

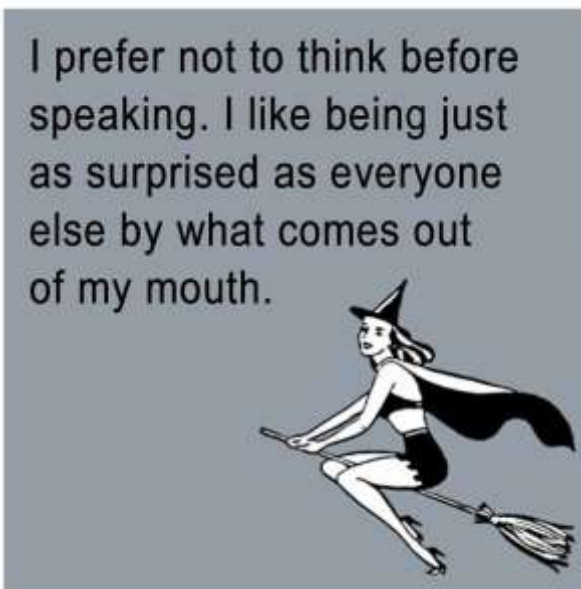
Technical Planning Report for August 23, 2014

The meet schedule for 2014-2015 is up on the website and meet invites and drafts are being posted. I have a form that Bill Geiszler provided me last year to input all the meets and keep track of sanction numbers issued and payment status. I will update this form with the coming season's information and send it to Bob Rustin and Bill, as well as to Terry Randolph and Mary Turner as they might find it helpful to keep track of meets, including some that might not show up on our regular schedule (the QDD developmental meets spring to mind as an example). Does anyone else need this information?

*We need to decide at what rate QDD will pay splash fees for their development meets.

I anticipate having District and Region meet assignments, as well as the Summer Awards assignments by the time we have our fall meetings (hopefully before – heck, maybe even by the time we meet next week) and will update the templates on the website to reflect the appropriate teams at the appropriate venues. Additionally, it has come to my attention that as these meets have qualifying standards, Coaches Times are NOT ALLOWED – see your USAS rulebook, 102.2.9. Even though these meets have qualifying standards that are “SLOWER THAN” times, they still are considered meets with qualifying standards. Dan McAllen has confirmed this. I will also correct this in the templates.

There were some problems with the event files for Summer Awards and some discrepancies in scoring from one venue to the next. At one of the venues they did not consider swimmers with NT entries to fall into the B/C award category, but placed those swimmers instead into a NON-scoring category ... The other two venues interpreted a NT entry as falling at the level of a B/C swimmer. Not sure we can fix the variance in interpretations that may arise occasionally, but it has been suggested that for meets like regions and summer awards that are swum in the same format at different venues, VSI should provide the event file to ensure consistency. Perhaps the AG Chair wants to take this on? ☺



That's all I've got!