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## **New Jersey Officials Newsletter – May 2018**

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### **Foreword from the Editor**

We have completed the 2017-18 SC season with a total of 71 meets not including the Eastern Zone Championship and YMCA National meets. On behalf of the swimmers, clubs and the Officials Committee, thank you for all of the work that you did this past season. For those new to the official ranks this year, thank you for becoming a member of the crew that assists in the operation of all these meets for NJ Swimmers. Hopefully you have all completed your apprentice sessions within the required six months, made new friends and sent your completed apprentice information to Ed Miller so that he can issue your full credentials.

As we move from the SC season to the LC season this summer, we have included in this edition of the Newsletter a piece by Joel Black, a senior USA-S referee and former Rules Committee member, on the art or working Lead/Lag on an Olympic-sized pool. Also included is a piece to assist Starters and Referees during the start process with some item from the recently updated Situations and Resolutions for Starters and Deck Referees. Also included is some information about upcoming changes to the Starter and Referee certification programs and the new Chief Judge certification.

As mentioned previously, the aim of the newsletter is to provide information and improve communication to the NJ Swimming Official community. While this will not be comprehensive in covering all the ongoing activities in the official community, it will be a point to assist or direct. Remember that the NJ Swimming and USA Swimming web sites provide a vast wealth of information to assist you with your questions but you can always reach out to a member of the NJ Official's committee to assist you as well. If there is something that you would like to see addressed/discussed in this newsletter, feel free to reach out to me or a member of the committee and please send photos of you and your fellow officials at meets.

Hope to see you all on deck at some point during the summer.

### **Information from the Officials' Committee**

The Officials Committee is pleased to announce the implementation of a Chief Judge Training and Certification Program. Starting this spring, they will be offering a program to train and certify chief judges with the first clinic in May. This program will offer another option for officials looking to pursue their officiating careers beyond the stroke & turn level. It will also become a requirement for potential new Referees (beginning next year). Attending the Chief Judge training session will meet the clinic requirement for re-certifying Starters and Stroke & Turn officials. Please see below for further information about the initial clinic and watch the website for more information in the future.

In addition, the Officials' Committee is in the process of updating the Apprentice Referee and Starter Observation Programs. The Committee recently approved some changes to the apprentice observation programs to try to ensure that apprentice referees and starters get the experience they need from the program. The Committee identified a number of key areas of necessary experience for each group. The Committee also voted to require that all observations cannot be solely from meets run by the candidate's home club, and that the candidate must have at least three recommendations for full certification, including the final one from a member of the Officials Committee or one of the other final approved observers. Again, watch the website for more information in the future and in conjunction with the Spring training clinics (listed below).

Lastly, here's some follow up information from the USA Swimming Official's Committee concerning DQ slips. Clerical errors on the DQ slip (e.g., infraction occurred at the turn but the DQ slip says during the swim, heat and lane are correct but the CJ wrote down the wrong name, etc.) does not automatically overturn the DQ. There is no specific requirement for a DQ slip in the rules; it is merely a means to record the information concerning an infraction. Clerical errors can and should be corrected. However, when there is doubt as to the heat and lane, or as to the nature of the DQ, and that doubt cannot be resolved, then the DQ should be overturned.

### **Meet Your Officials Committee**

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## **“LEAD/LAG” COVERAGE FOR STROKE JUDGES by Joel Black**

At swim meets conducted in a 50-meter venue we may hear the remark, “The stroke judges are using “Lead/Lag” coverage.” What is this, and how does it work?

“Lead/Lag” is a method of coordinating the actions of two stroke judges on the same side of a 50-meter pool, in an effort to obtain consistent observation of all competitors in their jurisdiction during a race. Typically, prior to a race which involves the 15-meter mark, one judge is positioned on the lane 1 side of the pool at the 15-meter mark. Let’s call him or her judge “A”. A second judge is positioned on the same side of the pool between the 15-meter mark and the start end of the pool. Let’s call him or her judge “B”. There are also two stroke judges in the same positions on the lane 8 side of the pool.

Once the race has started and the swimmers are in the water, judge “B” observes the initial elements of the swim for conformity with the rules and within the jurisdiction instructed by the referee. As the swimmers pass, judge “B” turns and follows walking slightly behind the field toward the 15-meter mark. As the swimmers approach the 15-meter mark judge “B” begins to slow his/her walk. Judge “A” is in position to observe that all swimmers have conformed to the rules of the swim concerning the mark and as they pass, turns and follows them down the course toward the turn end walking ahead (Lead) of judge “B”(Lag). As the swimmers and judges approach the turn end of the pool, judge “B” stops at the turn end 15-meter mark, while judge “A” continues the observation into the turn. Judge “A” observes all swimmers through the turn and the initial action of the second length toward the 15-meter mark. As the swimmers pass the 15-meter mark of the turn end, judge “B” falls in slightly behind the swimmers and assumes the “Lead” ahead of judge “A” who now becomes “Lag.” This type of coordinated action continues until the race is over. At the end of the race the “Lag” judge has followed the trailing swimmers up to the position of the “Lead” judge and the race finishes.

Frequently in the 200-meter races and the 400-meter Individual Medley, the swimmers will separate to a considerable extent. This separation is also noted with younger and inexperienced swimmers in the 50 and 100-meter distances. When swimmer separation occurs, the stroke judges will also separate from each other in order to maintain consistently balanced observation of the field. When this occurs we must remember to continue scanning all lanes, even the empty ones, so that we do not narrow our focus upon only one or two swimmers. Slight modifications are also made for breaststroke events when the 15-meter mark is not a consideration (both judges continue down the pool to observe the turns), and freestyle events when judges do not walk along the side of the pool.

With experience, “Lead/Lag” becomes a comfortable method of officiating for two officials. The real “fun” begins when a television camera and dolly on a track with a three or four person crew shares one of the sides of the pool!! Coordination of movements between all parties is imperative. However, this discussion must be saved for another time.

## **Other Swimming Meets Opportunities**

Another competition event for USA Swimming is Open Water. Traditionally, this occurs during the summer months and there are limited opportunities for USA Swimming sanctioned events. However, these meets are always looking for volunteer officials to assist in the operation of the meets. The roles for Open Water swimming meets are both similar and different but the primarily goal is the safety of the swimmers during the event. If you are interested in finding our more information, feel free to reach out to Ed Miller (caefmilleriii@msn.com ) or Christopher Barry ([Accebarry@verizon.net](mailto:Accebarry@verizon.net)) for more information.

## **Officials advancing to Starter and Referee**

Congratulations to the following officials who this fall have stepped up to greater responsibilities and advanced in their certification to a Starter.

### **New Starters**

Charles Banville	SVY	Jule Consiglio	HACY	Dean Ferdico	LHY
Jim Macken	BAC	Guru Sanjeev	RBV		

In addition, we welcomed many new Stroke and Turn and Administrative Officials on deck during this fall and winter season. Please welcome the new officials that you continue to see on deck this summer.

## **Registration Reminder and Process**

For those officials who failed to renew their credentials for 2018, you can still renew as the year is only ¼ complete. If you require your Athlete Protection or Background Screening updated - please update prior to sending your required registration and renewal paperwork. Both of these are required aspects of membership and must be completed to work on deck.

For those Referees and Starters who need to attend a clinic (and then pass the necessary exams), they can attend one of the Starter or Referee clinics this Spring to complete that requirement. For experienced Stroke & Turn Judges, you can attend the Chief Judge clinic which will fulfill your requirements. Summer clinic schedule listed below.

Please reach out to the clinic instructor to confirm your attendance prior to any clinic as space may be limited. In order to determine if you need a clinic, you can either look at your renewal from last year (which will include such information at the bottom of the letter) or review your account in the USA Swimming OTS system. If you last took your test between September 2014 and August 2015, you are in need of a clinic for re-certification.

New Jersey Swimming thanks you for your interest in becoming and/or continuing as an official as it makes for the more efficient and fair meets as well as assists the job of the Meet Referee. Also, included below are the links to the USA Swimming Web Site for the Background Screening and Athlete Protection information.

	<u>Clinic Type</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>
May					
23	Starter	Ridgewood YMCA	6:30 PM	Ed Miller	<a href="mailto:caefmilleriii@msn.com">caefmilleriii@msn.com</a>
24	Referee	Ridgewood YMCA	7:00 PM	Ed Miller	<a href="mailto:caefmilleriii@msn.com">caefmilleriii@msn.com</a>
30	Chief Judge	Berkeley Aquatic COE	7:00 PM	Bruce Petersen	<a href="mailto:bpeter8559@mac.com">bpeter8559@mac.com</a>
June					
15	Starter	Berkeley Aquatic COE	5:00 PM	Judy Sharkey	<a href="mailto:jmsharkey@aol.com">jmsharkey@aol.com</a>

### **Note from the Registrar**

All Stroke & Turn and Administrative Official apprenticeships should have been completed by the end of March and the paperwork sent to Ed Miller. If you have completed the requisite sessions but have not sent in the paperwork, please do so now so we can issue your full credentials in time for the LC season. If you have not completed the sessions due to some unforeseen circumstances, please contact us to see if we can work out a plan for you to complete your sessions expeditiously.

You can mail the copies of your cards to Ed at 140 Concord Street, New Milford, NJ 07646, or e-mail them to him at [caefmilleriii@msn.com](mailto:caefmilleriii@msn.com). Don't miss out due to missing paperwork.

USA Swimming Officials Website (link to Athlete Protection) - <https://www.usaswimming.org/utility/landing-pages/safe-sport/apt>

USA Swimming Officials Website (link to Background Screening) - <https://www.usaswimming.org/background-checks>

USA Swimming Officials Tracking System Web Site - <https://www.usaswimming.org/utility/landing-pages/officials/officials-tracking>

NJ Swimming Officials Nametags - <https://www.teamunify.com/Links.jsp?tabid=12294&team=eznjslsc>

### **Rules Inquiries**

#### **Guidelines for officiating Swimmers with a Disability in USA Swimming**

While there are separate meets and rules for Para Swimmers, in this issue we will look at how officials can look to include and make meets more enjoyable for Swimmers with Disabilities at a USA Swimming meet. Most of us may have observed or dealt with the process of Starts for Swimmers that are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. However, there is an entire section of the rules that relate to the above (Article 105). Swimmers may have other disabilities that this section provides us with guidelines on how to work within the rules to make the experience an enjoyable event for all. Swimmers may have an intellectual disability which may require assistance with starts and/or keeping count of the number of laps swum. Some of the relevant parts of Section 105 are below that we can use to assist us in making meets more enjoyable and keep them competing and involved in the sport.

- 105.1.1 Allows the Referee to modify the rules for a swimmer with a disability
- 105.1.2 The swimmer (or the swimmer's coach) is responsible for notifying the Referee....of the requested modification. In the case of a young man with an intellectual disability, the parent can and should be able to perform this notification on behalf of the swimmer.
- 105.1 Is for Cognitively Disabled and states "No other specific rule modifications are required...." however 105.1.1 overrides this, as it is not the referee's job to provide a thorough medical diagnosis to athletes at a competition. If the athlete with a disability (or their representative) requests reasonable specific modifications during the competition, the spirit of USA-S is to do so unless it provides some unfair advantage.

Feel free to read the entire section so that you are prepared for future possibilities. For those further interested in working with Para Swimmers, feel free to reach out to Doug Griswold ([douglasg@multi-plastics.com](mailto:douglasg@multi-plastics.com)). Next opportunity is in early June.

## **What is a False Start and Situations for Starter and Referees**

The USA Swimming Rules Committee recently released updated Situations for Starters and Deck Referee to follow up the Situations for Stroke and Turn officials released in March 2018. Both of these can provide valuable reference material to assist your development as an official and be used as reference material in handling some common occurrences on deck. Both of these can be found in the Situations and Resolutions section on the USA Swimming web site under Officials Training Resources.

Below are some excerpts from the Situations for Starter and Deck Referee to assist our current certified Starters and Referees as well as those that plan advance their certification and take one of the upcoming clinics.

Situation: In the 50-yard breaststroke, the Starter has just finished giving the command, "Take your mark," when the swimmer in lane 4 comes down and immediately falls into the water, head first. The Referee could not determine why the swimmer went into the water. However, the Starter indicated that she thought the swimmer had lost her balance as she was assuming her starting position, having never assumed a stationary position. How should the situation be handled? Recommended Resolution: The Starter should stand the heat. As the Starter determined that the swimmer had never assumed a stationary position, the swimmer falling into the water is not considered to be a starting motion. Therefore, the Starter should not record the observation of a false start, and the swimmer should return to the block and be allowed to swim with the heat. Applicable Rules: 101.1.2C, 101.1.2D, 101.1.3A

In the 50-yard freestyle, the Starter gives the "Take your mark," command. The swimmer in lane 1 establishes a stationary position, jolts forward, and then re--establishes a stationary position, prior to the starting signal. Should the swimmer be disqualified for a false start? Recommended Resolution: No, the swimmer should not be disqualified for a false start. The swimmer was stationary when the starting signal was given, and, therefore, the swimmer did not start before the starting signal, and should not be charged with a false start. Applicable Rules: 101.1.2C, 101.1.3A, 101.1.3B

At a novice meet, many young swimmers are competing for the first time. When the Starter gives the "Take your mark," command, many of the swimmers are wobbly. The Starter is concerned that the swimmers are not becoming "stationary." How should the situation be handled? Recommended Resolution: The rule states, "When all swimmers are stationary, the Starter shall give the starting signal." Stationary does not mean motionless. Young swimmers may be wobbly at the start, and whether or not they are stationary is a judgment call made by the Starter. The Starter should certainly exercise great patience when starting these novice swimmers, but, once the Starter judges that the swimmers have become as stationary as they are going to become, given the level of meet, he should give the starting signal. Applicable Rules: 101.1.2C, 102.12.1

In the 100-yard butterfly, the Starter gives the "Take your mark," command, and the swimmers become stationary. The swimmer in lane 1 leaves his stationary position prior to the starting signal. Upon realizing the early starting motion, the swimmer attempts to stop this motion, trying to remain on the block. The Starter gives the "Stand, please," command, and the swimmer in lane 1 falls into the pool. Is this a false start? Recommended Resolution: Yes, this is a false start. The rule states, "Any swimmer starting before the starting signal is given shall be disqualified if the Referee independently observes and confirms the Starter's observation that a violation occurred." The rule also states, "When a swimmer does not respond promptly to the command, 'Take your mark,' the Starter shall immediately release all swimmers with the command 'Stand up,' upon which the swimmers may stand up or step off the blocks." When this command is given, the swimmers may either stand up or step off the blocks; the swimmer in lane 1 did neither—he fell into the pool. Pending that the Referee independently observed and confirmed the Starter's observation of a false start, the swimmer in lane 1 should be disqualified and removed from the heat. Applicable Rules: 101.1.2D, 101.1.3A

In a heat of the 100-yard breaststroke, the Starter gives the "Take your mark," command. As several of the swimmers seem "wobbly" and struggle to promptly assume a stationary position, the Starter stands the heat. The swimmer in lane 4 has assumed a stationary position and remains set in this stationary position as the other swimmers stand up. The Starter recommends to the Referee that the swimmer in lane 4 be disqualified for failing to obey the "Stand, please," command. How should the Referee handle the situation? Recommended Resolution: The swimmer should not be disqualified. The rule states, "When a swimmer does not respond promptly to the command 'Take your mark,' the Starter shall immediately release all swimmers with the command 'Stand up,' upon which the swimmers may stand up or step off the blocks." The swimmers may stand up when the "Stand, please," command is given; they are not required to stand up. The swimmer in lane 4 should not be disqualified. Applicable Rules: 101.1.2D, 101.1.5A

In the 200-yard individual medley, the Starter gives the "Take your mark," command, and the swimmers assume their stationary starting positions. The swimmer in lane 4 starts before the starting signal, but the starting signal is given, and the race continues without recall. After the start, the Starter approaches the Referee with an observation of a false start in lane 4, which the Referee also independently observed and confirmed. At the conclusion of the race, when the swimmer is notified that his swim has been disqualified for a false start, he claims that he had heard somebody shout "Go!" which caused him to start before the starting signal. The Referee did not hear this himself. How should the situation be handled? Recommended Resolution: The Referee should investigate the situation, consulting the Starter, and possibly other officials at the start end of the pool, to determine whether or not somebody did, in fact, yell "Go!" during the start. If the Referee is able to confirm that this did, in fact, happen, he may allow the swimmer to have the opportunity to re--swim the race. If the Referee cannot confirm that somebody did, in fact, yell "Go!" at the start of the race, the disqualification should be upheld, as the Referee cannot overturn the disqualification simply because the swimmer claims to have heard someone shout at the start, as it would set a precedent that could not be sustainably continued. Applicable Rules: 101.1.3A, 101.1.3B, 102.11.1, 102.11.5

In a heat of the 400-yard individual medley, all eight swimmers step up onto the blocks. In response to the Referee's long whistle. The Referee turns the field over to the Starter and subsequently, the Starter gives the "Take you mark," command. At this point, the Referee notices that the swimmer in lane 7 has stepped off the block to remove his drag suit. The Referee attempts to take back control of the heat but the Starter starts the race as the swimmer in lane 7 is starting to get back on the block. How should the situation be handled? Recommended Resolution: Ideally, this type of situation should be proactively handled so that it does not occur. Prior to blowing the long whistle, the Referee should have approached the swimmer and asked him to remove the second swimsuit. Had the Referee not noticed until the swimmer was up on the block, he should have asked the Starter to stand down the heat, and then approached the swimmer, asking him to remove the second suit. The

Referee in this situation, however, did not take any of these proactive measures. At this point, the swimmer stepped off of the block when the starting sequence had already begun, and should be disqualified for delay of meet. Applicable Rules: 101.1.5A, 101.1.5B

At a local senior meet, the adjustable back plate on the lane 1 starting block malfunctions midway through the preliminaries of the 100-yard butterfly and cannot be fixed. How should the situation be handled? Recommended Resolution: If one adjustable back plate becomes inoperable, the adjustable back plates must be removed from all of the blocks to provide a fair competitive environment for the swimmers. The Referee should ask the facility personnel to remove the adjustable back plates from all of the starting blocks. The preliminaries should be continued without the adjustable back plates on the blocks. The swimmers in previous heats should not be required to re-swim without the adjustable back plate, and their times achieved should remain unchanged. If the adjustable back plate is later fixed and/or a replacement adjustable back plate is found, it should not be introduced midway through the event, but may be used for subsequent events and during finals. Applicable Rules: 102.11.1, 102.11.5, 103.14.3

In the 50-yard freestyle, the Referee notices, after the start, that the electronic timing system did not automatically start. As a result, he asks the Starter to recall the heat. Is this correct procedure? Recommended Resolution: No, this is not correct procedure. The rules provide a means for integrating and adjusting backup times, in the event of a timing system malfunction affecting an entire heat. The Referee should instruct the timing system operator to manually start the system, allowing the Administrative Official/Referee to adjust and integrate the times using the method provided in the rules. Applicable Rule: 102.24.4E

## **NJ Swimming Meet Schedule (May 2018 through August 2018)**

(All meets LCM unless noted)

	<u>Meet Name</u>	<u>Meet Location</u>	<u>Meet Referee</u>	<u>Level</u>
<b>May</b>				
5	BAC Robin Hood Sprints	BAC COE	Zhongxu Lu	Silver/Bronze
6	BAC Sprint Invite	BAC COE	Resty Rivera	Gold/Silver
18-20	PTAC Tiger Challenge	Princeton	Bach Lequang	Meet Cuts
19-20	MYM May Warm-up	Rutgers	Val Gibson/Roni Sawin	Meet Cuts
20	OCY IMX Extreme	Ocean County YMCA	Andrew Schober	SCY – None
26-27	BAC Memorial Day Invite	Rutgers	Christopher Barry	Closed Sanctioned

<b>June</b>				
2	SCAR Heat Madness	Rutgers	Carl Neilsen	None
2-3	EEX Miles, Middies and Mini	TCNJ	Gary Thayer	SCY – None
3	MAY Bring the Heat	Rutgers	Val Gibson/Gretchen van Dewalle	None
8-10	SVY LC Cup Championships	Princeton	Tom Pearce	Closed YMCA
9-10	HACY Summer Solstice	Rutgers	Gary Thayer	Meet Cuts
10	BAC Rubber Ducky	BAC COE	Zhongxu Lu	Silver/Bronze
10	PPST Spring Splash SC Meet	Witherspoon School	Robin Miers	SCY - None
15	SCAR Jersey Strong	Paramus Muni Pool	Dan Bibb	None
15	BAC Friday Night Lights #1	BAC COE	Christopher Barry	None
16	MYM Summer Sunshine	Rutgers	Val Gibson	Meet Cuts
16-17	XCEL Meet of Excellence	Princeton	Perry Novak	None
16-17	SCAR SC Summer Blast	Newark Academy	John Ciulla	None
17	MAY Summer Sprints	Rutgers	Val Gibson/Gretchen van De Walle	None
22	BAC Friday Night Lights #2	BAC COE	Christopher Barry	None
29	BAC Friday Night Lights #3	BAC COE	Zhongxu Lu	None
29-7/1	EEX Summer Sizzle	Rutgers	Bill Tucker	Meet Cuts

<b>July</b>				
6-8	SVY LC Independence Day	Rutgers	Tom Pearce	Meet Cuts
7-8	SCAR LC Summer Luau	Princeton	John Ciullia/Val Gibson	Meet Cuts
13-15	NJS HACY LC Silver-Bronze	Princeton	Gary Thayer	Silver/Bronze
13-15	NJS BAC LC Silver-Bronze	BAC COE	Zhongxu Lu/Resty Rivera	Silver/Bronze
13-15	NJS BB LC Silver-Bronze	Rutgers	Ray Wong	Silver/Bronze
20-22	BAC LC Summer Championships	BAC COE	Christopher Barry	Gold
26-29	NJS/SCAR LC Junior Olympics	Rutgers	Carl Neilsen	Gold

For those that plan to travel to upcoming Eastern Zone or USA Swimming National Meets during the summer, hope you enjoy the experience and bring back something to apply in the LSC and picture of the NJ Official attendees. Below please find the list of remaining meets schedule for the 2017-18 season and pictures from NJ Officials at NJ Swimming Senior Championships and Eastern Sectionals.

## USA Swimming National Championship and Eastern Zone Schedule

### May 2018 to Summer 2018

Host	Dates	Meet	Applications	Location	Course
USA	5/17-20	Arena Pro Series #4 – Indianapolis, Indiana	Closed	Indianapolis, Indiana	LCM
USA	6/14-17	Arena Pro Series #5 – Santa Clara, Ca.	Closed	Santa Clara, California	LCM
USA	7/12-15	Arena Pro Series #6 – Columbus, Oh.	Closed	Columbus, Ohio	LCM
USA	7/25-29	USA Swimming Summer Nationals	Closed	Irvine, California	LCM
USA	7/31-8/4	USA Swimming Summer Junior Nationals	Closed	Irvine, California	LCM
ZONE	8/2-5	Eastern Zone Senior Championships	Pending	Buffalo, NY	LCM
USA	8/2-5	USA Swimming Futures Championships-East	Open	Richmond, Va.	LCM
ZONE	8/8-11	Eastern Zone LC Age Group Championships	Pending	Richmond, Va.	LCM

## Officials attending Zone, Sectional and National Meets

Congratulations to the following officials who officiated at meets outside of the NJ LSC. These meets provide the opportunity to meet other officials from across the Eastern Zone and the country. They also provide an opportunity to further develop one's skills and be evaluated for USA Swimming National level certifications. The officials listed (and pictured) below volunteered at one or more of the following meets – Spring SC or LC Eastern Sectionals, SC Eastern Zones, Arena Pro Series. Many of the officials were in assigned positions (Chief Judge, Starter or Referee).

Biljana Askew – STAC  
 Christopher Barry - BAC  
 Walter Benzija - JFAC  
 Sue Cao – SWAC  
 Cynthia Donnelly - LHY  
 Chuck Dougherty - LHY

Frank Fitzgerald - EEX  
 Leonid Geller – BAC  
 Valerie Gibson -LHY  
 Shiangling Jang - LHY  
 Louis Hu - LHY  
 Alex Kolarov - BAC

Jae Lee - SCAR  
 Bach Lequang - HACY  
 Zhongxu Lu – BAC  
 Erynn Murray – STAC  
 Judy Sharkey - UN  
 Gregory Spicka - GMY

Donna Tomforhrde – WW  
 Ray Wong - BB  
 Long Yang - BAC



In addition, NJ sent 26 dual certified YMCA/USA-S officials to work at YMCA Nationals in Greensboro, NC, constituting 24% of the deck officials. Officials working in assigned positions were Chuck Dougherty, Val Gibson, Chris Jung, Ed Miller, Roni Sawin, Steve Sawin, Judy Sharkey, Barbara Tucker and Bill Tucker. While working in the important Stroke and Turn deck positions were Lynn Alexy, John Bernauer, John Bota, Bill Carkhuff, Sirena Carnevale, Jule Consiglio, Gary Dunchus, Ed Eckels, Paula Horne, Sherene Imran-Lall, Shiangling Jang, Bach Lequang, Mike McGowan, Scott Palfreyman, Bob Piasecki, Sandi Rushevics and Gretchen VandeWalle.

Finally, thanks also goes out to many of the fine officials that assisted at the NJ Swimming Senior Championship meet at BAC in March.



### WAY TO GO NEW JERSEY OFFICIALS!!

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER LONG COURSE SEASON AND LOOK FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER  
 IN LATE AUGUST/EARLY SEPTEMBER PRIOR TO THE START OF THE 2018-19 SC SEASON**