

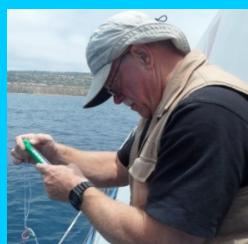
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Surface Water Temps



Catalina Weather



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Observer Training

DEADLINE -- Discount for Early Applicants

The CCSF offers a discounted sanction fee for relay teams and solo swimmers who **apply by May 1**. That date is now only seven weeks away.

The CCSF website can answer most of your questions. Consult the [Basic Swim Information](#) about the steps toward finding an escort vessel and applying.

Please poke around our [History page](#) where **Penny Lee Dean** has written about every swim starting with **George Young's** 1927 crossing. These accounts, which are taken directly from observer logs and personal interviews, illuminate the variable conditions as well as unusual events that have occurred during Catalina Crossings.

In addition, the popular hashtags used by swimmers on social media appear to be **#catalinachannelswim** **#catalinachannel** and **#catalinaswim**

OBSERVER TRAINING

The CCSF provides two training dates for official observers.

Saturday **May 19 in San Diego** and Saturday **June 2 in San Pedro**

Interested in becoming an observer? Please introduce yourself to CCSF Board Member and Support Coordinator **Paula Selby** [via email](#).

In April, Paula will send to observers the details about training locations and times. At both sessions, **CPR certification with First Aid** will be offered. It is a requirement of CCSF observers to update their CPR skills and obtain a valid card.



San Pedro Buoy 46222

PADDLE CLINIC

For more than 30 years, **David Clark** has coached, observed and supported Catalina swimmers. Every Catalina pre-season, he's offered a course in escort paddling. This free session is an opportunity for kayakers to learn skills in navigation, feeding swimmers, and safety support.

La Jolla Shores on Saturday, June 9

Please RSVP to David Clark [via email](#) or 858.453.0648

David will provide meeting location and start time for this session.

Archival Photo of 1927 Wrigley Ocean Marathon

Start of Catalina Swim



Aiming Toward Success in the Mid-Afternoon



Early Morning in Outbound Shipping Lane



The CCSF Awards Banquet will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in San Pedro on **Saturday, November 3**. Standby for details.