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***Fitter & Faster and ASCA Announce
FINALISTS FOR 2025 AGE GROUP COACH OF THE YEAR***

Fort Lauderdale, FL – The American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA) and Fitter & Faster Swim Camps are pleased to announce the **TOP 5 AGE GROUP COACHES OF THE YEAR** for small, medium and large teams.

Congratulations to the following outstanding coaches (in alphabetical order):

Large Teams (>401 Athletes)	
Rod Hansen	Irvine Novaquatics - CA
Mike Julian	NOVA of Virginia Aquatics, Inc - VA
Russ Kasl	SwimMAC Carolina - NC
Mike Mahroum	SwimAtlanta - GA
Peter O'Donnell	Long Island Aquatic Club - MR

Medium Teams (200-400 Athletes)	
John Alaimo	Asphalt Green Unified Aquatics - MR
Tony Carroll	Club Wolverine - MI
Kristen Foley	Southwest Stars Swim Club - FL
Tom Himes	North Baltimore Aquatic Club - MD
Brian Pajer	Aquazot Swim Club - CA

Small Teams (<200 Athletes)	
Chris Fay	Northern KY Clippers Swimming - KY
Don Heidary	Orinda Aquatics - PC
Jim Skirboll	Racer X Aquatics - AM
Ronson Webster	Supernova Swim Team - MI
Connie Wu	Stamford Sailfish Aquatic Club - CT

The national winner of each category of the Fitter & Faster ASCA Age Group Coach of the Year for 2025 will be revealed at an awards ceremony on September 2 at the 2025 ASCA World Clinic at the Peppermill Reno Resort. For more information on the ASCA World Clinic go to www.ascaworldclinic.com. The Top 5 finalists for each division will be introduced and honored at the Awards Ceremony.

The results were compiled using a dataset provided by USA Swimming's data scientists of swimmers ages 10-14 with qualifying time standards from the 2024 Long Course season and 2024-25 Short Course season. Coaches of record were collected for swimmers who achieved these times to populate the 2025 Top Age Group Coach lists.

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