

NEWS *from* WORLD PROFESSIONAL MARATHON SWIMMING FEDERATION, INC.



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Greetings!

Our Federation has a new president -- M. Gustave Gagne of Roberval, who succeeds M. Lois Fournier of Roberval both as President of the Federation and of Club Aquatique du Lac St. Jean. M. Fournier, for business reasons, moved from Roberval to Havre St. Pierre, Que., in April and Club Aquatique, whose year it is to provide the Federation's president, elected M. Gagne to succeed him. We all wish M. Fournier the best of good fortune in his new post and extend our thanks for his fine work as our president since last August. We wish welcome and good luck to M. Gagne for the remainder of his term.

Important note: The headquarters of the Federation is now located permanently at the following address -- 4351 4th St., S.E., Washington, D.C., U.S.A. And a note to correspondents from outside the U.S.: PLEASE DO NOT WRITE VIA REGISTERED MAIL! Regular airmail will suffice. Registering your letters only delays their delivery to Federation headquarters.

Following is all the information presently available concerning the professional marathon swims scheduled for the remainder of 1965. We are sorry to report that the Atlantic City Swim has been abandoned for 1965 (it may be revived next year), and the Lake Ontario Swim at Toronto has been cancelled for this year, also. Here are the swims which will be held:

CAPRI-NAPLES, Naples, Italy, Sunday, July 11; 18 miles. 1st Prize: 600,000 Lira; 2nd Prize: 400,000 Lire; 3rd Prize: 250,000 Lira. (623 Lira equal \$1 U.S.) For further information and entry blanks write to Mr. L. Baroni, c/o "El Matino," Naples, Italy.

CHICOUTIMI, Chicoutimi, Que., Canada, Saturday, July 17; 28 miles. 1st Prize: \$1,000 (Canadian); 2nd Prize: \$700; 3rd Prize: \$400; 4th Prize: \$250; 5th Prize: \$100. For information and entry blanks write to M. Robert Cossette, Club de Natation du Saguenay, Case Postale 442, Chicoutimi, P.Q., Canada.

LA TUQUE, La Tuque, Que., Canada, Saturday-Sunday, July 24-25. This unique event will be held on Lake St. Louis in the town of La Tuque. Entrants will be two-man (or two-woman, or man-and-woman) teams. Each team will swim for 24-hours around half-mile circuits of the lake. The team swimming the highest number of laps at the end of 24 hours will be declared winner. Prizes: 1st Team: \$2,500 (Canadian); 2nd Team: \$1,200; 3rd Team: \$600; 4th Team: \$300; all other teams: \$100. For the first team of women to finish the 24 hours, \$200. For further information and entry blanks, write to 24 Heures La Tuque, Inc., La Tuque, Que., Canada.

LAKE OHRID, Ohrid, Yugoslavia, Monday, August 2; (distance not known). 1st Prize: 1,500,000 Dinars; 2nd Prize: 1,000,000 Dinars; 3rd Prize: 700,000 Dinars; 4th Prize: 500,000 Dinars; 5th Prize: 300,000 Dinars; 6th Prize: 100,000 Dinars; 7th through 10th Prizes: 50,000 Dinars each. Women's awards: 1st Prize: 750,000 Dinars; 2nd Prize: 500,000 Dinars; 3rd Prize: 300,000 Dinars; 4th Prize: 200,000 Dinars; 5th Prize: 100,000 Dinars. (300 Dinars equal \$1 U.S.). For further information and entry blanks write to Mr. Aleksandar Radic, RMSC, Ohrid, Yugoslavia.

LAKE ST. JOHN, Roberval, Que., Canada, Saturday, August 7; 24 miles. 1st Prize: \$3,500 (Canadian); 2nd Prize: \$2,000; 3rd Prize: \$1,500; 4th Prize: \$1,000; 5th Prize: \$700; 6th Prize: \$500; 7th Prize: \$350. Additional \$500 for first woman finisher, and \$200 to all other swimmers who complete the crossing before 6 p.m. For information and entry blanks write to Club Aquatique du Lac St. Jean, Inc., C.P. 987, Roberval, Que., Canada.

QUEBEC, Quebec City, Que., Canada, Sunday, August 15; 10 miles. No information on prizes or description of the course available at present. For further information concerning where to apply for entry blanks and other details, write to the Secretary of this Federation.

THREE RIVERS, Three Rivers, Que., Canada, Friday, August 20; 10 miles (pool swim). No information on prizes yet available. For data and entry blanks write to M. Claude Masson, 3190 Auvergne, Trois-Rivieres Ouest, Que., Canada.

ALEXANDRIA, Alexandria, U.A.R., Friday, Sept. 10, 25 miles on square course in Eastern Harbour, Alexandria. First Prize: 1,000 Pounds; 2nd Prize: 750 Pounds; 3rd Prize: 500 Pounds; 4th Prize: 300 Pounds; 5th Prize: 250 Pounds; 6th Prize: 200 Pounds; 7th Prize: 150 Pounds. 1st Woman: 500 Pounds; 2nd Woman: 250 Pounds. (1 U.A.R. Pound equals \$2.35 U.S.). For information and entry blanks write to Mr. Mohyi Eldin El Shazli, General Manager, A.I.L.D.S.C., Alexandria, United Arab Republic.

SUEZ CANAL, Suez, United Arab Republic. Exact date not yet decided upon. For information and entry blanks write to Gen. Ahmed Zorkani, I.L.D.S.F., 8 Abdulah El Nadim St., Heliopolis, United Arab Republic. Swims are also in prospect for Beirut, Lebanon, and Baghdad, Iraq, in September and October, and information on those prospective events may also be obtained from Gen. Zorkani.

Two winter swims have been held in Argentina and both were highly successful, the 38-mile Rio Coronda and the 54-mile Hernandarias-Parana events. In the former, the first five finishers were: 1 - Horacio Iglesias (Argentina); 2 - Guilio Travaglio (Italy); 3 - Abdel Latif Abou-Heif (UAR); 4 - (tie) Carlos Larriera and Alfredo Camarero, both Argentina. In the Parana race; 1 - (tie) Iglesias and Abou-Heif; 3 - Roberto Reta-Seery (Argentina); 4 - Larriera (Argentina); 5 - Jalal Zidan (Syria).

In the Federation competition for 1965, points will be awarded for finishers in the Capri-Naples, Lake St. John, Three Rivers, Alexandria and Suez Canal races.

DO NOT WRITE TO THE FEDERATION FOR ENTRY BLANKS FOR ANY RACES. THESE MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE INDIVIDUAL RACE COMMITTEES, WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE LISTED IN THIS BULLETIN. Good luck for a fine summer and autumn of swimming!