

Dixie Zone News

July - September 1994

CONVENTION'S COMING

The 1994 USMS Convention is scheduled to take place in Kansas City, Missouri from September 28 through October 2. The Dixie Zone Committee will meet on Friday, September 30 from 8:30 - 10:00 am. On the meeting's agenda is a review of the various zone projects and policies.

At the meeting, bids will be taken for the hosting of three zone championship meets (SCY, LCM, SCM) in 1995. Interested parties are encouraged to notify their LMSC delegates of their desire to bid for a zone meet. It will be recommended for committee approval that no LMSC be allowed to submit a bid to host a championship meet in two consecutive years in the same course unless no other bids are offered.

Each LMSC in USMS is allowed a specific number of voting delegates depending upon LMSC size. LMSCs with 300 or less registrations are allowed one voting delegate. If an LMSC has over 300 registrations, it is entitled to one additional member delegate. For each additional 500 registrations, the LMSC is entitled to one more member in the House of Delegates.

Delegates from the LMSCs in the Dixie Zone are as follows. Those with an asterisk (*) will be attending the convention under entitlements other than LMSC delegate.

FLORIDA - Jerry Glancy, Meegan Wilson, Charles Kohnken, Catie Cooper*, Frank Tillotson*

FLORIDA GOLD COAST - Carl House, Randy Nutt, June Krauser*, Judy Bonning*

GEORGIA - Lisa Watson, Diane Black*, Bill Black*

NORTH CAROLINA - Ceil Blackwell, George Simon

SOUTH CAROLINA - Joseph Kurtzman

SOUTHEASTERN - Elleen Schappel, Pat Wilson, Rocky Motter*

SOUTHERN - Barbara Bower, Cindy Hale

Zone Representative - Scott Rabalais



ZONE LONG COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1994 Dixie Zone Long Course Championships were held in St. Petersburg, Florida on July 22-24. Meet Director Harold Ferris reports that about 175 swimmers attended the meet, with roughly 50 St. Pete members participating. Leading the way in the visiting teams' scoring was a strong contingent from Orlando Masters, coached by Lucky Meisenheimer. Following Orlando was Suncoast Masters and Holmes Lumber Jax. A new Masters group from Winterhaven, Florida sent eight swimmers to the meet.

An informal social was held at the Olive Garden after Saturday's events. Although dark skies threatened the outdoor meet on all three days, the downpour didn't strike until just after the last event on Sunday.



SHORT COURSE METERS CHAMPIONSHIP

The 194 Dixie Zone Short Course Meters Championships is tentatively scheduled for December 10 - 11 in New Orleans. The dates of the meet will be finalized soon pending the schedule of USS meets. All Dixie Zone teams will be sent a meet entry form as soon as it becomes available.

The meet will be held at the University of New Orleans Lakefront Arena Pool, which harbors on Lake Pontchartrain. The pool is a fast, 8-lane facility with an 8-lane 25 yard warmup pool.

For additional information, contact Dick Bower at 600 Haring Rd., Metairie, LA 70001. (504)456-9569.

LMSC REMINDERS

- 1) One-Event registrations are now being accepted. The National Registrar reports that about 60 One-Event registrations have been received thus far in 1994 (nationally).
- 2) The partial-year (reduced fee) registration may be submitted September 1 through October 31 and will be effective through December 31. Registrars should remind teams in their LMSC about the availability of the partial-year registration. Rather than the usual \$15.00 national fee, the amount is reduced to \$10.00 for this type of registration.
- 3) Timely submission of Top Ten times is crucial. As a reminder, the deadline dates for submission to our National Top Ten Recorder are July 15 (SCY), October 20 (LCM), and February 5 (SCM).
- 4) SWIM Magazine will dedicate four pages for the publishing of the USMS Short Course and Long Course National Championship entry forms and information. The entry form for the One Hour Swim and three fitness events will also be placed in the magazine. Other USMS Long Distance Championship events will be highlighted. Dixie Zone's championship meets will be listed on the Calendar of Events page along with a random selection of other Dixie Zone meets.
- 5) The USMS Executive Committee has deemed it inappropriate to include beer relays on entry forms, conduct them at the meet venue, or discuss them in newsletters as though they were part of a sanctioned event.
- 6) Meet Directors should inform the Dixie Zone Representative and/or USMS Calendar Editor Lynn Hazlewood of scheduled meets. If possible, send a meet entry form or general information as early as possible to both. Please include name of meet, location (town), course, and name, address and phone of contact person. Lynn's address is 11714 Decade Ct., Reston, VA 22091. (703)860-5304
- 7) Meet Directors please continue sending a copy of your final results to our Zone Recorder, Rocky Motter. Rocky uses these results to compile our Zone Top Ten and Records. Her address is 108 Tiffany Road, Bristol, TN 37620. (615)652-1998



AROUND THE DIXIE ZONE

Florida - During the St. Petersburg Masters Short Course Yards Meet, John P. Maguire, who served 11 years as Florida LMSC Chairman and several years as a member of the USMS Finance Committee, was presented a golf driver through contributions from Florida LMSC clubs and individuals. He also received a handsome plaque in appreciation for his excellent work.

Florida Gold Coast - FGC sent fourteen swimmers and one coach to SCY Nationals in Tempe, Arizona. Results include five national championships and one national record for June Krauser, and national championships as well for Anne McGuire, Doug Buchan and Richard Kane. Randy Nutt, a Coral Springs swimmer, was recently elected chairman of the LMSC. Kathy Royce, formerly of Aquacrest, was named LMSC Coach-of-the-Year.

Georgia - Clay Stanton, Ed Saltzman, Lindley Doughty, Igor Vazhenin and Winnie Prall represented the Georgia Killer Whales at the World Championships in Montreal. Yit Lim represented the Cobb Masters, minus two teeth that he knocked out in swim practice. About 3500 swimmers from throughout the world competed in the meet. In the 50 back, Lindley Doughty beat former East German Olympian Kornelia Ender. Congratulations!

North Carolina - The Mecklenburg Aquatic Club Masters are hosting the North Carolina Long Course State Championships July 30-31 at the MAC Swim Center at Charlotte Latin School. An LMSC meeting is scheduled to take place following the events on Saturday, July 30.

South Carolina - Congratulations to Geneva Kahrs of North Charleston who turned 80 earlier this year! This feisty young lady is ready to tackle a new age group, setting records, improving her times, and earning Top Ten rankings.

Southeastern - Mary Lee Watson and Steve Gilliam of the Music City Masters were recently inducted into the Tennessee Swimming Hall of Fame. John Smith, a Holmes Lumber Jax member, was also inducted. All three have accomplished great things in swimming and richly deserve this tremendous honor.

Southern - At the recent Southern Masters Short Course Yards Championships in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, each entrant posed for a close-up photo shot at registration on the first day of the meet. Film was developed same-day, pictures were placed in inexpensive, engraved frames, and the "award" was given to the participants upon arrival on day two. Also, swimmers' races were videotaped and shown at the pizza social on Saturday afternoon.

LMSC Newsletter Editors: Newsletters are received on a continual basis from the Florida, Florida Gold Coast, Georgia, South Carolina, and Southern LMSCs. Editors are encouraged to publish regular newsletters for their members and to send copies to both the National Office and to your Dixie Zone Representative. Thank you!

MEET CALENDAR

- AUGUST 6 AQUACREST LONG COURSE METERS Delray Beach, FL Kathy Royce, 2503 Seacrest Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33444 407-278-7174
- AUGUST 13-14 GEORGIA MASTERS LONG COURSE MEET Atlanta, GA (LCM) Lisa Watson, 804 Howell Ct., Duluth, GA 30136 404-497-1901
- SEPTEMBER 17 AQUACREST FALL SWIM CLASSIC Delray Beach, FL (SCM)
 Scott Barlow, 2503 Seacrest Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33444 407-278-7174
- SEPTEMBER 29 OCTOBER 1 GEORGIA GOLDEN OLYMPICS (Ages 55 & Over)
 Being held at Warner Robbins AFB, call 404-657-6644. Deadline August 1.
- OCTOBER 8 SHORT COURSE METERS MEET Orlando, FL Scott Hartle, 8422 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819 407-351-4400
- OCTOBER 15 SUNCOAST MASTERS PENTATHLON Sarasota, FL (SCY) Steve Grossman, 2114 Bougainvillea St., Sarasota, FL 34239 813-955-5449
- NOVEMBER 12 TOP TEN CHALLENGE Delray Beach, FL (SCM)
 Scott Barlow, 2503 Seacrest Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33444 407-278-7174
- DECEMBER 2-4 Gold Coast Invitational Ft. Lauderdale, FL (SCY) Stu Marvin, ISHOF, 501 Seabreeze Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316 305-468-1580
- DECEMBER 10-11 Dixie Zone Short Course Meters Championships New Orleans, LA Dick Bower, 600 Haring Rd., Metairie, LA 70001 504-456-9569 (dates tentative)

AWARDS ACROSS AMERICA UPDATE

After sending press releases to LMSC Newsletter Editors throughout USMS, awards have begun to pour in to AAA headquarters. Over 1000 medals, ribbons, trophies, and plaques have been collected thus far. Thanks to those of you who collected at various meets and passed along a donation to the program.

A shipment of recycled awards has been sent to our first recipient organization, Childhelp USA. Word got around to a chapter in Beaumont, California, which serves about 80 abused and neglected children, ages 4 - 10. The director of the chapter, called Eagles of Childhelp, explained that the awards will be used in the numerous local contests and games that are offered to the children.

Once again, if you know of awards simply collecting dust in the closet, please consider passing them along to the Zone Rep (see return address). Medals, ribbons, and small trophies are preferred. Also, if you know of a candidate for a recipient organization, please let us know who they are, and we'll do the talkin'. Thanks!