

# 36th Annual Swim Around Key West (12.5-Mile)

**Swim Date: Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012**

**First Wave Start: 10:00AM**

**Second Wave Start: 10:30AM**

***Start and Finish: Smathers Beach (west end - near the restrooms)***

## **Solo Swimmer Application**

There is a mandatory pre-race meeting Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 PM at the host hotel (The Lexington Hotel at 3850 North Roosevelt). The course and rules will be explained at this meeting. The 12.5-mile course will be a full clockwise circle around the entire Key West island. The awards buffet will be held at 7:00PM at the same host hotel.

## **SOLO RULES**

1. Each solo swimmer must be accompanied by one support boat/kayak for the duration of the swim. If you have no support vessel you are disqualified.
2. Each entered solo swimmer will be provided with a pennant flag bearing your number. This pennant must be clearly visible on your support boat/kayak. All support boats must have proper Coast Guard approved life jackets for each boater.
3. Swimmers may not touch the boat/kayak or the ocean bottom.
4. Swimmers must swim around all piers! Do not attempt to swim under the piers!
5. No fins, snorkels, wet suits, body suits or devices or clothing that give the swimmer extra buoyancy or propulsion or skin protection will be allowed.

## **SOLO AWARDS**

All solo finishers completing the full 12.5-mile swim will receive sterling silver finisher medallions. Overall first place will have his/her name placed on the 37th Annual Swim t-Shirt and name placed upon the official plaque. A \$750 cash award will be given to the overall first place swimmer breaking the course record of 3:31.28 set by Gabe Lindsey in 1999. Overall first male and female both will receive a free entry into the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Swim.

Solo division trophies go three deep for overall men and also for women.

There will be trophies two deep for the Masters (over 40 years).

There will be one trophy for the Grand Master (over 50) and one for the Senior Grand Master (over 60).

## **NOTES**

1. The swim will cap at 85 Solo swimmer entries; 25 Three-Person Relay entries; 10 Two-Person Relay entries.
2. Application Fees: \$140.00 for the solo swimmer; \$250.00 for the two-person relay and \$325.00 for the three-person relay.
3. Make sure that you and your crew have plenty of food, water and skin protectant (sunscreen).
4. Make sure that you and your crew familiarize yourselves with the swim course. A course outline and map are included in the registration packet at the pre-race meeting.
5. Please remember: This is a warm water swim. You must stay hydrated!
6. Note: After February 1<sup>st</sup> add \$10.00 to each category; after April 15<sup>th</sup> add \$20.00 to each category. The deadline for all applications to be received is: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
7. SAFETY FIRST – MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU – HAVE FUN – ENJOY YOUR SWIM!!!

**Further information, visit [www.SwimAroundKeyWest.com](http://www.SwimAroundKeyWest.com) or contact Bill Welzien at: cell: 305-394-5292. email: [wwwelzien@aol.com](mailto:wwwelzien@aol.com)**

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**Solo Swim Application**

You must fill out an application in full. Please print clearly.  
OR You may register online at [www.SwimAroundKeyWest.com](http://www.SwimAroundKeyWest.com).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age on date of event \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_M\_\_\_F

Please circle Tee shirt size: XL LG MD SM

\_\_\_\_\_ I will take full responsibility for securing my kayak AND my kayaker.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will provide my own kayaker, but I will need assistance renting a kayak in Key West.

\_\_\_\_\_ I request the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Swim's assistance in securing a kayak AND a kayaker. I have completed the request form and included a check for \$170.00.

**SWIM CATEGORY:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Solo Swimmer Male

\_\_\_\_\_ Solo Swimmer Female

**LIABILITY RELEASE:** I, as a participant in the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Swim Around Key West do hereby release each and every organizer and sponsor of the swim, including without limitation, Cecilia Welzien and William Welzien, and all entities providing prizes or awards from and all liability of the same, arising out of, or related to my participation in said swim.

I realize that there are dangers involved in my (our) participation in said swim, including without limitation unpredictable currents, boat traffic, electrical storms, poisonous and stinging organisms, and other risks attending this ocean swim; I hereby assume all risk of harm.

I agree that I am providing a support boat/kayak with visible swimmer pennant flag, which shall attend me throughout the course of the swim and shall remain in close proximity to my position at all times. I assume all risk and responsibility for my health and medical needs during, or arising from the swim, including medical transportation to shore and to a medical facility if necessary.

Finally, I understand that there will be no refunds given for any reason. I have read this liability release and understand its content without exception.

Swimmer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_  
(Required for swimmers under 18 years of age)

Witness Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this application form plus the entry fee of \$140 to: Swim Around Key West, 1000 Coppitt Rd., Key West, FL 33040. Make all checks payable to: Annual Swim Around Key West.

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**(Office: Swimmer assigned # )**