

Happy New Year's Masters Meet
Villanova University
Sunday, January 5, 2025
Warm-up: 10:00 am | Event 1: 11:15 am

SANCTIONING: Sanctioned by Delaware Valley LMSC for USMS Inc. in accordance with article 108.1.1 A (1), 203.3.3B).

LIABILITY: In granting this recognition, it is understood and agreed that United States Masters Swimming, Inc., Delaware Valley LMSC, Villanova University, French Creek Racing and all meet officials shall be held harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this meet, which includes warm-up sessions.

HOSTED BY: French Creek Racing in conjunction with Delaware Valley Local Masters Swimming Committee (DV LMSC)

MEET DIRECTOR: John Kenny, John@frenchcreekracing.com, 484-982-4080

LOCATION: Pavilion Swim Center, Villanova University, N Ltham Ave, Villanova, PA 19085
[map](#)

FACILITY:

- Villanova Pavilion Swim Center
- 25 yd, 10-lane pool (we will use 6 to 8 lanes depending on turnout)
- Electronic timing system with 10-lane display.
- Water depth is 13 feet in lane 1 to 4.5 feet in lane 10. The deep end of the pool will be used for the competition course.
- The pool will be configured for 25-yards short course competition.
- A minimum of 2, 25-yard warm-up/warm-down lanes will be available throughout the competition.
- Bleacher seating for approximately 400 spectators/swimmers.
- All competitors and spectators will need to park in the I-1 Ltham garage. The garage is located directly across Rt 30 from the pool [here](#). Parking rates are \$0 for the first hour, \$2 for 1-2 hours, \$5 for 2-4 hours and \$7 for 4-6 hours.

ELIGIBILITY:

- This meet is open to all current USMS-registered athletes aged 18 and older. If you are not an active member, you may join at [USMS.org/join](https://usms.org/join).
- If you are not a USMS member, you may use the One Event Membership option during registration. The cost for the One Event fee is \$20 in addition to the meet registration fee.
- USMS Membership is verified upon online sign-up via Club Assistant.
- A swimmer's age for this meet will be determined by their age on the date of competition.

ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES: Swimmers with a disability are welcome to enter this meet. The participant or coach must alert the meet director and the meet referee as to the need for any special accommodations or seeding arrangements at the time the entry is submitted. Please email John@frenchcreekracing.com directly regarding any necessary accommodations.

RULES:

- This meet will be held in a short course yards (25-yard) pool and governed by the current [USMS rules](#).
- Events are pre-seeded slowest to fastest, independent of age or gender. All events will be timed final events (102.10.1).
- The length of the competition course is on file with USMS and complies with USMS articles 105.1.7 and 106.2.1.
- Times from this competition will be eligible for USMS records and USMS Top-10 consideration in accordance USMS Rule 103.18.5 as an automatic primary timing system will be used with button and a minimum of one watch will be used for each lane.

ENTRIES FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS:

- A flat fee of \$40 covers meet entry and all events.
- Swimmers are limited to five (5) individual events.
- Event fees are collected and processed via ClubAssistant.com upon registration and are non-refundable and non-transferrable.
- Entries must be submitted using the Club Assistant online entry form, no deck entries.
- You must estimate your entry time for all events to allow for proper seeding.
- 500 free & 400 IM are limited to 24 swimmers
- Online registration deadline is Thursday, January 2, 11:59PM.

ENTRIES FOR RELAY EVENTS:

- There are three deck-entered relay events. Each relay event will include a men's, women's and mixed (mixed must be 2-men & 2-women) events. Swimmers may only compete in one relay per event (i.e. you cannot swim the 200-free mixed relay as well as the 200-free men's or women's relay.)
- Relay entries are free.
- Relay cards will be available at the Announcer's table and must include swimmer's names and ages in the correct relay order as well as the team represented.
- Only USMS members registered with the same USMS team may compete in relays (no unattached relays). All relay participants must be pre-registered for at least one individual event.

- Please enter relay events #10 & 11 prior to event #6, enter relay event #19 prior to event #14.

GENDER AND AGE GROUPS:

- **Individual Events:** Male and Female, 18-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, etc., in 5-year increments as needed to accommodate all swimmers.
- **Relay Events:** Male, Female and Mixed, 18+, 25+, 35+, 45+, 55+, 65+, 75+, etc. in 10-year increments. The age of the youngest relay team member shall determine the age group.

TEAM SCORING

- The meet will be scored by team using USMS Club affiliation. You must register for the meet under the same club as your current USMS registration. If you wish to transfer clubs you may do so up to 3 times per year (or upon registration renewal). Please contact dvlmscmembership@gmail.com if you wish to transfer club affiliations at least one week prior to the competition.
- **Individual events:** Points are awarded based on the following scale: 11-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
- **Relays:** Points are awarded based on the following scale: 22-18-16-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
- **Team scoring:** Teams are scored in three categories: Men, Women, and Combined. Mixed relays only score points in the Combined category.

Warm-Up: The pool will be available for warm-up from 10:00 to 11:10am. At least two warm-up/warm-down lanes will be available during the entire meet. Diving is permitted ONLY in designated 1-way sprint lanes, which will be announced during warm-up. Additional 10- to 15-minute warm-up sessions may be added during competition at the discretion of the meet director to manage the pace of the meet.

RESULTS: Results are posted on the USMS Website <http://www.dvmasters.org> under results tab usually within 2 weeks following the meet. A PDF of electronic results will also be e-mailed to all participants. Meet info will be available via SwimPhone and posted to USMS.org as quickly as possible. Results will be reported by gender and age group.

MEET NOTIFICATIONS: In the event of inclement weather, facility, or other issues, please check the Delaware Valley Masters Swimming Facebook page and/or website for immediate news. Every attempt will be made to communicate via email as well.

FACILITY RULES: Feet first entry only for all warm-up/warm-down. Deck chairs, yoga mats and other seating items are welcome. Absolutely NO GLASS on the pool deck or in the spectator area.

EVENT ORDER

Event	SCY
1	100 Fly
2	50 Back
3	200 Free
4	200 IM
5	50 Fly
6	200 Breast
7	100 Free
8	500 Free
9	100 IM
10	200 Free Relay
11	400 Free Relay
12	200 Back
13	100 Breast
14	400 IM
15	50 Free
16	200 Fly
17	100 Back
18	50 Breast
19	200 Medley Relay