

APRIL - JUNE 2020 FACT NEWS

I must apologize for the lack of updates on our website, but the news over the past three months has been just that "lack of updates". I believe almost all of us has been able to get wet at this point in the year but I think that has been about it. I talked to Bob Jennings from the VASF group this week and they are working on the Virtual Schedule. USMS has provided us with the "how to" to do this if any of you are interested. The dry land exercises and suggestions to keep in shape are also available on the USMS website. I managed to get 140 miles of walking in before the pools opened here – my "glorious" maximus paid for it but I did stay in shape and had no difficulty getting back to my favorite pastime – getting wet!! As of this writing I believe all meets through August 31st have been cancelled. Anything further down the line is really waiting for information. The Annual Convention for USAS in Jacksonville in September is now virtual – we're zooming most of our meetings at the moment. The State Senior Games appears on the schedule but with the Covid19 requirements spelled out clearly – I recommend that you read them. They're available in the Information part of their website.

The Pan American Games in Medellin, Columbia were postponed and are on a tentative schedule for May 20-28, 2021 if anyone is interested. This will be the only FINA International Meet next year I understand. I am looking at World Masters in Japan in 2022 as a goal. My aging up 90th year has certainly been a bust!!

I've inquired as much as I could about the team and if all are well and escaping the virus. The only one to report the nasty thing was John Corse, who at 96 had a mild case, was treated at Mayo in Jacksonville and has been

released from the hospital. His wife fortunately has tested negative. He certainly was blessed for a second year in a row – suffered a heart attack last year. He's anxious to get back in the water, where he swam in his backyard pool up until the virus episode.

We're all anxious to get back to competition I know. I miss the getting together with all our friends. When someone calls I'm liable to keep them on the telephone for at least 10 minutes just to chat!!! Beware.

Keep safe – wear your mask – wash your hands (preferably in the pool) and keep in touch.

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