

## **Peter Mott**

I am a lifelong swimmer, and my three children that have swum in PVS. Swimming is the gentlest and most polite of sports, and the most fun to both watch -- I was once asked to yell less loudly at a meet -- and judge, and participate in. Years ago when I was under a lot of pressure, I found that swimming soothed my anxieties. It still makes me happy like no other thing I do. I love the sport.

I have been volunteering in PVS meets as a Stroke and Turn, Chief Judge, and Starter for ten years now. I work about 30 sessions a year (COVID notwithstanding). I work because a meet has to be fair to be fun, and I am there to have fun.

My interest in the Administrative Review Board (ARB) flows from these same motivations -- my love for swimming, which must be fair to be fun. The Board adjudicates difficult issues -- it does hard work that gets at the heart of fairness. We do this because we have lost good swimmers and good coaches when we have failed to keep things fair. It is our responsibility to keep the sport polite, gentle, welcoming to everyone, and above all, fair.

Best regards,

Peter Mott