UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING LONG DISTANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Anchor Room

- The meeting was called to order at 1:03 by chairman Rob Copeland. Members present: Sally Ann Dillon, David Gray, Lynn Hazelwood, Kevin Kelly, Edna Laflin, Pat Maley, Adrienne Pipes, Steve Schofield, and Craig Tribuzi.
- 2. Chairman Report and Announcements.
 - a. Of the eight Long Distance National Championships, all but two events had been completed. The remaining two events are the Postal 10K and the 5 mile swim at San Pedro. The 5 mile swim was canceled due to local circumstances and the Postal 10K will complete at the end of the month.
 - b. Update on USS Long Distance Swimming
 - i. USS received first place at the World Championships because of the placement of their swimmers - 1st place for the men, 2nd and 3rd for the women.
 - ii. USS is planning to change the name of their committee to Open Water Swimming Committee. References to them will be Open Water Swimming.
 - iii. Reviewed potential USS rule changes as to how they apply to Masters Swimming. No immediate changes were recognized and pending changes will be submitted at next year's convention.
- 3. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - a. Long Distance Calendar Gary McDowell (with typing assistance from Robert Mitchell) prepared the 1991 Long Distance Calendar. Gary prepares the document with no financial assistance from USMS and incurs some personnel financial liability. The Chair reappointed the Ad Hoc long distance calendar be chaired by Steve Schofield and Gary McDowell.

Money was requested to be budgeted to provide funds to mail the Long Distance Calendar and eight National Long Distance Championship entry forms to registered USMS clubs, all LMSCs, the USMS Board of Directors, and the USMS Long Distance Committee. The distributed entry forms will be limited to two $8 1/2 \times 11$ inch pages.

The long distance calendar will be distributed without any advertisements contained on the copy. In order to assure timely distribution, the Long Distance Calendar and sanctioned/approved National Championship entry forms should be in the hands of the Long Distance chair by April 15th.

b. <u>Cable Swim Guide</u> - The guide has been submitted to the printer and is being prepared for distribution by the end of the year. 4. Bids for the 1993 Long Distance National Championships were collected and reviewed. The selection of championship bids were as follows:

1993 Championship	Awarded To:	Time Frame (1993)	
1 Mile Swim	Southern Calif. Aquatics Aug Sept.		
2 Mile Swim on 1/4 Mile Straightaway	Virginia Masters July 10		
Open Water 1.5 to 3 Mile	Chicago Park District 1st Sunday after Labor Day		
Open Water 3.5 to 5 Mile	Southern Pacific Masters	Early July	
Open Water 6+ Mile	Southern Pacific Masters	Mid. July	
1 Hour Postal	Pacific Masters	Jan.1 - Jan. 31	
6000 Yd. Postal	Monroe Community College	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	
10K Postal	St. Louis Masters	May 15 - Sept. 30	

- 5. Long Distance Rule changes were reviewed. The committee decided that none of the eleven rule proposals were considered as emergency rules and the Long Distance chair will resubmit them for consideration at next year's convention.
- 6. Evaluators for the 1992 National events were selected.

1992 Championship	Site/Date	Evaluator
l Mile Swim	Greenwich, CT July	Rob Copeland
2 Mile Swim on 1/4 Mile Straightaway	Southwest Ohio - July	Kevin Kelly
Open Water 1.5 to 3 Mile	Sierra Nevada - August	David Gray
Open Water 3.5 to 5 Mile	SPMA - San Pedro - Oct.	Steve Schofield
Open Water 6+ Mile	SPMA - Seal Beach - July	Adrienne Pipes
Postal Swims	6000 yd, 10K lc, 1 Hour	Rob Copeland

- 7. A discussion about enforcement of the Rules of Conduct at a meet in regard to illegal entrants and unsportsmanlike conduct. It was decided that the meet director has to rely on the Rule Book for resolution.
- 8. Long Distance ad hoc liaisons to other USMS committees:

Insurance	-	David Gray
Coaches	-	Steve Schofield
Records	-	Craig Tribuzi
Registration	-	Lynn Hazelwood
Finance	-	Kevin Kelly

9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:37

Respectfully Submitted - Craig Tribuzi