The KATS Masters Swim Club invites you to Attend:

**The First Annual Flathead Lake Swim Series**

**July 18, 19 & 20, 2014**

**Big Arm, Montana**

USMS Sanction Number: (sanction pending)

**BENEFIT:** This event is a charity event and 100% of the proceeds will go to the Enduring Waves Foundation (see [www.enduringwaves.com](http://www.enduringwaves.com)). The Enduring Waves Foundation is a Montana 501(c)(3) nonprofit (status pending) that assists Montana children financially with various medical expenses.

**LOCATION:** Big Arm State Park (permit pending).

**SANCTION AND RULES:** The open water swim series is sanctioned by USMS swimming. The 2014 USMS Swimming and Montana Masters Swimming Rules will govern the conduct of the meet. Timing will be by Racesplitter. All events will be timed finals.

**ELIGIBILITY:** All swimmers must have a current USMS Swimming card, or be covered by the USMS one-event registration form for insurance purposes. Swimmers must be registered in one manner or another at the beginning of the first race. Online registration or hard copy forms can be processed with the meet entry form. Swimmers must be comfortable swimming in open water to enter this event.

**EVENT FORMAT:** All races will be run as a mass start, in water. Although there will be wetsuit and non-wetsuit divisions for purposes of awards, both divisions will be run simultaneously for each of the four events.

**ENTRIES:** Each swimmer may enter as many events as he or she desires.

**ENTRY FEES:** The entry fee for each swimmer is based on the number of events swum. The single race entry fee is $35.00, the race entry fee for 2 events is $55, the race entry fee for 3 events is $65; and the race entry fee for all 4 events is $70. Swim meet checks should be made payable to “KATS Masters”. No entries will be accepted without the proper entry fees. There will be NO REFUNDS. No entries will be received after July 11, 2013.

Swimmers will receive a participant bag, which will include a shirt, USMS bag tag, USMS swim cap among other great samples from our sponsors.

***Paper registration:*** Mail entries and payment to: KATS MASTERS: Attn: Emily von Jentzen, PO Box 11, Kalispell 59903

***Online registration***: Registration can be submitted online at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**RESULTS:** Results will be posted as they are finalized at the event and online.

***Awards:***

There will be awards for top finishers in each age group in each individual race.

There will also be top three overall awards for the best combined time for all four events with prize money.

1-3 male and female wetsuit division;

1-3 male and female non-wetsuit division

**LODGING:** Big Arm State Park has seven tent sites and 41 RV/trailer sites for camping. Reservations can be made at <http://montanastateparks.reserveamerica.com>. The closest hotels to the race are located in Polson, approximately 15 minutes from the race site.

**ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries and accompanying fees must be received no later than July 11, 2014.**

**Questions? Contact Emily von Jentzen: 406.529.2830,** **emily.vonjentzen@gmail.com**

**FLATHEAD LAKE SWIM SERIES 2014 ENTRY FORM**

**Please send form and fees to: KATS Masters Attn: Emily von Jentzen/ PO Box 11, Kalispell 59903**

**OR Register Online at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Friday July 18, 2014** | **Saturday July 19, 2014** | **Sunday July 20, 2014** |
| ☐5K Open Water Swim | Est. finish time:  | ☐10K Open Water Swim | Est. finish time:  | ☐1 mile Open Water Swim | Est. finish time:  |
| 2 hour course time limit | 3.5 hour course time limit | ☐1/2 mile Open Water Swim | Est. finish time:  |
| Mandatory pre-race athlete meeting at 5:40 p.m. | Mandatory pre-race athlete meeting at 7:40 a.m. | Mandatory pre-race athlete mtg at 7:40a.m. (1 mile) and 9:10 a.m. (1/2 mile) |

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| **NAME:**  |
| **ADDRESS:**  |
| **CITY: ZIP:**  |
| **PHONE:**  |
| **EMAIL:**  |
| **DATE OF BIRTH: SEX: M / F** |
| **PRIMARY MASTERS WORKOUT GROUP: USMS #:** |

1-Race Entry Fee: $35.00…………………………………………………………………..…………………\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2-Race Entry Fee: $55.00…………………………………………………………......………………………\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3-Race Entry Fee: $65.00……………………………………………………………..………………………\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4-Race Entry Fee: $70.00…………………………………………………………………..…………………\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

USMS One Event fee (If not USMS Member): $18.00…………………………………………………..…..\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Additional donation (tax deductible) for the Enduring Waves Foundation…………..……………………..\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (all swimmers receive a shirt free of charge with entry!) S M L XL XXL

 **NO ENTRIES WILL BE RECEIVED AFTER July 11, 2014**

 Total Enclosed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (All checks payable to KATS Masters)

**Disclosures:** 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 CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, OF THE FOLLOWING: UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING, INC., 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.

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Athlete Name (printed) Signature Date