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SPMA MASTERS SWIMMING

SPMA Members and Club Win Awards

Three SPMA members and one club were recognized at the United States Aquatics Sports annual convention in Chicago in September.

Nancy Kirkpatrick-Reno was presented with the 2009 USMS Coach of the Year Award. Nancy had earlier been awarded the 2008 SPMA Coach of the Year and her nomination was forwarded to USMS by SPMA.

Mission Viejo Nadadores was honored as USMS Club of the Year. With 250 mem-

bers, MVN is one of the largest clubs in SPMA, offering 28 workouts per week. Led by Coach Mark Moore, the club has hosted many meets, clinics, and social events for the swimmers.

Christie Ciraulo was a recipient of the USMS Dorothy Donnelly Service Award, in recognition of the work she has done in SPMA with our open water events.

Julie Heather was honored at the banquet with the Ransom Arthur Award, originally announced at the USMS Short Course Nationals in Clovis last May.

SPMA has two representatives on the new USMS Executive Committee. Jeff Moxie was elected President of USMS, and Michael Heather was elected Vice President of Administration.

At the SPMA Long Course Regional Championships at Cal Lutheran, Jeff Moxie was presented with the Steve Schofield SPMA Distinguished Service Award. Jeff has been the SPMA treasurer for many years, in addition to his volunteer work for USMS.

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SPMA Long Course Meters Record Breakers

The following swimmers from Southern Pacific Masters Swimming broke USMS and/or World records during the 2009 Long Course Meters season in SPMA sanctioned meets.

Battin, Carolyn (LVM): 400 Freestyle

Delgado, Felipe (NOVA): 50 Freestyle

Denby, Kara (CSAM): 50 and 100 Freestyle

Fowler, Jamie (NOVA): 50 Backstroke, 200 and 400 Individual Medley

Hockstein, Erik:(SCAQ): 200 Individual Medley, 100 and 400 Freestyle

Kerekjarto, Tamas (FMT): 200 Individual Medley, 100 Butterfly, 200 Freestyle

CSAM 400 Freestyle Relay (72-99, Wade Federer, Lauren Hancock, Christopher Ramos, Kara Denby)

CSAM 400 Medley Relay (72-99, Lauren Hancock, Kara Denby, Wade Federer, Nick Glaze)

CSAM 200 Freestyle Relay (72-99, Wade Federer, Lauren Hancock, Christopher Ramos, Kara Denby)

CSAM 800 Freestyle Relay (72-99, Kara Denby, Lauren Hancock, Christopher Ramos, Wade Federer)

SCAQ 400 Freestyle Relay (160-199, Jenny Cook, Erik Hockstein, Matthew Cornue, Arlette Godges)

SCAQ 800 Freestyle Relay (120-159, David Schlesinger, Dan Wegner, Matthew Harrigan, Erik Hockstein)

SCAQ 400 Freestyle Relay (100-119, Nathan Janos, Jacqueline Corcoran, Ann Yearwood, Erik Tolmachoff)

SCAQ 400 Freestyle Relay (160-199, Dan Wegner, Peter Egan, Christopher Beach, Erik Hockstein)

SCAQ 200 Freestyle Relay (120-159, Matthew Cornue, Erik Hockstein, Erik Tolmachoff, Christopher Beach)

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SAN LUIS OBISPO, SANTA BARBARA (North) and KERN

ATASCADERO: Team K-man
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BAKERSFIELD: Gold Wave Masters
BAKERSFIELD Swim Club
BAKERSFIELD Aquatics Club
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SANTA BARBARA: UCSB Masters
SANTA BARBARA Masters
SANTA BARBARA: Oceanducks
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LANCASTER: Oasis Masters
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L.A.: Swimming Los Angeles
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L.A.: Los Angeles Athletic Club Masters
L.A.: Pool Open Water
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LONG BEACH: Long Beach Masters Swim
LONG BEACH: Shore Aquatic Masters
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ORANGE COUNTY

ALISO VIEJO: Renaissance Club Sport
COTO DE CAZA: Coyotes
FULLERTON: FAST Masters Team
HUNTINGTON BEACH: Golden West Swim Club
IRVINE Novaquatics
IRVINE: UCI Masters
MISSION VIEJO Masters
NEWPORT BEACH: Pacific Coast Aquatics
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LAS VEGAS: Las Vegas Masters
LAS VEGAS: Swim Las Vegas
LAS VEGAS: Viva Las Vegas Masters

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SPMA Competition Information and Instructions

Rules: Current USMS and SPMA rules will govern. All events are timed finals. Swimmers must check in with the Clerk of Course for deck seeded events that they wish to swim. After an event has been officially closed, swimmers may not check in. Age as of the last day of the meet determines age group for the meet for short course yards, and age as of December 31st of the year of competition determines age for long course and short course meters meets. You must be 18 years of age to register with SPMA and compete in meets.

Eligibility: Events are open to any **current** USMS registered swimmer or a foreign swimmer with a valid travel permit. SPMA swimmers are encouraged to submit their registration application with the submitted entry card, if NOT currently registered.

Affiliation: A swimmer's affiliation as stated on the consolidated entry card, if valid as of the first day of the meet, will apply throughout the meet, except that swimmers may unattach at any time.

Submitted Times: Please enter your best time, a reasonable estimate or a workout time. All times must be submitted on a SPMA consolidated entry card or a copy of a SPMA consolidated entry card (below). Do not mail in the meet entry form.

Entry Confirmation: To avoid any concern regarding receipt of entry card, enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope or postcard or mail card "Return Reply Request". No certified, registered or special delivery mail will be accepted. Receipt of entry will not be verified by phone.

Strictly Forbidden: Entering more than 5 individual events per day; using hand paddles in warm-up areas; diving in warm-ups unless in designated sprint lanes (entering the warm-up pool must be done with feet first with one hand in contact with the pool deck); use of any pacing device in competition; and smoking in any area where swimmers may be present.

Open Water: Swimmers using non-porous neoprene swim suits, wetsuits, or other non-porous attire will be ineligible for awards or place points.

*Check out our website
www.spma.net
for up-to-date information*

SOUTHERN PACIFIC MASTERS ASSOCIATION • CONSOLIDATED ENTRY CARD

Name _____ Male Female USMS # _____ - _____

Birthdate ____/____/____ Age _____ Club _____ Phone (____) _____ - _____

Event No.	FREESTYLE (Submitted Time)	Event No.	BACKSTROKE (Submitted Time)	Event No.	BREASTSTROKE (Submitted Time)	Event No.	BUTTERFLY (Submitted Time)	Event No.	INDIV. MEDLEY (Submitted Time)	
	50 • •		50 • •		50 • •		50 • •		100 • •	
	100 • •		100 • •		100 • •		100 • •		200 • •	
	200 • •		200 • •		200 • •		200 • •		400 • •	
	400/500 • •	Meet _____								
	800/1000 • •	No. of events _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____							FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
	1500/1650 • •	Surcharge \$ _____							Amt Rec'd _____	
	• •	Total \$ _____							Date _____	

Include a copy of USMS card

Maximum FIVE Individual Events/Day

Include a copy of USMS card

Late or incomplete entries (no fee, incomplete entry card, incomplete entry data) or entries postmarked after due date MAY BE REJECTED!

ALL MASTERS swimmers are required to send a photo-copy of their USMS card with their entry card. ALL Masters swimmers may be asked to show their USMS card if requested at the meet.

"I, the undersigned participant, intending to be legally bound, hereby certify that I am physically fit and have not been otherwise informed by a physician. I acknowledge that I am aware of all the risks inherent in Masters swimming (training and competition), including possible permanent disability or death, and agree to assume all of those risks. AS A CONDITION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE MASTERS SWIMMING PROGRAM OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENT THERETO, I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, OF THE FOLLOWING: UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING, INC., THE LOCAL MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEES, THE CLUBS, HOST FACILITIES, MEET SPONSORS, MEET COMMITTEES, OR ANY INDIVIDUALS OFFICIATING AT THE MEETS OR SUPERVISING SUCH ACTIVITIES.

In addition, I agree to abide by and be governed by the rules of USMS."

PLEASE SIGN: _____ **DATE** _____

Is this your first Masters Meet? Yes
No

Read the meet information sheet carefully. Make your check payable as shown on the meet information sheet and mail it to the address shown.

Non-SPMA swimmers please include your address:

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Steve Schofield Memorial Turkey Shoot at Pierce College Sunday, November 22nd, 2009

Sanction number: 339-023

Facility: Pierce College Pool, is an outdoor pool that has been newly renovated. 6201 Winnetka Ave., Woodland Hills.

Directions: Take the 101 Freeway to Winnetka. Exit at Winnetka and go north one mile to the college. Winnetka is located 6 miles west of the San Diego Freeway (405) and Ventura Freeway (101) interchange.

Entries: The pre-entry postmark deadline is Saturday, November 15th. Entries for the 800 m Freestyle will close at 8:45 a.m. and at the conclusion of the 800 for all other events. Age on December 31, 2009 determines age group for the meet.

Seeding: All events will be deck seeded slowest to fastest by entered time, ages and sexes combined. Check-in is not required in order to be deck seeded, except swimmers must check in to swim the 800 m Freestyle and the 400 m Individual Medley.

Relays: All relays will be deck entered. Relays are free. For each relay swimmer who is not entered in individual events, a fee of \$5.00 and a signed liability release must be submitted with the relay entry. Event 8 is a rare 800 m Freestyle relay, a chance for a record. Event 16 is men's, women's, mixed, freestyle or medley relays.

Awards: Individual: SPMA ribbons for places 1 to 3. Relay: SPMA ribbons for first place. Special awards for the swimmers who swim closest to their entered time in each event.

Entry Fees: \$20.00 per swimmer flat fee for online entries. \$24.00 per swimmer flat fee for mail-in entries. Deck entries allowed for a total of \$30.00.

Checks payable to: Southwest Aquatic Masters

Mail consolidated entry card, a copy of your USMS card, and check to: Southwest Masters Turkey Shoot, P. O. Box 204, Lake Forest, CA 92609-0204.

Questions: Lance Keene, (818) 645-3511, lanceswims@aol.com; Robert Mitchell, mitchellrobert@cox.net, (949) 689-7946.

Sunday, November 22, 2009

800 warm-up at 8:00 a.m.

800 starts at 9:00 a.m.

1. 800 m Freestyle (check in required)
Additional warm-up after 800
Event #2 starts at 11:00 a.m.
2. 50 m Butterfly
3. 100 m Backstroke
4. 200 m Breaststroke
5. 50 m Freestyle
6. 100 m Butterfly
7. 200 m Backstroke
8. 800 m Freestyle Relay (Men, Women, Mixed; deck enter)
9. 50 m Breaststroke
10. 100 m Freestyle
11. 200 m Butterfly
12. 50 m Backstroke
13. 100 m Breaststroke
14. 200 m Freestyle
15. 400 m Individual Medley
16. 400 m Relay (Men, Women, Mixed; medley or freestyle; deck enter)

Please read the general information on entering swim meets on the third page of this newsletter!

Las Vegas Masters Vegas Free Play SCY Meet Saturday, January 23rd, 2010

Sanction number: 330-001

Facility: Desert Breeze Park, 8275 W. Spring Mountain Road, indoor 50-meter by 25-yard pool. Six lanes will be available for warm-up.

Directions: From the I-15 Fwy., take the Flamingo Road exit (#38). Take Flamingo Road west for 3.54 miles. Turn right onto South Rainbow Blvd. and go 0.78 miles. Turn left onto Spring Mountain Road and go 1.70 miles. The pool is on the left.

Entries: The pre-entry postmark deadline is Monday, January 18th, 2010. Deck entries will close at 12:30 p.m. for the first six events. Age on January 23rd determines age group for the meet. You must be at least 18 to compete.

Seeding: All events will be deck-seeded slowest to fastest, by entered time, ages and genders combined. Check-in is not required in order to be deck seeded, except swimmers must check in to swim the 500 yd. Freestyle and the 400 yd. Individual Medley.

Relays: All relays will be deck entered. Relay fees are \$2.00 per relay due upon entry. For each relay swimmer who is not entered in individual events, a fee of \$5.00 and a signed liability release must be submitted with the relay entry.

Awards: Individual: SPMA ribbons for places 1 to 3. Relay: SPMA ribbons for first place.

Special Awards: Events marked VFP (Vegas Free Play) will have special awards from local casinos for "free play" at the casino. Winners of age groups will be eligible for coupons redeemable at Las Vegas casinos. You must be at least 21 years of age in order to get a VFP coupon.

Entry Fees: \$2.00 for each individual event entered and a \$10.00 surcharge per swimmer. For swimmers in relays only, the fee is \$5.00. NOTE: deck entrants will pay an additional \$10.00 entry charge.

Checks payable to: Las Vegas Masters

Mail consolidated entry card, a copy of your 2010 USMS card, and check to: Las Vegas SCY Meet, P. O. Box 204, Lake Forest, CA 92609-0204.

Questions: Victor Hecker, (702) 247-7788; Robert Mitchell, mitchellrobert@cox.net, (949) 689-7946.

Saturday, January 23, 2010

Warm-up at noon

Events start at 1:00 p.m.

1. 500 yd. Freestyle
2. 200 yd. Mixed Medley Relay
3. 100 yd. Individual Medley
4. 50 yd. Butterfly
5. 100 yd. Backstroke
6. 200 yd. Freestyle
7. 50 yd. Breaststroke
8. 200 yd. Individual Medley
9. 100 yd. Butterfly
10. 50 yd. Freestyle (VFP-1)
11. 50 yd. Backstroke
12. 400 yd. Individual Medley
13. 100 yd. Breaststroke
14. 100 yd. Freestyle (VFP-2)

The 2009 Turkey Shoot Meet includes a brief dedication ceremony for the expanded, remodeled and renamed Steven E. Schofield Aquatic Center at Pierce College. Steve was a longtime friend to swimming and SPMA, and could be found at most meets announcing, officiating and wearing any number of hats in addition to his signature pith helmet. The Schofield Center represents Steve's dream competitive environment: with an all-new warm-up/therapy pool, increased deck space, new scoreboard, lane lines, awnings, bleachers and more. Another Schofield touch, gift certificates for turkeys are given away in each event to the swimmer who comes closest to his/her submitted seed time.

Long Beach Grunions

2009 SPMA Short Course Meters Regional and Zone Championships

December 4th - 6th, 2009

Sanction number: 339-024

Facility: The Belmont Plaza Olympic Pool, 4000 E. Olympic Plaza Dr., Long Beach CA 90803.

Directions: Take the 405 Fwy. to the 7th Street exit. Go west on 7th Street to Redondo. Left on Redondo to Ocean Blvd. Left on Ocean to Termino. Right on Termino, Termino dead ends into pool parking. You can park on either side of the pool. All day parking passes will be available at the meet.

Fees: Flat fee of \$45.00 if postmarked before Monday, November 16th. Entry fee includes a meet T-shirt. Add a \$10.00 late fee for all entries *postmarked* (or entered on-line) after Monday, November 16th. Entries received after November 16th will not appear in the meet program. All entries *must be received* by 6:00 p.m. Monday, November 23rd. No individual deck entries are allowed. Age on December 31st determines age group for the meet. All relays will be deck entered. Relay only swimmers may enter for a \$10.00 fee (which does not include a meet T-shirt) and must sign a consolidated entry card. Swimmers are limited to entering a total of 6 individual events for the entire meet and no more than 5 individual events per day. There is no limit on relays, but swimmers may swim only one relay (men, women, or mixed) per event. There will be no refunds of entry fees after November 23rd. Relay entries are \$10 per relay.

Seeding: All events will be seeded and swum slowest to fastest. Men and women will be seeded together for the 800 and 1500 m Freestyle and 400 m Individual Medley, based on entry time. Men and women will swim separately for all other individual events. Scoring will be by gender and age group. The 1500 m Freestyle may be limited to the first 80 entries at the discretion of the meet manager. Swimmers may enter both the 800 and 1500 m Freestyle.

Timing: Electronic timing will be used and two timers per lane will be provided. Clubs are requested to assist with timing where possible.

Check-in: Due to the anticipated large number of swimmers, *positive check-in is required for all events*. Check-in for the 1500 Freestyle on Friday, 400 Freestyle on Saturday and 800 Freestyle on Sunday will close at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Telephone check-in is available for these events prior to 8:30 a.m. by calling 714-273-8793 on the day of the event. For all other events check-in will close one hour prior to the anticipated start of an event.

Awards: Individual: Medals for places 1 to 3 and ribbons for places 4 to 6 for each age group and gender. Relays: Medals for 1st place, ribbons for 2nd and 3rd places. There will be special awards for high point male and female swimmer in each age group, based on points from individual events. Awards to the top eight teams, based on combined scoring for men and women, individual events plus relays.

Entries: Register online at www.lbgrunions.org, click on "Swim Meets," then on "Register." Or mail an SPMA entry card, copy of USMS card, and check (payable to: Long Beach Grunions) to: LB Grunions, c/o Bart Parnes, 645 Terrylynn Place, Long Beach, CA 90807. Receipt of entry will not be verified by phone. Send a SASE or stamped postcard for return receipt.

Questions: Call (714) 273-8793 or send an email to Kenny Brisbin, ken@supersource.com. For hotels, information, and directions, go to www.lbgrunions.org and click on "Swim Meets."

Friday, December 4, 2009

Warm-up 8:00 a.m., Meet starts at 9:00 a.m.
Check in for 1500 m Freestyle closes at 8:30 a.m.

1. 1500 m Freestyle (Women, Men)
2. Women's 200 m Individual Medley
3. Men's 200 m Individual Medley
4. Women's 100 m Freestyle
5. Men's 100 m Freestyle
6. Women's 200 m Backstroke
7. Men's 200 m Backstroke
8. *800 m Freestyle Relay* (Women, Men, Mixed)

Saturday, December 5, 2009

Warm-up at 8:00 a.m., Meet starts at 9:00 a.m.
Check in for the 400 m Freestyle closes at 8:30 a.m.

9. Women's 400 m Freestyle
10. Men's 400 m Freestyle
11. Women's 50 m Butterfly
12. Men's 50 m Butterfly
13. 400m Freestyle Relay (Women, Men, Mixed)
14. Women's 100 m Backstroke
15. Men's 100 m Backstroke
16. Women's 100 m Breaststroke
17. Men's 100 Breaststroke
18. Women's 200 m Butterfly
19. Men's 200 m Butterfly
20. *200 m Medley Relay* (Women, Men, Mixed)
21. Women's 50 m Freestyle
22. Men's 50 m Freestyle
23. 400 m Individual Medley (Women, Men)

Sunday, December 6, 2009

Warm-up at 8:00 a.m., Meet starts at 9:00 a.m.
Check in for the 800 m Freestyle closes at 8:30 a.m.

24. 800 m Freestyle (Women, Men)
25. Women's 100 m Butterfly
26. Men's 100 m Butterfly
27. Women's 50 m Breaststroke
28. Men's 50 m Breaststroke
29. 400m Medley Relay (Women, Men, Mixed)
30. Women's 200 m Freestyle
31. Men's 200 m Freestyle
32. Women's 200 m Breaststroke
33. Men's 200 m Breaststroke
34. Women's 50 m Backstroke
35. Men's 50 m Backstroke
36. Women's 100 m Individual Medley
37. Men's 100 m Individual Medley
38. 200 m Freestyle Relay (Women, Men, Mixed)

*Relays: A swimmer may swim only one relay in each of events 8, 13, 20, 29, and 38.

For more information on host hotels and online entries, go to lbgrunions.org.

Preaching to the Choir

by Jessica Seaton

As I write this column the health care debate is in the news daily. While the focus has been on the public option and end of life counseling, very little attention has been paid to reducing health care costs through taking personal responsibility for one's health. According to the Centers for Disease Control, 70% of deaths in this country are due to chronic illnesses, including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, stroke, cancer, and chronic lower respiratory disease. Most of these can be largely prevented through healthy behaviors, such as exercise, good nutrition, avoiding tobacco, managing stress, and having a good social network.

Certainly one of the most important interventions is exercise. Regular exercise also discourages you from smoking, encourages you to eat better, helps with stress management, and if done with others, gives you a built-in social network. Masters swimming is a very good exercise solution.

The July 2009 issue of *Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise*, the official journal of the American College of Sports Medicine includes their position statement on "Exercise and Physical Activity for Older Adults." The article points out:

- Exercise can increase active life expectancy by limiting the development and progression of chronic disease and disabling conditions.
- Not everyone responds to exercise in the same way. Underlying genetics account for most of the significant individual differences in response to exercise.
- For optimal benefit for your cardiovascular system and musculoskeletal system you should do both aerobic exercise and weight training. If you have osteoporosis you should also include balance exercises.
- While mild to moderate exercise is better than no exercise, intense exercise is best for helping many conditions such as type 2 diabetes, clinical depression, osteopenia and osteoporosis, loss of muscle mass and muscle weakness.

When older individuals discontinue their exercise program, they lose the benefits they gained at a faster rate than younger individuals. It also takes longer to get in shape.

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SPMA will hold elections for officers at the annual meeting on Thursday, November 19th in Pasadena. Please contact the SPMA office for additional information about the meeting or if you are interested in running for a position.



The Long and the Short of It. Conejo Simi Aquatics Masters may have one of the tallest and one of the shortest Masters swimmers to compete in the same meet. Teammates Mary Ho (4'9") and Peter Achberger (6' 6½") are shown above at the 2008 Short Course Meters Championships at Belmont Plaza in Long Beach. Both are fairly new to Masters swimming. At the time of the photo, Mary had been swimming for about one year, and Peter for four months. Mary is an avid sailor and enjoys sailing around the world, and Peter was a competitive powerlifter, looking towards the Worlds Strong Man competition before suffering a career-ending injury.

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November	7	Santa Clarita SCM Swim Meet
	19	SPMA Annual Meeting, Pasadena
	22	Turkey Shoot SCM Swim Meet, Woodland Hills
December	4-6	SPMA SCM Regional Championships, Long Beach
January	23	Las Vegas Masters SCY Swim Meet
February	7	UC-Irvine SCY Swim Meet
	21	FAST Masters SCY Swim Meet, Fullerton
March	7	Caltech SCY Pentathlon, Pasadena
April	17	UCLA SCY Swim Meet

For a complete and updated list of events, go to www.spma.net or call the SPMA office

Expand your horizons!

Take a trip to a swim meet in a neighboring LMSC.
For up-to-date information check out these websites:

San Diego-Imperial: www.simasterswim.org

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SPMA DVD Library

SPMA has a DVD library available for use by our members. There is a \$10.00 charge for borrowing up to three DVDs. This covers the cost of the envelopes and mailing both ways. Packages must be brought to the post office for return due to USPS security requirements. We also need a separate check for \$100.00 that will be held as a deposit until the DVDs are returned. This check will not be cashed unless the DVDs are not returned. The rental period is one month. Give the SPMA office a call at (626) 296-1841, and we will discuss which videos would best fit your needs. Please include alternates with your request, or let us know if you would prefer to wait for videos that are currently out on loan. Send requests to the SPMA office.

DVD format:

- Swim Fast: Butterfly (Michael Phelps)
- Swim Fast: Breaststroke (Ed Moses)
- Swim Fast: Freestyle (Lindsay Benko)
- Open Water Swimming, Skills, Techniques & Racing Tips (Mike Collins, Gerry Rodrigues)
- Go Swim, Freestyle with Karlyn Pipes-Neilsen
- Go Swim, All Strokes (with Kaitlin Sandeno and Erik Vendt)
- Go Swim, Butterfly with Misty Hyman
- Go Swim, Freestyle and Backstroke Drills
- Go Swim, Breaststroke with Dave Denniston
- Go Swim, Breaststroke with Amanda Beard
- Go Swim, Breaststroke Turns and Pullouts with Dave Denniston
- Go Swim, Breaststroke Drills with Staciana Stitts and Dave Denniston
- Go Swim, Backstroke with Jeff Rouse
- Eddie Reese on Freestyle
- Eddie Reese on Backstroke
- Eddie Reese on Butterfly
- Eddie Reese on Breaststroke
- Swimming Faster: Butterfly (Marsh & Durden)
- Swimming Faster: Breaststroke (Marsh)
- Swimming Faster: Freestyle (Marsh)
- Swimming Faster: Backstroke (Marsh)
- Training & Race Strategies for Backstroke (Marsh)
- Training & Race Strategies for Sprint Freestyle (Marsh)
- Training & Race Strategies for IM (Marsh)
- Training & Race Strategies for Breaststroke and Butterfly (Marsh & Durden)
- Training & Race Strategies for Middle Distance & Distance (Crocker)
- Swimming Faster: Turns (Marsh)
- Swimming Faster: Starts (Marsh, Bracklin, Pilczuk)
- Lane Lines to Shore Lines: Your Complete Guide to Open Water Swimming
- Becoming a Faster Swimmer: Butterfly (Tom Jager)
- Becoming a Faster Swimmer: Freestyle (Tom Jager)
- Freestyle Made Easy: Total Immersion
- Backstroke for Every Body: Total Immersion
- Better Fly for Every Body: Total Immersion
- Breaststroke for Every Body: Total Immersion