

Colonies Zone Short Course Yards Championship

April 13 – 15, 2012

Hosted by: George Mason University Swimming & Diving
George Mason University Aquatic and Fitness Center, Fairfax, Virginia
Sanctioned by Potomac Valley LMSC for USMS, INC. # 102-03

Welcome to the 2012 Colonies Zone Short Course Yards Championship meet. The swimming facility will be configured as two separate 8-lane competition courses, women in one course and men in the other, with both courses displayed on the scoreboard. The all deep-water lanes, overflow gutters and non-turbulent lane lines should allow for some very *fast* swimming! A separate 6-lane 25-yard pool will be available for continuous warm-up/cool-down throughout the meet.

ENTRIES: Online entries are preferred. **Online entry deadline is Friday April 6.** Paper entries must be postmarked by Friday March 30. Competitors may enter up to 5 individual events per day, plus relays. The meet is open to all Masters Swimmers holding a valid 2012 USMS registration card. **A COPY OF THIS CARD MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR MAILED ENTRY!** Age is determined by a swimmer's age on April 15, 2012. 2012 USMS rules and regulations apply.

SEEDING: Events will be seeded slowest to fastest. Women will swim in the shallow end on Saturday and the deep end on Sunday. Men will swim in the deep end on Saturday and the shallow end on Sunday. The 1000 and 1650 free will be seeded fastest to slowest, men and women combined.

RELAYS: Relay Deck Entries will be accepted **BEFORE 10am** Saturday and Sunday, or Friday night, or they may be mailed in with your meet entry. Relay Entry Forms are available at www.patriotmasters.org.

DISTANCE EVENTS: You must check in Friday night **BEFORE 5:30pm** for the 1000/1650 or you will be scratched. *Choose either the 1000 free or the 1650, not both.* The 1000 is limited to the first 80 entries received and will be swum in the shallow end. The 1650 is limited to the first 48 entries received and will be swum in the deep end. Please ask a friend to count for you in the distance freestyle races.

PSYCH SHEETS: Psych sheets and rosters will be available on our website www.patriotmasters.org before the meet.

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded to the first three places in each age group, and to each member of a winning relay. Special Championship awards to the highest scoring team in three divisions: Large, Medium and Small Team. Individual events are scored 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, relays 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2.

RESULTS: Available on-line at www.patriotmasters.org and www.colonieszone.org. Results will be submitted for Top-Ten recognition. Swimmers who are registered with USA-Swimming and want their times entered into the USA-Swimming SWIMS database should contact the meet director before the meet.

DIRECTIONS:

- **From the West:** Take I66 east to Route 123 (exit 60), south on Route 123 for 2.7 miles to Braddock Rd, left on Braddock, left on Sideburn, park in Lot C.
- **From the South:** Take I95 north to exit 160, north on Route 123 for 14.5 miles to Braddock Rd, right on Braddock, left on Sideburn, park in Lot C.
- **From the North:** Take I95 south to the Capitol Beltway (495), 495 west to Braddock Rd (exit 54), Braddock Rd west 5 miles to Sideburn, right on Sideburn, park in Lot C.

HOTELS:

Mason Inn - 703-865-5705 (on campus)
Courtyard Fairfax Fair Oaks - 703-273-6161 (3 miles from the pool)
Holiday Inn Express - 703-359-2888 (2 miles from the pool)
Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks - 703-352-2525 (4 miles from the pool)
Springhill Suites Fairfax Fair Oaks - 703-691-7880 (3 miles from the pool)

QUESTIONS: Meet Director: Cheryl Ward (703) 425-1609 e-mail cherylaward@yahoo.com

Place Copy of USMS Card Here (Trimmed and Taped)			Please supply the following information also:
USMS Number	Team		Daytime Phone Number:
Name:			Evening Phone Number:
Birth Date:	Age:	Sex:	E-mail:

I, the undersigned participant, intending to be legally bound, hereby certify that I am physically fit and have not been otherwise informed by a physician. I acknowledge that I am aware of all the risks inherent in Masters Swimming (training and competition), including possible permanent disability or death, and agree to assume all of those risks. AS A CONDITION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE MASTERS SWIMMING PROGRAM OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENT THERETO, I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, OF THE FOLLOWING: UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING, INC., THE LOCAL MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEES, THE CLUBS, HOST FACILITIES, MEET SPONSORS, MEET COMMITTEES, OR ANY INDIVIDUALS OFFICIATING AT THE MEETS OR SUPERVISING SUCH ACTIVITIES. In addition, I agree to abide by and be governed by the rules of USMS. (Rule Book Article 203.1)

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

<u>WOMEN</u>		<u>MEN</u>	
<u>Event #</u>	<u>Seed Time</u>	<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Seed Time</u>
<i>Friday April 13, 2012 (Warm-up at 5 pm – Meet Start at 6 pm)</i>			
1	_____	1000 Free	_____
3	_____	1650 Free	_____
<i>Saturday April 14, 2012 (Warm-up at 9 am – Meet Start at 10 am)</i>			
5	_____	100 Free	_____
7	_____	200 Fly	_____
9	(use relay form)	400 Mixed Free Relay	(use relay form)
11	(use relay form)	200 Mixed Medley Relay	(use relay form)
13	_____	50 Breast	_____
15	_____	200 IM	_____
17	_____	500 Free	_____
19	_____	100 Back	_____
21	_____	200 Breast	_____
23	_____	50 Fly	_____
25	(use relay form)	800 Free Relay	(use relay form)
27	(use relay form)	400 Medley Relay	(use relay form)
29	(use relay form)	200 Free Relay	(use relay form)
<i>Sunday April 15, 2012 (Warm-up at 9 am – Meet Start at 10 am)</i>			
31	_____	200 Free	_____
33	_____	100 IM	_____
35	(use relay form)	800 Mixed Free Relay	(use relay form)
37	(use relay form)	400 Mixed Medley Relay	(use relay form)
39	(use relay form)	200 Mixed Free Relay	(use relay form)
41	_____	50 Back	_____
43	_____	100 Breast	_____
45	_____	400 IM	_____
47	_____	50 Free	_____
49	_____	200 Back	_____
51	_____	100 Fly	_____
53	(use relay form)	400 Free Relay	(use relay form)
55	(use relay form)	200 Medley Relay	(use relay form)

SURCHARGE (required) \$ <u>20.00</u>	MAIL TO: Cheryl Ward, Entries Chair
Events @ \$5 each: \$ _____	9821 Laurel St.
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED: \$ _____	Fairfax, VA 22032
CHECK PAYABLE TO: PATRIOT MASTERS	ENTRIES POSTMARKED: March 30, 2012