



## **JUNE – AUGUST 2023 FACT NEWSLETTER**

**by Joan Campbell**

I'm combining the three months because of lack of activity in June and announcements of importance in the months of July and August. Recent announcements were added to the schedule of USMS Meets for 2024 and 2025. The Spring Nationals next June will be at the IU Natatorium in Indianapolis June 20 – 24. These will be held at the same time as Olympic Trials in Indy at a different pool to give you an opportunity to perhaps see some of the Trials.

The Pan Am Games will be July 17-20, 2024 in Cleveland, Ohio. USMS Summer Nationals will be held at Mission Viejo ,California August 21 – 25, 2024.

The Spring Nationals in 2025 will be held in San Antonio again – we have all enjoyed that facility and their gracious hospitality. Summer Nationals in 2025 will be at the Weyerhauser Facility in Federal Way, Washington. We haven't been there since 2007, and I understand it has been improved tremendously – I thought it was nice before!! Their dates are August 6 – 10, 2025. FINA Walt Reid tells me it's still not definite, but as of today he told me Singapore!! Count me in!!

The National Senior Games in 2025 will be in Des Moines, Iowa. Sounds like fun. Remember the local competitions next year will qualify you for the State Senior Games in December and the State Games will be the qualifying meet for the National Games in 2025. Don't miss your qualifying meets around the State and be sure you realize the events you swim at the State Games determine what you swim at Senior Nationals.

We had a really nice meet this year at St Pete in early July. Chance to qualify for the Nationals which start next week. Our four mature ladies: Joan Campbell, Pat St Germain, Pat Tullman and Martha Henderson placed third in the women behind St Pete and Sarasota – KUDOS. No actual awards but fun to do. Joan and the Pats took individual High Point!

On to Nationals - we'll have two 200m Relays!!

Here are the results of the USMS Nationals held in Sarasota on August 2 through 6<sup>th</sup>. Our 5 women and one man had an exceptional showing and should be congratulated. Special mention has to go to Gail Grossman who with a last minute okay, because of COVID in the family, drove on Friday morning to Sarasota from the Villages to participate in our gold medal 200 Women's Medley Relay, and remained the next day to also participate in our Gold Medal Women's 200 Free Relay. We greatly appreciated her team effort. This effort earned us a 5<sup>th</sup> Place in the Women's Regional Teams in the National USMS Summer Nationals Meet!! Not too shabby! Also participating on these relays were myself, Pat Tullman and Martha Henderson.

We have just added a Pan Am Masters meet to our schedule for 2024. Nadine Day gave us dates and events on Facebook. More details will be forthcoming but it sounds like really fun – they will be in Trinidad and Tobago starting July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. If you would like to coordinate travel and accommodations when the details are published, get in touch with me. I believe these Games do not require qualifying times.

Hope to see a good group at the Rowdy Gaines SCM meet in October, and the September 9 Dog Days. Dog Days is the last meet to schedule Long Course times for 2023.