

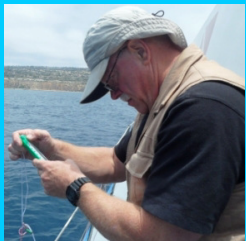
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## Observer Training Dates

### OBSERVER TRAINING

The CCSF provides two training dates for official observers.

**Saturday, May 11th in San Pedro**

**Saturday, June 1st in San Diego**

Please, save these dates. The April newsletter will provide details about locations and times for First Aid training and CPR certification, which is required of all CCSF official observers.

The April newsletter will also offer how to join the **Saturday, June 8th** escort paddling course presented annually by **David Clark**. For more than 30 years, David has coached, observed and supported Catalina swimmers.

### SOUVENIR FROM ROCK SOLID SWIM

**Bob Needham** generously supported the CCSF by becoming a [Lifetime Member](#) seven years after his Catalina Channel swim.

Bob shared a photo of his souvenir door stop in his office: a lacquered stone from the rocky beach at Palos Verdes where he finished in [September of 2011](#).

Congratulations, again, Bob on your rock-solid swim. Thank you for the \$250 donation to the Catalina Channel Swimming Federation. You are now a member for life and the rock that you collected is filled with enough memories for a lifetime.





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## SWIM APPLICATIONS

The electronic application for solo and relay swims is now available.

Go to the main Catalina Channel Swimming Federation web site at [swimcatalina.org](http://swimcatalina.org) and click the **Solo and Relay Applications** link in the **Forms section**.

You will need to sign in using your email address and create a new site password for your **secure personal access to the Application Portal**. This will allow you to create and edit applications for solo or relay swims, as well as CCSF memberships.

We think our interactive application with electronic payments through PayPal has been worth the wait. The CCSF offers discounted sanction fees for **applications submitted on or before May 1st**. Your application must be submitted at least 45 days before the date of your swim.

If you have questions or comments, send an email to [help@swimcatalina.org](mailto:help@swimcatalina.org)

We look forward to meeting you this summer!

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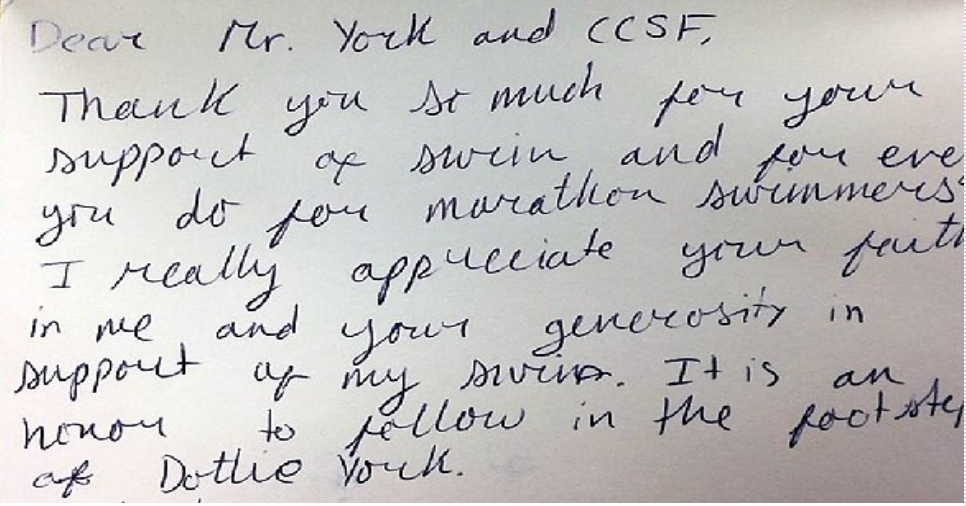
## DOTTIE YORK SCHOLARSHIPS

**Dottie York** is a founding member of the CCSF. The Scholarship in her name provides financial assistance to selected aspirants of the Catalina Channel.

Solo swimmers may opt to apply within the CCSF solo application. Submission is due by the discount deadline of May 1st.

A Dottie York Scholarship recipient and successful solo swimmer in 2018 wrote (quote) "Thank you so much for supporting me in this endeavor, this rite of passage. I am so grateful. See you in the water!"

In recent seasons, nearly \$20,000 was granted to solo swimmers, who needed a financial boost to achieve their dreams. Dottie's legacy continues through her Scholarship, which may be awarded to committed open water swimmers, who are a US Resident and on a tight budget.



Dear Mr. York and CCSF,  
Thank you so much for your  
support of swim and for ever  
you do for marathon swimmers.  
I really appreciate your faith  
in me and your generosity in  
support of my swim. It is an  
honour to follow in the footsteps  
of Dottie York.

2019 **CCSF Awards Banquet** will be held **Saturday,**  
**November 2**