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On the boat to Key West

Posted by Xtreme Dream Team on Sep 25, 2011 in Blog | 31 comments

Diana is physically doing really well. She finally fell asleep on the boat returning to Key West. Her arms are marked up badly from the stings, but she's physically fine. She will be back in Key West tonight. Diana will most likely be talking about the swim to her supporters, who she loves so dearly, tomorrow morning.

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Babs Hogan

September 25, 2011

Your Xtreme Dream was accomplished in many ways. It didn't require 103 miles to achieve your goal. Congrats.

Reply



Linda Lange

September 25, 2011

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- [@matbleek](#) can't fault someone for trying though! [about 4 minutes ago](#) from [HootSuite](#) in reply to [Matbleek](#)
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Perfectly stated!!

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Lisa D

September 25, 2011

Can you let us know where and what time she might be talking. We would love to show her our support.

Reply



Paige

September 25, 2011

I have admired you, Diana, since the mid-70s when I first heard about you. I admired you then and I admire you today. Thanks for showing us that age is not a barrier to dedication, courage, ambition, hard work and dreams. I congratulate you and thank you.

Reply



Angela

September 25, 2011

I hope you realize that it doesn't matter to any of us whether you reach a "finish line." It's about the courage and heart and strength it takes to TRY! And you have all of those things in spades. Your age is immaterial; this is a very tough challenge-period. My grandmother and her sister both lived to be 102, and so did their mother, and all were lucid and living independently up until their last year of life. You might have another 40 years of training left! By making these attempts, you are really challenging ALL OF US to stretch beyond our comfort zone in anything we believe in. I am 50 myself and you have been an inspiration to reach higher, try harder, and realize that the journey is what is important. You are a hero to all of us!

Reply



Kennaith

September 25, 2011

Angela has said it with clarity and elegance that captures the effect you have had on us, Diana, with daring to show us that the finish line is a personal triumph, not a physical one.

Reply



Diane

September 25, 2011

Angela, you have echoed my feelings exactly. I couldn't believe it when I heard another attempt was being made by Diana. The very fact that she was going to try again blew me away. I was inspired then and I'm inspired now.

Reply



Terrie wurzbacher

September 25, 2011

Thank you Angela for saying what I (we) feel. Bravo to you for such beautiful writing for a beautiful woman"

Terrie

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Susan

September 25, 2011

Congratulations. You are inspiring.

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Blonde Seashell

September 25, 2011

So proud of you, Diana! I hope you realize how much you inspire others with your incredible spirit and mentality. YOU are a winner!

Reply



Jan

September 25, 2011

I just got these most recent updates, and would still love see her arrival in Key West. So, so proud!

Reply



Ginger

September 25, 2011

Rest well. Thank you so much for two of the most inspirational days of my life. I feel as if I know you. You managed to get inside so many heads and hearts with your dream. You did it. I have never seen such a display of guts and glory.

Reply



Linda Lange

September 25, 2011

It is amazing the outpouring of love you have brought forth Ms.Diana Nyad. Everything everyone is saying goes for all of us you have followed your quest these past few months and for me since you were in your 20s. We need a Diana Nyad National Holiday so everyone can reflect on their spot in life at that moment and to awaken to the fact that no dream is impossible no matter how "xtreme"!!! All the swimming world and everyone else in the world admires your courage, tenacity and efforts. You are truly loved.

Reply



Ali

September 25, 2011

Sleep well - You are so inspiring. I love your guts.

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Rest well, you deserve it! Everything will wait for you! Huge admiration!

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Swim Mom

September 25, 2011

Thank you for showing the world that age is no excuse to discourage an athlete from chasing their dream. Your courage, strength, and determination are great inspirations for us all. Thanks for another memorable swim. We love you!

Reply



Barb & Marci

September 25, 2011

We love to cheer for you. Hope u recover quickly!

Reply



Kori

September 25, 2011

WE LOVE YOU DEARLY! Sleep well and sweet dreams. You deserve it! So good to hear you're doing really well.

Reply



Emma

September 25, 2011

Diana ~ You are an inspiration to us all! Thank you.

Reply



Lynda

September 25, 2011

You shared your dream with so many, inspired so many, the dream lives on in each of those you inspired on your journey. Thank you and sweet dreams...

Reply



Allan

September 25, 2011

Wonderful Accomplishment !!!

Reply



Ronen

September 25, 2011

This fall I'm riding across Israel for peace on a tandem bike with my bother who at 47 already had a heart attack and 7 years of Parkinson's. Today when I trained with him and the going got tough on one of the hills and my heart was bursting, I

kept thinking of you swimming day and night amongst sharks and deadly jelly fish and I kept going. Diana, you have helped me slay some dragons and I'm riding strong to whatever finish line the powers have in store for us.

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Thank You!

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Malle from Sweden

September 25, 2011

Thank you for your inspiation, Diana! I'm a swimmer myself, 49 years old, suffering from a traffic injury in my pelvic since 1979. My handicap doesn't show but I've been living with pain ever since. Swimming has held me trained over the years and I really can relate to your love to the water and its challenges. Here in Sweden I swim a lot in the ocean during summer and sometimes I crash into jellyfish. It really hurts but I realize it took a really big one to stop you from continuing. A warm hug to you all the way from Sweden and good luck in the future. I'll keep looking out for you!

Reply



Marti from VT

September 25, 2011

Last night when I was trying to sleep you were in deep waters. I was thinking about how you were doing out there. It's about the journey.....

Reply



Madelie

September 25, 2011

I'm in my late 50s and ran 6 miles today ... never did more than about 3.5 ... because of how you've inspired me! Great job; finish line or not!

Reply



dalene

September 25, 2011

Very proud! I add my voice to many of the prior comments: you inspire and encourage. As you said earlier, you do set your own finish line--and it is so much more about the journey than it is about the end. You gave each one of us the courage to set our sites higher and keep pushing a little further than otherwise we might. Thank you!

Reply



Joanie M

September 25, 2011

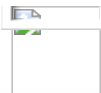
Thank you for your courage and tenacity. An inspiration to the world.

Reply



Charla

September 25, 2011



Finish or not, you're an inspiration!! I so admire your efforts.

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Rosemary

September 25, 2011

Diana, you are my hero!

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Sunny

September 25, 2011

Words cannot express how proud I am of you! Heck-I don't even know you personally...you could be some ax murderer for all I know! HA! Seriously...you have given determination a whole new meaning. I wish a speedy recovery on those stings...and hey....don't beat yourself up about the 103 miles....the reward is that you started! THANK-YOU DIANA...THANK-YOU!!

Reply



Thankful!

September 25, 2011

Diana, you will always be an inspiration to me. When I am outside working and feel some strain of my 63 years, I now think, not of my spry earlier years and how flexible and energetic I was, but of your dedication to continuing to be in the best physical and mental condition, whatever the chronological age.

And I remember the scene in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" when McMurphy bets he can pick up the water fixture and throw it out the window. He struggles, and at last he says, "I tried." My understanding of that scene is that he is ennobled by taking up a seemingly impossible challenge, that he shows everyone around him, and us, that his true measure is enormity of the challenges he chooses.

Your true measure is that you have put yourself in the struggle.

I would like to close with a translation of a description of a particular hero in a classical theater form of Indonesia, a description which also applies to you: "He never turns from a challenge, and so he is always sharp and ready, like a knife that often meets the whetstone."

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