

SPMS Open Water Committee Report
Thursday August 15, 2019
Submitted by Robin Smith, Chair

Upcoming Open Water Swims:

-Sun Sep 22nd – Mission Mile and SW Zone Open Water Championship Lake Mission Viejo (One and Two Mile Swims) – dual sanction with USA Swimming

Recent SPMS OW Series Swims:

- Sat June 22nd – 50th Annual Seal Beach RWS (One Mile/5K Swims) (85 USMS participants)
- Sat/Sun June 29th & 30th –Semana Nautica Sanctioned Ocean Swims (47 USMS participants)
- Sat July 13th – Newport Beach Pier to Pier Two Mile Ocean Swim (235 participants)
- Sat Aug 3rd – Corona Del Mar Don Burns One Mile Ocean Swim (120 participants)

USMS Open Water Collaborations:

-USA Triathlon – OW Swims in conjunction with Legacy Triathlon Friday July 19th
Unable to have USMS/SPMS Exhibitor Booth due to logistics issues

-WOWSA – Redondo Beach Coastal Challenge Sunday October 6th
Event Director is currently working on dual sanction with USMS and USA Swimming

USMS Long Distance Committee:

-Long Distance Rules proposals submitted

-Committee in process of selecting 2021 ePostal and Open Water National Championship Events (Note: Bid received from SPMS – NBOLA/Pier to Pier Two Mile Ocean Swim for Middle Distance OWNC)

-**USMS Open Water Task Force (OWTF)** will present summary of findings and proposals during USAS Convention. Some key items include Standardized OEVT fee, Concept of Open Water/Triathlete USMS Membership Fee, Expansion of OW Compliance Coordinator Role, Simplifying OW event sanction process, and Increasing number of USMS sanctioned OW events.

-5K/10K ePostal National Championship (50 meter pools only)

Dates: May 15, 2019 to September 15, 2019

Hosted by MEMO/Pacific LMSC.

Link for information and registration:

https://www.clubassistant.com/club/meet_information.cfm?c=1246&smid=12291