

The Wave Eater



MICHIGAN MASTERS SWIMMING Fall/Winter Newsletter - 2011-2012

MICHIGAN MASTERS WINS 8TH PLACE REGIONAL BANNERS AT BOTH THE SPRING AND SUMMER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eighteen Michigan Masters swimmers competed in the USMS Spring National short course yards meet, held in Mesa, AZ at the end of May. (see picture below) The eighteen Michigan swimmers included both veteran and "newbie" masters swimmers, such as four Western Michigan College students. Everyone had a great time, experiencing the Arizona warmth on the heels of our Michigan winter. On the men's side, Frank Cody finished either 2nd or 3rd in all 6 of his events in the 70-74 age group, and set two State Records. Larry Day won his two events and set a USMS National Record for the 60-64 age group in his 400 IM and a State Record in his 200 IM. Kevin Doak won all three of his events, the 50 Fly, and the 50 and 100 Back. Adam Wohl won both the 100 and 200 Breast, and set a new State Record in the 200 Breast. Kevin Hafner won his first USMS National Championship in the 400 IM. On the women's side, the major story was Denise Brown who competed despite a broken foot; swimming and placing in the top 10 in both the 500 and 1000 Free events. Of our 7 relays, five placed in the top 10, all earning points for the team!

The USMS Summer National long course meters meet at the other end of the country, Auburn, Alabama, at the end of July. While only eleven Michigan Masters swimmers competed, it was definitely a quality team. (see picture on page 2) Larry Day continued his winning streak, winning 5 of his 6 events and setting Masters World Records in both his 200 Fly and 400 IM. Paul Karas won his first USMS Masters Championship in the 400 Free in the 55-59 age group. John Younger not only competed in the 200 Free, but also gave a wonderful Sports Medicine presentation on drowning that was very well received by all attendees. Laura Gogola had a fabulous meet, winning 4 of the 5 events she swam in the 75-79 age group. Sally Guthrie also has a great meet, placing in the top three in all her individual events and winning the 400 IM in the 60-64 age group. Denise Brown, still healing from her broken foot, placed in the top ten in 4 of her five events. The Mixed 200 Free Relay (our only relay) placed 10th in the 200-239 age group. After swimming less than 2 years Patrick Weiss earned a medal in this relay.



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The **Spring 2012 Nationals** will be held in Greensboro, NC on April 26-29 at the newly built Greensboro Aquatic Center. It's bound to be a fast pool in a state of the art facility.....and we can drive from Michigan. Please plan to attend! Even if you feel that you might be "too slow"....don't worry about it, you can swim in up to three events where you don't make qualifying times.

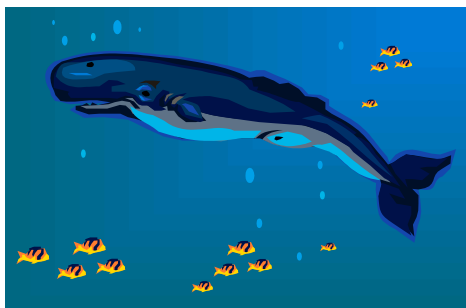


MICHIGAN MASTERS SWIMMERS EXCEL IN OPEN WATER EVENTS THIS SUMMER

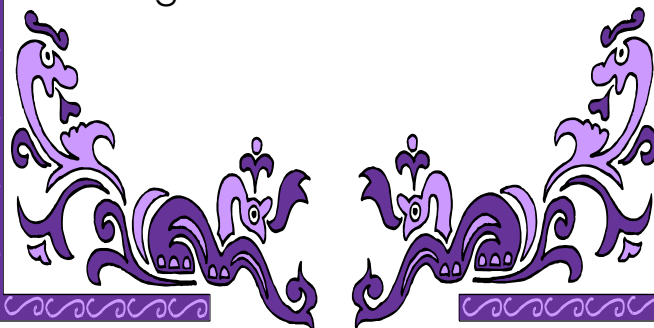
Four Michigan Masters swimmers competed in the solo 25K open water USMS Championship in Noblesville, IN. Solo age group finishes include: Jenny Birmelin (2nd), Todd Briggs (2nd), Denise Brown (1st), and Michele Intermont (5th). A relay team composed of Jason Pacyau, Shawn Jyawook, and Patrick Racine also competed and finished 3rd.

Maddie Diedo competed in FIVE USMS sanctioned open water events this summer, in Cleveland, (5th) New York (1st), Pittsburgh (2nd), Holland MI (1st), and Madison WI (6th).

When Jenny Birmelin goes back to her classroom this fall she can tell her students she swam the English Channel on her summer break! Jenny is the first woman in Michigan to complete the channel swim. Congratulations!



The first annual Michigan Masters LMSC Awards Banquet and Social is scheduled for October 15, 2011. This is a new event, and awards will be given for a variety of accomplishments, including Continuous Loyalty Membership in the Michigan LMSC.....details regarding the location, etc.....will be forthcoming! Watch the website....





FALL/WINTER SHORT COURSE POOL MEET SCHEDULE FOR 2011-12

Date	Host	Sanction #	Location	Course	Meet Director	Email/Webste
10/9/11	Milan High School	Sanctioned	Milan High School	SCY	Kerry Frame 734-646-5819	kerryframe@gmail.com
10/23/11	Mason High School	Sanctioned	Mason High School	SCM	Connie Cantrell 517-676-9055	ccantrel@mason.k12.mi.us
10/29-30/11	Indy Aquatic Masters	Sanctioned	IUPUI Natatorium, Indianapolis, IN	SCM	Cheryl Gettelfinger	cgettelfinger@earthlink.net
11/5/11	Miami Redfin Fall Masters	Sanctioned	Miami University Aquatic Center	SCM	Jennifer Wood 513-529-1995	klinejm@muchio.edu
11/13/11	West Bloomfield High School	Recognized	West Bloomfield High School	SCY	Bob Crosby 248-865-6748	wbcoachbob@Hotmail.com
11/??/11	Louisville	Sanctioned	Ralph Wright Natatorium	SCM	Bill Tingley	btingley@Insightbb.com
12/3/11	Capital Area Tri Swim Masters	Sanctioned	DeWitt High School	SCY	Paul Chaffee 989-725-2663	chaffepa@Verizon.net
1/8/12	Coldest Meet EMU	Sanctioned	Eastern Michigan University	SCY	Sally Guthrie/Skip Thompson 248-683-2898	frankskipthompson@aol.com
1/22/12	Harper Creek High School	Sanctioned	Harper Creek Aquatic Center	SCY	Corrin Popp 269-441-8467	poppsc@harper-creek.net
2/5/12	FAST	Sanctioned	Brighton High School	SCM	Noah & Jenny Birmelin	fastswimmeet@yahoo.com
2/19/12	West Michigan Masters	Sanctioned	Grand Haven Community Pool	SCY	Ken Danhof 231-739-5592	kjandm@comcast.net
3/4/12	West Bloomfield High School	Recognized	West Bloomfield High School Pool	SCY	Bob Crosby 248-865-6748	wbcoachbob@hotmail.com
3/11/12	Milford Meltdown Meet	Sanctioned	Milford Aquatic Center	SCM	Suzanne Grebe 248-684-4813	yoghia@comcast.net
3/23-25/12	Michigan Masters State Championship	Sanctioned	Lake Orion High School	SCY	Amy Kipur & Rick Corrieveau	
TBD	Great Lakes LMSC Challenge	Sanctioned	BGSU Natatorium, Bowling Green, OH	SCY		
4/26-29/12	USMS SCY Nationals	Sanctioned	Greensboro Aquatic Center, Greensboro, NC	SCY		
TBD	YMCA Masters Championships	Recognized	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	SCY		www.ymcaswimminganddiving.org



2011 POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

Swim	Date	Contact
2011 1-Hour Postal Championship	January 1 - 31, 2012	USMS Hour Swim Federal Way Masters, Washington
2011 5k and 10k Postal Championship	May 15 - September 15, 2011 Online Entry Paper Entry	YMCA Indy SwimFit Mel Goldstein goldsteinmel@sbcglobal.net
2011 3000/6000 Yard Postal Championships	September 15 - November 15, 2011	Chicago Smelts Dave Sebastian (773-472-9731) davesebastian@msn.com Marcia Cleveland (847-446-5142) Marciac944@gmail.com

