The Paper Chase

1. The event slips are completed separately by each team at some time before the meet starts. Home team swimmers take the odd numbered lanes and visitors swim in the even numbered lanes.

REMEMBER: The event slips are only used for the main events.

2. Each team's event slips are given to the clerks of course before the start of the meet. (The clerk of course may combine the two slips into one with all the swimmers on ft.)

3. After the swimmers are lined up and ready for their event, the clerk of course brings the event slips for the event to the recorder. At most pools, a runner will be required especially during the 25 yard or meter events. (The recorder may combine the two slips into one with all the swimmers on ft if that has not already been done.)

4. The recorder should record the order of finish and winning time for the event on the combined event slip if there is one, or on the appropriate separate event slips if they have not been combined.

5. Disqualification slips should be brought from the stroke and turn judge to the recorder or scorers by a runner.

6. The recorder or scorers should make any adjustments to the order of finish made necessary by disqualifications.

7. A runner should take the event slip from the recorder to the scorers' table, along with any disqualification slips for the event.

8. Each team's scorer should independently record the names, teams, and points from the event slips onto the score pad. Scores should also be added independently so that the scorers act as a check on one another's accuracy.

9. The scorers should bring the event slips with any associated disqualifications to the ribbon table.

10. At the end of each stroke, the scorers should give the score to the announcer who should announce it during a lull in the meet.

TIPS:

1. It works well to have the Announcer, Scorers and Ribbon Writers next to each other at the meet.
2. Place this group where they can see the meet from their work stations.
3. Pre-write and bundle the ribbons together by event before each meet.
4. A Ribbon Writer from both teams is helpful especially to ensure the swimmers names are correct.