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CVSA Club Secretaries
CVSA Club Coaches

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Several issues have recently arisen and we seek your co-operation in alerting your club and/or squad members to the following:

1. **COMPETITION SWIMWEAR**

Recently some competitors have been seen to be wearing “Brazilian style” swim suits at club and area meets.

Competitors need to be aware of embarrassment that they are causing to our technical officials who are working in positions behind the starting platforms, in the marshalling area or around the pool deck.

Management Committee on behalf of the Area Technical Committee request that clubs and coaches remind swimmers that the swim suit they wear, both in warm up and competition, is to be appropriate and in good moral taste. Any swimmer wearing an inappropriate swimsuit may be spoken to by the Referee and may be given an opportunity to change, however your swimmers run the risk of being withdrawn from their events should they be unable or unwilling to conform to this requirement.

2. **MARSHALLING**

a. **Behaviour**

Recently it has become apparent that there has been a decline in the behaviour of some swimmers in the marshalling area.

- i. There have been occurrences of sledging by teams and individual swimmers whilst waiting in the marshalling area to be escorted to their event.

Coaches and clubs are requested to remind swimmers of the need to treat each other with respect and consideration, allowing each swimmer to compete at their best.

b. **Procedures**

- i. All swimmers are to stay in their respective marshalling areas (i.e. boys in the boys area/girls in the girls area).

- ii. CVSA prefer that all swimmers remain in the marshalling area once they have been marked off for their event. Should a swimmer choose to leave the marshalling area for any reason, the onus is on the swimmer to return in time for their event. No responsibility for a swimmer missing their event because they had left the marshalling area will be accepted.

3. CHANGE ROOMS

All members are reminded that there is to be no photography or video imaging whilst in the changerooms. There have been reports of instances where this rule has been flouted by our swimmers.

It is policy of all pools in our Area that cameras and/or phones are NOT to be taken into the changerooms. Coaches and clubs are requested to remind swimmers of the rights of others and of the importance of abiding by this rule, as a complaint lodged to pool management may cause the offenders to be required to immediately leave the facility for the duration of the competition.

We look forward to your co-operation of the need for respect, consideration and fair play for each other, our technical officials and our volunteer helpers.

Best regards,

Jenny Schwetz
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