2016 Taos Fall Arts Festival Masters Swimming Classic

Hosted by Taos Masters Swimming October 1st, 2016 Pool Elevation 7027 ft

Sanction:	This meet is being held under the sanction of New Mexico Masters Swimming for USMS Inc. Sanction
	Number: 426-S001
Facility:	Taos Youth and Family Center, 407 Paseo Del Canon East, Taos New Mexico, 87571. There are eight competitive lanes in a 25 yard heated pool with both male and female locker rooms. A Colorado Timing System and Scoreboard will be used.
Eligibility:	The meet is open to all 2016 US Masters Swimming registered athletes. All participating athletes must submit proof of Masters Swimming registration signed with their entries. There will not be an opportunity to obtain a valid US Masters Swimming number or registration at the competition.
Liability:	New Mexico Masters Swimming, Taos Masters Swimming, Taos Youth and Family Center, all meet sponsors, and all meet officials shall be held free from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this meet. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer if unattached or the offending swimmer's club if attached to be held accountable for repairs.
Format:	This is a timed final, short course yards meet. All events will be mixed gender and pre-seeded from slowest to fastest, with the exception of the 500 freestyle event. There will not be any scoring or awards for the meet. Fly-over starts may be used to control the timeline if it is deemed necessary to complete the session within a reasonable time period. There will be positive check-in for the 500 freestyle.
Rules:	2016 US Masters Swimming Rules and Regulations govern this meet, except as noted in this meet information. See attached order of events for the list of events and their schedule.
Coaches:	If needed, there will be a coaches meeting approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of each session.
Meet Directors	s: Alfredo Aleman: taostigersharks@hotmail.com Nancy Call: swcall12@gmail.com
Meet Referee:	Pete Dunavant: pdunavan@elp.rr.com

Administrative

- Official:Alfredo Aleman: taostigersharks@hotmail.comMeet Started:Mari Chavez: marichavez6@gmail.com
- **Facility:** The Taos Youth and Family Center is an 8 lane, 25 yard competition pool with a Colorado Timing and Starting System. The water depth is 7 feet and 0 inches at the starting end of the pool or greater. At the turn end of the pool, the water depth is 3 feet and 6 inches. There are two (2) separate male and female locker rooms with rest room facilities. During this meet, all other areas of the facility will be closed, including the leisure pool and hot tub. No smoking is allowed anywhere in the facility. Glass containers are not allowed anywhere inside the facility. The course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2c(4). The elevation at the Center is 7027 feet.

- **Swimwear:** All swimsuits shall be made from textile materials. For men, the swimsuit shall not extend above the navel nor below the knees, and for women, shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulder, nor extend below the knee. No fasteners, other than draw stings, are allowed. Only one suit can be worn during competition, unless the referee is notified before the event that a swimmer is wearing two suites for modesty.
- Locker Rooms: "Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone camera is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms or locker rooms."
- **Deck Changes**: Changing into and out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited.
- **Entries:** All swimmers may swim a maximum of 5 individual events per day plus 2 relays. **All** registrations will be verified. No on deck USMS registrations will be accepted. The swimmers age as of October 1st, 2016 shall determine their age for the meet.
- **Entry Fees:** Entry fees are \$3.50 per event and \$8.00 per relay. A \$10.00 pool use fee will be charged per swimmer.
- Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by Friday, September 23, 2016. Please send entries with payment to:

Taos Swim Club Inc. c/o Alfredo Aleman Taos Youth and Family Center 407 Paseo Del Canon E Taos, NM 87571

- **Entry Process:** Participants may send entries to the address listed above, including entry form, proof of USMS membership, and payment.
- **Deck Entries:** Deck entries will be accepted up to 30 minutes prior to the start of the meet and charged at \$6.00 per event plus a \$10.00 surcharge. Late entries will be placed into available lanes without regard to seed times. No new heats will be created. Swimmers entering late will be required to present their current USMS registration card.

Warm-Up

Procedures: Warm-up times are listed on the schedule of events page. Should the number of swimmers in the meet warrant an additional warm-up session, one will be created and the teams notified of their specific warm-up time.

The following rules apply:

- General warm-up (35 minutes):
 - No diving from the blocks or pool edge; swimmers must enter the water feet first in a cautious manner
 - No sprinting or pace work permitted
 - All lanes to be used for general warm-up
- Specific warm-up (15 minutes)
 - Push/pace lanes 3 and 6. Push off from starting end. Circle swimming only. NO DIVING
 - Racing starts lanes 1, 2, 7 and 8. Sprint lanes are for race starts and backstroke starts, swimming in one direction only.
 - General warm-up lanes 4 and 5. Circle swimming only, no diving.

Scoring/Awards: There will not be any scoring or awards for this meet.

Hospitality: A potluck for all participants will immediately follow the competition.

Officials and Timers:

Volunteer timers and officials are always welcome and encouraged.

Safety Guidelines:

Safety Marshals shall be on deck to enforce the safety guidelines. The marshals, under the direction of the Meet Referee, shall have the authority to remove any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of unsportsmanlike conduct, swimming ethics, or procedures outlined in the meet information.

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Order of Events

Session I – Saturday Morning EVENT #	Warm-ups 11:00am – 11:50am Meet starts 12:00pm EVENT DESCRIPTION					
I	Mixed 200 FREE RELAY					
2	Mixed 100 IM					
3	Mixed 200 FREE					
4	Mixed 50 BACK					
5	Mixed 100 BREAST					
6	Mixed 100 FLY					
7	Mixed 100 FREE					
8	Mixed 200 IM					
9	Mixed 50 FLY					
10	Mixed 100 BACK					
11	Mixed 50 FREE					
12	Mixed 50 BREAST					
13	Mixed 500 FREE					
14	Mixed 200 MEDLEY RELAY					

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Swimmer's Name											
		(Last) USMS ID #_					(First)				(Middle)
Birth Date							Email				
Phone Number	Team						Sex				Age
<u>Event #</u>	Distance						<u>Stroke</u>				<u>Entry Time</u>
50	100	200	400	500	1000	FR	вк	BR	FL	IM	:
50	100	200	400	500	1000	FR	вк	BR	FL	IM	:
50	100	200	400	500	1000	FR	вк	BR	FL	IM	:
50	100	200	400	500	1000	FR	ВК	BR	FL	IM	:
50	100	200	400	500	1000	FR	вк	BR	FL	IM	:
Swimmers may compo	ete in	5 ind	ividu	al ev	ents.						
Each Event (\$3.50) Relay Event (\$8.00)							\$ \$				
Surcharge (Pool)											+\$10.00
Tota	l Fe	е									\$

I, the undersigned participant, intending to be legally bound, hereby certify that I am physically fit and have not been otherwise informed by a physician. I acknowledge that I am aware of all the risks inherent in Masters swimming (training and competition), including possible permanent disability or death, and agree to assume all of those risks. AS A CONDITION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE MASTERS SWIMMING PROGRAM OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENT THERETO, I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, OF THE FOLLOWING: UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING INC., TAOS SWIM CLUB, TAOS YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER, THE LOCAL MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEES, THE CLUBS, HOST FACILITIES, MEET SPONSORS, MEET COMMITTEES OR ANY INDIVIDUALS OFFICIATING AT THE MEETS OR SUPERVISING SUCH ACTIVITIES. In addition, I agree to abide by and be governed by the rules of USMS.

Participant Signature

Taos Fall Art Festival 2016 <u>http://www.taosfallarts.com</u> is the 42ND year of the Festival, Taos' premier art event. Opening night is Friday, September 23rd and the show runs through October 2nd in venues throughout the downtown area. There are 2 shows, Taos Select which is juried and the Taos Open which anyone can submit. Most of the artists in town will be showing their work. In addition all of the galleries will be open during this festival.

Recreational opportunities - taos.org/

The fall colors will be beautiful and can be explored by car, hiking, or biking in the Enchanted Circle area.

Hotels, Bed & Breakfast Inns and Restaurants

There are multiple accommodations in Taos in a variety of price ranges. In addition there is a large selection of award winning restaurants as well as some fast food options.