

2021 – 2022 PAC Master Ballot Information on Candidates

PMS Chair

Phyllis Quinn peg1ekc1@aol.com

I am running again for my final two-year term as Chair of Pac Masters Swimming. I have served as the Chair for Pac Masters for the last two years. Although many of the swim events have been cancelled, the committee has been busy over these years. My management style is to appoint people to various working committees, offer advice when asked, and let these working committees bring recommendations to the monthly meeting. These monthly meetings are business meetings to inform out members of the work that is being done. I value the time and efforts of all those who attend the meetings. As such, I try to keep these meetings to one hour or less. The place for discussion should be within the working committees. I am thankful all the work that has been done by these working committees. I would appreciate your vote to continue this work.

VP – Clubs and Coaches

Carol Nip raysun@comcast.net

Carol Nip is a Level 3 Coach, ALTS instructor and Head Masters Coach with Albany Armada Masters in Albany, CA, while fulfilling her role as Pacific Masters Chair, Clubs & Coaches 2020-2021. She has earned the Peggy Lucchesi Award, Kerry O'Brien Coaching Award, June Krauser Communications Award, and Pacific Masters Coach of the Year. She has served on the USMS Coaches Committee as well as the USMS Diversity and Inclusion Committee. She works with all kinds of swimmers in achieving fitness and competitive goals through USA-Swimming, High School and US Masters Swimming. Ideas in serving another term as Chair, Clubs & Coaches 2022-2023 include the continuation of work with Bob Anderson in creating Zoom clinics and educational webinars, working closely with Michael Moore and the Marketing & Membership Committee to bring into fruition their goals, begin work with Phyllis Quinn to build up the quantity and quality of masters coaches in our LMSC, and to visit targeted clubs and coaches to encourage, evaluate and determine our mutual level of service in our mission.

VP Pool Meets:

Matt Roper matt@mattrope.com

I've been a member of the Pacific Masters LMSC since 2004, swimming as a member of DAM. During the last 17 years, I've been an active participant in all forms of Pacific Masters competition (pool, open water, and e-postal), and I've always been impressed by the great group of swimmers and volunteers that make up this LMSC. In 2019 I was elected as Pacific Masters' VP of Pool Meets, which has given me a wonderful opportunity to contribute back to the LMSC.

If elected for a second term as VP of Pool Meets, there are several items I plan to focus on with the assistance of the Pool Meet Committee:

- Return to Competition --- Now that vaccines are widely available and the public health situation is improving, we're seeing competitions start to return to the schedule. The Pool Meet Committee and I will work closely with meet hosts to ensure that these early meets are conducted in a safe and organized manner, and that appropriate COVID-19 precautions are taken.

- Meet Hosts --- We expect some new teams and organizations will be hosting Pacific Masters-sanctioned competitions this year (including Morgan Hill as a new host for our SCY Championships in 2022!). Pacific Masters meets are often regarded as some of the highest-quality masters meets in the country; the Pool Meet Committee and I will work closely with these new hosts to ensure they continue this tradition of excellence.
- Guide to Operations Updates --- I plan to work with the Pool Meet Committee to refresh and update our pool meet Guide to Operations documents (the Meet Operations Handbook and the Meet Directors' Handbook) based on our learnings from the past two years. Specifically, it would be good to update our health & safety guidance in those documents. I'd also like to develop more guidance for the organization and hosting of e-postal events.

It's unfortunate how much of an impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our ability to compete the last two years. I look forward to transitioning back to normal competition in the coming years.

VP Open Water

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Greetings, all! I am a member of Sierra Nevada Masters (SNM) and an out-of-town member of the South End Rowing Club (SERC). I love open water swimming and would be delighted to serve as the Pac Masters Open Water-VP. I have served as the chair of the USMS Long Distance Committee for the past 4 years, vice chair for the 2 years before that, and served as a member of that committee since 2008. In my USMS role I collaborated with OW national championship hosts across the country, helped hosts establish and grow their OW events, and supported swimmers new to OW get involved and reach to their own next level. While many regions have some amazing events and venues, there's no place with the annual quality slate of hosts and events like here in Pac Masters. If I have a chance to serve as your OW VC, I would seek to support our Pac Masters hosts as they continue and extend their success, bring OW clinics to our LMSC, find opportunities to introduce swimmers to the joys of OW, recruit more national championships to our LMSC, and bring OW topics to our members regularly through our excellent LMSC e-newsletter. And dare we dream of an OW Zone event--maybe Hawaii?

VP Communication and Tech

Michael Moore mwmoore@sonic.net

I am running for Vice President of Communications and Technology. I have been involved with the Pacific Masters Committee for almost 30 years. I served as chairman Pac Master 2002 to 2011. I love Masters swimming and have been involved in promoting Masters for many years. At an all-day conference of Pac Masters in September 1995, I said there was this new thing – the World Wide Web and that many organizations are using it to promote their organization and inform their members about what was happening. I was asked to see about creating something and in November 1995 Pacific Masters had a website. But it is not just creating something and letting it stand, it is tweaking it so see how it can be improved. Three years later in 1999, we started the

Pacific Masters Update as a way to send information to our members on a timely base (the alternative was a bi-monthly newsletter).

Earlier this year, I brought to the attention of the Committee that month-to-month year to year, our membership has gone down from 2016 to 2019 not including the disastrous 2020. Masters has a great story to tell, we have great coaches and swimming is a tremendous exercise. I was appointed ad-hoc Marketing and Membership Committee chair. Our clubs form the basis of Masters. We need to support our clubs I would like to bring together all the different platforms that Pacific Masters is on to let Northern California and Nevada to inform our members and non-members what is happening with Pacific Masters. I would appreciate your vote.

Secretary

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Hello Pacific Masters members. My name is Ian King and I am running for the Secretary position of our LMSC for the upcoming term. I have had the honor to serve in this role for the past 2 years and would consider it a privilege to continue in this role. I have been an active member of Pacific Masters for the past 3 ½ years, swimming with Walnut Creek Masters several times per week. Prior to moving to the Bay Area for work in February 2018, I served with the Georgia LMSC as a Member at Large for several years and as Chair for several months before making the journey out West. As Secretary for Pacific Masters, I have worked closely with our Chair and Administrator to produce timely and accurate meeting minutes for both the monthly and annual meetings. I changed the meeting minutes format by creating a template that was easier to read and follow. Going forward, I will continue to work closely with all Board members to assure efficient and precise documentation of all meetings along with assisting in any way I can to help the continued growth/development of our LMSC.

Treasure

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I'm an Enrolled Agent and run my own tax and accounting practice. I've been doing taxes and accounting for 16 years and have been serving as treasurer for the past 4 years. The treasurer position is responsible for filing all tax returns (payroll, annual non-profit and 1099 informational reporting), in addition to reviewing the financials and reconciling the accounts. My goals are to produce a balanced budget and a more realistic allocation of funds to the various programs.