

Central Zone 14 and Under Long Course Age Group Championship Meet Post Event Report

Rochester Report:

LSCs in attendance

Arkansas 39 Athletes in 177 Events

Midwestern 47 Athletes in 215 Events

Missouri Valley 49 Athletes in 199 Events

Ozark 70 Athletes in 272 Events

South Dakota 44 Athletes in 177 Events

Iowa 78 Athletes in 318 Events

Minnesota 235 Athletes in 860 Events

North Dakota 53 Athletes in 175 Events

Oho 164 Athletes in 618 Events

Total Athletes 779 in 3011 Events and 234 Relays

Facility:

8 Lane Competition Pool. Good water depth at both turn and start end of the pool. Excellent scoreboard and video board. Daktronics system, high quality sound system in the facility. Announcer during the finals session was very well informed and did an excellent job, prelim announcers needed some instruction but once they got feedback did a great a job. Club staff went above and beyond as meet hosts to make sure the meet ran smoothly. All were very involved in resolving the meet award issues after and during night 1 of the meet. Club staff did a great job of communicating with visiting coaches and staffs.

Facility design allowed for plenty of space out of the pool area for spectators to wait between swimmer's events. Admissions and swimmer entrance worked well being at the main entrance of the facility. Plenty of restrooms for both athletes and spectators all separate.

Host provided concessions and food trucks outdoors, weather did not allow for this to be the best set up but when the weather was nice it was great.

The usual photography was available as well as apparel vendors and swim vendors.

Host:

Host team was outstanding, they really tried to make sure they had all their bases covered and did what they could to make special accommodations for all visitors. High marks for the video presence and for that video being available not just online but in various rooms throughout the facility. Host did a nice job of communicating parking issues and other venue information prior to the meet. Host also did a great job of posting meet results and other information on their website in a timely manner. Seating was ample, areas were blocked due to a large pillar in the middle of the pool, seating does not extend the full length of the facility. The facility also featured a warm-up pool which was available during all sessions and was used appropriately. Hospitality was great food was available and plenty of hot options available. Awards were

great, medal designs unique to the site and kids liked that they were shiny! Banners for top 3 teams was a cool change from trophies. Plenty of lodging and food available in Rochester!

Host had set up online store for parking passes and admissions. It worked well for most, just a few hiccups that were corrected.

Sessions:

Timelines were what they were, sessions ran smoothly. With as many LSCs in attendance relays were a bit longer but all in all the meet ran right on time. Awards after night one went great! It was impressive to work with everyone on making that adjustment to get things fixed.

Officials:

Anne and her team did a great job. They ran an efficient meet and problem solved quickly and smoothly. Only issues for officials was walking the deck, not much that could be done as deck space is at a premium at Rochester.

Respectfully

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