OPEN WATER REPORT MARCH 16, 2024 SPMS MONTHLY MEETING Submitted by CHRISTIE CIRAULO

Planning has begun for this summer's open water swims.

Tentative dates have been set for the Newport County lifeguard swims. We have our first Zoom with Newport scheduled for May 21, 2024.

The sanctioning process has not yet begun.

- NBOLA Pier to Pier Swim: Sunday, July 21st, 2024
- Don Burns CDM Swim: Sunday, August 18th, 2024

Don Burns conflicts with Naples Island Swim Festival which is not an SPMS/USMS sanctioned event, but is a popular swim with Masters as it offers a one mile and a 5K.

NBOLA Pier to Pier Swim conflicts with the San Clemente Ocean Festival which is not an SPMS/USMS sanction event, but is popular with Masters as it offers a 5K, a one mile swim, a run-swim-run and a run-swim.

Mission Viejo Masters Open Water Festival is scheduled for Sunday, September 15.

We reached out to the Seal Beach sponsors of the one mile and 5K races that were held annually prior to Covid. They are not ready to start up again this year for various reasons, both practical and personal. However, they are confident that they will be ready to go for Summer 2025.