

The 2009–2010 Carol Chidester Memorial Swim Series

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Maryland is hosting a swim series for 2009-2010:

- A 6 meet series is planned.
- The meets are free to all registered USMS Maryland LMSC swimmers – for those who enter online. Other LMSC swimmers are welcome for a fee. The fee may vary depending on the meet (typically, the fees have averaged \$10 per meet). Deck entry fee is \$10 and will be permitted for Maryland LMSC swimmers only. (Fee waived for ages 60+)
- New Maryland USMS registrations will be permitted on deck and will be exempt from the meet fee. USMS renewals will not be permitted on deck.
- The exact dates, event lists, and other details for each meet will be posted on our website as details become available. Preliminary details are provided in this announcement but are subject to change.

We encourage you and your teammates to attend the swim series. The meets are low-key and fun. There are post-event “socials” at some meets. Details will be posted on our website <http://maryland.usms.org>

The annual Maryland USMS membership meeting will take place immediately following the November meet at Washington College. Meeting details will be announced via the Maryland USMS email list and will be posted on our website.

The **Swim Series Challenge** will include meets through February, 2010. An award will be given to each swimmer who competes in all of those meets or who competes in any 12 different individual events.

We will be following the new Quality Scoring methodology for Maryland teams. Details are posted under “Results” on our website. All awards will be presented at the March “finale” meet.

CONDUCT:

- All meets will be sanctioned and have two officials. All participants must be registered with **United States Masters Swimming (USMS)**. Visit <http://maryland.usms.org> for USMS registration and more information.

- Most meets will be seeded strictly by time. In these meets, men and women will compete together. Scores will be calculated as usual (by age group and by sex).
- The relays in all meets can be Mixed, Women, or Men. Mixed relays **MUST** consist of two men and two women.
- All members of a relay team **MUST** be from the same registered team (no unattached swimmers allowed).
- The relays will be swum according to standard USMS relay age groups (18+, 25+, 35+, 45+, 55+, 65+, 75+, 85+).
- A preliminary meet program is usually provided to entrants the evening before the scheduled meet. Preliminary results are provided no later than the day after the event, in most cases.
- Each meet will use an online meet entry system. The system will be accessible via <http://maryland.usms.org> 14 days before each meet and will close at 9:00pm the Friday prior to the meet. On the site, click “Events”, find the meet of interest, click the link, and follow all instructions.
- Swimmers who enter online will be pre-seeded in the meet and in the meet program. Maryland deck entries will be inserted into open lanes or into new heat(s) as required. Online entry is strongly encouraged.
- Each swimmer will be allowed to swim up to 3 individual events and 2 relays per meet (a medley and/or free) unless otherwise posted on our website.
- Positive check-in at the meet for those who enter online is not required. Exception: distance events (400 and greater) shall require positive check-in before the meet. Seeding of those distance events shall be done the day of the meet based on the actual people who show up to swim.
- Each meet will have 50-100 of each stroke, 100-200 IM's, 200 freestyle, and a 200 of another stroke. The 500 free and 400 IM will be scheduled in at least two of the meets. The course for all meets is expected to be short course yards (SCY). This year, meet #5 does not have the 200 Freestyle, the 200 of another stroke, and the 200 IM due to the late start time and the plan to run some other longer-distance events.
- Meet results will be submitted to USMS's searchable database.

THE MARYLAND LMSC OF UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING PRESENTS

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MEET SCHEDULE:

<u>SANCTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEET DIRECTOR</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>WARM-UP TIME *</u>	<u>MEET START TIME</u>
090-001	OCTOBER 17 (Sat.)	Mike Jacobson	Howard County	4:00 PM	4:45 PM
090-002	NOVEMBER 15 (Sun.)	Mark Oliphant	Washington College**	9:00 AM	9:45 AM
090-003	DECEMBER 5 (Sat.)	Mark Oliphant	Talbot County YMCA	2:00 PM	2:45 PM
090-004	JANUARY 17 (Sun.)	Elizabeth Hogan	AOSC	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
090-005	FEBRUARY 13 (Sat.)	Barbara Cooke	Severna Park***	5:00 PM	5:45 PM
090-006	MARCH 28 (Sun.)	Mark Oliphant	Loyola College	8:00 AM	8:45 AM

*Check-in is NOT required except for distances of 400+ and for Maryland deck registrations.
Deck-entered relays are typically due before meet start – details posted on each online meet entry page.

** The annual Maryland USMS membership meeting shall take place following this meet. Details will be posted on our website and via the Maryland email list.

*** At 3:30pm in the Holy Grounds building, there will be a meeting for any MD LMSC swimmer who wishes to compete at YMCA Nationals.

All courses are Short Course Yards (SCY)

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ORDER OF EVENTS #1 - HOWARD COUNTY

1. Mixed 100 yd Freestyle
2. Mixed 200 yd Butterfly
3. Mixed 50 yd Backstroke
4. Mixed 100 yd Breaststroke
5. Mixed 50 yd Freestyle
6. Mixed 200 yd IM
7. Mixed 50 yd Butterfly
8. **200 yd FREE RELAY**
9. **200 yd MEDLEY RELAY**
10. Mixed 200 yd Breaststroke
11. Mixed 100 yd Backstroke
12. Mixed 100 yd IM
13. Mixed 200 yd Freestyle
14. Mixed 50 yd Breaststroke
15. Mixed 100 yd Butterfly
16. Mixed 200 yd Backstroke

ORDER OF EVENTS #2 - WASHINGTON COLLEGE

1. Mixed 200 yd Backstroke
2. Mixed 50 yd Butterfly
3. Mixed 100 yd Freestyle
4. Mixed 100 yd IM
5. **200 yd MEDLEY RELAY**
6. Mixed 50 yd Breaststroke
7. Mixed 50 yd Backstroke
8. Mixed 100 yd Butterfly
9. Mixed 100 yd Breaststroke
10. Mixed 100 yd Backstroke
11. Mixed 50 yd Freestyle
12. Mixed 200 yd IM
13. Mixed 200 yd Freestyle
14. **200 yd FREE RELAY**

*ORDER OF EVENTS #3 - TALBOT COUNTY YMCA

- 200 yd Breaststroke
- 50 yd Freestyle
- 100 yd IM
- 200 yd Freestyle
- 100 yd Breaststroke
- 50 yd Butterfly
- 400 yd MEDLEY RELAY**
- 100 yd Backstroke
- 50 yd Breaststroke
- 200 yd IM
- 100 yd Butterfly
- 50 yd Backstroke
- 100 yd Freestyle
- 200 yd FREE RELAY**

* NOTE: men and women will be seeded separately.

ORDER OF EVENTS #4 - AOSC

1. Mixed 500 Freestyle
2. Mixed 50 Backstroke
3. Mixed 200 Butterfly
4. Mixed 100 Freestyle
5. Mixed 200 Breaststroke
6. Mixed 50 Butterfly
7. Mixed 200 IM
8. Mixed 100 Backstroke
9. **400 Free Relay**
10. Mixed 50 Breaststroke
11. Mixed 200 Freestyle
12. Mixed 100 Butterfly
13. Mixed 100 IM
14. Mixed 200 Backstroke
15. Mixed 100 Breaststroke
16. Mixed 50 Freestyle
17. **200 Medley Relay**
18. Mixed 400 IM

ORDER OF EVENTS #5 - SEVERNA PARK

1. 100 yd IM
2. 100 yd BACK
3. 50 yd FREE
4. **400 MEDLEY RELAY**
5. 50 yd BREAST
6. 100 yd FLY
7. **THE PLUNGE**
8. 400 yd IM
9. 50 yd BACK
10. **800 FREESTYLE RELAY**
11. 100 yd BREAST
12. 100 yd FREE
13. 50 yd FLY

ORDER OF EVENTS #6 - LOYOLA COLLEGE

The Maryland Swim Series Finale is still being planned at the time of this printing. The Swim Series Challenge awards will be presented at this meet.

Details will be posted on our website.

All information provided is preliminary and subject to change. The official information for each meet may be found on our website <http://maryland.usms.org>