



Sue Guesdon, Honor Administrator, Australia, 2019



Personal Website (None known)

Sue Guesdon is an open water swimming administrator from Australia who has served the sport for more than 50 years. She has contributed in a wide range of roles and assisted at many events across the world. Sue's roles included: Race Director, Organizer, Coach Handler, Administrator, Team Official, Lecturer, Judge, Health & Fitness Advisor, Licensed Boat Captain, Writer and Open Water Official. Over this half century she assisted at marathon swimming events in the following countries: Australia, Canada, Cook Islands, Fiji, France, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Italy, Papua New Guinea, United Kingdom and USA. Selected examples help illustrate the range of Sue's contribution:

Official - 40km Port Philip Bay Big Swim 1968; Coach handler - English Channel 1970, 1975 and 1977; Escort handler - Hong Kong Repulse Bay Marathon October 1977; Australian Team coach handler-silver medal- Capri Napoli World Championship 1975; Official Clerk of Course & Judge Fiji Open Water Championships 2001; FINA OWS Certificate - Technical Officials Clinic Cook Islands 2007 and Clerk of Course/Official South East Asian Games OWS event 2009. Her ability in so many aspects of the sport gives her an understanding of the athletes and officials and was paramount in her success as a technical official lecturer and teacher and was a driving force toward the positioning and development of marathon swimming in the world. Sue received The Irving Davids/Captain Roger W. Wheeler Memorial Award from the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 2019 for her contribution to the administration of open water swimming.

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