



The Lane Line
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Upcoming Meets and Events

December 2	Reno Winners Meet
January 1-31	Hour Swim
January 27	Olympic Club 1500m
January 28	Fog City Winter Quadrathon (50, 100, 200, 500 Freestyle)

Be sure to check out www.pacificmasters.org for more details.



Christmas Party

The Christmas Party has been scheduled for Saturday evening, **December 9th** from 4 to 8pm at Phil Jonckheer's house, 12 Flamingo Lane in San Rafael (in the Peacock Gap area). Please sign up on the bulletin board at the pool to bring something yummy!

Directions: Head east on 3rd Street which becomes San Pedro Road (past Montecito Shopping Center) to Peacock Dr – about three miles past Montecito Center. Turn left on Peacock Drive and take your second left onto Flamingo Lane. We're at the end of the cul de sac on the right. Phil's phone is: #415-482-7580.



Marie's Christmas Gift

On the way in or out of the pool locker room, please take a moment to sign the Christmas card for Marie that's posted on the bulletin board. Be creative, witty and joyful! I'm sure Marie would appreciate any and all greetings of holiday cheer! There's also an envelope next to the card if you wish to donate a little something towards Marie's Christmas bonus. Jim Stambolis will be collecting, so you can leave a check in the envelope, mail a check to Jim at 530 Wakerobin Lane, San Rafael, CA 94903 or just catch him on the pool deck at workouts. Any questions, please call at 479-5813.



Team Christmas for Ritter House Teens

This year our swim team is collecting gift cards for Ritter House Teens. Gift cards in any denominations are greatly appreciated (GAP, Jamba Juice, Macy*s, Circuit City, etc) and can be given to Marie. Please have all donations in by Friday, December 15. Thank you!



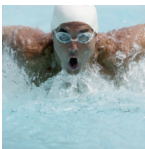
PMS Registration

The 2007 USMS registration year is upon Pacific Masters. All club and individual registrations expire on 31 December. Jessica Jakobi is once again coordinating our team's registration efforts. Thank you to everyone who has already registered. The individual membership is \$35/year, the same as 2006 and includes a subscription to USMS Swimmer Magazine, the Pacific Masters newsletter. Membership also includes a secondary accident insurance policy, borrowing privileges from the video library and the privilege of participating in any of the pool and open water events.



Hour Swim

Has anyone noticed the subtle changes to our workouts as of late? Perhaps you have seen the omnipresent smiley face up on the board or have you needed that afternoon nap a little more often than usual? It is not your imagination! The Hour Swim is just around the corner. For any newcomers to the team, the Hour Swim is a national postal meet that can be swum in your home pool anytime during the month of January. The idea is to find a pace with which you are comfortable and swim as far as you can in one hour. Most of our swimmers will complete the swim on January 20th and 21st with cold water swimmers on Saturday and warmer water swimmers on Sunday. You sign up for a time and date and the rest is up to you! It is a lot of "fun" and a traditional team effort.



Jon Steiner Memorial Mile

As a TAM swimmer, there is always a particular obligation to participate in the annual Postal 1650. This year, however, the event has taken on a bit more meaning. With Jon's passing, we have decided to rename the event the Jon Steiner Memorial Mile. Recall that the event must be swum sometime between Jan 1 and Feb 28 of next year, with your entry due by March 15! To make things even easier, you can use the first 1650 of your hour swim! (There is some consolation for having taken the hour swim out too quickly!) That said, in honor of Jon's memory, we would like to make it a big team event this year and hope that you will all swim the 1650 with the rest of your teammates on a weekend to be named later, about three weeks after the Hour Swim weekend. See www.tammasters.org/poolmile.html for more information.



Marie would like to thank everyone for doing such a wonderful job keeping the pool up and running during her absence. She is thrilled to be back on the deck and we are thrilled to have her there!



Rooms for Nationals in May

Nancy Ridout has only two rooms still available for Short Course Nationals. Please contact her as soon as possible if you are interested in reserving one!



News from around the Deck

Congratulations to Mary Sylla and her partner Lyn on the birth of Maybelle on October 25! We look forward to having you back in the water Mary!

A Note from the President

Take a moment to reflect on the wonderfully supportive organization we are a part of with all our TAM friends! This year we have been tested and we have passed with flying colors. – Ken Frost



November Birthdays

Glenda Carroll	November 4
Ben Wright	November 21
Jim Tull	November 21
Mary Cone	November 27



December Birthdays

Teresa Owen	December 2
Joe Fahy	December 6
Jim Stambolis	December 6
Michael Boorstein	December 9*
Ken Frost Jr	December 12
Celia DeMartini	December 20*
Mary Alexandre	December 22

* New age group

Happy Holidays to All !

