



-Dale Robinson, Vancouver Pacific Masters Swim Club –



Dale Robinson is the recipient of the Excellence in Coaching Award for 2014.

Dale is an NCCP-certified swim coach, with over 15 years of coaching experience in Ontario and BC. He has been coaching masters swimming in BC for over a decade.

Dale's swim clubs are long lasting. This speaks to his coaching ability. He coached the UBC Masters for eight years and has been coaching and operating his own successful club, Infinity Swimming, for the last four years. Dale is also the head coach of the Masters program at the Vancouver Pacific

Swim Club.

Dale has a special knack for enriching the swimming experience in a hard-working, fun-filled kind of way. For the last three years, Dale has organized a weeklong Masters swim camp in Maui involving over 30 swimmers. This undertaking has gone far beyond the duties of a coach. It included all aspects of the camp from planning, recruiting coaches, finding Maui pool time (not as easy as one might think), organizing an end of session gathering and most importantly, getting the swimmers to smile each morning at 6 a.m. and each evening at 6 p.m. as they swim 3 to 5 km per session.

Dale has coached both triathletes and competitive swimmers, successfully bringing two into one venue and enriching the experience of each. On a daily basis, Dale presents a positive coaching image and demonstrates concern for the all-around development of every swimmer. A skilled coach, he is excited by every one of his swimmers, whether a novice, former Olympian or current World Record holder and he is able to motivate them all!

Dale is enthusiastic about the achievements of all his swimmers. They regularly participate in masters swim meets at the regional, provincial and national levels. He is often one of the swimmers amongst them.

