Dear Coaches,

I am looking forward to helping to run the LC Age Group Championship meet this week at Cheshire Community Pool. I am certain that we will see some fast swimming across all sessions.

Please communicate with your team about respecting the rules of the facility and cooperating with the Cheshire Pool staff, lifeguards, marshals and Meet management at all times.

Here are a few reminders about the meet setup and the facility:

COACHES' PACKETS: Coaches' packets can be picked up at the Volunteer/Timing Table. Please have your credentials available, to receive your Coach tag.

WORK ASSIGNMENTS: Please make sure that parents report to their assignments on time. Marshals should report to their positions at 6:30 am (13-14), 10:45am (11/12), 3:00 pm (10U) and 5:45 pm (finals) on **Friday**. Marshals should report to their positions at 6:30 am (13-14), 11:15 am (11/12), 3:00 pm (10U) and 5:45 pm (finals) on **Saturday and Sunday**. All other volunteers, including timers, should report to the Volunteer/Timing Table immediately upon arrival.

The timers will be instructed where to return for timers' meetings. Timers meetings will tentatively begin at 7:25 am (13/14), 11:40 am (11/12), 3:25 pm (10U), and 6:10 pm (finals) on **Friday**. Timers meetings will tentatively begin at 7:25 am (13/14), 12:10 pm (11/12), 3:25 pm (10U), and 6:10 pm (finals) on **Saturday and Sunday**.

****Teams with as few as two or three swimmers will have assignments.
Assignments are for the duration of the session, not when a parent's swimmer is finished. Please make sure that you have secured volunteers for your assigned positions before arriving at the pool@****

SPECTATORS: There will be NO FOLDING CHAIRS OR EXTRA CHAIRS OF ANY KIND allowed in the spectator area or on the pool deck. Bleachers will be provided for parents on one side of the pool. Saving seats for other parents is not permitted.

The pool will be open to swimmers at 6:15 am on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings.

The only parents who are permitted on deck beyond barricades are assigned timers and runners. **Parents are not permitted in the swimmers' tent at any time.**

<u>DECK ACCESS/SEATING</u>: Only official meet staff and USS registered athletes and coaches are allowed in the meet deck space.

Outside chairs are highly recommended for all swimmers. There will be a tent set up for swimmers only.

COACHES AND PARENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO SET UP ANY TEAM OR FAMILY TENTS.

<u>WARM-UPS</u>: Warm-up times are tentative. Swimmers are only permitted to enter the pool at the direction of the Deck Referee. The Deck Referee will ensure that all tiered warm-ups are equitable.

BREAKS: Access to the pool during breaks is at the discretion of the Meet Referee. If access to the pool is granted, coaches must take care to clear their swimmers in a timely fashion. If any technical problems substantially extend the timeline, breaks may be eliminated entirely.

TIME TRIALS: Time trials will not be offered.

HOSPITALITY: There will be hospitality for coaches and officials throughout the duration of the meet in the kiddie pool area. No swimmers are permitted in the hospitality area.

AWARDS: We will be having award ceremonies during the 10 & Under timed final sessions. We will be awarding medals to the top 5 swimmers after every other event. Please help to get your swimmers ready for awards. A coach from the team of the first place finisher should be prepared to present the medals for each event.

FINALS: We have decided that all finalists will report to the blocks. We will announce "B" Finalists in the water, and Championship finalists behind the block.

PARKING: Please provide your parents with a map of the parking at the Cheshire Community Pool.

If there are any issues or concerns during the meet, please notify me or the Meet Referee, Mark Wollen.

Sincerely, Suzannah Rogers Meet Manager