

2023 U.S. Masters Swimming Annual Meeting — Hybrid

Committee Name:	Long Distance	Session #:	1
Committee Chair:	Phyllis Quinn	Vice Chair:	Catherine Rust
Minutes recorded by:	Phyllis Quinn	Date/time of meeting:	08/27/2023 at 8pm EDT

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

1. Approval of July 2023 meeting minutes

Number of committee members present	9	Absent:	4	Number of other delegates present:
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Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Phyllis Quinn, Jill Wright, Jim Davidson, Catherine Rust, Tim Murphy, Nicki Phillips, Stephen Rouch, Bob Bruce, John Fox,

Committee Members Absent: Anna Jordan, Ali Hall, Lorena Sims, Jenny Hodges

Ex-Officio members present: Robin Smith, Jay Eckert, David Minor.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:03pm EDT.

1. Welcome and Introductions of committee.
2. Reports from the chair (Phyllis), vice chair (Catherine), vice president (Robin), and NO representative (Jay).
 - Phyllis- We will review the OWNC events that have been held this year. We are working on the OWNC events for 2024. We have a presentation on this later this evening. The two national awards from our committee will be announced on Friday evening of the USMS annual meeting. There are still two OWNC events to be held. Mission Viejo 1 mile and 5k will be held on September 16,17. The registration is still open until September 10. The 5/10K virtual event is still open until September 15.
 - Catherine- The committee is working with the National Office to increase participation in the OWNC. The items we are discussing is a festival format that includes multiple events, easy airport access to events and having a OWNC event associated with a national pool championship. We are monitoring the use of technology at open water events, the patch for participation in the virtual events will require swimming all five events in 2023. I was liaison for the Cable swim the Middle distance OWNC events. Both events were well run, and the swimmers enjoyed the events.
 - Robin- Thank you to the committee for all the work done in 2023.
 - Jay- The national office is looking at ways to increase participation in virtual and open water events. This year the one-hour swim had over 1000 entries. The 5/10 event is still open and the 3/6k events start September 15. The grant program to help new events with funding is still available. There have been 43 Open water events sanctioned in 2023.
3. LDC annual meeting presentation- Jill Wright narrated this presentation that reviewed the OWNC for 2023 and previewed the events for 2024.

4. Questions for the audience. The rotation of the OWNC events across the country was discussed. The committee welcomes all bids for these events. Priority will be given for events "in area", but other bids will be considered if no other bids are received.

New Business

Jill and Phyllis will be presenting workshops at the USMS Relay meeting. Jill's presentation will discuss how to start an open water event. Phyllis's presentation will discuss the sanctioning process for open water events.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. The two-mile cable swim at Foster Lake will be considered for 2024 when all the permits are completed, and the course is constructed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm EDT.



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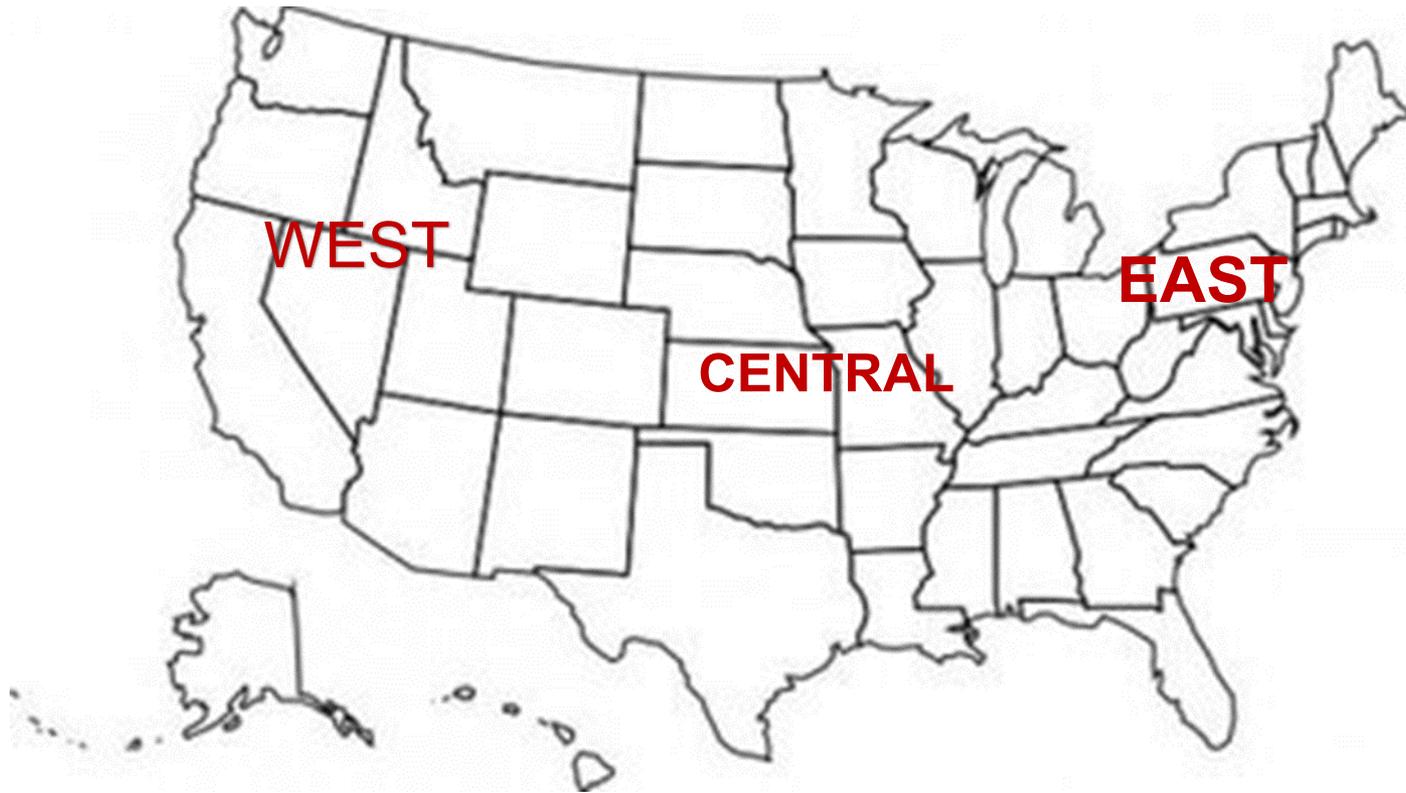
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**2-Mile Cable
June 3, 2023
Charlottesville, Virginia**



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2023 Open Water National Championships

Ultramarathon-Distance
25K
July 8, 2023
Portland, Oregon





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2023 Open Water National Championships

Marathon-Distance
10K
July 15, 2023
Applegate Lake, Oregon





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2023 Open Water National Championships

Middle-Distance
2.25 mile
August 12, 2023
Lake Oahe, South Dakota





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2023 Open Water National Championships

**Sprint-Distance
1 Mile
September 16-17, 2023
Mission Viejo, California**





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2023 Open Water National Championships

Long-Distance
5K
September 16-17, 2023
Mission Viejo, California





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2024 Open Water National Championships

Middle-Distance
2 Mile
June 1, 2024
Lake Berryessa, California





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2-Mile Cable
June 29, 2024
Foster Lake, Oregon

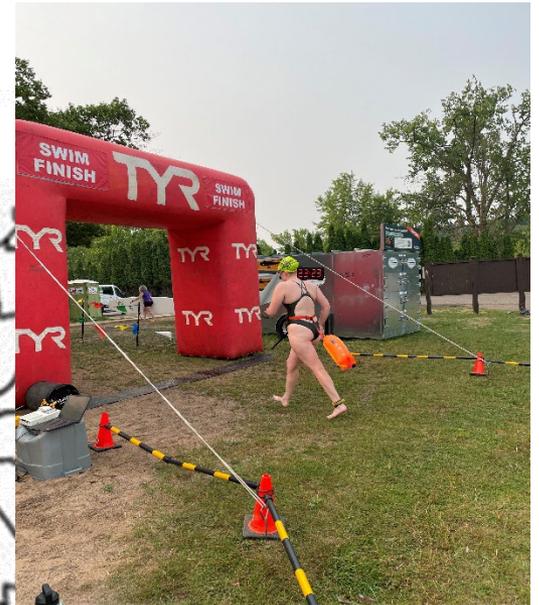




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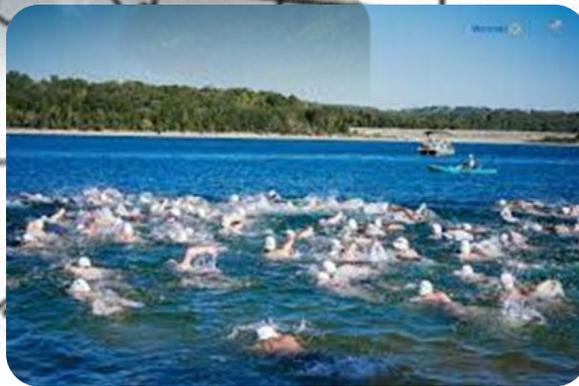
Long-Distance
5K
July 20, 2024
Square Lake, Minnesota.





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2024 Open Water National Championships



**Sprint-Distance
1 Mile
September 27, 2024
Beaver Lake, Arkansas**



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Marathon-Distance
Ultramarathon-Distance
To Be Determined

