



## Northwest Zone Chatter

December 2017

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### **LMSC websites in the NW Zone**

ALASKA [www.akmswim.org](http://www.akmswim.org)  
INLAND NW [www.inlandnwmasters.org](http://www.inlandnwmasters.org)  
MONTANA <http://swimmontana.org/>  
OREGON [www.swimoregon.org](http://www.swimoregon.org)  
PACIFIC NW [www.swimpna.org](http://www.swimpna.org)  
SNAKE RIVER under construction!  
UTAH [www.utahmasters.org](http://www.utahmasters.org)

**REMINDER . . . Elected Officers and members of the board of directors must be current members of USMS (LMSC Mandatory Standard 2.2.4). If you haven't registered for 2018 . . . please DO IT NOW! Failure to do so may cause your LMSC to lose points in the upcoming LMSC Standards Survey!**

**Report from the Chair:** Thanks to the dozen LMSC members who attended our December 10 conference call. It was a short, but effective meeting. Ken Winterberger, Hugh Moore, and Steve Darnell were appointed to 2-year terms as Treasurer, Webmaster, and Records Keeper respectively. The meeting minutes are in the process of review and will be distributed to all as soon as they are voted upon by the LSMC chairs.

The approval of bids for the **2018 NW Zone Championship** events took place at the meeting.

- **SCY – April 6-8 at the University of Montana in Missoula, MT; hosted Big Sky Montana Swim Club**
  - **Open Water – June 2 at Broadside Harbor in Caldwell, ID; 1-mile event to be hosted by Sawtooth Masters**
  - **LCM – August 24-26 at Mt. Hood Aq. Center in Gresham, OR; hosted by Oregon Reign**
  - **SCM – November 17/18 at King County Aq. Center in Federal Way, WA; hosted by Puget Sound Masters**
- Be sure to put these events on your calendars and make sure they are included in your LMSC communications.

**I wish you all a healthy and happy New Year!**

Sally Dillon  
NW Zone Chair

**Thanks to the LMSC chairs for submitting information for this issue of the Chatter!**

### **ALASKA**

2017 - 362 Members, 2 clubs (172 registered to date for 2018)  
8 leaders listed on the zone roster

### **INLAND NORTHWEST**

2017 - 412 members, 19 clubs (195 registered to date for 2018)  
11 leaders listed on the zone roster  
Current Account Balance: \$11,313.14

### **2018 meets**

Spring Splash Meet – February, Coeur d'Alene, ID  
Inland NW Champs meet – March or April (TBD), Moscow, ID

### **Other events**

ALTS Classes – April, Coeur d'Alene, ID  
Two stroke clinics in development (Freestyle/Breaststroke), time/location TBD

### **MONTANA**

2017 – 261 members, 5 clubs (128 registered to date for 2018)  
12 leaders listed on the zone roster

• We have 4 clubs, one of which is a regional club, and four that are more centralized. The regional club has renamed itself to Big Sky Montana Masters Swim Club (BSMT) from Montana Masters, to alleviate the confusion because the club name was so similar to the LMSC. The new name will take effect on January 1, 2018.

• Officers are: Jeanne Ensign (Chair), Dick Weber (VP), Keegan Witt (Treasurer), Edie Van Buskirk (Secretary, appointed in May) and Donn Livoni (Immediate Past President). Other voting board members are Glenn DeHekker, BSMT rep; Mark Johnston, FLOWS rep; and Audrey Wooding, Bozeman rep. The KATS rep position is vacant.

• KATS Masters hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Flathead Lake Swim Series last July in Flathead Lake with distances of ½ mi, 1 mi, 5k, and 10k. Thirteen swimmers completed all four events.

• We held USMS stroke development clinics in August in Bozeman and Missoula with Bill Brenner. Emily von Jentzen was additional coach on deck for the Missoula clinic.

### **Upcoming events:**

- The 2018 USMS Postal Swimtathlon League that takes the Check-Off Challenge to the next level with times, awards and standings (hosted by FLOWS).
- The 2018 SCY Championships will be held at the University of Montana Grizzly Pool April 6,7 and 8<sup>th</sup>. The meet will also be the NW Zone SCY Championships. BSMT is the host club.

## **OREGON**

2017 – 1227 members, 7 clubs (629 registered to date for 2018)  
20 leaders listed on the zone roster

### **Elected Officers**

Chair-Tim Waud  
Vice Chair-Robbert van Andel  
Secretary-Michelle Jacobs-Brown  
Treasurer-Kermit Yensen

### **Events held since convention**

OMS Stroke Clinic-October 2017	Corvallis, Oregon
OMS Freestyle Clinic-October 2017	Eugene, Oregon
OMS Breaststroke Clinic-November 2017	Oregon City, Oregon
NW Zone SCM Champs -November 11-12, 2017	Hood River, Oregon

### **Upcoming Events**

COMA All-Around SCM Meet-December 10, 2017	Bend, Oregon
Canby Animal Meet-December 17, 2017	Canby, Oregon
USMS Ultra marathon (10.7mile) OW National Championship-July 2018	Portland, Oregon
USMS 2-mile OW National Championship-July 2018	Sweet Home, Oregon
USMS Marathon (10K) OW National Championship-July 2018	Jacksonville, Oregon

### **Notable**

2017 USAS Convention Awards  
MJ Caswell - Dorothy Donnelly Service Award  
Shelly Rawding - Kerry O'Brien Coaches Award  
Tim Waud - Speedo USMS Coach of the Year  
Oregon Club - USMS Regional Club of the Year

## **PACIFIC NORTHWEST**

2017 – 1738 members, 11 clubs (839 registered to date for 2018)  
23 leaders listed on the zone roster

### **Events held since convention**

October 14 - BAMFest – SCY meet on Bainbridge Is, WA – 137 competitors  
November 5 - 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Snohomish Aquatics SCY meet in Snohomish, WA – 115 competitors  
November 18/19 - Puget Sound Masters SCM Championships at KCAC in Federal Way, WA – 197 competitors  
Numerous LMSC, Zone, USMS, and World records were set at the meet SCM Champs!

### **Upcoming meets**

January 21 – Bellevue, WA – Bellevue Club Masters' Mile – 1500 SCM event only  
February 4 – Anacortes, WA - Thunderbird Masters SCM meet  
February 18 – Kirkland, WA - Lake Washington Masters SCY Invitational  
March 11 – Port Angeles, WA – SCY Masters meet  
March 18 – Lake Stevens, WA – SCY Pentathlon  
April 14/15 – Federal Way, WA – PNA SCY Championships  
Go to <https://www.swimpna.org/PNA/pool-meets/> for complete information on PNA pool meets.

### **Notable**

- Open Water Coordinator, Jim Davidson, was honored at convention with the Dorothy Donnelly Service Award!
- PNA will host an annual membership meeting and social on Saturday during the April 14/15 champs in Federal Way. Tickets can be purchased during the online meet registration process.

## **SNAKE RIVER**

2017 – 155 members, 8 clubs (86 registered to date for 2018)  
8 leaders listed on the zone roster

- In combination with the Treasure Valley YMCA USAS organization, there were a total of four SCY and two LCM dual sanctioned meets held in 2017. There were also two USMS sanctioned open water events held.
- Work continues on bringing the LMSC by-laws into compliance with USMS minimum standards.

## **UTAH**

2017 – 425 members, 16 clubs (212 registered to date for 2018)  
16 leaders listed on the zone roster

### **Elections held in November 2017 for Board of Directors:**

Chair-Aaron Norton (new chair)

Vice Chair- Karen Oliver (previous chair, now vice-chair)

Secretary-Michael Flitton

Treasurer-Joe Linford (new treasurer)

Registrar: Katy Kissinger

Other non-board positions also filled.

- **Of note** is a new Masters Swim Club Development Chair and Webmaster (both Blair Bagley, who is one of our Masters team coaches). Very talented webmaster and promotions person. See [www.southdavismasters.com](http://www.southdavismasters.com) for an example of the site she runs.

### **Events held in Q4-2017**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Mile High SCM Invitational (dual USMS and USA Swimming sanctioned) (new pool)-September 2017
- Rocky Mountain Invitational (Duel Recognized with USMS and CCS) – October 2017
- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual South Davis Veterans Day Invitational (USMS Sanctioned) – November 2017. It was the largest meet of the year in Utah; two Olympians attended the meet (Swedish and Dutch)

### **Upcoming Events**

- Free USMS and Fitness Swimmer clinic – January 2018
- Utah State Championships (USMS) – April 2018

### **Notable**

- Utah LMSC is sponsoring a fundraiser for local youth swim team that supports underprivileged children in Salt Lake City. We are doing 100X100 yds for New Year's. The event will be held at 3 different pools in the state.
- 2 Masters teams have begun ALTS classes and will continue in 2018.