lan Emberson Wins Castle Swim

By Gerry DeBenedetti

On December 1, masters swimmer Ian Emberson squeaked ahead of second place finisher Mike Miller by eight seconds, to win the 18th annual Castle Swim for OCC members only.

This is not the closest finish we've ever had in our 18 year history, but it was still very close with Ian finishing in :32:16 and Mike in :32:24.

First woman to finish in her first Castle Swim was Hilary Lambert in a great time of :34:32. This also placed her third overall, not bad when your competition is Ian and Mike.

There was some good natured grumbling that the course was "longer" than usual, but some finishing times are consistent with previous years.

The field of entrants stays pretty stable, which means some of these veteran

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swimmers might be slowing down, but who can say? Every year, the course monitors do their best, but with moving water, and chang-

ing currents, and fluctuating tides, it's safe to say the course is never the same.

This year, with threats of jellyfish and worse yet, sharks, we did pretty well to get 30 entrants, regardless of age.

Some of our masters swimmers have quite a showing. Record holders are George Crandlemire, 13 swims; Ian, 14; Jake Updegrove, 16; and Gerry De-Benedetti, the only person to swim in all 18.

Swim conditions were good. Overcast cloud cover and a ton of rain the day before swept away on Sunday morning to put the sun directly in the swimmers eyes. Lots of funny racooneye sunburns and rosy noses.

Until we headed into the Outrigger channel, there were no waves to speak of, but some current, which is probably why those tired masters thought the course was longer; for them, it was.

New Members

Associate: Peter Bourne.

Junior: Stacy Dullum, Deanna

Hubartt.

In Memoriam

Robert Carl Raab

Deceased: November 10, 1991

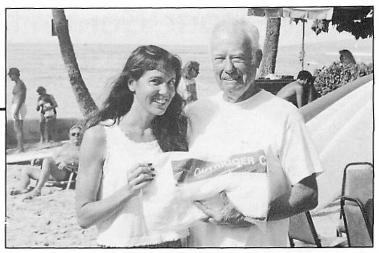
Member: 21 years

Curtis Carlsmith

Deceased: November 22, 1991

Member: 24 years

Thomas "Scoop" Tsuzuki Deceased: December 3, 1991 Member: 17 years



Hilary Lambert and Jake Updegrove won their divisions.

Those who walk on water for 32 minutes weren't affected.

This exciting event is brought to you by the Swim Committee headed by Laura Soller Miller and assisted by Pam Zak and Gerry DeBenedetti. Course organization and timing was handed by Steve Zak and friends. We thank all the helpers of the day. Planning for the 1992 OCC Invitational and Castle Swim will happen on Wednesday, January 8 at 5:30 p.m. Talk of a Biathlon too. Join us if you're interested.

18th Annual Castle Swim Results

OverallName	Time	Place/Division
1. Ian Emberson	:32:16	1st Overall
2. Mike Miller	:32:24	1st, M35
3. Hilary Lambert	:34:32	1st, Woman
4. Dale Hope	:34:36	2nd, M35
5. James Beaton	:35:49	1st, M25
6. Dawson Jones	:36:36	2nd, M25
7. Don Mueller	:36:57	1st, M45
8. Curtis Chinn	:37:20	3rd, M35
9. Diane Stowell	:37:21	1st, W55
10. Loch Eggers	:39:00	1st, M20
11.Kimo Austin	:40:15	1st, M55
12. Bill Danford	:40:26	2nd, M45
13. Pam Zak	:41:10	1st, W45
14. Thomas Harrer	:41:29	1st, M30
15. Dave Puder	:41:55	3rd, M45
16. Norma Santiago	:45:16	1st, W25
17. John Balfour	:49:00	2nd, M55
18. Arnold Lum	:50:41	1st, M40
19. Kent Davenport	:51:25	2nd, M40
20. Tracey Smith	:51:41	1st, W35
21. Jeff Kissel	:54:20	3rd, M40
22. Katye Bechert	:57:37	2nd, W35
23. David Monahan	:58:56	4th, M45
24. Ron Haworth	1:02:16	1st, M60
25. George Crandlemire	1:03:36	2nd, M60
26. Cindy Mahoney	1:04:30	1st, W40
27. Tay Perry	1:04:40	1st, M50
28. Gerry DeBenedetti	1:07:17	1st, W50
29. Vic Hemmy	1:13:13	1st, M70
30. Jake Updegrove	1:13:21	1st, M75