Sanction: Held under the sanction of USA Swimming # 2014-099
In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims or damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Sponsor/Location: Aspen Swim Club, Aspen Recreation Center, 861 Maroon Creek Road, Aspen, CO 81611 (970) 544-4100

2. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4)
3. The water depth is measured at 4.5 feet on the shallow end and 12 feet on the deep/diving end.

Timing: Colorado Timing System 6 with touchpads and 6-lane display board will be used for all events. Back up timing will consist of one button and two stopwatches. Hy-Tek Meet manager software will be used. All events will be timed finals.

Format: A two-day meet with a full schedule of events. Each swimmer may enter up to 4 individual events in Session 1 & 3. In addition, swimmers may enter 1 event in Session 2. If a swimmer desires to enter 2 events in Session 2, they can only enter 3 events in Session 1.

Schedule: Session #1: Warm-up - Saturday 11am: Start 12:15pm
Session #2: Warm-up (15 minutes) will begin immediately after the conclusion of Session #1
Session #3: Warmup - Sunday 8am: Start 9:15am

Note: Session #1 and #3 warm-ups will be split into two 30-minute warm-ups. Assigned lanes will be provided for Session #1 and #3 warm-ups. Session #2 warm-ups are open.

Eligibility: Open to all swimmers holding a 2014 or 2015 USA Swimming membership cards. Any swimmer that appears on the CSI exceptions report without registration must come to the meet prepared to show their card. NO DECK REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

Due to the number of swimmers expected, the meet will be limited to approximately the first 200 swimmers received. Teams will not be split up (as long as entries are received at the same time while still under the cap.)

Entry Fees: The entry fee will be $25.00 flat fee per swimmer. From these fees $0.75 per entry will go to CSI, $0.15 per entry will go to the WSL, and $8.00 per swimmer will go to pay for the use of the pool. No entries will be accepted after October 4, 2014. Make one check, payable to Aspen Swim Club.

Entry Process:

1. The Team Manager event template will be available by September 25, 2014 on the Western Slope League (WSL) website (www.westernslopeleague.org).

2. All entries must be submitted by e-mail in HY-TEK compatible format. The entry chair will confirm any e-mail entries on receipt.

3. Teams sending a hand written entry sheet are subject to a $25.00 processing fee.
4. Deck entries will be permitted at the Meet Referee’s discretion, and only in open lanes to swimmers already entered in the meet. The meet will not be re-seeded. A $10.00 penalty per swimmer for deck entries will be assessed and must be paid at the time of entry. **Deck registrations to USA Swimming will not be permitted.**

5. “No Time” or incorrect times will be placed in the slowest heat.

6. Times for all events should be in SCY.

7. Please provide the number of coaches who will be attending the meet for Coach Packet preparation as well as snacks/meals provided to the coaches.

8. Distance Events: 400 IM and 500 Freestyle
   a. The 400 IM and the 500 Free will be deck seeded
   b. Positive check-in is required for both events. Swimmers must check in at the Clerk of Course by 2:00pm Saturday in order to be entered/seeded in the event.
   c. Swimmers must provide their own timers (2) and lap counters.
   d. Please adhere to the courtesy time standard of 8:00.00 for both events. Any swimmer not entered with the courtesy time will automatically be eliminated from the event. This includes entries with NT.

**Entry Deadline:** All entries & payment must be received no later than 6pm Friday, October 4, 2014.

**Entry Address:** DO NOT SEND ENTRIES TO THE POOL!
Aspen Swim Club
PO Box 12341
Aspen, CO 81612
emerson@yahoo.com

**Scoring:** Scoring is for team totals only. Events will be scored as follows:
- 8 & under events will be scored as 6 & under and 8 & under
- 10 & under events will be scored as 8 & under and 9-10
- 12 & under events will be scored as 8 & under, 9-10, and 11-12
- 11 & over events will be scored as 11-12, 13-14, 15 & over
  Individual OPEN events will be scored as 10 & under, 11-12, 13-14, 15 & over

Points are awarded to 6 places as follows:
- Individual (7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1)

There will be no high point awards.
Individual Events: 1st - 12th Ribbons for 10 & Under Swimmers
Participation awards will be given to all entrants.

**Programs/Concessions:** Programs will NOT be available for purchase. Heat sheets will be posted by October 10, 2014 on the WSL website (www.westernslopeleague.org) prior to the meet.

Pursuant to the Aspen Recreation Center rules, no coolers are allowed on the pool deck or on the premises. There will be concessions available for purchase throughout the meet.

**Results:** Results will be posted on the WSL website within five (5) days after the meet.

**Rules and other important information:**

1. Current USA Swimming and Colorado Swimming, Inc. rules will govern the procedures of the meet. Age as of October 11, 2014 will determine the swimmers'
age group for competition. Swimmers may swim in only one age group per event. The meet will be pre-seeded.

2. The Meet Referee will have the final authority on all swimming procedures of the meet.

3. Colorado Swimming, Inc. procedures for warm-up will be observed. These procedures are posted throughout the pool area.

4. At a sanctioned competitive event, USA Swimming athlete members must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member coach during warm-up, competition, and warm-down. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the swimmer in making arrangements for such supervision, but it is the swimmer’s responsibility to make such arrangements prior to the start of the meet.

5. Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer’s legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

6. Coaches MUST declare adds/scratches no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of each session.

7. 25-yard events will start from the blocks and finish at the turn end of the pool.

8. Only swimmers registered in the meet are permitted to use the warm-up and cool down portions of the facility.

9. Each team will be asked to provide timers for the duration of each session.

10. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, or locker rooms.

11. There will be no on deck photography from behind the starting platforms.

12. Except where venue facilities require otherwise, changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited.

13. At the Referee’s discretion, events may be combined by age, gender and/or distance.

14. No smoking is allowed on the pool deck, in the building, or any area around the recreation center. No glass bottles will be allowed on deck or in the pool area. Any damage to pool property will be grounds for dismissal from the remainder of the meet and offenders will be held liable to the fullest extent that the law allows.

**Coaches/Officials:** All coaches and uniformed officials must display their USA membership cards when on deck. Current certification is mandatory. The Meet Referee reserves the right to hold a coaches meeting prior to the start of the meet or at any time the need arises.

We are in need of meet officials. If you are interested in officiating at this meet, please contact Elaine Gerson (emgerson@yahoo.com). A mandatory Officials’ meeting will be held before each session. Officials’ wear: standard white over navy blue.

**Meet Director:** Sherrill Olson  
**Co Meet Director:** Jenni Petersen  
**Safety Chair:** Lizzy Grater  
**Meet Referee:** Elaine Gerson  
**Entries:** Elaine Gerson  
**Admin Official:** Elaine Gerson
Disclaimers:

1. In granting this sanction, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Inc., Colorado Swimming, Inc., Aspen Swim Club, and the City of Aspen, all meet officials, volunteers and sponsors shall be held free from any liabilities or claims or damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

2. Colorado Swimming, Inc. does not support, recommend, endorse or take responsibility for the sale or marketing of any dietary supplements. It is the swimmers’ responsibility to know the contents of any food or drink he/she ingests. For more specific information on supplements, please refer to the drug information on the USA Swimming website at www.usaswimming.org.

OTHER INFO: THERE WILL BE NEW/RECERTIFICATION OFFICIALS’ CLINICS OFFERED AT THE POOL DURING THE MEET. THESE CLINICS WILL CONSIST OF A STROKE & TURN CLINIC, STARTER CLINIC, AND DECK REFEREE CLINIC FOR INTERESTED/ELIGIBLE OFFICIALS. PLEASE CONTACT ELAINE GERSON (emgerson@yahoo.com) IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND.
Schedule of Events  
2014 Ned Mechling Memorial Aspen Invitational  
October 11-12, 2014

**Session #1 - Saturday, October 11**

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15 minute warm-up follows Session #1

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