

JCC Stingrays Swim Team 2017 Parent Volunteers

It takes a lot of effort by our Parent Volunteers to make swim meets happen. Every family will need to help during the course of the swim season to make all of our meets (home and away) a success!

For those parents willing to be stroke & turn judges, starters, and referees, clinic attendance is required. If you attended one of the clinics last year, you are only required to come in for a short refresher.

Meet Job Descriptions:

1. **Ready Bench Parents** – responsible for getting ready swimmers 10 & under. They make sure they have their caps on and goggles on their head. Ready Bench Parents hand them off to the Deck Parent. Ready Bench Parents are not babysitters. Parents need to supervise their younger children at the swim meets. If the swimmer leaves the assigned area, it is the parents' responsibility to make sure they are ready for their event and bring them back to the assigned area four events prior to their event in order to not scratch. (3 people needed – 1 for each age group 5-6, 7-8, 9-10)
2. **Ribbons** – Sit at the scoring table and place labels onto the ribbons. This person does not have to start at the start of the meet. (1 - 2 people needed)
3. **Deck Parents** – Takes the younger swimmers to benches/lanes for individual and relay events. (2 people needed)
4. **Runners** – After a page is completed, the runner collects the sheets from the head timer from each lane and takes them to the scoring table. You stay on the move throughout the meet, so it's great exercise! Home Meets Only. (2 people needed)
5. **Timers** – This is the most popular meet job among both new and experienced swim parents. You use a stopwatch to time the swimmer in your assigned lane. There are three timers per lane (at least one from each team). This is a GREAT position to get an up-close view of the races. (18 timers – 9 for first half of the meet and 9 for second half)
6. **Heat Sheet Seller** – Sells meet sheets before the meet begins by walking around and saying "Heat Sheets". They usually sell for \$2.00. Home Meets Only. (1 person needed)

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7. **Event Sign Writer** – Use a large dry erase board to write what event is on deck and what event is coming up. Home Meets Only. (1 person needed)
8. **Stroke & Turn Judges** – These judges determine whether a swimmer touched the end of the pool during a turn and whether the technical aspects of the swimming stroke were legal. Position requires knowledge of the US Swimming stroke regulations (taught at the Stroke and Turn Clinic), and a willingness to fairly disqualify swimmers when appropriate. No prior knowledge of swimming is required for this position. ***Must attend a MSSL Stroke and Turn Clinic.** (2 for first half of meet, 2 for second half)
9. **Starter** – This individual starts the races by running the starter equipment. Home Meets Only ***Must attend a MSSL Rules Clinic.** (1 person needed)
10. **Referee** – Head official during the meet. In charge of timers, stroke-and-turn judges, other judges. Handles disputes and keeps the meet moving. Home Meets Only ***Must attend a MSSL Rules Clinic.** (1 person needed)
11. **Scorekeeper** – Scorekeepers learn how to use the Dolphin Timing System in conjunction with Meet Manager to run meets. (1 person needed)
12. **CLEAN UP AFTERWARDS: EVERYONE! Swimmers, Parents, Coaches**

MSSL Rules Clinics

Several dates, only need to attend one date of chosen clinic, and poolside clinic.

Rules Clinics — Recertification

Sunday, May 7 – JCC, 1-2pm
Saturday, May 13 – JCC, 1-2pm
Sunday May 21 – JCC, 1-2pm

Rules Clinics – New Officials

Sunday, May 7 – JCC, 2-4pm
Saturday, May 13 – JCC, 2-4pm
Sunday May 21 – JCC, 2-4pm

Scorekeepers Clinic

Saturday, April 30 – JCC, 2-4pm
Saturday, May 6 – JCC, 2-4pm

Poolside Follow-up Clinic

Tuesday, May 23 – JCC pool, 6-7pm