

## OBSERVER REPORT

Counter-Clockwise Loop Around Angel Island From Aquatic Park (16.1 km/10.0 miles)  
October 8, 2020 | Start Time: 05:14:00 | End Time: 12:26:27 | Total Elapsed Time: 7:12:27  
Swimmer: Kim Hedges | Rules: Marathon Swimming Federation | Observer: Lisa Amorao

### SWIMMER:

Name: Kim Hedges  
Gender: F  
Age on swim date: 42  
Nationality: United States  
Residency: San Rafael, CA

### SUPPORT PERSONNEL:

Pilot: Brent McLain  
Vessel: Tango Tango 27-ft Fletcher  
Rigid-Haul Inflatable  
Crew: Ken Mignosa, Miguel Melendez

October 8, 2020 5:00	<b>Hyde Street Pier</b> Vessel Traffic Service reported an inbound vessel 1.5 MI from mile Rock. Captain said Kim can start now and wait by the opening before crossing the channel, or delay the start. Ken decided to delay the start to 05:15.
5:13	<b>Aquatic Park Opening</b> H2O 62.4   Air 60   No wind Captain said we should be clear to start. Observer instructed Miguel to wait for start signal.
October 8, 2020 5:14:00	<b>Aquatic Park Beach</b> Observer gave the go signal to start via radio. Kim entered the water.
5:22	<b>Aquatic Park Opening</b> Kim swims past the buoy at the opening.
5:26	Kim said she can smell boat exhaust. Captain said we can stay a bit behind.
5:29	<b>Eastbound shipping lane, south of Alcatraz Island</b> 60 strokes per minute.
5:41	<b>Eastbound Lane, south of Alcatraz Island</b> Kim stopped. Kayak is too far ahead. Crew instructs Miguel to stay closer to Kim. Miguel said he would.
5:48	<b>.3 mi SE of Alcatraz Island.</b> 60.6 water 60 air. Captain reports .9 knot flood.
6:00	We made it to Alcatraz.
6:15	<b>.6 mi northeast of Alcatraz</b> 58 air 4 Knots west, 59.2 boat thermometer. Kim fed on CarboPro. The feed lasted 25 seconds -- good job, Kim!
6:30	<b>Westbound shipping lane .8 mi north of Alcatraz</b> Kim is swimming 60 strokes per minute. Captain reported ebb at .7 knot.
6:45	<b>.5 mi south of Point Blunt.</b> Air 59   H2O 61.4 Feed: CarboPro.
6:47	Kim reported that she peed.

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7:03	<b>.10 mile from Point Blunt</b> Wind gusting 10 knots from the West. Air 58.6.
7:08	<b>Kim is at Pt. Blunt</b> H2O 62.10 Air 59
7:17	<b>Pt. Blunt Pier</b> 45-sec feed. Kim reported peeing.
7:32	57 strokes per minute.
7:50	We are at Quarry Point
8:11	<b>Pt. Simpton</b> Captain reported that it is ebbing: .5 knot. H2O 61.64
8:21	<b>China Cove</b> Feed: CarboPro. Feed lasted almost a minute. Kim asked for Scratch next.
8:27	<b>Pt. Campbell</b>
8:31	<b>Racoon Strait</b> H2O 60.8 AIR 58.8 Wind 4 knots from the west Per captain it is ebbing 2 knots.
8:45	<b>Pt. Lone</b> Kim looks good, strong, swimming like the RTAI pro that she is.
8:54	<b>Camp Reynolds</b> Feed: Scratch. Feed took 1 minute.
9:00	<b>Pt. Stuart</b> Crew spotted an eagle perched on the hillside. Miguel kayaks over to take a picture.
9:15	<b>Camp Reynolds West Garrison</b> 59 strokes per minute.
9:20	<b>Pt. Knox</b> H2O 58.89   Air 59.3 Captain reported .5 knot ebb.
9:28	<b>Pearl's Beach</b> Feed Carbopro. 1 minute. Kim was asking questions about where she should aim when she crosses the channel. Crew told her that she should stick to Miguel and Miguel will guide her where she needs to go.
9:36	<b>Battery Drew</b> Kim asked again where she should go. Captain said she should aim for the Alpha tower of the Bay Bridge.

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9:57	<b>.4 mi south of Angel Island.</b> Air 60.05   H2O 60 It is ebbing .48 knot Kim fed on CarboPro, 40 seconds. There is no pushback. Captain instructs Kim to aim directly for Alcatraz.
10:15	<b>.6 mile south of Angel Island</b> Wind gusting 7 knots from the west. The wind is overpowering the ebb. Captain says Kim should cut straight across.
10:30	<b>Westbound Shipping Lane, South of Angel Island.</b> Feed. There is so much smoke. The horizon is gone. We cannot see the East Bay.
11:02	<b>.3 mi northwest of Alcatraz</b> Kim did a really long feed: 1:20 CarboPro. Peeing. Asking where she should go. The crew admonished Kim, please follow Miguel.
11:08	<b>750 feet from Alcatraz Island</b> It is still ebbing but a .15 flood has already begun closer to shore.
11:19	<b>Little Alcatraz</b>
11:32	<b>Eastbound Shipping Lane, south of Alcatraz</b> A really long feed: 1:10. CarboPro
11:36	<b>Eastbound Shipping Lane, south of Alcatraz</b> A couple of US Coast Guard planes flew above us.
11:43	<b>Eastbound Shipping Lane, South of Alcatraz</b> The sandbarge San Joaquin will pass behind us.
11:47	<b>Eastbound Shipping Lane, South of Alcatraz</b> H2O 59.94   Air 61.8 Wind 4 knots from the west.
11:52	<b>.4 mi north of Aquatic Park opening.</b> The vessel Caden Foss is coming in under the Golden Gate Bridge. Captain reports .3 knot flood. Kim is drifting east.
12:01	<b>.25 mi from opening of Aquatic Park.</b> We have cleared the shipping lane. 1.5 knot flood closer to the opening. Kim has to crab her way to the opening. Crew instructs her to hug the sea wall.
12:17	Kim reaches Aquatic Park opening, swims by the buoy.
October 8, 2020 12:26:27	Kim walks on dry sand. FINISHED.