

PACIFIC MASTERS SWIMMING **(Preliminary) Open Water Evaluation**

Event: Parkside Aquatic Mile
Event date: Sunday, May 16, 2010
Location: Parkside Aquatic Park
Host Club: San Mateo Master Marlins
Race Director: Joel Swartz, PO Box 366, Moss Beach, CA 94038

PMS Evaluator: Glenda Carroll, PMS Open Water Committee Chairperson

General Comments or Suggestions:

Efficient well run swim. Buoys easy to find. The additional directional buoy on the long leg was much appreciated. Suggest that when giving pre-race instructions talk about potential currents on the course, in general terms. There was a definite current moving swimmers to the left on the first leg. If that is the case in the future, you might want to give a heads up.

As your swim grows, I suggest having 2 waves for Masters. Once you get over 50 people in a wave, it gets crowded—a lot of bumping, kicking. I felt like I was in a roller derby part of the time.

Timing company was very efficient, quick with results and accurate.

TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED: 103 points (Congrats! This is the highest score that I've seen in the past 3 years.)

Performance Bond Return Schedule

92 - 100+ = 100% returned
67 - 91 = # of points equals the percentage returned
66 or less = 0% returned

Pre-Event/Post-Event Administration Requirements (21 total points)

(To be completed by the Open Water Chairman)

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| 1. Sanction Application submitted in complete form, on time | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | | |
| 2. Newsletter submission on time | 2 | 1 | 0 | | | | |
| 3. Performance bond received on time | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | | |
| 4. Results mailed in proper form to Open Water Chairman and participants
(within 30 days of event) | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 5. Financial statement mailed to Open Water Chairman
(within 60 days of event) | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | |

Event Requirements

(To be completed by the Evaluator)

Facilities/Registration (7 total point)

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| 1. Toilet facilities met standards (10 for 201-500 swimmers) | 2 | 1 | 0 |
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- 2. Parking facilities adequate 2 1 0
- 3. Registration/Check-In satisfactory 3 2 1 0

Safety (21 total points)

- 1. Emergency evacuation equipment/personnel adequate (ambulance on site, power safety craft) 5 4 3 2 1 0
- 2. Safety monitors adequate (1 per 30 swimmers, spread out) 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
- 3. On-shore medical facilities & personnel (first aid station) 5 4 3 2 1 0
- 4. Water traffic controlled 5 4 3 2 1 0

Map/Instructions (12 points)

- 1. Map: Accurate as to course, distances, buoys 2 1 0
- 2. Pre-race instructions audible to all swimmers 2 1 0
- 3. Pre-race instructions met requirements:
 - a. Description of general conditions (water temp., unusual hazards) 1 0
 - b. Opportunity for withdrawal if swimmer has apprehensions 1 0
 - c. Participants obligations if they drop out/quit 1 0
 - d. Procedure for getting aid while in water 1 0
 - e. Finish procedures/cut off time 1 0
 - f. Encourage faster swimmers in front at start/courteous behavior 1 0
 - g. Course directions/markers/rules 1 0
 - h. Starting procedures/signals 1 0

Race (24 points)

- 1. Start line clearly marked, perpendicular to course and monitors 3 2 1 0
- 2. Start procedure (red/yellow/green flags, starting signal) audible/visible 4 3 2 1 0
- 3. Course markers: Number (1 per 200 yards) 4 3 2 1 0
- 4. Course markers: Location and set-up (3 feet above water/straight line) 5 4 3 2 1 0
- 5. Finish line marked, visible, monitored 5 4 3 2 1 0
- 6. Finish chute: Finish order maintained 3 2 1 0

Results/Awards (15 points)

- 1. Preliminary results posted w/in 30 minutes of last finisher? Yes **5**; No 0
- 2. Final results posted w/in 60 minutes; awards ceremony begun? Yes **5**; No 0
- 3. Awards (participation and/or place) commensurate with fee 5 4 3 2 1 0

Bonus Points: (maximum of 5)

Awarded at discretion of the evaluator for event operations that significantly exceed PMS standards or overcome inherent limitations of the event site, and which enhance the competitive experience. 5 4 **3** 2 1 0

Women really appreciate that women's cut tee shirts. Your raffle prizes were great. I noticed folks cleaning up the beach and sweeping the finish chute before the start --- very nice, great for the feet.

A really nice job.