

Splash Times

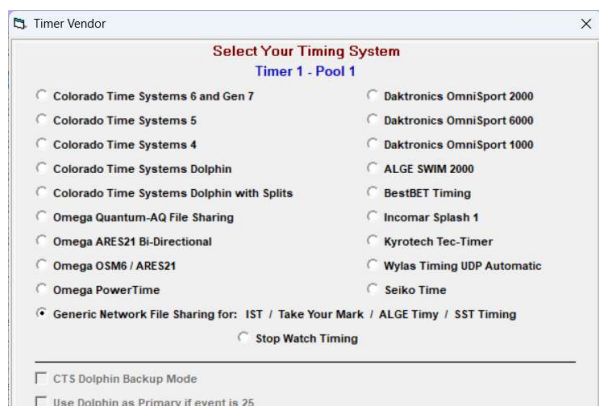
THE SST INTERFACE

While Superior Swim Timing (SST) is a complete timing system that can be used to run any level of meet, we often find ourselves using it for just a portion of a meet or using SST equipment in conjunction with Colorado equipment. In particular, at meets held at University of North Florida, SST is used for a far-end primary finish since the facility carries only a single set of pads/harnesses/buttons.

The information below does not explain the physical set-up of SST, nor does it delve into the Configuration Settings for the program. What is explained is the interface between the SST console and Meet Manager, both on the same computer. For the upcoming SwimRise Season Finale, this arrangement will be used for 50-meter races on Friday and Saturday only, while Sunday's SCY meet will have no 25's.

Working with a secondary laptop (outside of the main Meet Manager computer), the SST and Meet Manager programs will be used concurrently during the 50-meter races. To set up the far-end finishes, ensure the MM database is on the secondary computer in a specified location. The database need not be up to date; in other words, it can be the database installed before the meet even begins (recommended) and with no results on it.

The next step is to open MM and go to Run Menu. Choose Interfaces/Set-up/Timing Console and click on Generic Network/SST Timing radio button. Hit OK.



Go back to Run Menu, then Interfaces/Timer (GNET)/Select Data Set and then click on the Update Data Location button, as seen in the image below. Find the folder where the meet database is located, probably C:\swmeets8\yourmeetdatabase. Download the events, which will create a file "generic.sch" in the database folder.



Then, go back to the initial MM screen, choosing File/Export/Start Lists for Scoreboard/Start Lists for CTS. This will move the "heat sheet" names/teams for use in SST. Again, go to your database folder and hit OK. Select the session in which you wish to use the Start Lists. You can choose only the upcoming session or go back and set up all sessions one at a time and have all SCBD files ready to go.

To check all has been created and located properly, use File Explorer and head to your database folder to ensure the single "generic" file is there, as well as the multiple scoreboard files (one per event). Before the first race using SST at the far end, ensure the SST console is set for the event you will be timing at the far end.

As your races proceed, if MM is having an issue pulling in times, make sure SST is set to the current data by going back into Run Meet/Interfaces/Timer/Select Data Set and then clicking Next Meet or Previous Meet until number of races held is shown. (See figure above; Current Meet Date shows 71 Races in this example.)

To obtain the SST software for your computer, let me know and I'll create a Dropbox link for you to download.