

THE CLIMB

OLYMPIC GAMES

US OLYMPIC TRIALS:

The US Olympic Team Trials occur once every four years in June/July. The team can consist of up to 52 swimmers (26 of each gender). In non-olympic years, this meet can be replaced by World Championship Trials.

Arena Pro Series:

The Pro Series serves as an in-season opportunity for swimmers to race against some of the best competition in the country as they prepare for US Nationals and beyond.

USA nationals:

Nationals occur twice a year, Winter and Summer. Swimmers compete in the "open" age group against the best swimmers from the US and around the world. The top 1% of athletes in the United States participate in this meet.

JUNIOR NATIONALS:

Junior Nationals occur twice a year, Winter and Summer. Swimmers compete against the top .05% 18 & Under athletes in the United States without separate age group designations.

FUTURES:

Futures occur once a year in August at 4 sites across the US, and are designed to be a stepping stone between Sectionals meets and the US Junior National Championships.

Sectionals:

Sectionals occur in March and July. Swimmers compete in the "open" age group against the fastest swimmers in the region. Athletes come from Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, etc.

Illinois Senior Champs:

These are the Illinois Championship meets for the Senior level athletes. They occur every March and July

Central Zones/Age Group Jr Nationals:

This meet is for swimmers aged 14 and under and occurs every March and August. AA/AAA times are required

Illinois Age Group Champs:

Occurs once a season, consists of the top 20% of Illinois athletes. Hornet Swim Club sends about 10-20% of our team each year.

Illinois Regional Champs:

Occurs twice a year in February and July. Hornet Swim Club sends about 40-50% of our team each year.

Travel Meets: Indy & Cincinnati

Travel meets that occur once each season (long course and short course). The Indy travel meet occurs in late January, Cincinnati is in late June. Typically "BB" times are required.