

2004 USMS Long Course National Championships

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SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

A PDF file showing the shuttle schedule to and from the pool for Wednesday through Sunday and the schedule to and from the riverboat social on Saturday evening can be found [here](#). Note that there are separate pages with unique shuttle schedules for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday/Saturday/Sunday. For the hotel/pool shuttle, please note that there are four stops, Holiday Inn, Clubhouse Inn, Courtyard and Hampton. Best Western is a five-minute walk to the Holiday Inn and Comfort Inn is next to the Hampton Inn. You may wish to print this schedule and bring it with you, and we will have additional copies posted at the pool, at the Area Information table and at the hotels.

Also, note that the stops at the hotels will be for two minutes. The drivers have been instructed to stay on exact schedule as much as possible.

Shuttles run on a 40-minute cycle, and seating is first-come, first-served. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings only, we will run double shuttles, so a shuttle will arrive at the hotels every 20 minutes. The shuttles will continue to run until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the day's events.

For the riverboat social, we will be taking a head count of how many swimmers (with tickets) expect to need a ride to the riverboat. The shuttle will wind through the designated hotels, back to pool and then off to the social.

Maps to the social will be available when you pick up your tickets at registration and at the Area Information table.

ONE MORE REMINDER

This is a final reminder that you must check in for every event you wish to swim. If you wish to scratch, you simply do not check in for that event. More details on the check-in deadlines and procedures at www.usms.org.

Also, thanks to Jim Matysek, USMS Webmaster, our newsletters and attachments are on the USMS web site.

RESTAURANT MAP

Swimmers love to eat, and we are providing a map ([PDF file](#)) that shows many of the restaurants within a couple miles of the hotel and pool. Again, print it or pick up a copy at Area Information.

FACILITY INFO

Please be aware that no shaving is allowed in the locker rooms. Please take care of your shaving needs before heading to the Aquatic Center.

Also, now that we are in the age of cell phones, there are no longer any pay phones in the Aquatic Center. The number of the Aquatic Center, which should be used for "extreme emergencies" only is 912-652-6793.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Meets of this magnitude do not happen without the tremendous support of local volunteers. I wish to thank all of the members of the Savannah Masters, the Savannah swimming community and Savannah area residents for their contribution to the cause. There are also many beyond our borders who have contributed, from members of the USMS Championship Committee to former meet directors and beyond. I have to give special thanks to my wife, Muriel, for not only taking care of hospitality that is guaranteed second to none, but for her patience and love during an especially busy time. If you find yourself in the hospitality room, please say hello to her. She is a delightful person.

My hope and my dream is that you have an extraordinary and memorable experience in Savannah. If there is anything that we can do to assist you, please do not hesitate to call on us. We are here for you.

Godspeed and Good Luck!

See you in Savannah,

[Scott Rabalais](#)

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