

## RATTLESNAKES PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

### Timers & Scribes

Timers are to record swimmers times, generally there are three timers per lane, and responsibilities are split at dual meets between the two teams at both home and away meet. Typically there are two shifts with shift changes typically around event 37 or 38. Stop watches and training is provided.

Scribes, one per lane, will write down all times from the timers onto the timer sheets and pass to the Runner. Scribes will circle intermediate chronological time from the three times taken on the timer sheet.

\*\* We have 8 lanes at our HOME pool. That equals at least 12 timers per shift and 4 scribes per shift for our Time Trials and HOME meets.

### Officials

We are always in need of more Officials! Officials are volunteer parents who are certified by NWAL. Certification is a pretty simple and straightforward process. Please let Lisa Williams know if you are interested in becoming an Official and go to [nwalcertified.org](http://nwalcertified.org) to sign up for a class.

### Kid Herders

- Kid Herder is to get the right kids to the ready bench in time for the events.
- Kid Herder is provided a meet sheet in the morning that reflects individual swimmer events they are entered in. Once circle in is completed the Kid Herder will be provided a relay sheet with swimmers names and relay events.
- Kid Herder identifies any missing swimmers from the sheet to the Clerk of Course or Coach.
- Kid Herders are responsible for getting swimmers grouped by events in their age groups to the ready bench in a timely manner when the event is announced on the PA System or event board.
- Kid Herders will work Time Trials and **EVERY** meet including Divisionals through the last 6U event or 7 & 8 event accordingly—even if their swimmer does not swim through that event.
- Kid Herders **MUST** have a swimmer in the age/ gender category that you are interested in herding.
- **Kid Herders are NOT responsible for the minding, safety , well-being or any other form of care to the swimmers. They are NOT responsible for taking children to the bathroom or making sure they have their equipment (goggles and swim cap). This is still the responsibility of the parent.**

**Ribbon Writers** – These individuals take the place information from the scorer and record it onto the ribbons. Ribbons begin printing during the second shift and conclude after the last event has been swam and results have been entered.

**Runner** –One volunteer takes the heat sheet from the clerk of course to the recorder at the start of each main event. Another volunteer takes the heat sheet from the recorder and the DQ slips from the stroke and turn judges to the scorers' table. Both periodically collect time sheets from our timers and take them to the data entry table.

**Computers-** They will assist the Clerk of Course at the computer table to enter swim times and scoring of the meet.

**Equipment-** This role will require support from volunteers who can handle heavy lifting and have trucks to move the equipment from the Rattlesnake storage to the pool. This role will handle all equipment set up including, but not limited to: putting up dividing ropes, trash cans, chairs, moving ready benches, tents and tables from storage.

**Ready Bench**

- Ready Bench volunteers will work Time Trials and both HOME meets in their entirety.
- Receives assignment sheet from the Clerk of Course after circle in and scratches are complete.
- Role is to sort swimmers into their assigned event, heats, and lanes using assignment sheet from the Clerk of Course.
- Take the swimmers from the ready bench to behind the block and ensure that they are in the correct and order.
- Notify the deck referee of any NO SHOWS at the ready bench and suggest possible combination of heats or events in sufficient time to be considered and implemented.

**Banquet-** volunteers will help set up, decorate, service food and clean up.

**Divisionals-** Each swim team in our division will be assigned a duty (merchandise, catering breakfast or lunch, etc.). When this is assigned we will need volunteers to fulfill these duties.

**Invitationals-** If you sign your child up to participate in an Invitational Meet you will be required to volunteer. We will need a specified number of Timers at the pool both Saturday and Sunday.