



**PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT**

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**Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Officials Committee**

**Liaison to the Board:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Diana Fetterman**

**Date of Last Meeting:** \_\_\_\_\_ **July 12, 2023**

**Date of Next Meeting:** \_\_\_\_\_ **October 11, 2023**

**Summary:** The Chair attended virtual national meet referee training in August. Several other LSC meet referees from all 5 Zones were also invited to attend the training. The Chair on September 12<sup>th</sup> attended the National Officials Committee Meeting. R-9, proposed amendment to the rule book was discussed. The NOC subcommittee is revising the minimum standards of officiating certification for all positions, starting with stroke and turn. The revised starter's training video is in its final phase.

The annual Pacific Swimming Officials Clinic is being held October 14, 2023, at the Pleasant Hill Senior Center. The presenters have been selected and represent each of the 5 Zones. Sign-up for the clinic is live on the Pac Swim website. All current officials and General Zone Chairs were notified of the training and sign-up. Club leadership is encouraged to advertise the clinic to prospective new officials. A big thank you to Diana Fetterman and Cindy Rowland for their hard work getting this year's clinic underway. [Click Here to Sign-up](#)

The Officials Committee requested an addition to the Pacific Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures. Adding: The prohibition of practice equipment in the competition and warm-up pools (see attached). Both Age Group and Senior Committees welcomed the addition.

**Announcements:** Gary Arita, Zone 1 South Officials Co-Chair and committee member has decided to hangup his whistle and retire from officiating. Gary has been an official since 2009 and a Zone 1S officials' chair on and off since 2015. He is one of the finest and professional officials around and was always the "best dressed" official on a pool deck! In addition, Gary has been a great friend and mentor to many officials over the years. Gary will be missed very much both on deck and behind the scenes, he has done a tremendous job for the LSC - THANK YOU for your time and dedication, Happy Retirement, Gary....

I would like welcome Mette Graversen to the Officials Committee and Zone 1 South Officials Co-Chair position. Mette is a long-time official and works more meets than most officials. She comes with a wealth of experience and knowledge. Mette has been a great mentor to many in the LSC. Welcome to the Team!