



**Susanne Guesdon, Honor Administrator,
Australia, 2019**



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Susanne Guesdon served as open water swimming administrator from Australia for more than 50 years. She contributed through 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 40 km Port Philip Bay Big Swim in 1968; coach handler English Channel 1970, 1975 and 1977; escort handler Hong Kong Repulse Bay Marathon October 1977; Australian Team coach handler for the silver medal team at Capri-Naples World Championship 1975; official clerk of course and judge Fiji Open Water Championships 2001; FINA OWS Certificate for the technical officials clinic Cook Islands 2007; and clerk of course/official South-East Asian Games 2009.

Susanne 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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