There have been three swim meets since our last conference call. First was UCI where there were many problems. Admin arrived late to the swim meet and the meet started 25 minutes late. Also the meet director was not helpful in many different ways. They were short on help as they have been in the past. I spoke to the announcer about announcing and she did not want to follow our rules. They were also short on timers. The only food they had for the timers was coffee and cookies, and they used the awards desk to pass this out. There were also problems with SwimPhone, including one swimmer who checked in using SwimPhone and then found out when the seeding came out that she was not seeded for that event. There were some records broken and the weather was good. I graded the meet as average, but I failed the meet on some of the criteria. The score was under 70%. All the other swim meets I grade are 80% and above. Every time UCI has a swim meet there are many problems.

The second swim meet was in Mission Viejo. They had 233 swimmers entered in the meet. Many world records were broken and also one national record. In the morning the weather was cold and windy, but in the afternoon the sun came out and it warmed up. I scored the swim meet a high score. This was a good swim meet.

The third swim meet took place last weekend in Las Vegas. It was an indoor meet and I graded it with a score of 87%. The meet started late and also finished late, and I passed out a lot of marketing materials. There was a problem trying to get three referees despite many emails and phone calls with the meet director about this in the weeks leading up to the meet.

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