0October 2015 Open Water Chair (Sherry Brooks) Report

2015 was a successful season for SPMS with five hosted open water events, including seven different races. All events were well attended. Semana Nautica (Santa Barbara) did not sanction with USMS this year. Results will be posted in the November/December 2015 newsletter and subsequently on the SPMS webpage.

COMPLETED SPMS 2015 OPEN WATER SWIMS

May 2015

- May 16th   SALT CREEK ROUGH WATER SWIM (2.4 mile swim); canceled due to bad water conditions (major rainfall the day before)
- May 17th   SoCAL CUP CASTAIC LAKE   (1-mile and 2-mile swims)

June 2015

- June 6th   "BIG WAVE OCEAN SWIM RACE" Santa Barbara (1.2k swim)
- June 13th   SEAL BEACH ROUGHWATER SWIMS (1- and 3-milers)

July 2015

- July 11th   BALBOA to NEWPORT Pier to Pier (2-mile swim)

August 2015

- August 22nd   CDM Don Burns OW (1-mile swim)

The SPMS Open Water Chair submitted event photographs and articles re swims to the Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the subsequent newsletter. The Open Water Chair also attended the 2015 Convention in Kansas City, MO, and participated in Long Distance and Open Water breakout sessions regarding new OW rules and policies by USMS. Proposed OW budget for 2016 was submitted to the Treasurer. 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 newsletter is published.

The **tentative** calendar for 2016 is as follows (five events – seven races):

SPMS 2016 OPEN WATER SWIMS   (**TENTATIVE – EVENT HOSTS HAVE NOT CONFIRMED DATES**)

May 2016

- May   SOCAL CUP (Lake Castaic 1- and 2-mile swims)

June 2016

- June 18th (Saturday)   SEAL BEACH ROUGHWATER SWIMS (1- and 3-milers)

July 2016

- July 16th (Saturday)   BALBOA to NEWPORT Pier to Pier (2-mile swim)

August 2016

- August 20th (Saturday)   CDM Don Burns OW   (1-mile swim)

September 2016

- Mid September (Saturday)   SALT CREEK ROUGH WATER SWIM (2.4-mile swim)

For questions, please email Sherry Brooks: OpenWater@SPMasterSwim.org