

Stingray Volunteer Descriptions 2020

Creating a positive environment where swimmers learn and have fun is only possible with the dedicated efforts of all STINGRAY parents. Parent support and involvement is vital to the success of our team. We have created this list of volunteer positions to help you understand what each entails and to assist you in finding the job that best fits your abilities and interest. Thank you for helping us to make sure that this FANTASTIC neighborhood tradition is successful -- We couldn't do it without you!

No Experience Needed/On-the-Job Training:

Line-ups: Responsible for getting swimmers to the start of their race on time. Line-ups are for the 6U, 7/8 and 9/10 age groups. 2-3 volunteers are needed for each age group for both boys and girls. **This is the highest priority job for parents with line-up aged children. Make sure these jobs are filled before signing up for other jobs.** Please note: this job lasts the duration of the meet.

Snack Bar: Help sell food and drinks during home meets. Help to set up Snack Bar before meet and tear down after meet. Reports to Snack Bar Coordinator. These positions are split into three shifts and reporting times vary. **Please see the individual meet sign-up for the time of your shift.** This job is limited to adults only.

Meet Set-up and Meet Clean-up: Set-up for a home meet consists of staging the pool area for the meet (pop-up tents, lane lines, backstroke flags, starting blocks, chairs). **Reports to the pool before scheduled start of the meet -- 6:45 a.m. on Saturdays.** Clean-up after a home meet consists of returning meet equipment to its proper storage area, returning pool furniture to its proper location, emptying trash cans, picking up litter, assist snack bar coordinator, etc.

Shopper & Food Prep: Costco and Smart-Final: Buy snack bar food from a list provided by the snack bar coordinator a day or two before the meet. You will also be responsible for unloading food at the pool. You will be reimbursed for your expenses by the swim team. The Smart & Final shopper helps the snack bar coordinator with any food prep needed the day or two before the meet. The Costco shopper marinates chicken and delivers to pool morning of meet.

Shopper: Coffee, Donuts & Ice: Pick up Peet's boxed coffee and donuts morning of meet and deliver to snack bar by 7:00 a.m. Purchase and deliver ice to snack bar by 7:00. Return coffee container to Peet's post-meet. You will be reimbursed for your expenses by the swim team.

Dishwasher: Responsible for taking home ALL dirty dishes from the Snack Bar at the end of the meet, washing them, and returning them to the shed prior to next home meet. Purchase and deliver ice to the night swim meet.

Photographer: Responsible for taking pictures during each meet using his/her own digital camera. Photographer will also provide digital photos to Webmaster for posting on team website. This job lasts the duration of the meet, including before the meet starts. Please get photos from all age groups so there is equal representation at end-of-year slide show. Takes time to seek out the "introverted" swimmers hiding in their tents. Takes age group photo to ensure 100% inclusion.

Runner/Computer Assistant: Home Meet Job. The Runner will assist the Computer Scorer before the meet starts by obtaining meet programs and passing out to lineup parents as well as timing area. After start of meet, the Runner takes the time sheet from each lane to the Computer/Scorer table in the office. Also checks with the Stroke and Turn Judges for warning and DQ forms, which are also taken to the Computer/Scorer table in a timely manner. The runner may also be asked to get water for timers, since they cannot leave their posts. This position is split into 1st half and 2nd half.

Previous Background/ Experience Helpful:

Scoring Team Rep/Computer Scorer: Away Meet Job. This person works with the Computer Scorer from the opposing team and serves as our team representative at the scoring table and alerts the team coordinators (Gwen & Serena) if issues arise. This job is split into 1st and 2nd shift.

If opposing team does not have automatic timing system, this position assists the Computer Scorer from opposing team with entering each swimmer's times into the computer. Times are transferred from the timer's sheet to the computer after the completion of each individual event sheet.

Floater: Fills in where needed at the meet. Your job is flexible! Check in at volunteer tent by 8:00 a.m. and we will direct you where to go. You may work for the full meet or part of the meet, depending on where you are needed.

Timer: Having at least one season of swim team experience is helpful for this position. Timers use stopwatches and automatic timing system to time each race at the sound of the starting horn and stop the race when the swimmer in their lane touches the wall at the end of the race. Timers usually work in pairs, one from each team, and record the times on their timesheets. The Runner then collects the sheets. These positions are split into 1st half and 2nd half. **Timers must attend the timers' meeting conducted by the Starter, held 15 to 30 minutes before the meet is scheduled to begin.** Some pools have an automatic timing system that automatically records the swimmer's time in the computer.

Special Training/Experience Required:

Stroke & Turn Judge: One judge from each team on either side of the pool. Ensures that swimmers are using proper strokes and executing turns correctly. Will either issue warning or disqualify a swimmer if wrong strokes and/or turns are being used. Training will now be held through Del Prado Swim Team. **Contact Gwen or Serena if you are interested!**

Season-Long Positions:

Announcer: Home meets only. Sits at Announcer's table with microphone and announces each race. Informs fans which event and heat is about to start and identifies

all swimmers. Makes special announcements during the course of the meet. **Paul Heath**

Head Timer: An experienced timer who coordinates the timers from both teams during home meets. Operates a backup timer in the event that a lane's time is not captured. Makes sure that timers are ready before the start of each race. Meets with timers 15 to 30 minutes before each meet to check watches, train, go over rules, etc. **Jason Cole**

Ribbon Coordinators: Responsible for labeling ribbons for swimmers after all meets and filing ribbons for swimmers to pick up at the pool. **Kaarin Graham & Rachel Banke**

Starter: Home meets only. Responsible for bringing swimmers to their mark to begin each race using the Colorado start system. Works closely with the Head Timer and Announcer to make sure that everybody is ready to start the next race. **Ken Kasper**

End-of-year Trophies: Works with trophy vendor to order team trophies, having them ready before Champs. **Melissa Alexander**

Photographer Lead: Takes pictures at meets and helps direct 2nd photographer volunteer. Works with Slide Show volunteer: **Jeff Pruss**

End-of-Year Slide Show: Obtains photos from photographers and creates slide show for end-of-year party. **Barbara Allen**

Year-Round Jobs/Swim Team Board Positions:

Swim Team Coordinators: **Gwen Drain & Serena Torvik**

Volunteer Coordinators: **Kim & Peter Kirschner/Candee & Dave Banman**

Treasurer: **Caevon Hekmaty**

Secretary: **Open**

Registrar: **Shirley Loeffler**

Computer Coordinator: **Carina & Nate Harold**

Webmaster: **James Moore**

Snack Bar Coordinator: **Maldonado and Nazareno Families**

Parties and Events Coordinators: **Kaarin Graham & Lisa Boyer**

***** We are occasionally in need of volunteers for our season-long positions. Please contact Gwen, Serena or the Volunteer Coordinators if you are interested.***