

## **August 2017 Open Water Chair (Sherry Brooks) Report**



2017 has been a successful season for SPMS with five hosted open water events, including six different races. So far all events have been well attended. Results are current and have been posted via hyperlink on the SPMS Open Water webpage. <https://www.spmastersswim.org/open-water-results/>

### **COMPLETED SPMS 2017 OPEN WATER SWIMS**

#### **May 2017**

- May 20<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SoCAL CUP - CASTAIC LAKE (1-mile swim)

#### **June 2017**

- June 13<sup>th</sup> 48<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SEAL BEACH ROUGHWATER (1- and 3-mile swims)

#### **July 2017**

- July 8<sup>th</sup> BALBOA to NEWPORT Pier to Pier (2-mile swim)

### **UPCOMING SPMS 2017 OPEN WATER SWIMS**

#### **August 2017**

- August 19<sup>th</sup> CDM Don Burns OW – Corona del Mar (1-mile swim)

#### **September 2017**

- September 24<sup>th</sup> Lake Mission Viejo OW Swim (1-mile swim)

The SPMS Open Water Chair received donated neon swim caps for the Pier-to-Pier and Don Burns Open water swims in an effort to get timing systems secured for both swims at a lower cost. Hammer Nutrition also graciously donated nutrition products for four of our swims. SBR Sports reps also donated packages of their swim line products for four of our swims.

The number of new USMS Open Water Certified Safety Directors is steadily increasing (required for USMS-sanctioned open water swims as of 2017).

The Open Water Chair will be attending the USMS Convention in Dallas this year, and will be participating in Long Distance and Open Water breakout sessions regarding new OW rules and policies by USMS.

SPMS Open Water Series award winners' names and places, request for corrections, and request for contact info of award winners will be posted on the SPMS webpage after final event results are confirmed and newsletter is sent out.

Pictures and information regarding past relevant 2017 open water swims has been sent to newsletter editor for inclusion into newsletter, if so desired.

The **tentative** calendar for 2018 is in the works. Dates TBD.

Come out and swim the rest of our events this year! The water is VERY warm!

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