

17th Annual Daiquiri Deck Tropical Splash

Nokomis Public Beach, Nokomis, Florida

Sanctions:

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Hosted by the [Sarasota Sharks Inc.](#)

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NEW RACE LOCATION for 2020! Nokomis Public Beach, on the beautiful Gulf of Mexico, is located just south of Sarasota. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a great race and a special weekend.

Directions: Nokomis Beach address is 100 Casey Key Road, Nokomis, FL, 34275. From Sarasota, go south on US 41 (Tamiami Trail) to Albee Road West (approximately one mile south of Laurel Road). Turn right (west) and go one mile to Nokomis Public Beach. There is ample free parking. Check-in is adjacent to the parking lot. Look for the lighted tables.

USMS & USA Swimming races offered:

1K (0.6 miles, 1 length of the course)

2K (1.2 miles, 1 loop of the course)

4K (2.5 miles, 2 loops of the course)

Course Map:



Entries: Only first 400 entries accepted. Please note that this race has sold out in the past, so enter early. Online entries will be accepted until **11:59 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2020**. NO RACE DAY ENTRIES. Entries will be processed through the Club Assistant web site.

Eligibility: The race is open to all members of U.S. Masters Swimming and all ATHLETE members of USA Swimming. Adults who are not current members of U.S. Masters Swimming may pay for a one-day membership during the online entry process; the one-day membership is \$15.00 (in addition to the event entry fee). One-day memberships are NOT available for swimmers under the age of 18.

Entry Fees:

Early entry: **\$50.00** on or before April 20, 2020

Late entry: **\$55.00** April 21 through April 29, 2020

All entrants will receive a free race T-shirt and swim cap. Online entries are paid by credit card to "ClubAssistant.com Events".

Note: There are NO refunds. Due to the fixed costs of running a race such as this one, we do not offer any refunds for weather-related cancellations or if you are unable to swim for any reason.

Race-day Schedule

6:30 a.m. Check-in at the beach pavilion

7:15 a.m. Check-in closes

7:20 a.m. Pre-race safety meeting for ALL swimmers (mandatory)

8:00 a.m. 1K start

8:05 a.m. 4K start

8:10 a.m. 2K start

Rules (READ THIS!)

- Current [2020 U.S. Masters Swimming rules](#) and USA Swimming rules will govern the event. All distances will be swum "Open." Final results will be posted by age group.
- No wetsuits allowed
- No triathlon suits or suits that cover the shoulders
- No headphone music listening devices can be used while swimming. If you are found wearing headphones, you will be disqualified.
- You must wear the provided swim cap during the race.
- The time limit for the 4K is 2.5 hours. Swimmers still in the water after 2.5 hours will be notified that the race is over and asked to leave the water. Results will show their time as DNF (did not finish).
- All swimmers must be body marked with their race number before they can enter the water.
- Escorting a swimmer: If you desire to have someone swim with you during your race that is OK, however, they MUST be a registered swimmer in the event. They CANNOT swim with you unless they are registered. Having them swim with you and not being registered jeopardizes our insurance for every participant.

Check-In: Check-in and body marking will take place at the Nokomis beach pavilion immediately prior to the pre-race meeting. Racing chips will be issued to all competitors. Please note that racing chips must be worn on your ankle when crossing the finish line in order for your time to be properly recorded. If you carry your chip in your hand, or any place other than your ankle, the equipment will not detect your finish time, and as a result, you will not receive a time or place.

Pre-race Meeting: The pre-race athlete meeting is MANDATORY for all swimmers! No exceptions. The meeting will take place at the check-in area for all race distances. Please refer to course map for course details.

Equipment: All participants will be provided with a swim cap, which must be worn during the race. Wetsuits are not permitted. Support craft other than designated event craft are not permitted. Persons allergic to latex should plan to wear a silicone cap beneath their race cap or bring their own brightly-colored silicone cap.

Water Temperature: 78-84 degrees. Real-time water temperature is available at the NOAA buoy in Venice (VENF1): https://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=venf1

Safety: Emergency personnel on watercraft will protect the course. Medical personnel will be onsite. In case of inclement weather, unusually adverse surf conditions, or any other factors that may arise, an event committee composed of the event directors and race referee may modify starting times or cancel events.

Time Limit: Maximum time permitted to complete the race is 2.5 hours. Swimmers still in the water after 2.5 hours will be notified that the race is over and asked to leave the water. Results will show their time as DNF (did not finish).

Age:

For USA Swimming participants: The age of the swimmer on the day of the swim will determine the age group.

For USMS and one-event participants: The age of the swimmer on December 31, 2020, will determine the age group.

Results: Preliminary results will be posted at the beach pavilion immediately following the race. Final results will be posted at the Daiquiri Deck post-race party and online at dixiezone.org.

Awards: Awards will be given to the top five finishers, male and female, for each race (1K, 2K, and 4K) for both USMS and USA Swimming divisions.

1K Awards Presentation: Awards for the 1K race will be given on the beach immediately following the race.

2K & 4K Awards Presentation and Gathering: Awards for the 2K and 4K races will be given at the **Daiquiri Deck** post-race gathering, to be held at the **Daiquiri Deck Venice location** at 300 W Venice Avenue, Venice, FL, 34285 (about 3.2 miles from the beach). The Daiquiri Deck features a full menu of food and beverages and is graciously providing space for our gathering, along with sponsor support for the race. All participants (including 1K) and all ages are welcome at Daiquiri Deck and are invited to attend.