

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



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Greetings:

Here is a rundown on all the information available about the 1966 summer professional marathon swims. All swims about which the Federation has been notified are listed, without regard to affiliation with this Federation or any other organization. Those which are members of this Federation, however, are marked with the symbol: (F).

MARATHON DU SAGUENAY, Chicoutimi, Que. -- Saturday, July 9. (Two 28-mile events.) Marathon des Maitres (for winners of international championships): 1st Prize - \$1,200; 2nd, \$500, and 3rd, \$300. Marathon du Saguenay (for swimmers who have never won international races): 1st, \$1,000; 2nd, \$700; 3rd, \$400; 4th, \$250, and 5th, \$100. For 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, \$50 each. First woman finisher, \$100 added; best showing by a Quebec swimmer, \$150 additional. For entry blanks and further information, write to: M. Robert Cossette, Club de Natation du Saguenay, C.P. 442, Chicoutimi, P.Q., Canada.

CAPRI-NAPLES, Naples, Italy -- Sunday July 17 (18 miles). No information concerning prizes has been provided by the International Long Distance Swimming Federation. Suggest writing for entry blanks to Gen. Ahmed Zorkani, Secretary, ILDSF, 8 Abdullah El Nadim Street, Heliopolis, United Arab Republic.

LE 24 HEURES LA TUQUE, La Tuque, P.Q., Canada (24-hour team race), Saturday and Sunday, July 23 and 24. (All prizes listed shared by two-member teams). 1st, \$3,000; 2nd, \$2,000; 3rd, \$1,300; 4th, \$1,000; 5th, \$700; 6th, \$500; 7th, \$200; 8th through 12th, \$100. Sprint prize, \$800 added. A \$200 added prize will be awarded the winners if both team members are from the same country. For information and entry blanks, write to M. Jacques Belanger, Le 24 Heures de la Tuque, C.P. 24, La Tuque, P.Q., Canada (F).

LABATT INTERNATIONAL SWIM, Hamilton, Ont., Canada -- Sunday, July 31, (10 miles). 1st, \$3,000; 2nd, \$1,400; 3rd, \$900; 4th, \$600; 5th, \$350; 6th, \$150. Four lap prizes of \$50 each added. 1st Woman, \$250; 2nd Woman, \$150, added. For information and entry blanks, write directly to Mr. Mike McLoughlin, 1119 Main St., East; Hamilton, Ont., Canada (F).

LAKE ST. JOHN, Roberval, P.Q., Canada -- Saturday, August 6 (25 miles). 1st, \$3,500; 2nd, \$2,000; 3rd, \$1,500; 4th, \$1,000; 5th, \$700; 6th, \$500; 7th, \$400. 1st Woman, \$500 added. Awards of \$300 to all other swimmers who complete course prior to 6 p.m. Sprint prizes: 1st, \$500; 2nd, \$200, added. For entry blanks and information write to M. Georges Gagnon, Club Aquatique Du Roberval, C.P. 987, Roberval, P.Q., Canada (F).

LAKE OHRID, Ohrid, Yugoslavia -- Sunday, August 7 (21 miles in fresh water). No information concerning prizes has been provided by the International Long Distance Swimming Federation. Suggest writing for entry blanks to Gen. Ahmed Zorkani, Secretary, ILDSF, 8 Abdullah El Nadim Street, Heliopolis, United Arab Republic.

QUEBEC CITY, Quebec City, P.Q., Canada -- Sunday, August 14 (10 miles). 1st, \$2,000; 2nd, \$1,000; 3rd, \$700; 4th, \$500; 5th, \$350; 6th, \$300; 7th, \$200; 8th, \$150; 9th, \$100; 10th, \$100. Special Sprints in 10th and 20th laps; prizes not specified. For entry blanks and further information, write to Jean Marc Belanger, Secretary, Quebec Swimming Club, Inc., P.O.B. 7, 60 D'Auteuil St., Quebec, 4, P.Q. Canada.

THREE RIVERS, Three Rivers, P.Q., Canada -- Saturday, August 20 (10 miles, pool swim.) No information provided by the organizers of this event. Suggest writing for information or entry blanks to M. Jean Alarie, President, P.O. Box 968, Exhibition Grounds, Three Rivers, P.Q., Canada.

SUEZ CANAL, U.A.R. -- Saturday, August 27 (25 miles, salt water). No information concerning prizes has been provided by the International Long Distance Swimming Federation. Suggest writing for entry blanks to Gen. Ahmed Zorkani, Secretary, ILDSF, 8 Abdullah El Nadim Street, Heliopolis, United Arab Republic.

We have been informed that the Alexandria, U.A.R., race, previously scheduled for September 14, will not be held this year.

WPMSF World Championship Competition: Points will be scored for the men's and women's World Championship Marathon Swimmer of 1966 title in the following races -- Capri-Naples, Le 24 Heures La Tuque, Hamilton, and Lake St. John.

The organizers of the 24 Heures La Tuque invited the Federation to hold its general annual meeting in La Tuque. The proposal was put to a mail ballot among voting members of the Federation's Council and with three votes still outstanding, the voting has favored accepting the invitation. Roberval wishes to play host to the annual meeting again this year, and the Secretary favors waiting to see how large a percentage of the general membership attends the La Tuque swim before making the decision. The Secretary will keep abreast of the entries in both races to determine in which city there would be a larger representation of the membership. The La Tuque organizers have set aside a period beginning 2 p.m. on Friday, July 22, as a time for the membership meeting.

It is hoped that this will be the most successful year in the history of professional marathon swimming and that as many swimmers as possible will travel the "circuit" in Canada this summer.

A final note: PLEASE DO NOT WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR ENTRY BLANKS OR INFORMATION ON ANY RACE! The addresses to which such inquiries should be sent are all listed in this Bulletin.

Good luck to all.