

Coaches/team reps,

Thank you for bringing your team to our 11th Annual Holiday Splash meet. We hope to host an exciting meet for all of you.

The purpose of this email is to let you know about expected warmup times and estimated timeline.

Friday night is running full, and at 6% scratches is scheduled to end at 10:35. While we fully expect to have higher scratches as in the past (closer to 15%), we want to make you aware. With that in mind, we are going to try to start the meet at 6:15pm instead of 6:30pm. As you know, the shallow 25 yd. pool will continue to stay open all weekend for warmups, so we can get an early start on the night session. This will lop off 15 minutes on the timeline without making any cuts. We will also make sure to combine heats where possible. All this with the goal of allowing as many swimmers as possible to swim the events. If we don't get the anticipated scratches, we may be forced to limit heats of some of the 500's. I don't anticipate that, but tell your families, there is that possibility.

Saturday and Sunday are full sessions as well, but manageable with the three session format.

Warmups for midday and pm sessions will start in the shallow pool approximately 30 minutes before the projected finish of the session immediately preceding it. We will always keep a minimum of 15 minutes of warmup in the competition pool for starts before we begin the next session. As some of you know from last year, by starting warmup in the shallow pool, while the meet is in progress in the competition pool reduces the total hours we are here.

Here are the tentative times for Saturday and Sunday midday and pm sessions:

Saturday midday - Warmup start no earlier than 10:45 am. Meet start no earlier than 11:45am.

Saturday PM - Warmup start no earlier than 2:15pm, meet start no earlier than 3:15pm. PM session is @2 hrs., 40 min. without scratches.

Sunday midday - Warmup start no earlier than 10:30am. Meet start no earlier than 11:30am.

Sunday PM - Warmup start no earlier than 1:45pm. Meet start no earlier than 2:45pm. PM session is @2 hr. 20 min, without scratches.

Keep in mind, these are only estimates. We will be doing flyover starts for all races except the 8 & under 25's.

We will also have a bullpen for 8 & unders on Saturday-Sunday, but not Friday night.

No teams will be required to time. And warmup lanes will NOT be assigned, with the exception of one lane reserved for Lincoln-Way for all warmups.

Some teams still owe me for their entries. Please take care of the money as soon as you get to the meet.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email.

Looking forward to seeing all of you this weekend

Thanks,

Mark

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