREA OF THE COMPLEX.**

- Athletes are entirely responsible for the safety and security of their gear. The swim meet assumes no responsibility for lost and/or stolen items. Athletes and schools are encouraged to make appropriate arrangements for the security of valuable items while athletes are competing.

- **SPECTATORS . . .**

- Are not allowed on the pool deck
- Can watch from the upper gallery/mezzanine area, or from the front lobby area of the pool Complex

• **COACHES . . .**

- Bleachers will be provided for the use of coaches on the south side of the competition pool next to the water slide
- Athletes are not to stow their gear in the coaches" area.
- Coaches, please coach from this area, versus from the athletes" side of the pool chamber.

• **DISCIPLINE . . .**

- We are extremely interested in preserving our relationship with the Surrey Sport & Leisure Centre. If disciplinary measures are required those measures will be at the sole discretion of the Meet Manager. This may include removal of an offending athlete's complete results from the meet. **THERE WILL BE NO TOLERANCE FOR ABUSE OF OFFICIALS, POOL STAFF OR OTHER ATHLETES.**

COMBINING OF EVENTS

In order to run the meet more efficiently, junior/senior, boy/girl, and where possible Open/B events (at the Zone Championship Swim Meet) may be combined, seeded by time, as described on the event list below. Such combinations will be shown as such in the meet program.

Registration for competition in all meets proceeds as normal - by individual event number, as posted on the registration web site.

While the events may be swum combined, the results will be separated for each event by registered event number. For example: results for the event that is swum as #101 will be separated into events 101, 102, 103, 104, 201, 202, 203, 204.

****Coaches, please inform your swimmers if events are combined, so that they don't miss their events****