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INLAND NW MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEE

MEET RECAP

WENATCHEE WINTER INVITATIONAL

Clear, cold weather made for easy travel to the Winter Invitational in Wenatchee. Forty-eight swimmers participated making for a short and sweet meet where we were glad for the ten minute breaks.

Nine clubs and workout groups were represented from four different Local Masters Swimming Committees (LMSCs). [Editor's Note: It would be ten teams and five LM-SCs if we include Cindy Clutter's temporary defection from Lake City Krocs to an Arizona club so she can swim relays in their LMSC Champs...]

Jack Bevier of Wenatchee Valley Masters took advantage of his home pool to set individual records in the following Men's 80-84 events:

200 vd Backstroke - 4:39.82 200 yd IM - 4:23.99 50 yd Fly - 52.77

Thanks to everyone who participated. Individual and relay results are posted at

www.inlandnwmasters.org.

How many Masters swimmer does it take to ensure a solid meet? Many, but some swim, too! Mike Hartley, Carolyn MaGee and Len Lawr look over relay entries.



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Upcoming Events

Friday & Saturday, March 7-8 Spring Splash Kroc Center Pool Coeur d'Alene, ID Distance events on Friday evening. Pancake breakfast followed by Saturday events.

April 5-6 (hopefully!) Inland NW Champs More info to come

April 12-13 NW Zone SCY Champs King Co. Aquatic Ctr Federal Way, WA Deadline April 4th

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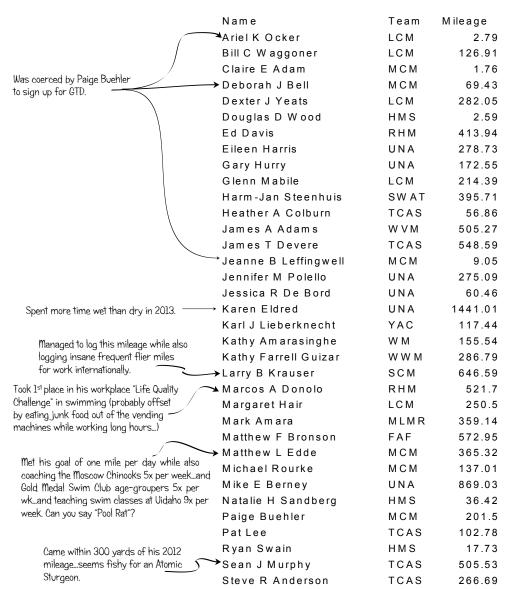
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GO THE DISTANCE RESULTS-2013

By margaret hair, fitness chair

The annual Nike Go The Distance (GTD) program has become one of the most popular events offered by USMS. Through December 31, 2013, the 4096 GTD 2013 participants have swum a total of 824,616.73 miles. Thirty-seven swimmers from the Inland Northwest logged 10,269.85 total miles, averaging 277.56 miles/swimmer. As of mid-January, thirty-four swimmers have registered for the 2014 GTD. It's not too late for you to sign-up and start tracking your distance. Don't let the miles logged by others deter you. Some swimmers have tracked their mileage since the first of the year, while others have only recently started to track their mileage. You can compare your mileage to others if you are curious, otherwise you can focus on your own mileage. GTD is a self-directed program intended to encourage Masters swimmers to regularly exercise and track their progress. Go to www.usms.org/fitness/content/gothedistance to register.



WHY DOES SWIMMING WORK FOR YOU?

by margaret hair. fitness chair

Swimming can be healthy and fun at the same time. Swimming can be done at any intensity and is the "ultimate all-in-one fitness package," Olympian and Masters swimmer Janet Evans has said. What's in the fitness package? USMS has compiled the list below of the many physical, mental and emotional benefits of swimming. Identify the ones that are meaningful to you.

The Physical Benefits of Swimming

- Lowers blood pressure
- Reduces bad cholesterol and raises good cholesterol
- Aids in weight loss and weight maintenance
- Is easier on the joints than impact sports
- Benefits your immune system
- Preserves and improves functional capacity
- Strengthens muscles thanks to the greater resistance of water
- Makes your heart a better and more efficient pump
- Improves flexibility
- Slows down the aging process
- Reduces your risk for heart disease and diabetes
- Reduces chronic pain, particularly from arthritis
- Improves muscle imbalances
- Develops lung capacity and helps COPD and asthma
- Exercises nearly every muscle in the body, especially if you swim all four strokes
- Lowers cortisol
- Improves sleep
- Allows you to exercise when pregnant

The Mental Benefits of Swimming

- Enhances the connections between left and right hemispheres
- Prevents brain shrinkage
- Can help you make new brain cells
- Improves problem solving skills and memory
- Reduces stress
- Allows you to be disconnected in an increasingly overconnected world
- Reduces depression and anxiety
- Improves self-control and willpower which can translate to the rest of life
- Offers relaxation through the repetitive nature of movement
- Improves self esteem
- Improves mental toughness

The Emotional and Social Benefits of Swimming

- All different levels can exercise in the same pool at the same time
- There are toys such as kickboards and pull buoys and snorkels and fins to make a workout different and exciting and easier or harder as need be
- It's just plain fun
- · You get used to seeing yourself in a swimsuit
- You can do it when it is dark and cold outside
- It's uniting, not dividing—we all rest at the same wall
- It's adaptable, and you can do different workouts depending on how you feel
- It's a lifetime sport

People swim for different reasons. Why do you swim? What gets you in the pool for each workout? You may find that the answers change with time. Use that knowledge to enjoy swimming throughout your entire life. Not many other sports can offer that sort of longevity to its athletes.

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Words from the Inland NW LMSC Chair. Matt Bronson

Welcome to another issue of the SplashMaster. The Inland NW LMSC Board of Managers met on Sunday, January 29th to discuss the 2014 annual budget and priorities for spending. This year is the Inland Northwest's turn in the rotation to host the NW Zone Open Water Championships. Without an established USMS-sanctioned open water event in our area, the Board considered how to pursue a bid for this summer and how to financially support the sanctioning fees. In the end it decided to forego hosting the event this year. Hopefully, for you open water swimmers hosting the event is a goal the LMSC can work toward in the future.

Check our webpage often for updates on upcoming events. Tualatin Hills Barracudas in Oregon do a great job holding a postal fitness event each year called the February Fitness Challenge. Hope you can check it out. Lake City Kroc Masters will host their short course meters meet on March 7th & 8th with a pancake breakfast planned before the Saturday morning session. The NW Zone SCY Championships will be held April 12-13 in Federal Way, Washington.

Hope everyone is already making progress on their 2014 goals and resolutions. Don't forget to consider sharing your talents as a volunteer in our organization.

See your meet results at MyUSMS at usms.org

TIDBITS & SHOUT-OUTS

[Submitted by Noelle Adams (LCM)]
A regular in the Kroc Center pool is Nicolette DeMoe. This super mom of three is an Ironman and triathlete groupie. She is constantly growing and stretching herself... and now into butterfly! Check out her Facebook post from January 29, 2014. Come cheer her on at the Coeur d'Alene Kroc Center Spring Splash swim meet!



Well, I signed up for something I've NEVER done before (family motto, check). At our Masters Swim meet in March I'm going to be swimming the 200 meter fly... WHA?! (breathe Nicolette...breathe). I'm more nervous signing up for that than I was for Ironman!



[Submitted by Sean Murphy (TCAS)] Jack Bevier (WVM) broke his own Men's 80-84 record in the Davis Area Masters Brute Squad event by swimming the 200 Fly, 400 IM and 1650 Free in 47:56.40 - including rest! See all the event results at damfast.org under "Competition" as there were 6 women and 3 other men from the Inland NW who competed in the postal event.

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