

-----NEW OFFICIALS CHAIR RICH MCMILLEN-----

POTOMAC VALLEY SWIMMING

JULY 2017



## OFFICIALS NEWSLETTER

-----NEILL RE-ELECTED AS OFFICIALS REP-----

### *POTOMAC VALLEY SWIMMING MISSION STATEMENT*

PVS supports and promotes excellence for all through competition, education, innovation and leadership.

### *POTOMAC VALLEY SWIMMING VISION STATEMENT*

PVS: Leadership and excellence in and out of the pool



### **From the Chairman** **PVS Officials Committee Chair Tim Husson**



I have enjoyed serving the PVS Officials for the last four years as your Officials Chair. But, according to the PVS Bylaws, my term must come to an end on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Rich McMillen will be taking over the position in September. There is more about Rich below.

PVS is still growing in the number of athletes and also in the number of officials. We have more officials that have gone through the N2/N3 mentoring program. We have more officials than ever going to higher level meets outside the LSC including Zones, Sectionals, Futures, Arena Pro Series, Junior Nationals and Nationals. Some of these PVS officials are now getting assigned positions, including leadership positions at these meets. But, we can always use more help, so invite your friends and those you see on the sidelines at meets to join us on deck. As those working the LC Age Group Championships last weekend at Fairland remarked, it was much cooler (relatively!) on deck than in the spectator area.

I am not going away and you will still see me at PVS meets. And, I am always happy to talk officiating and rules with my fellow officials. I hope to see you at a meet this fall!

Tim Husson  
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## PVS Officials Representative to the PVS Board of Directors



### Congratulations Jack!

Thank you to all who participated in the online election for the PVS Officials Representative to the PVS Board of Directors. Jack Neill was re-elected to serve a second term.



## New PVS Officials Committee Chair by: Tim Husson



Beginning September 1, 2017, Rich McMillen will be PVS' new Officials Committee Chair. Rich has been an official with Maryland Swimming for 10 years and a member of the Maryland Swimming Officials Committee. With the transfer of his daughter to PVS 3 years ago, Rich began officiating at PVS meets. He brings a wealth of experience – both at the LSC level and National level – to PVS. Rich is looking forward to serving PVS. Look for him as the new season begins in the Fall and join us in welcoming him to Potomac Valley.



## Officiating Milestones by: PVS Swimming Officials Committee



### 5 Years of Service to PVS

Paul Ljuba (FBST)

Ed Mullen (NCAP)

  
**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
OFFICIAL  
ON!!!**

#OfficiallyAwesome



## New Certifications (Includes Transfers)



### S&T Judge

Andrew Rivers (RMSC)  
Anne Sohn (RMSC)

### ETS Operator

Jeanine Dehn (UN)  
Peter Nguyen (NCAP)

### Chief Judge

Linda Tucker (UN)

### HyTek Operator

Jeanine Dehn (UN)

### Starter

Hasantha Medde-Witage (SNOW)  
Anna Zelinsky (MACH)

### Administrative Official

Steven Lutz (RMSC)

## PVS Officials Travel Reimbursement

by: Tim Husson



Did you know that PVS has a [travel reimbursement program](#) for officials who officiate at national level competition, including meets like the upcoming US Open, Futures, Zone, and Junior National meets? The amounts vary based on the meet, and there are eligibility requirements. If you are working August's national meets, be sure to review the [policy](#) and submit your online request within 30 days. There are still opportunities to help at August's Zone meets. To volunteer for the Eastern Zone LC Senior Zone Championship in Buffalo, contact Meet Referee [Betsy Russell](#); to volunteer for the Eastern Zone LC Age Group Championship in Richmond, contact Meet Referee [Bob Menck](#).

## Fun Facts

by: Tim Husson & Kelly Rowell



The PVS Long Course championship meets held in July enjoyed a great turnout by PVS officials! Thank you to the 125 officials who worked at least one session at PVS LC Senior Championships, PVS LC Junior Championships, or PVS LC Age Group Championships. Special thanks to the 11 officials who worked at least one session at all 3! Congratulations to the 16 officials who successfully completed an evaluation at PVS LC Senior Championships!

The final PVS sanctioned meet has come to an end for the 2016-2017 swim season. During the course of the season, 589 certified officials contributed to the successful operation of 134 PVS meets. PVS officials and apprentices combined for a total of 9,992 sessions worked at PVS meets during the 2016-2017 swim season – an

average of 17 sessions/PVS official. Thank you for your time and commitment to the athletes of PVS!

## Coming Soon

by: Tim Husson & Kelly Rowell



Registration information for 2018 and a PVS Clinic schedule will be posted to the PVS website by September. As a reminder, your 2017 registration is valid through December 2017. If you work a minimum of 10 sessions in 2017, PVS will pay for your 2018 USA Swimming Registration. You will receive an email from Rich with details about registering. If you have worked – or plan to work – a minimum of 10 sessions in 2017, please wait to register for 2018 until you have received the details from Rich.

Have you been a PVS certified Stroke & Turn Judge for a year or more? Consider attending a PVS Starter clinic this Fall to expand your skills. Two years or more? Consider attending a PVS Chief Judge clinic. Have you been a PVS certified Computer Operator for a year or more? Consider attending a PVS Administrative Official clinic. Have only wet side certifications? Consider learning about the dry side at a PVS HyTek Operator clinic or PVS Timing System Operator. Watch for the complete [PVS Clinic Schedule](#) to put the dates on your calendar.

## Upcoming Clinics



Date	Clinic	Location	Time
Computer-Based Training	<a href="#">Timing System Operator</a>	<a href="#">Register for this clinic</a>	Any time

## Upcoming Meets



\*\*\*Click on the Upcoming Meets Banner to see the latest information

### AUGUST 2017

- 2-6 US Open (USA Swimming) – East Meadows, NY
- 3-6 Futures (USA Swimming) – Geneva, OH
- 3-6 LC Senior Zone Championship – Buffalo, NY
- 9-12 Eastern Zone LC Championships – Richmond, VA
- 8-12 Speedo Junior Nationals (USA Swimming) – East Meadow, NY
- 26 Eastern Zone Open Water Championship – Atlantic City, NJ



**BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT GOES TO THE SWIMMER!**

Call what you see and see what you call

