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MOWSA Solo Swim Observation Log

Swimmer Name: Michael Klonsky	Finish Date and Time: 15:05 9/4/26
Start Date and Time: 6:39 am 9/4/2026	Elapsed Time: 8:26:53
Support Vessel and Pilot: Ethan Dowd, Massive Big Boat	Route Description: Nantasket Beach (Allerton) to Deveraux Beach, Marblehead
Support Crew: Richard Lewin	
Observer: Elaine Howley	Additional Crew:

Time	H2O	Air	SR	Wind	Comments
6:39 start	65.3	64.2	48	0	Very foggy. We had to delay the start a bit because the fog was so thick, motoring to the start was a challenge. MK is wearing Sharkbanz on both ankles. No wind whatsoever, MK went down the ladder at 6:37 pilot is not great. Trying to get Mike on course but the pilot keeps leaving MK behind significantly. Severe fog, unsafe situation with pilot, who seems unable to adjust how he's piloting. He's new and he doesn't seem to have any understanding of how this is supposed to work and he's not listening to the observer or crew about where he needs to be. 42° 18' 48" N, 70° 52' 16" W
7:16	65.4	65.4	52	0	First feed. 11 oz Endurance fuel. Pilot says current is blowing us and traffic ahead. Unsafe pilot - not watching the swimmer, smoking cigarettes at the front of the boat, leaving it in gear so we get way too far ahead of the swimmer. Won't reverse or go back - insists on waiting for MK to "catch up" but puts it in gear again before he's close
7:46	66.9	64.9	52	0	Same feed and hot shot chaser. Peeing. Cramps. Ate a banana and a hot shot
8:20	65.3	64.9	52	0	Cramp in hamstring. MK asked for coconut water. He's telling his cramps (loudly) to "get the fuck out." Long feed- not ideal. Pilot still getting away from MK. Can't get MK's attention, pilot does not have airhorn. Pilot said he's allergic to the sun. He's also apparently allergic to reverse gear and listening to people who know more than him. Pilot obsessed with "getting back on course" but no idea how to do that without dropping MK way behind.

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8:54	64.2	65.4	52	0	Approaching Graves Light
9:00					Gu, coconut water and regular feed. Asked for liquid tylenol at the next feed.
9:25	62.0	68.4	52	0	42° 22' 34" N, 70° 51' 33" W Sun finally out. Bugs too. Pilot says "time to feed the pig"
9:49	62.0	86.6	51	0	Super sunny and hot now. Water is very clear today. Graves disappearing behind ust
10:33	65.5	88	50	0	Asked for coconut water and banana at the next feed also asked what the water temp is. 42° 23' 46" N, 70° 51' 31" W
11:02		88	50	0	Banana and gu, 6 miles to go 42° 24' 17" N, 70° 51' 28" W
11:32	64.3	86		3kt	Slight breeze coming up, 3 kts from east, MK asked where we are, 5.5 miles to go. Didn't seem happy about the reply 42° 24' 56" N, 70° 51' 28" W
11:49					Pilot asks Richard to take the helm while he uses the head, but left the boat in gear and didn't show Richard how to stop it. Mike is WAAAAYYYY too far back. This pilot is easily the worst I've ever seen. Easily. He's so bad at this, it's insane. He will not be permitted back, we just need to get to land and get off this boat as soon as possible.
12:00	68.7	86	50	4kt	Regular feed. Water conditions are great. 4kt breeze from E. Seabirds checking MK out.
12:31	69.9				Boat being pushed west @1kt. Regular feed. 3.5 miles to go 42° 26' 19" N, 70° 51' 11" W . Coast Guard received a call about a capsized, unmanned green kayak near Winthrop at 12:20pm
12:46	68.1	88.6	48	3kt	This pilot is absolutely irredeemable. He has a complete inability to stay with the swimmer and has begun making inappropriate comments. MK has hamstring cramps again. Drank a coconut water and a hot shot
13:29	69.9	86.3		4kt	MK cramping - front of thigh now. Not happy. Asking how much longer. Not soon enough for those on board, that's for sure. Eager to end the day with this horror show pilot.

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14:12					Tylenol at this feed.
14:56	66.2	84.2	50	4kt	Close to the beach. This is painful - between MK not being able to swim straight and the pilot being a complete jackass who refuses to go coral him, the swim into the beach is taking longer than it should. Small crowd of family and friends waiting for him on shore.
15:05					Finish in 8:26:53

I witnessed this swim in its entirety, start to finish, and attest that the swimmer adhered to all rules outlined by the Massachusetts Open Water Swimming Association.