# 12th Annual Madison Open Water Swim (MOWS) 1.2 and 2.4 Mile Open Water Swim



Saturday, August 16, 2014 Madison Open Water Swim Open Water Registration



## Test Mode

**Registration Schedule** 

It is now 5:36 PM CDT on Sunday, April 27, 2014.

**Open Close** 

This competition is limited to the first 500 entrants. Currently there are 0 entrants.

#### Resources Club Entry Rosters



Saturday, August 16, 2014 8:30 am at Lake Monona, Law Park, Madison, Wisconsin Sponsored by Wisconsin Masters Aquatic Club - Madison Area Masters http://www.ClubAssistant.com/MOWS2014

### Madison Open Water Swim

Wave 1 - 2.4 mile Madison Open Water Swim (no wetsuits) Wave 2 - 2.4 mile Madison Open Water Swim (wetsuits allowed) Wave 3a - 1.2 mile Madison Open Water Swim (no wetsuits) Wave 3b - 1.2 mile Madison Open Water Swim (wetsuits allowed)

All swimmers will start in the water and finish on the beach utilizing electronic timing chips. There will be three starting waves as described in the <u>Event PDF</u> file.

This is a 1.2 mile rectangular course in the same location as Ironman Wisconsin which is scheduled for the following month. View the course and event layout in the <u>Event PDF</u> file. The course is well marked with eighteen orange buoys, patrolled by lifeguards and volunteers in a variety of watercraft. The past water temperatures for this event have been 72 to 77 degrees F. For swimmer safety, wet suits are not allowed if the water temperature exceeds 78 degrees F. See last years <u>times</u> and <u>pictures</u>.

#### When

Saturday, August 16, 2014. Event check-in begins at 7:00 am. The mandatory pre-swim briefing starts at 8:15 am. You must exit the water after warming up and attend the pre-swim briefing. The swim events start at 8:30 am. Detailed safety instructions will be given at this time.

#### Where

Law Park on Lake Monona,100 E John Nolen Dr, Madison, Wisconsin. Parking and hotels are available in several nearby locations as marked in the <u>Location PDF</u> file. More lodging may found at: <u>www.visitmadison.com/visitors/stay/hotels/</u>.

#### Eligibility

Open to all swimmers 18 years and over as of August 16, 2014. Please judge your own ability level prior to registering for this race. In order to complete the swim within the prescribed time limits, you should to be able to swim 500 yards in 13 minutes.

Because this is a USMS sanctioned event, 2014 USMS or FINA membership is required. There are two membership options:

1. Annual USMS membership (\$46.00 for WI good through 12/31/2014).

2. One Event membership (\$18.00). Please note, this can only be used once in a year.

Foreign swimmers with FINA memberships are not eligible for USMS records or All-American status.

#### How to Enter/Register

Registration online is required. The entry fee is \$35.00 if received before 5:00 pm CST on Wednesday, August 6 or \$55.00 if received before registration closes at 5:00 pm CST on Tuesday, August 12. There will be no registration (including race day) after 5:00 pm CST on August 12.

Online event entries are paid by credit card to ClubAssistant.com Events.

Registration is limited to 500 swimmers. A photo ID (driver's license), USMS membership and event registration verification may be required at check-in. You will be required to sign a liability waiver at check-in.

Click to see the current number of entries.

A MOWS 2014 t-shirt is available for purchase for an additional \$12.00. The shirt is 100% cotton and is printed on the front with the MOWS 2014 logo. Shirts must be ordered during registration no later than August 6, 2014 and must be picked up during check-in.

#### **Event Details**

**Schedule:** The detailed schedule and event map can be found in the <u>Event PDF</u> file.

**Safety/Rules:** The race course will be patrolled by a variety of water craft and certified lifeguards. Current U.S. Masters Swimming rules will govern this event and a USMS judge will serve as starter. If the water temperature is above 78 degrees F, no wetsuits will be allowed. Detailed safety instructions and USMS rules are included in the <u>Safety PDF file</u>. Detailed

safety instructions will be given at the pre-race briefing.

**Timing:** Electronic timing will be used. Each swimmer will wear an electronic timing chip on an ankle bracelet to automatically record their time. Timing chips must be returned after crossing the finish line or a \$30 charge will be assessed to the swimmer.

Food: Bagels, fruit, water and other refreshments will be available after the swim.

**Awards and Results:** Awards will be given for each age group only after the event is over. Age groups will be 18-24, 25-29, 30-34 . . . (continuing in 5 year increments). Awards will also be separated into wetsuit and non-wetsuit categories for each age group. Race day results will be posted only after each event is over. Results will also be posted later on <u>http://www.performancetiming.com/</u>. Must be present to receive your award. Awards will not be mailed.

For questions or more information on MOWS, please email <a href="mailto:swim.mows@gmail.com">swim.mows@gmail.com</a>

#### Volunteers

If you would like to be a MOWS volunteer, please email <u>volunteer.mows@gmail.com</u>. Some areas needing volunteers:

- Swimmer check-in stations.
- Pre-event set up.
- Post-event clean up.
- Kayak swimmer watcher support (need to have own kayak).

#### Sponsors

- Raw Revolution
- Bagels Forever

Please note: If paying by credit card, your credit card statement will reflect a charge from "ClubAssistant.com Events."