

### **Nominee for Volunteer of the Year, Clint Benton**

Clint Benton has been involved with numerous volunteer sport and professional organizations in his lifetime of community service and Clint has been serving the swimming community for more than 40 years. Clint first became involved with swimming at the Summer Recreational League level, where he served as an official, a club president and even formed and incorporated another local club. His first involvement with Pacific Swimming started as a parent with a swimmer in the fall season swim program some 36 years ago that quickly evolved into year-round participation. He soon became a Pacific Swimming official, a member of the club's Board of Directors and then the club's board president. His service on the Pacific Swimming Board of Directors began as Camps Coordinator and assisting the Age Group Program. Soon after he served four years as the Age Group Vice-Chair. He was the Pacific Swimming General Chair for four years and has chaired the Board of Review as well as been the Zone 2 Chair. He has also served as the Time Standards Chair for both Pacific Swimming and USA Swimming and currently serves on USA Swimming's Governance Committee.

Clint always promotes openness, transparency, and the sharing of ideas and knowledge. He makes the time to reach out and mentor to every level of the sport, from the club level right on through to national committees. He is a statesman and his extensive knowledge of parliamentary procedure is unsurpassed within most of USA Swimming (and most definitely within the Western Zone). For his lifelong love and support of the sport and his advocacy of its administration, we are pleased to nominate Clint Benton as Volunteer of the Year.