

Potomac Valley Masters Swimming Committee (PVMSC)  
Minutes from May 1, 1994

Attendees -

Jeff Custer	- NCYMCA
Tom Denes	- Chair/Montgomery Ancient Mariners
Dave Diehl	- Top Ten/Terrapin Masters
Bill Donovan	- Treasurer/DCAC
Jennifer Gittins	- Secretary/Fairfax County Masters
Lynn Hazlewood	- Sanctions/Reston Masters
Ralph Hitchens	- Upper Montgomery County YMCA
Susan Leupold	- Newsletter/Arlington Ageless
Sandy MacRae	- Oak Marr Masters
Debbie Morrin	- Awards/Terrapin Masters
Amy Peltzer	- NRLR
Margot Pettijohn	- Montgomery Ancient Mariners
David Siskind	- DCRP

Reports of Officers -

**Treasurer:** Bill Donovan distributed a 1994 Treasurer's Report (copy attached). He reported that we have approximately \$7,700 remaining in our checking and savings accounts. Sandy MacRae will take over as Treasurer from Bill, thus Sandy will not also audit the books. He will look them over and see if we need to bring in an independent auditor. He will also research whether we are reporting correctly to the IRS, and why our bank fees are so high.

**Secretary:** Jennifer Gittins has a new home address and phone number:  
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Reports of Committee Chairs -

**Registrar:** Tom Denes reported for Joann Leilich that registration totals so far for 1994 are 950. This compares favorably to last year, when there were 1000 for the whole year. Joann will no longer perform national registrar duties, but she will continue locally.

**Newsletter:** Susan Leupold reported that although April 28th was the deadline for the next newsletter, she will be accepting items early in the week of May 2nd. As always, she encourages swimmers to contribute articles for the newsletter, and teams can submit a copy of their club newsletter as well. Also, we may start a "Letters to the Editor" column.

**Sanctions:** Lynn Hazlewood reported on the completed meet evaluations. She hadn't received the results from the DCAC meet, but a team rep present at the meeting thought they'd been sent, so they will continue to look into it. The Terrapin Masters, DCRP, and Burke meets went fine. The Ancient Mariners had some minor problems with results reporting.

USMS regulations say that there should be two heats on deck in addition to the one on the block, to keep the meet flowing quickly. This rule is not being followed, and the USS officials at the Reston meet mentioned that it would have helped had the next heats been ready. Lynn will research the exact wording, and we will determine future action.

For this year, the backstroke flag rules was changed, and the flag placement for 25 meter pools (16 1/2 feet) is now farther back than for 25 yard pools (15 feet). We impose no fines for violations in the first year of a rule's enactment. But many facilities don't have the correct holes for placement of the poles anyway.

Lynn distributed the meet schedule for the rest of the year (copy attached). Evaluators are as follows:

June 18 - D.C. Masters Jump Start Challenge Long Course Meet	- Lynn Hazlewood
June 26 - Terrapin Masters 1500 Meter Swim	- Jennifer Gittins
July 24 - DCRP Long Course Meet	- Debbie Morrin
Oct. 8 or 9 - DCAC Columbus Day Classic	- Tom Denes
Nov. 20 - Turkey Classic Meet	- Dave Diehl
Dec. ?? - Terrapin Masters 1000/1650 Yard Meet	- Margot Pettijohn

Starting in the yards season in September, Margot Pettijohn will take over as Sanctions chair.

**Top 10:** Dave Diehl reported that Short Course Yards results are in progress for July submission. He also reported that for 1993 Relay All-American, we had four swimmers from Montgomery Ancient Mariners and fifteen from D.C. Masters. If you're interested in seeing the Relay All-American results, contact Dave to receive a copy.

**Officials:** Dave Diehl has a list of the USS officials certified for Potomac Valley. He distributed the list to the teams that run meets. If you'd like a copy of the list, contact Dave.

**Awards:** Debbie Morrin reported that the 1993 Competitor of the Year winners for Short Course Meters are Ann Walker (75-79) from DC Masters and Clay Britt (30-34) from Montgomery Ancient Mariners. The award determination is based on a swimmer's rankings in national Top 10, with various points assigned for first through tenth place. We discussed the case where a swimmer has qualified for Top 10 in two age groups in one season, and decided to take the person's best placing per event across both age groups.

#### Unfinished Business -

**1994 Budget:** Earlier, Tom had asked committee chairs to prepare an estimate of their 1994 projected expenses. This was used to create the budget (copy attached), which was approved.

**National Convention Issues:** PVMSC is entitled to send three voting delegates to National Convention (based on our size) and two at-large voting delegates (based on being chair of a national committee; or a member of the rules, legislation, or long-distance committees). We voted to fund \$1,200 to reimburse four PVMSC delegates for Convention expenses: Pat and Dave Diehl, Lynn Hazlewood, and Debbie Morrin.

We voted to propose a rule change at Convention. The current USMS rules state that heats should be numbered in succession, with no "A" heats. This doesn't allow for deck seeding. So we will propose a rule change to eliminate the rule. Lynn Hazlewood will write up a proposal. (Lynn later found out that she had misread the rule, so no rule change will be proposed.)

**Purchase of Hy-Tek Meet Manager software:** Dave Diehl will load and test the software. He will also try to "port" the meet results directly into Top 10 format for national submission. If your meet uses Meet Manager already, please send Dave a diskette copy of your results.

**Timing of Newsletter:** We voted to enact a new newsletter schedule (copy attached). This will better allow meet managers to publicize their meets. Also, sanctions are supposed to be turned in to Lynn Hazlewood 30 days before the newsletter due date (newsletter due date is four weeks before newsletter delivery date).

**Increased Fee for Non-attendance:** At the last meeting, we voted to raise club dues on teams that do not participate in PVMSC meetings. We decided to implement this in September 1994, when we will start tracking attendance by team. Then in September 1995, teams that haven't attended the meetings will be charged \$60 instead of \$30 for their team dues.

New Business -

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held after the Turkey Classic Meet on Sunday November 20 at the Upper Montgomery County YMCA.

Attachments -

- 1) PVMSC Treasurer's Report
- 2) 1994 Meet Schedule
- 3) 1994 Budget
- 4) 1994 Newsletter Schedule

Minutes Submitted By Jennifer Gittins  
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