Officials Committee Report to the PVS House of Delegates

May 2014

The PVS Officials Committee is responsible for:

- Recruiting, training and certifying officials
- Supervising the officials in the LSC
- Staffing the PVS Championship and National Certification Meets

The PVS Bylaws specify a term limit of four years for the PVS Officials Chair. The term of Jack Neill ended at the end of August 2013. Potomac Valley Swimming and the Officials Committee thank Jack for his great leadership and service.

Some Officials' Statistics from the Last 12 Months:

- As of April 15, PVS has 542 certified officials. This is an increase of 67 over last year. See the attachment for a count of officials by team. Many PVS teams have done a good job of increasing their number of officials.
- There have been 32 officials clinics held in PVS during the 2013-2014 season. This is an increase of four over last year. PVS instructors also lead numerous summer league S&T clinics that can be used for USA-S certification or recertification.
- There were four Officials Qualifying Meets held under the National Certification program in the last year. A total of 80 evaluations were completed.
 - 2013 LC Senior Championships (17 evaluations)
 - o 2013 Tom Dolan Invitational (19 evaluations)
 - o 2014 SC Senior Championships (21 evaluations)
 - o 2014 14&U Junior Olympic Championships (23 evaluations)
- 99 PVS officials currently hold a National Certification (N2 or N3). This is an increase of 24 over last year.
- 16 PVS officials were selected to work National Championship meets in the last year.
- PVS officials were selected for leadership positions at Speedo Champions Series Sectional meets in the last year. This includes meet referee, admin referee, asst. admin referee, team lead chief judge, deck referee and starter.
- PVS provided its share of officials for the Eastern Zone Age Group meets.
- PVS has certified 15 Administrative Officials under the new certification program. As of September 1, 2014, all meets must include a certified Administrative Official as one of the required officials [rule 102.10].
- PVS offers an Officials Education Travel Stipend for working Zone, Sectional, Grand Prix and National meets. During the last twelve months, PVS provided 29 stipends.

Other Officials News:

- Jack Neill was awarded the September 2013 Maxwell Award by USA Swimming, Swimming World Magazine and Maxwell Awards for his service to local swimming.
- One PVS official attended the USA Swimming Officials Workshop in Phoenix, AZ in October 2013.
- One PVS official the USA Swimming Open Water Officials Workshop in Ft. Myers, FL in April 2014
- Two PVS officials attended the USA Swimming Officials Workshop in Pittsburgh, PA in May 2014
- The Officials Committee continues to use the monthly newsletter, the PVS website and an email list to communicate with all PVS officials.

Notes:

- PVS pays for the re-registration of officials that work at least ten sessions during the previous calendar year. 292 PVS officials qualified for this benefit for the 2014 registration year.
- PVS pays for the Background Screening for officials after they have worked a minimum number of sessions. PVS also pays for Background Screening Renewals for officials in good standing.
- PVS will be making use of the new registration category for Apprentice Official. This will allow us to track the training and apprentice sessions of prospective officials in the Officials Tracking System (OTS) before they complete all the registration requirements.
- The Officials Committee held their November and April meetings by Internet video conference. The technology worked well and saved travel time for everyone.
- The Officials Committee is continually working to improve the training process for officials. The Administrative Official training was successfully rolled out last May. Updated requirements in the certification process for many of the officiating positions will be announced this month and go into effect in September.

Thank you PVS Officials for all the time you volunteer to support the mission of Potomac Valley Swimming and USA Swimming!

Certified PVS Officials By Club

	Registered	Non-Registered	Change from
Club	Officials	Officials	April 2013
AAC	15	0	+6
ANSC	0	0	-
ASA	10	0	+4
AU	College Club		
BTSC	0	0	-
BWST	7	0	-2
CSC	6	0	+4
DCPR	8	2	0
DRAG	0	0	-
DSS	0	0	-
ERSC	2	0	-2
FAST	2	4	0
FBST	11	3	+4
FGAC	1	0	-2
FISH	32	2	+6
GMU	College Club		
HACC	11	1	+1
JCCW	0	0	-
JFD	3	0	+1
LCL	0	0	-
LMAC	1	0	+1
LPSC	1	0	+1
MAC	0	0	-
МАСН	42	4	+5
МАКО	21	4	+6
MSSC	13	1	-1
NCAP	81	5	+8
OCCS	31	1	+6
PAC	6	0	0
PGKS	0	0	-
PGPR	0	0	-
PM	25	3	+2
RIPS	2	0	+1
RMSC	90	8	+9
RY	1	0	+1
SDS	17	2	+2
SNOW	15	1	+2

SSCT	0	0	-
TANK	4	0	0
TIBU	1	0	0
TOLL	2	0	+1
UMAC	4	0	+4
UN	13	0	-3
VLAC	0	0	-
YASD	0	0	-
YSS	0	0	-
YORK	19	4	+5
Total	497	45	

Notes:

- 1. Only USA-S registered officials count towards the minimum number of officials per club as required in PVS Policies & Procedures O-7
- 2. As of January 2015, all PVS officials must be registered with USA Swimming