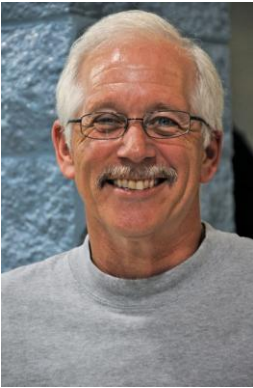




-Michael Stroud, Beach Barracudas Masters-



Michael Stroud is the 2014 recipient of the Hud Stewart Award.

Michael has served nationally as a Masters Swimming Canada (MSC) Board member from 1992 to 1998. He served on MSC's Rules Committee, as a member and as a Chair, for 20 years during the 1980's and 90's and into the new millennium. In 1985, he helped organize the first World Masters Games which was held in Toronto and included 22 sports, 61 countries and 8,305 competitors. In 2005, he was heavily involved with organization of the Canadian Masters Swimming Championships held at the Etobicoke Olympium.

Michael served as President of Masters Swimming Ontario from December 2002 until May 2004. He has given a significant amount of time and skill to maintaining the Provincial level records having been the administrator of Top Ten Rankings and Records for 13 years. In 1997, Michael created the MSO Website in 1997 and in 1998 the SWIMS award. In 1999, he compiled, edited the revised the MSO Handbook. He continued to contribute to the Handbook for many years. Michael has helped organize a number of Ontario Provincial Championships, including as the co-meet manager for the 1997 Ontario Provincial Championship in Brantford.

Michael has also been involved, directly and indirectly, with a number of clubs. He has been a member of the North York Gators, the East York Hurricanes and the North York Masters Aquatic Club. He is currently a member of the Beach Barracudas Masters. Michael has been involved in club organization and administration, transporting swimmers, organizing relays, recording splits, and cheering swimmers on to personal best performances and championship swims for many years.

In 2000, Masters Swimming Ontario awarded Michael "*The Order of the Soggy Goggle*" for his enormous contributions to Masters Swimming. The citation states, "Michael is being honored for his longtime commitment to and promotion of Masters Swimming in Ontario".

Michael continues to work for the good of swimming at all levels; he has been an asset to Masters Swimming in Ontario and in Canada.

