

	RAYS Great Pumpkin Splash October 19-20, 2019 SANCTION NO. VS-20-03	Hosted  by
SANCTION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held under the sanction of USA Swimming/Virginia Swimming, Inc., SANCTION NO: VS-20-03. USA Swimming, Inc., Virginia Swimming, Inc., Rappahannock RAYS and Jeff Rouse Swim and Sport-Center shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event. 	
LOCATION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff Rouse Swim and Sport Center, 1600 Mine Road; Stafford, VA 22554 (540) 318-6332 	
FACILITY:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Jeff Rouse Swim and Sport Center provides 2 indoor pools and supporting amenities including hospitality, a swim shop, and concession stand. The 50-meter competition pool with bulkhead offers 2 eight lane 25-yard competition pools with a depth of 6' 6" to 12' 6" from end to end. Competition lanes are a minimum of 8' 6" wide. All sessions will be run in one or two 25-yard competition pool(s) configured for 8 lanes. Indoor 6 lane 25-yard pool for continuous warm-up, cool-down. Non-Turbulent Lane Markers in both pools. Competitor Starting Blocks, CTS6 with automatic and semi-automatic timing, backup Dolphin wireless stopwatches. Spectator seating for 700 plus. The competition course has been certified in accordance with current <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i>, Article 104.2.2C (4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming 	
MEET DIRECTOR:	Name: Danielle Euker Email: danielleeuker@gmail.com Phone: 412-913-4253	
ELIGIBILITY:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to all USA Swimming athletes registered before the first day of the meet. No on-deck USA Swimming athlete registration will be permitted. Age on October 19th, 2019 will determine age for the entire meet. 	
DISABILITY SWIMMERS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletes with a disability are welcome and shall provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition. 	
FORMAT:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All 13 & over swimmers will swim in the AM sessions. All 8 & Under Swimmers will swim in a session immediately following the 9-12 Session on Saturday. All 9-12 Year Old swimmers will swim in the PM sessions. All events will be timed finals. The Meet Director reserves the right to utilize either one or two pools in any session dependent upon the number of entries received. This will be communicated to all coaches/teams when other coach/team communications are sent out. 	
WARM-UP:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 & Over Sessions: Warm-ups at 7:00 AM both days; competition starts at 8:10 AM on Saturday and 8:00 AM on Sunday. 8 & Under Sessions: Warm-ups not before 2:00 PM; competition starts not before 2:45 PM. 9-12 Year Session Saturday: Warm-ups not before 11:00AM; competition starts not before 12:00PM 12 & Under Session Sunday: Warm-ups not before 11:00AM; competition starts not before 12:00PM. Lane assignment and warm-up times for individual clubs will be posted on the RAYS website www.swimrays.org, no later than Tuesday, October 15, 2019, and will also be emailed to the contact person of the participating clubs. If the morning session runs late, afternoon warm-ups will begin immediately after the morning session ends. 	

ENTRIES:	<p>DEADLINE FOR THE RECEIPT OF ENTRIES IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entries must be submitted in SCY times using Hy-Tek Team Manager and Commlink-2 software. • Teams must submit entries via email. • A Team Manager printout of entries must be included or the meet checklist/summary sheet with the name of the person to contact in case of questions must accompany the entries. • Coach Time (CT) and “No Time” (NT) entries will be accepted for events in which a swimmer does not have a time of record with the exception of the events 13 & 14 (400 IM) and 57 & 58 (500 Free) which are open events with minimum entry times required. CT must be slower than an “A” time. All entry times other than CT must have been achieved in USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed competition. • Swimmers may enter a maximum of 4 individual events per day. • Entries will be processed in the order received and accepted to the greatest extent possible without exceeding the 4-hour/session timeline limit for the 12 & under swimmers. • Email entries to: Anthony Pedersen, email: rayscoachanthony@gmail.com phone: 703-919-5889. • Deck entries will be accepted in the order received for swimmers already entered in the meet, to the extent that open lanes are available. No additional heats will be added. Deck entries must be submitted to the Administrative Official on the provided forms.
FEES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual events: \$8.00 • Swimmer surcharge: \$2.50 per person (entered in the meet in any capacity) • Checks should be made payable to: RAYS. • Mail payment to: Carol Rowlands, PO BOX 866, Stafford VA 22555 • Payment must be received by October 17, 2019 for all entries. Failure to pay entry fees by this deadline could result in teams being barred from the meet. • IMPORTANT: If payment is sent via Express Mail/FedEx/Airborne/UPS/etc., please ensure that a signature is NOT required for delivery as this will delay the acceptance of your entries.
AWARDS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual events: Ribbons will be awarded for first through eighth place for 12 & U swimmers. • 9-12 events will be given separate awards for 11-12 and 9-10 age groups. • 12 & Under events will be given separate awards for 11-12, 9-10 and 8 & Under Age Groups. • 8 & Under awards for first through eighth place. • Specialty awards will be awarded to announced heats during the meet for all 9-12, 12 & U, 8 & Under individual events. • 13 and over swimmers will not receive awards.
SEEDING:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All events, except #13-14 (400 IM) and #57-58 (500 Free) will be pre-seeded. • Events #13-14 (400 IM) and #57-58 (500 Free) will require a positive check-in to swim. Positive check-in will close at 7:30AM on Saturday and Sunday. These events will be swum fastest to slowest and alternating heats of girls and boys • 8 & Under events only will have clerk of course
OFFICIALS:	<p>Meet Referee: Name: George Hunter Email: bigjerky72@gmail.com Phone: 540-656-3464</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officials will be needed for all positions and all sessions for this meet. • There will be an officials’ meeting approximately 1 hour prior to the start of each session. • Officials should follow this link to apply to officiate no later than Wednesday, October 16, 2019 – 2019 RAYS Great Pumpkin Splash Official's Sign Up. • There will be a coaches’ meeting at 8:00 am on October 19, 2019.
PENALTIES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fine of up to \$100 per event may be assessed for any illegal participation in the meet. Illegal participation is defined as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Entries using fraudulent or non-verifiable times. ○ Athlete competed in the incorrect age group. ○ Athlete is not registered with USA Swimming prior to the first day of the meet. • If the swimmer is representing a club in competition, the fine will be levied on the Club. If the swimmer is unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer.

RULES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy, will govern this meet. Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present without written USA Swimming approval Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USAS 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. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. In addition, photography behind the blocks is <u>not permitted</u>. Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited. In accordance with VSI Best Practices, swimmers should shower before entering the pool. In accordance with VSI Policy, only those coaches who have current, valid USA Swimming credentials will be permitted to act in a coaching capacity at this meet. Coaches with expired or non-current credentials will be required to leave the deck area.
SAFETY:	VSI Safety and Warm-up procedures will be in effect.
TIMERS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs will be required to provide timers in proportion to the number of swimmers they have entered in each session. The number of timers required per club and their lane assignments will be posted on the RAYS www.swimrays.org no later than Tuesday October 15, 2019, and will also be emailed to the contact person of each of the individual clubs. Swimmers in events 13-14 (400 IM), must provide their own timers. Swimmers in event 57-58 (500 free), must provide their own timers and counters.
GENERAL:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimmer/Spectator Conduct: Each club is responsible for supervising the conduct of its swimmers/spectators. Deck Access: Limited to athletes, coaches with their credentials, officials, timers and individuals helping work the meet. Team Areas: Seating is available on deck for the swimmers. Spectator Seating: May not be reserved and saving of seats is not allowed. No coolers larger than a 6-pack lunch box will be allowed in the stands. Swim bags cannot be brought into the spectator bleachers. Heat Sheets: Will be available on Meet Mobile and posted around the facility. Snack Bar: Concessions will be available for purchase through JRSSC. Swim Supplies: Sport Fair will be available for swim supply purchases and meet t-shirts. First Aid: See Lifeguard for assistance. Lost and Found: Check with the front desk for lost and found items. Hospitality: Will not open until warm ups begin each day. Will stop serving breakfast ½ hour after competition starts, snacks available, lunch from 11:30AM-1:30PM, snacks and drinks available until ½ hour before conclusion of afternoon session.
FACILITY RULES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No glass containers of any kind are permitted in the facility. Lawn/deck chairs are not permitted in the grandstand No spectators/parents will be allowed on deck unless working the meet No smoking is allowed on the campus Doors are not to be propped open (HVAC) and the front door is the only entry/exit door from the facility All pool rules are posted pool side.
DIRECTIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directions to the pool can be found by going to: www.virginiaswimming.org Click on "Meets". Go to Great Pumpkin Splash and click on "JRSSC" under Venue
PARKING:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking at the facility is available to patrons of the pool associated with the meets, employees, coaches and officials. There will be a drop off area designated. Please follow guidance of parking attendants.

**Great Pumpkin Splash
ORDER OF EVENTS
Saturday, October 19, 2019**

13 & Over Session 1 Warm-up: 7:00 AM; Start: 8:10 AM		
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Boys</u>
1	13 & Over 200 Freestyle	2
3	13 & Over 50 Butterfly	4
5	13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	6
7	13 & Over 200 Butterfly	8
9	13 & Over 100 Backstroke	10
11	13 & Over 50 Freestyle	12
13*	13 & Over 400 IM	14*

9-12 Year Old Session 2 Warm-up: 11:00 AM; Start: 12:00 PM (Times are approximate)		
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Boys</u>
15	9-12 100 IM	16
17	9-12 50 Freestyle	18
19	9-12 100 Breaststroke	20
21	9-12 200 Freestyle	22
23	9-12 50 Backstroke	24
25	9-12 100 Butterfly	26
27	9-12 200 Breaststroke	28

8 & Under Session 3 Warm-up: 2:00 PM; Start: 2:45 PM (Times are approximate)		
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Boys</u>
29	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	30
31	8 & Under 50 Backstroke	32
33	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	34
35	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	36
37	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	38
39	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	40
41	8 & Under 100 IM	42

Sunday, October 20, 2019

13 & Over Session 4 Warm-up: 7:00 AM; Start: 8:00 AM		
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Boys</u>
43	13 & Over 200 IM	44
45	13 & Over 100 Freestyle	46
47	13 & Over 200 Backstroke	48
49	13 & Over 50 Backstroke	50
51	13 & Over 100 Butterfly	52
53	13 & Over 200 Breaststroke	54
55	13 & Over 50 Breaststroke	56
57*	13 & Over 500 Free	58*

12 & Under Session 5 Warm-up: 11:00 AM; Start: 12:00 PM (Times are approximate)		
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Boys</u>
59	9-12 200 IM	60
61	12 & Under 100 Freestyle	62
63	12 & Under 50 Breaststroke	64
65	9-12 200 Butterfly	66
67	12 & Under 100 Backstroke	68
69	12 & Under 50 Butterfly	70
71	9-12 200 Backstroke	72

*Positive check in for events 13 and 14 will close at 7:30 AM on Saturday.

***Positive check in for events 57 and 58 will close at 7:30 AM on Sunday.**