



YMCA Swimming News – May 2022

Spring National Meets

- Congratulations to the YMCA National Short Course Team Champions: Women – Greater Somerset County YMCA (NJ), Men – Piedmont Family YMCA (VA), Combined – Piedmont Family YMCA (VA). See [full results](#), including Meet and National Record Breakers at www.ymcaswimminganddiving.org. Congratulations to Coach of the Meet, Gary Taylor, from the Piedmont Family YMCA (VA).
- Congratulations to the YMCA National Diving Team Champions: Women – Schroeder YMCA (WI), Men – Moultrie YMCA (GA), Combined – Moultrie YMCA (GA). See [full results](#).
- Congratulations to the YMCA National Masters Meet Champions: Women – YMCA of Greater Cincinnati, Men – YMCA of Greater Cincinnati, Combined – YMCA of Greater Cincinnati. See [full results](#).

YMCA Awards & Recognitions

The following awards and recognitions were announced at the national events above:
YMCA Coach of the Year – Keira Cruz, Lakeland Hills YMCA (NJ) and Bill Whatley, Blue Ash YMCA (OH)

Adolph Kiefer YMCA Youth Character Award – Sara-Michael Jann, YMCA of Greater Spartanburg (SC) and Reuben Williams, Vineland YMCA (NJ)

2020 Joseph G. Rogers Award – Bob McDowell, Riverbrook Regional YMCA (CT)

2023 Joseph G. Rogers Award – Bob Turner, The Villages (FL)

2020 Conrad Carroll Award – Bob Turner, The Villages (FL)

2022 John deBarbadillo Award – Jeanne Seidler, Schroeder YMCA (WI)

For more information on these awards, please visit the [YMCA Swimming and Diving website](#).

YMCA National Long Course Championship Meet

- Tuesday, July 19 – Saturday, July 23 – Five (5) full days of competition
- *New this year:* Four Finals Heats for individual events (except 800 and 1500 Freestyle). The D Final Heat will be exclusively for 15 & Under swimmers. The next 8 fastest 15&U swimmers after the 24th finisher in Prelims will compete in the D Final Heat. The Final Heats will be contested in this order: B, A, C, D Heats, with the A and B heats reporting to the Awards Area while the C and D Heats compete.
- *New this year:* Swimmers with a meet qualifying time in the 800 or 1500 Freestyle and a B cut in the other distance event may enter both. A swimmer with only a “B” or Bonus qualifying time in one of the 800 or 1500 Freestyle may enter that event and if there is room (32 entries will be taken), that swimmer may be able to compete in that event. Coaches will be notified by Meet Check-in.
- See the [meet web page](#) for regularly updated information.
- Entries will be through SwimCloud, with new features and procedures. Please refer to the meet web page regularly.

YMCA Swim Coaches Forum

- May 17 - 11:30 am ET
- Topic: Building Your Program – 12&U Growth in Post-pandemic Times

- Forum link and recording will be posted in [Swim Coaches Forum section](#) on YMCA Swimming and Diving website.

Last Call: Submit Meet Results for YMCA Top 16

- SwimCloud is tabulating the YMCA Top 16 for 2021-22. Submit meet results to SwimCloud by emailing them to results@swimcloud.com; or upload the meet result directly to the meet in SwimCloud using your SwimCloud account; or export the meet results directly from Meet Manager 7 or higher by selecting File->Export->Results for SwimCloud.

Update Your Certs!

Coaches, please remember to update your expired certifications in your annual YMCA Coach registration. The list of registered coaches eligible for participation at the 2022 YMCA National Long Course Championship will be pulled July 1. Be sure that your certifications will be current on the site through the end of the meet.

Job Postings

If you have a coaching position open and would like to post it on the YMCA Swimming and Diving site, there is a dedicated [page](#) under the Coaches tab.

Please send the posting or link to [Meredith Griffin](#).

*Please also remember to notify Meredith when the posting has been filled and/or needs to be removed from the list.

Passing of Tom Warrick

Long time YMCA volunteer, official and advocate, Tom Warrick, passed away May 3, 2022. Tom became involved as a YMCA volunteer when his children started swimming at the Upper Main Line Y in 1990. He started as a swimming official and trainer, parent advisory committee member and chair and gradually immersed himself in leadership roles with the Penn Del League, PA state committee and national advisory committee.

Tom was responsible for the development of a unique entry system for the YMCA National Championship Meets and ran the technology for meet operations room for twenty years. YMCAs around the country used Tom's meet entry system for Y invitationals and championship meets. He was also integral to the development and management of coach and officials registration and web resources.

For his exceptional leadership, dedication and accomplishments with YMCA swimming Tom was recognized with the Joseph G. Rogers Award in 2014. For excellence in YMCA swim officiating, he received the Conrad Carroll Award in 2016. See Tom's Rogers Award biography [here](#).

Tom is survived by his spouse, Betsy and children Amanda and Brian.