

Pacific Masters Swimming  
Regular Meeting  
January 15, 2003

Call to order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by Michael Moore, Chairman @ 7:30 p.m.

Introductions: Michael Moore, FOG, Alan Levinson, MAM, Cindy Baxter, RINC, Barry Fasbender, STAN, Nancy Ridout, Dore Schwab, Jon Steiner, Cindy Clements, TAM, Joe Healy, Casey Cheung, Brian Fitzgibbons, TSUN, Barb Thomas, Mary Nygren, Glen Abersold, TVM, Marcia Benjamin, Carol Berendsen, UNAT, Bill Grohe, USF, Dennis Robinson, VAM, Joan Alexander, Joan Smith, Richard Smith WCM, Andy Cho, Special Olympics

Michael Moore introduced Andy Cho, who spoke about the need for help for the Special Olympics. Call or e-mail Barbara Thomas, who is the coordinator.

**Officers' Reports**

**Approval of the November 20, 2002 minutes** - MSP to approve the corrected minutes. Correction under the Open Water report, change the last word, clubs, to evaluators.

**Treasurer** - Clarine Anderson – absent. The report showed nothing unusual. The deficit is projected between 8,028.93 and 13,000. It was MSP that we should use part of our CDs to make up the deficit. MSP to approve the report.

**Chairman** – Michael Moore – A call for the Ransom Arthur Award candidates is due February 19, 2003. A call for the Coach of the year nominations are due in May.

**Vice Chairman Administration** – Richard Smith – No Report

**Vice Chairman Operations** - Barry Fasbender – The Rinconada Masters requested to move their meet from the Rinconada pool in Palo Alto to the Menlo Atherton High pool because the Rinconada pool does not meet USMS required length standards. This will reduce the number of competitive lanes from 10 to 9. A vote was taken to approve the move. MSP A boxed notice will be put in the newsletter regarding the location change. It will also be posted in the weekly Update.

**Secretary** - Joan Alexander - Report on Executive Meeting – A report was given on PMS retreat. Marketing and growth were addressed and it was suggested holding a Coaches Round Table. Many thanks to Rich Burns and Barbara Thomas for their presentations at the retreat. Other items that were addressed: nominations for Ransom Arthur and Service Awards. The pool measurement update was given, working with Triathlon clubs, 7-event limit at PMS Championships, fee structure for multiple day events, soliciting for events in areas outside the Bay Area, (Fresno, Clovis), equipment needs for meets and the 2006 FINA World Championships.

**At-Large** – Bill Grohe –

**Committee Reports**

**Zone Rep** – Joan Alexander – No Report

**Registration and Records** - Nancy Ridout – As of January 10, 2003 Pacific Masters Swimming has registered 2,512 swimmers and 83 clubs. The totals for this month don't fully reflect the number of applications that have been received and are yet to be processed. Nancy requested for approval of contracting out our renewal notices. The amount of \$4,300 has been budgeted but an increase of \$200 is requested at this time. MSP The Short Course Meters Top Ten will be forwarded to USMS this week. Joan Smith has volunteered to proofread the USMS version to see that the PMS swimmers are all included.

**Coaches** – Kerry O'Brien and Brian Stack – absent. Michael talked to Brian about the clinic in Napa. About 40 people attended. There were two presentations noted, one from Rick Powers and one from Jim Montgomery. Both spoke to running large teams, and what PMS can do for coaches and what coaches can do for PMS. A coaches retreat will be January 25, 2003 at Clark Pool in Walnut Creek.

**Communications/Newsletter** - Michael Moore – Joanne Berven – absent, but the deadline will be the 17<sup>th</sup>. On the Web, there is a last name lookup and team lookup team rosters. Last name lookup is working so team representatives may see if a person is registered with PMS.

**Fitness** – Barbara Thomas – There will be a stroke clinic at the Olympic Club Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 p.m. Scott Williams will be looking for coach volunteers to help. Signups will be soon. There will be a cap on attendance as they have only 5 lanes available.

**Health and Safety** - Carol Berendsen – No Report

**Hospitality** - Cindy Baxter and Ann Kay – Ann Kay will not be able to help for some time.

**Equipment** – Dale Finch – absent – No Report

**Legislation Rules** - Alan Levinson – Legislation year – This is a legislation year at convention. Alan will be accepting any suggestions for changes. They must be in writing. Pacific will be revising and updating the Guide To Operations and By Laws. Officials Reimbursement section will need clarification. Barry, Cindy and Alan will work on this. Also, the \$20 vs \$30 for 1-day event registration (Triathlons) could be revisited and used as a marketing tool, maybe to bring the registered swimmers into a club.

**Marketing/Public Relations** – Bill Grohe/Dore Schwab – There is a possibility of a Long Course meet in Fresno June 29. Could possibly be a North South meet. Redding is completing a new aquatic center and would like to host a regional Long Course meet. The idea of an Aquatic Weekend is being discussed.

**Meet Operations** - Barry Fasbender – IGLA International SCM Championship meet to be held one week after Long Course Nationals. This meet will be held at Stanford pool over a three-day period. The meet is expected to have around 1,100 swimmers. Because it is an International meet being run over three days, a few waivers to our standard rules are needed.

1. Deck seeding (application to the sanction chairman/PMS committee for a pre-seeded meet.) MSP to allow pre-seeding for all events except the 400, 800, 1500 free and the 400 IM.
2. An increase in registration fee to \$50 MSP
3. The deadline increased to 30 days before the start of the meet. MSP

**Officials** – Cindy Baxter – There will be clinics for new meet officials at the following places. #3 at Sonora, CA will be at Stuft Pizza on February 20, 2003 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. #4 will be held at Shasta College in Redding Saturday March 15, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. More information will be available on this at a later date. Bud Myer needs officials at the USF meet on February 8.

**Scheduling** - Marcia Benjamin – MSP to add the Fresno meet to the schedule.

**Open Water** – Cindy Clements – There are some concerns regarding the Del Valle swim since there will be other events at the same time. A 10K swim will start at 7:00 a.m., and a Triathlon will start at 8:00 a.m. Should our swim be moved to June 1?

**Ad Hoc Top Ten Computer Interface** - Barry Fasbender - No Report

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – None

**Team Announcements** – TAM 1650 Postal

**Adjournment** - MSP at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Joan Alexander  
Secretary  
Pacific Masters Swimming

**Next Meeting – February 19, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.**  
**The next meeting will be at the Oak Hill Park Community Center, Danville**