



WORLD PROFESSIONAL MARATHON SWIMMING FEDERATION

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Greetings:

The results of the Argentine swims are: MAR DEL PLATA (Ocean swim; Water T° 68°; five foot waves; 25 miles). Of the 21 swimmers entered only 5 finished under the time limit: 1st, Horatio Iglesias (Arg.), 12 hrs; 2nd, Claudio Plitt (Arg.), 12:30; 3rd, Jon Erikson (U.S.A.), 13:36; 4th, Marwan Shedid (U.A.R.), 15:21; 5th, Oscar Bernatene (Arg.). As of this time the swimmers have not been paid by the sponsors. SANTA FE-CORONDA (River swim; 39 miles; Water T° 82°). Of the 30 swimmers who started 24 finished. The times for the first eight are: 1st, Claudio Plitt (Arg.), 7 hrs 46 min.; 2nd, Villagomez (Mex.), 7:48; 3rd, Iglesias (Arg.), 7:49; 4th, Johan Schans (Hol.), 8:01; 5th, Erikson (U.S.A.), 8:17; 6th, Diana Nyad (U.S.A.), 8:22; 7th, M. Shedid (U.A.R.), 8:27; 8th, C. Aguirre (Arg.), 8:35.

Following is all the information presently available concerning the professional marathon swims scheduled for the remainder of 1974. Most of the sponsors provide free room and board from three days to one week before their swim for ACCEPTED SWIMMERS AND THEIR COACHS ONLY. Details will be in the entry form. DO NOT WRITE TO THE WPMSF FOR ENTRY FORMS. THESE MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE INDIVIDUAL RACE COMMITTEES, WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE LISTED BELOW.

CAPRI-NAPLES, Naples, Italy, Sunday, July 14 (23 miles; water T° 65-75). 1st Prize 600.00 I.L. (about \$960 U.S.); 2nd, 340.00 I.L.; 3rd, 250.00 I.L.; 4th, 150.00 I.L.; 5th thru 10th, 50.00 I.L. Women: 1st, 400.00 I.L.; 2nd, 200.00 I.L.; 3rd, 100.00 I.L.; 4th, 50.00 I.L. A woman who finishes the race in a better time than the male winner cashes 600.00 I.L. For further information and entry forms write: INTERNATIONAL LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING FEDERATION, 8 Abdula Nadiem Street, Heliopolis, Cairo, Egypt. The I.L.D.S.F. will deduct 5% from each prize.

LA TUQUE, LaTuque, Quebec, Canada, Saturday-Sunday, July 20-21 (24-hour team race in Lake St. Louis; each lap 1/3rd mile; teams consists of two swimmers; one member of a team must be in the water at all times and may swim as many laps as he or she chooses so long as at least one full lap is completed; water T° 65-75; The winning team in 1973 completed 180 laps or 58.7 miles). 1st Prize, \$3,500; 2nd, \$2,000; 3rd, \$1,300; 4th, \$1,000; 5th, \$900; 6th, \$800; 7th, \$700; 8th, \$600; 9th, \$500; 10th, \$400; 11th, \$300; 12th, \$200. Only twelve teams will be accepted. During the week before the race there will be sprints held with \$1,100 in prizes. This is a well organized race with as many as 50,000 spectators showing up when the weather is good. For further information and entry forms write: Mr. Lucien Lavoie, Director Technique, 24-Heures LaTuque, Case Postale 24, LaTuque, Quebec, Canada.

SAGUENAY RIVER, Chicoutimi, Quebec, Canada, July 27 (28 mile river swim; water T° 56°-75°). This swim, which has had a dubious reputation for the last few years, will be trying to redeem itself with a first class marathon. There will be over \$15,000 in purses offered this year. As the sponsors have not yet come out with information it would be best to write to the Lake St. John sponsors for entry forms.

LAKE ST. JOHN, Roberval, Quebec, Canada, August 4 (25 miles to the inexperienced, 19 miles to the professional swimmer; water T° 58°-75°; The oldest professional marathon race in the world. An unusually tough open water lake swim.)

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\$20,000 in total prize money(No breakdown at the present time; 1st Prize is usually \$3,500). Only 23 swimmers will be accepted. For further information and entry form write: Mr. Pierre Bourdon, Secretary Lac-St. Jean, International Marathon, Inc., 851 Boulevard St. Joseph, Roberval, Quebec, Canada.

LAVAL, Quebec, Canada, August 11(10 mile closed circuit course in Lake of the Swans. The course will be a triangular one in the lake which is about 650 feet long. Water T^o should be warm.). Five hour time limit. 1st Prize, \$1,000; 2nd, \$800; 3rd, \$700; 4th, \$600; 5th, \$500; 6th, \$400; 7th, \$300; 8th, \$200; 9th, \$100; \$50 to the rest finishing under the time limit. For further information and entry forms write: MARATHON DE NAGE INTERNATIONAL DE VILLE DE LAVAL, 901 Park Ave., City of Laval, St-Vincent-de-Paul, P.Q., Canada, H7E 2T7. CHICAGO 10 MILE LAKE MICHIGAN SWIM(LAKE FRONT FESTIVAL), Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. (one half mile laps on a straight line; water T^o 51^o-75^o), August 25. 1st Prize, \$3,000; 2nd, \$2,000; 3rd, \$1,500; 4th, \$1,000; 5th, \$800; 6th, \$600; 7th, \$500; 8th, \$300; 9th, \$200; 10th, \$1,00: 1st Woman, \$1,000; 2nd, \$500; 3rd, \$250; A woman will not be eligible for both prizes BUT WHICH EVER IS LARGER. For further information and entry forms write: Col. Jack Reilley, Office of Special Events, City Hall, Chicago, Illinois, 60602, U.S.A. No limit to the number of entries accepted.

There is also a great possibility of a race in Corpus Christi, Texas, U.S.A. but as of this date nothing definite.

We will be holding our annual Federation meeting on August 27 in Chicago. All dues paying members will be allowed to vote for officers and on Federation matters.

A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL MEMBERS BELONGING TO THE FEDERATION WILL BE SENT TO ALL SWIM SPONSORS FOR THEIR ENTRY FORM MAILING LIST. HOWEVER WE STRONGLY ADVISE THAT YOU WRITE THE SPONSORS IMMEDIATELY FOR YOUR ENTRY FORMS.

NILE RIVER SWIM(21 miles, water T^o 80-85): Only the male and female winners and their times are available at this time. The race was held on April 19.
Men's Winner: Marwan Ghazzawy(Egypt), 7 hrs 39 min(NEW RECORD)
Women's Winner: Corrie Dixon(Holland), 8:24:57; 2nd woman, Sahar Mansur(Egypt), 8:35:05; 3rd woman, Angela Markity(Arg.), 9:38:17