

AUGUST 2018 NEWS

If you have read the LMSC Newsletter for August you will see there is much news to be repeated. Our Pan American FACT team of 52 was a big item and I hope that all those that participated enjoyed the experience. We fielded 38 relays and 25 of those medaled. I believe everyone participating on our team medaled either individually or as part of a relay. All made it to the blocks on time and only three dq's – one I was responsible for because I couldn't finish the 50 fly. I'm making a request – please help me out next time and volunteer; if you're slow don't worry. Finishing is the name of the game. One of our 360 relays the men were disqualified because of one man's infraction – our SENIOR member, Ed Graves (95), with a twinkle in his eye stated – "three of us should have gotten the gold – we were legal!!!!" Five of our relays set Pan American Records – three 360 relays and two 320's. Competition was not lacking – Peru and Brazil gave us all a run for our money. In fact, Brazil sat with us and it was nice that some of our members were able to converse in their language.

The individual record breakers were Martha Henderson in the 400 IM, Pat Tullman in the 50 and 100 fly, Betty Lorenzi in all three backstrokes and Jeanne Hackett in the 100 breast. One of our most recent members, Ken Hickey, had a fabulous banner printed for us to display in our gathering area. Thank you so much Ken!!

We are hoping to have a large group at the Annual Rowdy Gaines Meet October 12-14th. Be sure to sign up early if you are swimming anything long. This is one of the two SCM meets offered in our area. The Shark Tank meet November 3-4 Will offer a limited number for the 1500M. Don't get left out in the cold.

I hope that many of you will encourage swimmers in some of the small competitive teams to join us for larger team participation. They are able to

maintain their team identity as a Workout Group of FACT. It's so much more fun to be a part of a large group and swim some relays.

A special thanks to many of the team that gave generously to help us through the expenses required for the Pan American Games. We appreciated the addition to our coffers. We should be fine for the rest of the fiscal year. Also, be sure you check on the items here that are available – jackets, polo shirts, suits, etc. We managed to sell out our t-shirts that we had in our inventory for over 15 years. You might let us know if you would like to stay with the logo on t-shirts and order from another provider. Our original company has gone out of business years ago.

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