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MICHIGAN MASTERS SWIMMING Fall/Winter Newsletter - 2015-16

MICHIGAN MASTERS SWIMMERS WIN SUMMER NATIONALS REGIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP !!

The 2015 USMS Summer Long Course National Championships took place from August 6 - 9, 2015 at the Spire Institute in Geneva, Ohio. 969 swimmers from 193 clubs competed.

Michigan Masters won the Combined Regional Club Championship and won the Men's and Women's separate categories as well. This is the fourth time Michigan Masters has won a National Championship in seven years of attending Nationals Championships.

A total of 32 individual National Championship titles were won by Michigan swimmers. Individual titles were evenly distributed, with 16 for the women and 16 for the men. Four of our relays also placed first. Lou Ann Dixon and Ryan Papa both won four individual events. Christian

Vanderkaay and Tony Anderson both won three individual events. Susan Dombkowski, Corrin Buck, Sally Guthrie, Laura Gogola, Erik Lockensgard, and Ray Martin all won two individual events each. Lindsay Richardson, Matt West, and Allan Charlton were single event winners.

Four relays won their age groups; Susan Harris and Corrin Buck were both members on three winning relays. Mary Mueting and Muffy MacKenzie were members of two winning relays. Tony Anderson, Jim Pogue, Tyler Rutkowski, Fares Ksebati, Casey Browning and Chris Deptula were all member of one winning relays.

Fifty-six State Records (18 women, 24 men, 14 relay) were set during the course of the meet. Congratulations to all 67 swimmers that swam in the meet!





MICHIGAN MASTERS SWIMMERS COMPETE IN THE 2015 USMS 15K OPEN WATER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Five Michigan LMSC swimmers competed in the 2015 USMS 15K solo Open Water National Championships, held on June 20th at the Morse Reservoir in Noblesville, Indiana.

This is quite an arduous event! 15 kilometers is approximately 9.3 miles and all 68 competitors were required to have a kayak or paddleboard escort for the entire race, which took almost six hours for some folks.

All five competitors from Michigan (Andrew Berger, Jenny Birmelin, Todd Briggs, Denise Brown, and Pete Pultz) completed the swim in less than five hours. Todd Briggs finished 3rd in the 50-54 men's age group and 25th overall (4:27:58.0). Jenny Birmelin finished 2nd in the 35-39 women's age group and 33rd overall (4:33:09.5). Denise finished close behind Jenny; 34th overall. Denise was 1st in the women's 55-59 age group (4:34:58.4). Andrew Ber-

ger finished 4th in the men's 50-54 age group and 36th overall (4:36:06.9). Pete Pultz finished 5th in the men's 50-54 age group and 39th overall (4:37:50.6).

Look for Michigan LMSC members to also swim in the USMS 5K Open Water National Championships to be held in Chicago at the Big Shoulders Event on September 12th 2015.



2016 SPRING USMS CHAMPIONSHIPS TO TAKE PLACE IN GREENSBORO, NC

Those of you who attended the 2012 USMS Spring Nationals (SCY) Championships will remember the wonderful new facility and the warm hospitality extended by the folk in Greensboro, NC.

This next year the USMS Spring Nationals will again be held in Greensboro, at the Greensboro Aquatic Center from April 28th to May 1st, 2016.

So put it on your calendar now and plan to attend. Greensboro is within a day's drive (albeit a rather *long* drive), so we are expecting a big crowd from Michigan!





FALL/WINTER USMS POOL MEETS
FOR 2015-2016 WITHIN A DAY'S DRIVE OF MICHIGAN
Check Michigan Masters website for downloadable entries

Date	Host	Sanction#	Location	Course	Meet Director	email
Oct. 11, 2015	Milan High School	Sanctioned	Milan High School Milan, Michigan Written Entry	SCY	Kerry Frame 734-646-5819	kerryframe@gmail.com
Oct. 25, 2015	Traverse City	Sanctioned	Grand Traverse Bay YMCA, Traverse City, MI Written Entry	SCY	Kathy Coffin-Sheard	kcoffinsheard@gmail.com
Nov. 1, 2015	Mason High School	Sanctioned	Mason High School, Mason, MI. Written Entry	SCM	Connie Cantrell	cantrellc@masonk12.net
Nov. 14, 2015	Miami Redfins Fall Masters Meet	Sanctioned	Miami University Aquatic Center, Oxford, OH Written Entry	SCM	Jennifer Wood 513-529-1995	klinejm@muohio.edu
Nov. 15, 2015	South Lyon East High School	Sanctioned	South Lyon East High school, South Lyon, MI Written Entry	SCY	Bob Crosby 248-865-6748	wbcoach-bob@hotmail.com
Nov. 16, 2014	Louisville Invitational	Sanctioned	Univ. of Louisville Louisville, KY Written Entry	SCM	Bill Tingley	btingley@insightbb.com
Dec. 5, 2015	STRAY CATS Masters	Sanctioned	Dewitt High School, MI, Written Entry	SCY	Paul Chaffee	chaffee@frontier.com
Dec. 5 - 6, 2015	Hudson Swim Meet O*H*I*O Masters	Sanctioned	Hudson, OH Written Entry	SCM	Kevin McCardle Tom Gorman	McCardle.Kevin@Cle.SYSCO.com tgorman4301@att.net
Jan. 10, 2016	Coldest Meet	Sanctioned	EMU Ypsilanti, MI Written Entry	SCY	Sally Guthrie Skip Thompson 248-683-2191	salgut@umich.edu
Jan. 24, 2016	Harper Creek High School	Sanctioned	Harper Creek Aquatic Center, Written Entry	SCY	Corrin Buck 269-441-8467	poppsc@harpercreek.net
Feb. 7, 2016	FAST "Super Bowl Meet"	Sanctioned	TBD Written Entry	SCM	Noah & Jenny Birmelin	fastswimmeet@yahoo.com
Feb. 28, 2016	West Michigan Masters	Sanctioned	Grand Haven Aquatic Center Written Entry	SCY	Ken Danhof 231-739-5592	kjandm@comcast.net
March 6, 2016	South Lyon East High School	Sanctioned	South Lyon East High School, MI Written Entry	SCY	Bob Crosby	wbcoach-bob@hotmail.com
March 19, 2016	Milford Meltdown	Sanctioned	Milford Aquatic Center, Written Entry	SCM	Kris Goodrich	krisgoodrich@hvs.org

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Date	HOST	Sanction#	LOCATION	COURSE	MEET DIRECTOR	email
April xx-xx, 2016	Michigan Masters STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sanctioned	Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI	SCY	Skip Thompson	thompsonfrank866@gmail.com
April 28 – May 1, 2016	USMS Spring National Championships	USMS Sanctioned	Greensboro Aquatic Center, Greensboro, NC	SCY	www.usms.org	
August 17 - 21, 2016	USMS Summer National Championships	USMS Sanctioned	Mount Hood Comm. College, Gresham, OR	LCM	www.usms.org	

WINTER/SPRING/SUMMER USMS SANCTIONED CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE FOR 2016