

### **June 2017**

# **Favorites**

### **Swim Catalina** Serving Since 1981







Surface Water Temps

# KICKOFF to the 2017 SEASON

# LAST CHANCE -- Kayak Clinic for Escorting Swims

This Saturday, June 10, **David Clark** offers a course in paddling escort. This free session is an opportunity — for both the open water swimmer and kayaker — to practice skills in navigation, feeding, and safety support.

For 30 years, David has coached, observed and supported Catalina swimmers. Please RSVP directly with David Clark at **858.453.0648** or dsclark7@gmail.com

David will provide exact meeting location on La Jolla Shores and time.

# LIZ URIBE -- Congratulations on 10:42 Crossing

The CCSF summer season officially started. Liz Uribe successfully crossed the Catalina Channel in a time of 10 hours and 42 minutes with Captain **Kevin Bell** of Bottom Scratcher.

The CCSF anticipates nearly 70 solo and relay attempts in 2017. In a timely manner, we'll post successful crossings to the official CCSF Facebook page

Liz appeared to be well-prepared for the distance and 63-degree water temperature. In April, she participated in the Arizona four-lake swims known as S.C.A.R. Liz becomes the third Catalina swimmer in recent years from the state of Iowa. She's a regular with ICOWS, Iowa City Open Water Swimmers.





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Congratulations Liz Uribe. Please come back for the annual CCSF awards banquet on Saturday, November 4.

# TRAINING -- Dozen New Observers Join Ranks

Solo swimmers and relay captains, CCSF support coordinator **Paula Selby** will introduce via email your observers approximately two weeks ahead of your attempt.

The CCSF hosted two sessions of observer training. One in San Diego and the other in San Pedro. Around 40 people attended, significantly growing our pool of official observers. We're excited to see so many new faces and all the returning veterans.

Each Channel attempt will be assigned at least two observers, who are certified in CPR and AED use. Thanks again to **Becky Jackman** for leading the skills tests this year.

# David Clark escorting Rendy Lynn Opdycke in 2008



The CCSF Awards Banquet will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in San Pedro on **Saturday, November 4**. Standby for details.