

SPMS Open Water Committee Report
Thursday May 16, 2019
Submitted by Robin Smith, Chair

2019 SPMS Open Water Calendar:

Sat June 22, 2019	50th Annual Seal Beach Rough Water Swim – 1 mile and 5K
Sat June 29, 2019	Semana Nautica One Mile Swim Santa Barbara <i>*Note: Site of USMS 2020 Sprint Open Water National Championships*</i>
Sun June 30, 2019	Semana Nautica Three Mile Swim Santa Barbara
Sat July 13, 2019	Newport Beach Pier to Pier 2 mile Open Water Swim
Sat Aug 3, 2019	Corona Del Mar Don Burns 1 mile Ocean Swim <i>*Note: USMS 2019 Long Course Summer Nationals are August 7 through 11, 2019 in Mission Viejo*</i>
Sun Sep 22, 2019	2019 Mission Mile and Southwest Zone Open Water Championship Lake Mission Viejo – 1 and 2 mile
Sat Oct 5, 2019	Redondo Coastal Challenge Redondo Beach – 10K, 5K, 1K
Thurs Nov 28, 2019 (Thanksgiving Day)	Turkey Brine Pier Swim Huntington Beach

SPMS Open Water Administration and Planning:

- Continue to assist Event Hosts with race planning/logistics and online sanction approval process.
- Continue to look into venues for SPMS open water clinics – challenges with availability of beach locations during the summer months.
- Participated in USMS Open Water Peer to Peer conference call on May 7, 2019. Activities of the Open Water Strategy Task Force were reviewed and challenges with running open water practices and hosting open water clinics were discussed.

USMS Long Distance Committee:

- Bid process open for 2021 USMS Open Water and ePostal National Championship Events.
Bids are due July 1, 2019 (Monday).

See “**Championship Bidding Information**” Section for Instructions, FAQs, and link to the online Bid Form for Open Water National Championships:

<https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/open-water-national-championships>

See “**Want to Host an ePostal?**” Section for Instructions, FAQs, and link to the online Bid Form for ePostal National Championships:

<https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/epostal-national-championships>