

Dixie Zone News

January - March 1994

SHORT COURSE METERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Eleventh Annual Electric City Invitational was also designated as the first Dixie Zone Short Course Meters Championship. The meet was held on November 6-7 at the Sheppard Swim Center in Anderson, South Carolina.

Representing 26 Masters teams from 11 states, 134 swimmers competed in the meet. The Raleigh Area Masters won the team championship by the narrow margin of 940 to 923 over the defending champion Parris Island Masters. The Palmetto Masters, Georgia Masters, and the Aquatic Team of Mecklenburg placed third through fifth, respectively.

John Korthauer of Charlotte, NC and the Mecklenburg Aquatic Club set a world record of 1:22.40 in the 60-64 men's 100 meter breaststroke. Roxanne Motter of the Bristol Y Masters set a USMS record of 35.17 in the 60-64 women's 50 meter freestyle. Many Dixie Zone records and Top Ten times were no doubt established as well.

In addition to all of the excellent swimming, the Anderson Masters hosted an ice cream social immediately after Saturday's events, a dinner and drawing for prizes on Saturday night, and a sub sandwich special after Sunday's events. Each swimmer attending the meet received an Electric City Invitational seat cushion.

We hope that everyone enjoyed their weekend at the Dixie Zone Championships in Anderson.

~Steve Wycoff

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AROUND THE DIXIE ZONE

Florida LMSC - The Shade UVA Guard Team Orlando Masters Short Course Meters Invitational Swim Meet was held in October at the International Drive YMCA and Aquatic Center in Orlando. The more than 190 Masters swimmers that attended this extremely competitive event saw 17 WORLD and 13 NATIONAL records fall. The Holmes Lumber Jax team took the combined team honors with Team Orlando a close second behind. Team Orlando's coach Lucky Meisenheimer was extremely pleased with the meet and received many comments. His only concern was: "What do I do with the extra keg of beer we got for the social?"

Florida Gold Coast LMSC - Jack Nelson was recently named Man-of-the-Year by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce. Jack is a Fort Lauderdale institution as coach of the Fort Lauderdale Swim Team and for his distinguished lifetime of commitment to swimming. Thirty-six Nelson proteges have competed in the Olympics, including several gold medalists and American record-setters.

Georgia LMSC - The Georgia Masters continue to meet regularly to plan a bid presentation for the 1996 USMS Short Course Nationals. The site of the meet would be, of course, the new Olympic facility. The next meeting will be held on February 3 - give Lisa Watson a call for more information. Olympic Pool notes: The covered facility will permanently seat 4,000 spectators, with several thousand temporary seats added for the Games.

North Carolina LMSC - Plans continue for the 1994 Dixie Zone Short Course Yards Championships to be held at the Pullen Aquatic Center in Raleigh on April 16-17 (entry form enclosed). Dixie members are reminded to donate old and unused awards (medals preferred) at the meet for use in the Awards Across America program. A social will be held on Saturday night at the Brownstone Hotel.

South Carolina LMSC - From South Carolina's "Wet Notes," an interesting note from the now-wife of David Parler, chairman of the SC LMSC:

Please excuse David Parler from writing an article for this edition of Wet Notes. He is getting married and can't even think about swimming until I am through with him.

~Elizabeth

Southeastern LMSC - This LMSC has a goal to increase membership to 1000 swimmers by the year 2000. Each club is encouraged to take on the project of turning old copies of SWIM Magazine into recruiting tools. Southeastern members are asked to bring them to the library, bike shop, gym, or any place Masters may hang out.

Southern LMSC - Once again, February promises to be a big month in Southern. The February Fitness Challenge, administered by the Southern LMSC and Dixie Zone rep Scott Rabalais, expects to draw well over 1000 participants from around the world. February 11-13 are the dates of the Bolts 7th Annual Mardi Gras Meet to be held at the University of New Orleans. It's the biggest party on this side of the world!

LMSC GROWTH & MEMBER RETENTION

Our National Registrars, Diane and Bill Black, analyzed registrations by LMSCs toward the end of 1993 and provided the information for the USMS Board of Directors. While a number of factors impact registrations and reregistrations, USMS may be able to identify some programs or techniques employed by the high retention LMSCs which could benefit others.

How to read the report

The first section analyzes 1991 swimmer registrations. The "91rr" ('91 reregistrations) column includes those who were registered in 1991 and also in 1992. The "91lo" ('91 lost) column includes those who did not reregister in 1992, and the "91t" ('91 total) column includes all those in the '91 database. The "% reregistered" column is the 1991 Reregs. column divided by the 1991 Total column. The '92 columns are similar to '91.

The '93 Total column includes the swimmers registered for 1993 reported to the National Registrars by October 15, 1993. The 1993 New column summarizes those swimmers in the 1993 database who were not in the 1992 database. The 93/92 Change column is the difference between the 1992 total and the 1993 totals. The final column summarizes the reregistration percentages for 1991 and 1992 combined.

LMSC	91rr	91lo	91t	%rr	92rr	92lo	92t	%rr	93t	93ne	93/92change	2yr%rr
North Carolina	314	199	513	61.2%	331	277	608	54.4%	584	253	(24)	-3.9%
Georgia	139	96	235	59.1%	113	113	226	50.0%	234	121	8	3.5%
South Carolina	80	73	153	52.3%	93	75	168	55.4%	195	102	27	16.1%
Florida	552	451	1003	55.0%	452	423	875	51.7%	1012	560	137	15.7%
Southeastern	302	238	540	55.9%	227	256	483	47.0%	432	205	(51)	-10.6%
Southern	220	208	428	51.4%	237	224	461	51.4%	397	160	(64)	-13.9%
Fla Gold Coast	189	295	484	39.0%	170	216	386	44.0%	455	285	69	17.9%

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE

1. **WAIVER.** When you get local newsletters, check the waiver on the meet entries. If it is not correct, contact the LMSC chairman with some kind of reminder.
2. The 1993 LMSC Financial Reports and minutes of the LMSC Annual Meeting are due now to the National Office.
3. The HY-TEK program is available - one copy per LMSC at \$200.
4. A free subscription to the Top Ten lists is sent to each LMSC. In the past it was sent to the chairman of each LMSC. This year it is being sent to the LMSC top Ten Chairman. Contact Dorothy Donnelly if this mailing is not going to the correct person.
5. President Mel Goldstein is already working on the schedule of meetings for the 1994 Kansas City convention. He is trying to streamline the meetings and add two workshops.

DIXIE ZONE MEET CALENDAR**FLORIDA LMSC**

February 12-13, 1994 The 13th Annual Tampa Open Masters Meet, Clearwater, FL (SCY)
Contact Jeff Copper 813-264-7918 or Talpha Terrana 813-229-5062

April 15-17, 1994 Annual SCY Championships, St. Petersburg, FL
John Bishop 813-526-2373

FLORIDA GOLD COAST LMSC

April 2, 1994 Aqua Crest - Delray Beach, FL (SCY)
Kathy Royce, 2503 Seacrest Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33444

June 17-19, 1994 Long Course Meet, Coral Springs, FL
Judy Bonning 305-345-5370

GEORGIA LMSC

February 6, 1994 Sportlife - Cobb Developmental Meet, Marietta, GA (SCY)
Lisa Watson 404-497-1901

March 19-20, 1994 St. Patrick's Day Invitational, Dynamo Swim Center, Atlanta (SCY)
Lisa Watson 404-497-1901

August 13-14, 1994 Long Course Meet, Dynamo, Atlanta
Lisa Watson 404-497-1901

NORTH CAROLINA

January 29-30, 1994 MAC Masters Sunbelt Championships, Charlotte, NC (SCY)
Richard Fenton 704-846-5335

April 16-19, 1994 Dixie Zone Short Course Yards Championships, Raleigh, NC
Entry form enclosed.

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 19-20, 1994 South Carolina State Short Course Meet, Charleston, SC (SCY)
David Parler 803-588-9012

SOUTHERN

February 11-13, 1994 Bolts 7th Annual Mardi Gras Meet, New Orleans, LA (SCY)
Dick Bower 504-456-9569

March 19-20, 1994 Southern Masters SCY Championships, Baton Rouge, LA
Scott Rabalais 504-928-5506

July 29-31, 1994 Southern Masters Long Course Championships, Baton Rouge, LA
Scott Rabalais 504-928-5596

Have a GREAT 1994!

NORTH CAROLINA MASTERS SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS
DIXIE ZONE SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS
April 16-17, 1994


- Sponsored by:** Raleigh Area Masters
This meet has been designated as the 1994 Dixie Zone Short Course Championships.
- Sanction by:** LMSC for NC, for USMS, Inc. Sanction No. 134-02
- Meet Director:** John Armfield
- Meet Referee:** Judy Green
- Facility:** Pullen Aquatic Center, 410 Ashe Avenue, Raleigh, N.C. The pool is 50 meters by 25 yards with a bulkhead dividing the competition area into a 8 x 25 yard course. Non-turbulent lane lines and electronic timing system will be used. Continuous warm-up area will be available in the remaining 25 yard course area.
- Rules:** Swimmers must be registered with U.S. Masters Swimming (USMS). A photocopy of your current 1994 registration must be attached to your entry. Registration will not be available at the meet. The 1994 USMS rules shall prevail. Each swimmer will limited to five events per day plus relays. The 19-24 age group will count towards team points. By competing, this age group may affect their U.S.S. amateur standing. Swimmers may enter either the 1650 or the 1000 Free, not both.
- Fees:** Entry fees are \$3.00 for each individual event and a \$6.00 surcharge is added for automatic timing, pool rental and zone fee. Relay fees are \$5.00. Fees must accompany entries and are non-refundable. Late and deck entries will be accepted. Late and deck entry fees will be \$6.00 per event. Make checks payable to Raleigh Area Masters. Send entries to John Armfield, 1907 Cameron Street, Raleigh, N.C. 27605.
- Deadline:** Entry deadline to be seeded is April 5, 1994. City of Raleigh Waiver must be signed and returned with entry.
- Awards:** Awards will be given for 1st - 8th place in each age group in each event. The high point winner in each age group will receive a custom award. Team awards will be given to the 1st - 3rd place teams and 1st place out-of-state team.
- Scoring:** Scoring will be 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 for individual events and 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2 for relays.
- Events:** Saturday, April 16, 1994 -- Warm-up for the 1650 and 1000 begins at 8:00 a.m. Heats for the 1650 and 1000 begin at 8:30 a.m. with a final check-in at 8:15 a.m. Heats will be mixed sex and swum fastest to slowest. Meet management reserves the right to re-deck seed based upon participation. Warm-up for other Saturday events will begin at 12:00 noon. Heats begin at 1:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 17, 1994 -- Warm-up begins at 8:00 a.m. and heats will begin at 9:00 a.m. A final check-in for the 500 free will be held on Sunday morning.
- Lodging:** The Brownstone Hotel, 1707 Hillsborough Street (919) 828-0811 will be the meet headquarters hotel. A block of 50 rooms will be held at a special rate of \$50.00 per night until March 25, 1994. The hotel is approximately 1 1/2 miles from Pullen Aquatic Center. Indicate participation in Masters swim meet to receive special rate.
- Social:** There will be a social at the Brownstone Hotel on Saturday night, April 16, 1994. Food, beverages and door prizes will be provided. Cost is \$10/person.
- LMSC-NC Meeting:** There will be a meeting of LMSC-NC immediately following the events on Saturday, April 16, 1994.
- Information:** John Armfield, Meet Director, (919) 833-6446

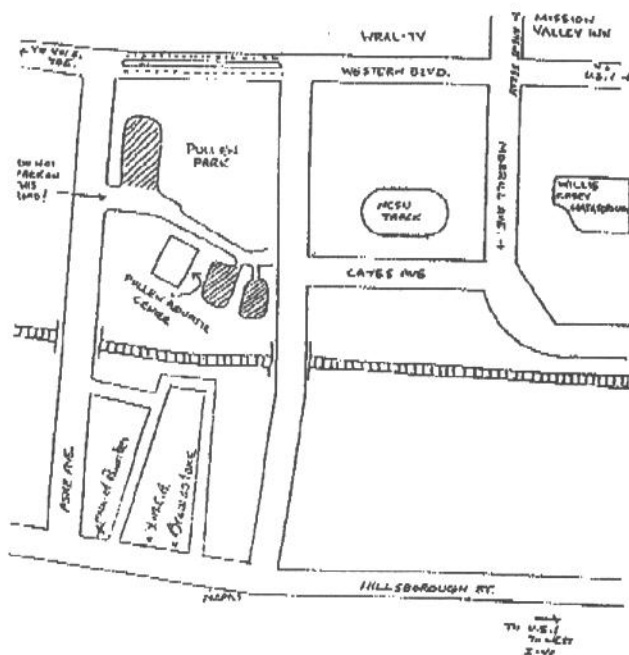
AWARDS ACROSS AMERICA

Have you got a shoebox full of awards that are just collecting dust in the attic? Well, the Dixie Zone is initiating a project designed to benefit programs for the disabled and underprivileged. Called *Awards Across America*, the project's aim is to channel unwanted or unused medals and unique awards to agencies in need. If you can help, please bring your award donations to the meet, and the Dixie Zone will pass them along to those less fortunate. Thanks for your help!

ORDER OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1994				SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 1994			
<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>		<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>	
--Warm-up 8:00 a.m.--				--Warm-up 8:00 a.m.--			
--Start 8:30 a.m.--				--Start 9:00 a.m.--			
1	1650 Freestyle	2					
3	1000 Freestyle	4		25	200 FREE RELAY	26	
--Warm-up 12:00 noon--				27	100 Breaststroke	28	
5	MIXED 200 FREE RELAY	6		29	50 Butterfly	30	
7	200 Butterfly	8		31	200 Freestyle	32	
9	50 Breaststroke	10		33	400 FREE RELAY	34	
11	100 I.M.	12		--10 Minute Break--			
13	200 Backstroke	14		35	200 I.M.	36	
--10 Minute Break--				37	100 Butterfly	38	
15	200 MEDLEY RELAY	16		39	50 Freestyle	40	
17	100 Freestyle	18		41	100 Backstroke	42	
19	50 Backstroke	20		43	MIXED 200 MEDLEY RELAY	44	
21	200 Breaststroke	22		45	500 Freestyle	46	
23	400 I.M.	24					

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WAIVER

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE NC Masters S.C. Championship SWIM MEET
SPONSORED BY Raleigh Area Masters . TO BE HELD April 16-17, 1994 . AT
THE Pullen Aquatic Center POOL OF THE CITY OF RALEIGH, I HEREBY, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS,
ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS, RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE CITY OF RALEIGH, PARKS AND
RECREATION DEPARTMENT, THE PROMOTERS, MANAGERS, EMPLOYEES, AND OPERATORS OF THE
Pullen Aquatic Center POOL FROM ANY INJURY OR LOSS WHICH MIGHT OCCUR DURING MY
PARTICIPATION AND TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE SAID EVENT. I SPECIFICALLY RELEASE AND
DISCHARGE THE SAID PROMOTERS AND SPONSORS AND THE CITY OF RALEIGH WHOSE FACILITIES
ARE BEING USED FOR THIS EVENT, ETC., FROM ALL INJURIES OR DAMAGES ARISING FROM OR
CONTRIBUTED TO BY ANY PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENTS OR DEFECT I MAY HAVE, WHETHER LATENT OR
PATENT, AND AGREE THAT THEY ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION
OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF MY FITNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH EVENTS, THE SAME BEING MY SOLE
RESPONSIBILITY.

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