



INFORMATION BULLETIN

OPEN WATER SWIMMING GRAND PRIX 2011

“LA PATAGONES-VIEDMA”

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EL RIO SIENTE



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Date: Saturday, February 5th 2011

Place: The competition will take place in the Negro River, opposite to the cities of Carmen de Patagones and Viedma, in the Patagonia region, Argentina.

Rules: The event will be conducted in accordance with FINA Open Water Swimming Grand Prix rules, and the FINA Open Water Swimming rules.

Course: The swimming distance is 12 KM. The Course is a 2.4 km long buoyed circuit to be completed in 5 laps. Water Temperature is expected to be between 21C and 23C (71F to 74F), and the depth will be between 1,5 and 7 meters.

Prize Money: The Prize Money is of US\$ 15.000. The 80% (US\$ 12.000) of the total amount will be distributed equally between men and women. The remaining 20% (US\$ 3.000) will be used for the general ranking (men and women combined).

MEN	PLACE	WOMEN
2.000	1st	2.000
1.100	2nd	1.100
700	3th	700
600	4th	600
450	5th	450
350	6th	350
300	7th	300
250	8th	250
150	9th	150
100	10th	100

GENERAL RANKING

POSITION	PRIZE-MONEY IN US\$
1st	1500
2nd	1000
3th	500

Special Bursaries US\$5.000

Negro River Sprint · February 3rd, 2011 - 1.600 meters

MEN	PLACE	WOMEN
1000	1st	1000
800	2nd	800
700	3th	700

Transport: Transport to and from Viedma airport or Bahía Blanca airport (the second nearest one) and the official hotel will be provided by the O.C.

Lodging:

- Accommodation and board expenses according to the FINA Open Water Swimming Grand Prix Event Guidelines:
- Accommodation costs for persons not eligible for free accommodation, on a full board basis (three meals) will be per person / per day: US\$ 100.00
- Reservations must be forwarded to the O.C., Diario Noticias Foundation: lapatagonesviedma@noticiasnet.com.ar
- Payment for the accommodation will be made at check-in on accommodation place to the Organizers.

Official Hotel Hotel Austral. viedma@hotelesaustral.com
Avda.Villarino 292 (8500) Viedma.- Río Negro, Argentina
Phone/Fax: 54 2920 422615 / 18
<http://www.hotelesaustral.com/despliegue-hotel.php?idhotel=2>

Officials dates for transportation and hotel reservations: Arrival – Tuesday February 1st
Departure – Monday, February 7th (in the morning)

Dates to note: Monday, December 27th 2010 - Preliminary entry and booking forms.
Monday, January 24th 2011 - Final entry form and travel form.

Schedule: Will be provided during check-in

Training: A long and/or a short course swimming pool will be available for training within walking distance (two blocks) between the accommodation place and the swimming / training venue. There will be a shuttle service between the official hotel and other training venues
During the training period, coaches will be responsible for their swimmers and their safety. Due to lane restrictions, swimmers will not be allowed to swim out of the timetable provided during check-in.

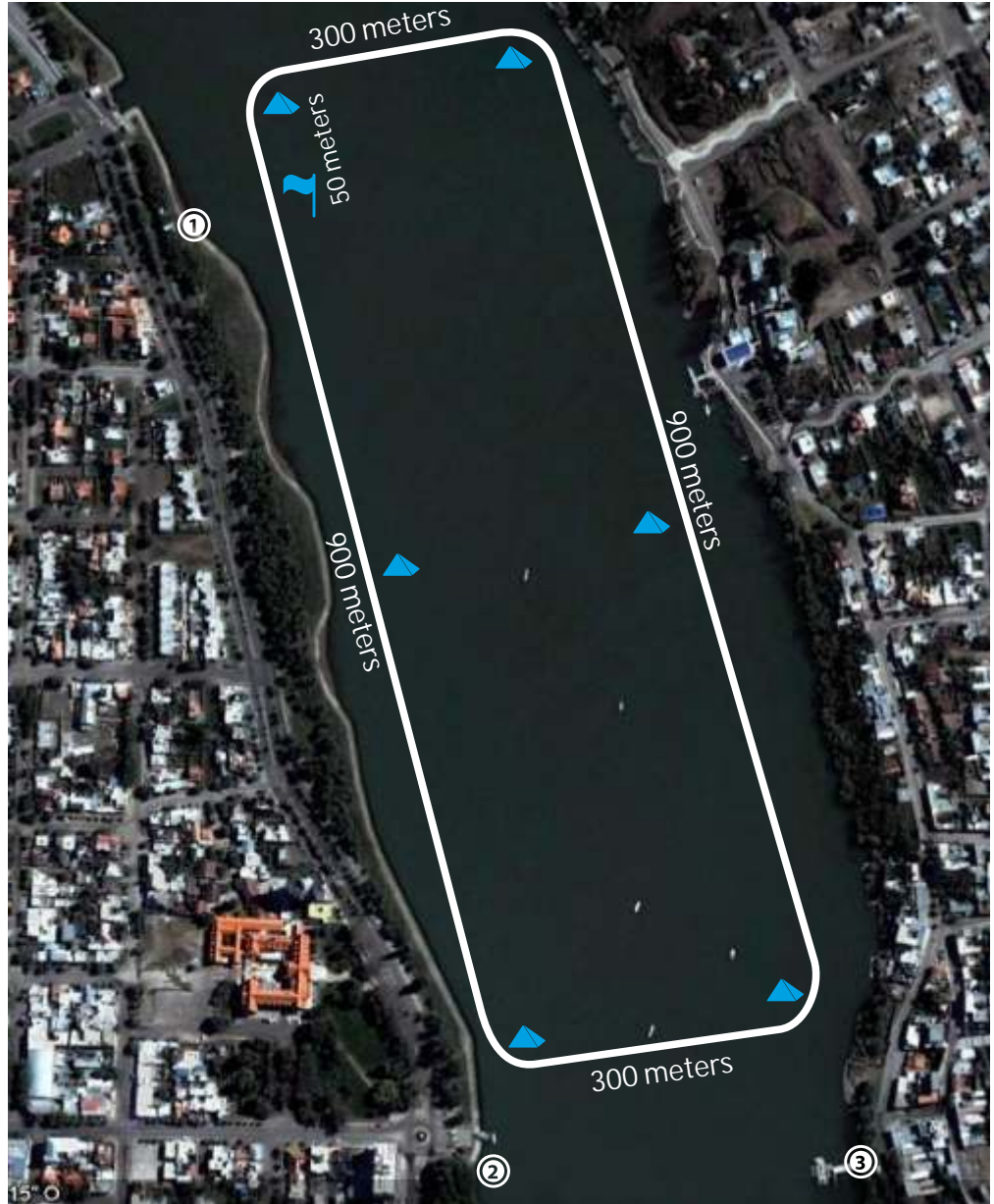
Entry Visa To Argentina: Please contact local Argentine Embassy or Consulate and let us know if you need any kind of assistance on this matter. If our help is required, please send us a request as soon as possible including the following information: First, Middle and Last name, Nationality, Date of Birth, Passport Number with Valid Date and Issuing Organization.



Additional Information: Competition website: www.lapatagonesviedma.com
Event Representative: FINA TOWSC Delegate – to be decided.



ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
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Race President: Marcelo Guiscardo
Race Director: Claudio Plit
President of the Organizing Committee: Patricia Querejeta
Secretary General of the O.C.: Silvia Pannelli

Escort boats: According to the Rules and Regulations of the FINA OWS Grand Prix 2011, each swimmer will be escorted by a boat.

The Course:



Starting/Finishing Line 
Buoy 

"El Barco" Resort 
Viedma's boats dock 
Patagones's boats dock 