

UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING
LONG DISTANCE COMMITTEE
 MINUTES

Sept. 24, 1992

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1. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 by chairman Rob Copeland.
 Members present: Peter Crumbine, Sally Ann Dillon, Lynn Hazelwood, Edna Laflin, George McVey, Adrienne Pipes, Kevin Polansky, and Craig Tribuzi.
2. Chairman Report and Announcements.
 - a. Of the eight Long Distance National Championships, all but three events had been completed. The remaining events are the Postal 10K, Postal 6000, and the 5 mile swim at San Pedro.
 - b. Update on USS Long Distance Swimming
 - i. This year, USMS swimmers will be receiving two of the three awards issued by USS Open Water Swimming. Their names were not public at the time of the meeting.
 - ii. USS has changed the name of their committee to Open Water Swimming Committee and encouraged USMS to also change their name accordingly.
3. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - a. Long Distance Calendar - Gary McDowell again prepared the 1992 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.
 - b. Cable Swim Guide - The guide has been printed and is available for distribution.
4. Bids for the 1994 Long Distance National Championships were collected and reviewed. The selection of championship bids were as follows:

1994 Championship	Awarded To:	Time Frame (1994)
1 Mile Swim	Ohio Masters	Aug. 7
2 Mile Swim on 1/4 Mile Straightaway	Virginia Masters	July 11th
Open Water 1.5 to 3 Mile	Adirondack Masters, Mirror Lake	July
Open Water 3.5 to 5 Mile	Minnesota Masters, Lake Minnetanka	Aug. 6th
Open Water 6+ Mile	Southern Pacific Masters, Seal Beach	July 16th
1 Hour Postal	St. Louis Masters	Jan.1 - Jan. 31
6000 Yd. Postal	Southern Pacific Masters, Aliso Hills Swim Ranch	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30
10K Postal	Berkeley Aquatics Masters, NJ	May 15 - Sept. 30

5. Long Distance Rule changes were reviewed.

a. The following rules were approved by the committee: LD-1, LD-3, LD-7, LD-8, LD-9, LD-12, LD-13, LD-14, LD-15, LD-17, LD-18, LD-19, LD-20, and LD-21.

b. The following rule was rejected by the committee: LD-10.

c. The following rules were approved as amended:

i. LD-2 301.2 Registration and Sanction - p. 62.

Delete the last three (3) sentences and add:

.3 A long distance competition may include both USMS and USS events, with the USMS events sanctioned or approved by USMS and the USS events sanctioned or approved by USS. Under no circumstances shall a USMS athlete and a USS athlete be considered part of the same event. Athletes holding both USMS and USS registrations must declare their race affiliation, in writing, prior to the start of the event.

ii. LD-4 302.2.3 Time/Distance - p. 63.

The last sentence should be removed and replaced with the following:

In pools that are 50 meters or longer, the Referee shall establish procedures to prevent drafting if more than one swimmer is competing per lane. In pools that are less than 50 meters, no more than two swimmers shall share a lane. When two swimmers are sharing the same lane, they shall conform to Article 102.10.3 (A) (6) (a) and (b) - Lane Etiquette.

iii. LD-5 302.2.7 Relays - p. 65.

The last sentence should be removed and replace with the following:

In pool events, the exchange is governed by Article 101.7.3 (C) and (H) - Rules Pertaining to Relay Races.

iv. LD-6 Costume

304.4 Costume For non-National Championship Events - p. 66.

.1 Swimmers' costumes must be non-transparent and conform to the current concept of the appropriate. The Referee shall have the authority to bar offenders from competition until they appear properly costumed. ~~One suit, goggles~~ Goggles, ear plugs, and grease shall be allowed. ~~The suit shall be made of a porous material.~~

.6 Advertising products involving tobacco, alcohol, or pharmaceuticals containing drugs banned under IOC or FINA rules may not be advertised, but the advertiser's name only

may be used.

305.4.4 Costume For National Championship Events - p. 69.

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v. LD-11 Age Groups

304.7 Age Groups For non-National Championship Events - p. 67.

.1 Individual - Age groups in individual events for men and women shall be 19-24, 25-29, ~~30-35, ..., 90-94, and 95 and older.~~ and 5 year age groups as high as is necessary to include all entrants.

305.2.2.B Team events for National Championship Events - p. 68.

Men's and Women's Team events shall be recognized in the following age groups 19+, 25+, ~~35+, 45+, 55+, 65+, 75+ and 85+~~ and 10 year increments as high as is necessary to include all entrants, as determined by the age of the youngest swimmer.

vi. LD-16 305.4.5.A Assistance During the Race - p. 70.

Feeding is permissible, but the use of alcohol, or illegal drugs banned by IOC or FINA is forbidden.

d. The following new rules were approved:

i. LD-22 303.2 New section

303.2 Escorted Swims

.1 In any event for which it has been arranged that an escort craft or paddler will accompany each swimmer throughout the event, all swimmers must be accompanied by such an escort paddler or craft. If the escort paddler or craft becomes disabled or cannot continue to accompany the swimmer, the swimmer must either stay in the water next to the escort craft until a replacement escort arrives, or exit the water.

.2 If a swimmer's escort paddler or craft becomes unable to accompany its swimmer as per section 303.2.1, a paddler or craft escorting another swimmer may assume

responsibility for the swimmer with the disabled escort, subject to the following conditions:

- .a any one paddler or craft may escort no more than two swimmers, and
- .b the two swimmers must stay within 5 meters of each other. Failure to stay within this prescribed distance will result in immediate disqualification of the second swimmer and the immediate removal of that person from the water.

ii. LD-23 305.2.2 Team Events - p. 68.

.A Three-person Team events ...

.C Team events shall be determined by the Long Distance Swim Committee.

6. A discussion about standardizing the postal meet entries was entertained. Standardization and distribution to the LMSCs could minimize printing space in Swim magazine. The committee is reviewing this suggestion.
7. A Long Distance Training questionnaire was distributed to the committee for comments. When finalized, the questionnaire will be circulated.
8. The committee decided that the following information should be included in Swim magazine:
 - a. Postal Championship Entries
 - 1 Hour Postal - Nov./Dec. Issue
 - 10K Postal - May/June Issue
 - 6000 Postal - Aug./Sept. Issue
 - b. Long Distance Calendar Submission Forms
 - c. Long Distance Calendar Events
 - d. Long Distance articles.
9. Long Distance ad hoc committees:

Lynn Hazelwood	-	Record Tabulation for Long Distance Swimming
Peter Crumbine	-	Long Distance Swimming All American
Kevin Polansky	-	Long Distance Swimming Awards
Sally Ann Dillon & David Grey	-	Long Distance Swimming Performance Awards
Craig Tribuzi	-	Long Distance Policy manual and Swim Guide
10. The committee discussed one event registrations. The committee felt that one event registrations would promote participation in long distance events, however, it would not necessarily promote lifetime participation. The committee voted to approve one event registrations.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33

Respectfully Submitted - Craig Tribuzi

**UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING
LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP BID FORM**

We _____ herewith submit a bid to host and conduct the **1994 USMS Long Distance National Championship** as indicated below.

- _____ 1 Mile
- _____ 2 Mile on 1/4 mile Straightaway
- _____ 1.5 to 3 Mile actual event length _____
- _____ 3.5 to 5 Mile actual event length _____
- _____ 6+ Mile actual event length _____
- _____ 1 Hour Postal
- _____ 6000 Yard Postal
- _____ 10 K Postal

If our bid to host a USMS Long Distance Swimming Championship event is accepted, we agree to comply with all applicable USMS rules and regulations, with the understanding that the acceptance of this bid is contingent upon the proper execution of the contract to be issued by United States Masters Swimming.

(Signature)

(Date)

In Area Bid _____ Out Of Area Bid _____ (check one)

Sanctioning LMSC _____
Event Location _____

Event Name _____
Event Date(s) _____/_____/____ through _____/_____/____
Anticipated # of entrants _____

Submitted by _____

Event Manager _____

phone (____) _____-_____

phone (____) _____-_____

SEND TO: Rob Copeland
 USMS Long Distance Chairman
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 Somerset, NJ 08873
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_____ reviewed by (USMS Long Distance Chairman)

Date

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Evaluator _____

UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 23 - 27, 1992

MINNAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

COMMITTEE Long Distance Swimming

CHAIRMAN Rob Copeland RECORDER Craig F. Buzi

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kevin [unclear]

Peter Crumbine Adrienne Pipes Gym Haglawood
Sally Dillon Edna Lylin George McVey

NON-VOTING MEMBERS, VOICE AT OPTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

MICHAEL COLLINS - PACIFIC FOREST SULLIVAN - VIRGINIA
GERRY RODRIGUES - SPMA Linda McCowan - Virginia
Steve Schofield - SPMA (for Gary McDowell)
ROBERT E. ZARNER - CHSA Pat Mahey (ch)
MEL GOLDSTEIN Robert Mitchell SPMA
PAUL WINDRATH - MINN Betsy Owens Adir
George Pearson - Oregon DAVE GRAY, PACIFIC
ALAN LEVINSON - PACIFIC JIM WHEELER - PACIFIC
GEORGE KENNY - COLORADO Christine Winn - Pacific

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Maureen Kura - Central - Lake Erie Ohio Masters
Jan Per Lee Lake Erie Frank Navesant - Pacific Northwest
Jane Moore Pacific Northwest