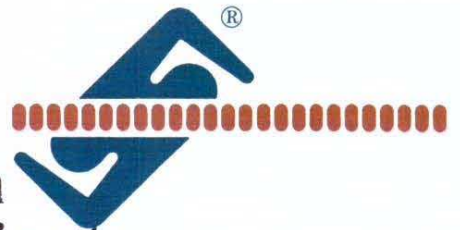


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USMS Convention Coaches Committee Minutes

Thursday, September 25, 1997
San Francisco, CA

Committee Members Present

Michael Collins, Lori Gibson-Rick, Doug Huestis, Don Mehl, Ed Nessel, Brian Stack, Tina Talbot,

Others Present

Michelle Bekoff, Rob Berry, Lee Carlson, Kathy Casey, Colin Chinn, John Christie, Leslie Cooper, Mo Chambers, Renee Davis, Melanie Duella, Junie Ewing, Steven Fair, Ed Gendreau, Errol Graham David Grilli, Lil Haneman, Doug Huestis, George Quigley, Betty Ann Levine, Jim Miller, Kent Nemet, Larry Peck, David Radcliff, Gerry Rodrigues, Jessica Seaton, Aaron Schneider, Leslie Smith, Brian Stack, Hermine Terhost, Bill Tingley, Polly Upshaw, Paul Windrath, Rob Whitten

Action Items

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Sub-committee Reports

1. Coach of the Year

This sub-committee is made up of five former USMS Coach of the Year recipients. The committee once again encourages each LMSC to select a Coach of the Year and forward it to the USMS Selection Committee by the July 15 deadline. And the 1997 USMS Coach of the Year is???

2. On-Deck Coaching

This program continues to run with success at Short Course Nationals, Long Course Nationals, and the USAS Convention. Paul Windrath commended Doug Huestis for coordinating the on-deck coaching at the Pan Pac meet in Maui.

3. Book & Video Library

Book Librarian: Ed Nessel, 10 Irene Ct., Edison NJ 08820.

(908) 561-533 E-mail: enessel@aol.com

The Book Library has information that you would not see in the video library. Coaches are encouraged to look at the resources that are available. The books that are available relate to in-water and out-of-water topics. There is a \$30 book deposit and a shipping charge of \$4.50. The book loan is for one month. The list of available books should be available in the coaches section on the USMS Web page. Ed will work on distributing a book review by e-mail on a monthly basis. To get more info, email him at enessel@aol.com.

Video Librarian: Maxine Nellen, 3090 N.Wading River Rd, Wading River, NY 11792 Phone: (516) 929-4812

The video library loaned out 18 videos so far in 1997. The newest video to be added was Swimming Fastest III by John Trembley. Contact Maxine at the address above for a full list of available videos.

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4. Mentor Coach & Swimmer Clinics

Five clinics have been conducted or scheduled for 1997. The Coaches Committee would like to see a Mentor/Swimmer clinic in each zone.

1997 Clinics				
Date	Location	Zone	Mentor Coach	Coach/Swimmers
Jan.	Coral Springs, Fl	Dixie	Brian Stack	9/13
Aug	New England	Colonies	Brian Stack	20/60
Sept 20-21	Virginia	Colonies	Kerry O'Brien	20/80
Oct	Rochester	Colonies	Scott Rabalais	
Nov. 16	San Francisco	Oceana	Sickie Marcikic	

Applications for 1998 Clinics are now being accepted. Each clinic receives \$500 seed money to offset clinic expenses including the travel for the guest Mentor Coach. Promotion is very important for the success of these clinics. If the information is received early enough, clinic details can be placed in Swim Magazine.

5. USMS/MACA/ASCA Coaches Manual

Sub-Committee coordinator Robert Zeitner provided a detailed report of the status of the manuals. In 1996, 124 manuals were sent out. So far in 1997, 62 manuals have gone out. The cost to produce the manuals has increased from \$13.83 to \$20.97. This increase is attributed to the change in binders and the labor involved.

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6. Snooper Loaner Program

Paul Windrath will be the new custodian of the two USMS Black & White Snoopers owned by USMS that are currently stored at Zoomers. Brian Stack will be contacting new vendors that provide underwater video technology to see if any relationships can be established.

7. Communications

The committee will attempt to send out two mailings to USMS Coaches, including information on projects in progress by the committee, On-deck Coaching, Mentor Coach/Swimmer Clinics, the Coaches Manual, Video & Book Libraries and MACA/ASCA information. Brian Stack & Greg Spire will work with the National Registrar identifying USMS members who have selected the coaches box on the USMS registration form and get the correspondence out.

MACA Report

MACA is currently looking for a new Newsletter Editor for MACA. For more information, contact Brian Stack, President of MACA, or Mo Chambers, MACA Newsletter Editor. MACA Board elections will be held at the 1998 SCY Nationals in Indianapolis. Yearly membership is \$20. To join, contact registration director Don Mehl. Judy Bonning was the recipient of the first Lifetime Achievement Award.

New Business

1. A request was made to place the topic of Code of Ethics, both for swimmers and coaches, on the next USMS Coaches Committee Agenda. (much like the one USS uses)

2. Jim Miller reminded the committee that USMS does have sponsors that our swimmers, coaches, and clubs should be as supporting.

Submitted by,
Michael Collins
Coaches Committee Chair

