



VOLUNTEER COACH OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

A Volunteer Coach of the Year nominee is a coach who does not receive payment in any form for their involvement in coaching at any level. The nominee should be for actively coaching athletes. This award is based on the accomplishments of the coach for the year 2007. The nominee must currently be coaching or within one year of their retirement.

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COACHING RECORD for 2007

(Win/Loss Record, Athletes Coached, Program description)

Jock is one of the coaches at the San Diego Table Tennis Association. He is mainly responsible for the Tier 2 junior group, turning beginners into solid prospects with sound table tennis fundamentals. He gives three group sessions every week to dozens of beginning and intermediate level players.

HONORS/RECOGNITION

(Local, State, National and International)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Helped establish a table tennis club at a local high school and does monthly exhibitions at a local middle school.

SERVICE TO SPORT

In addition to his coaching duties, Jock is a member of the SDTTA Board of Directors, responsible for member relations and giving time to volunteer in a variety of ways both at the club as well as during special events such as the 2007 US National Team Trials.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Please feel free to include additional information.

Please provide a short description of why you think this person should be recognized as the Volunteer Coach of the Year?

Jock has been coaching table tennis for over a decade, eschewing payment and working for the love of the sport and the joy of teaching. In recent years he has coached at the San Diego TTA, and his mark can be seen in several top US juniors such as Don James Alto and Brana Vlasic.

With the recent arrival of Stellan and Angie Bengtsson to the SDTTA, he is now a part of a coaching team. Jock is responsible for the early development of juniors, teaching table tennis to the younger and newer players in the SDTTA junior program. In three weekly sessions, he provides instruction in strong table tennis fundamentals as well as discipline and work ethic, in preparation for a junior to move on to the Tier 1 training group.

Signature: Michael D. Cavanaugh **Date:** 1/21/08
NGB President or Executive Director



DEVELOPMENTAL COACH OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

A Developmental Coach of the Year nominee is coach of a youth club, high school or junior-level coach, or a coach directly responsible for coaching athletes to the junior and/or elite level. This award is based on the accomplishments of the coach for the year 2007. The nominee must currently be coaching or within one year of their retirement.

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COACHING RECORD for 2007

(Win/Loss Record, Athletes Coached, All-Americans, Olympians, etc.)

Ariel Hsing, 12 years old - US National Champion Girls under 18, under 15 and under 13. US National Cadet Team Member US Open under 13 Girls Champion 12th place at World Cadet Challenge (under 15 years old). Primary coach
Lily Zhang, 11 years old - 2 nd in Under 18 year old girls. 15 th place at World Cadet Challenge US National Cadet Team Member. Secondary Coach
Atha Fong – US National Junior Girls Team Member
Sylvan Guo – 3 rd place under 15 (cadet) girls US National Championships. Qualified for 2008 US National Cadet Girls Team.
Prachi Jha – Nate Wasserman Scholarship winner for top rated girl in US under 10 years old.

HONORS/RECOGNITION

(Local, State, National and International)

SERVICE TO SPORT

Event Director – World Junior Table Tennis Championships at Stanford University. First time a Table Tennis world Championship has take place in the United States

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Please feel free to include additional information.

Please provide a short description of why you think this person should be recognized as the Developmental Coach of the Year?

Dennis Davis is the Head Coach at the Palo Alto Table Tennis Club and has consistently help produce many of the Junior and Cadet national team members over the last 10 years. The top two girls under 18 years old are from the Palo Alto Training Program and are only 12 and 11 years old respectively. Dennis' deep technical understanding of the physics, biomechanics, physiology and psychology of the sport enables him to coach beginners to world-class players. His ability to communicate these complex ideas in an effective, creative and understandable way set him apart as one of the elite coaches in the United States.

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NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

A National Coach of the Year nominee is a coach of an Elite Level Club, Collegiate, Pan-Am, World Championship or Olympic Games coach or the coach of an elite athlete who competes at the highest level of your sport. This award is based on the accomplishments of the coach for the year 2007. The nominee must currently be coaching or within one year of their retirement.

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COACHING CONTRIBUTION FOR 2007

(Win/Loss Record, Athletes Coached, All-Americans, Olympians, etc.)

Women's Team Coach at the 2007 World Table Tennis Championships in Zagreb:

- All five team members advanced into the main draw of the tournament (some coming out of groups and then preliminary round play).
- Wang Chen finished 5th as a quarter-finalist in Women's Singles, notably beating Tie Yana of Hong Kong and Park Mi Young of Korea (both ranked in the top 20 in the world) along the way before losing to eventual World Champion Guo Yue of China.
- Gao Jun finished 17th after winning two rounds of the main draw before bowing out in the round of 32.
- Gao Jun and Wang Chen finished in the top 16 in women's doubles.

Women's Team Coach at the 2007 Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro:

- Women's Team won the Gold medal "dominating the competition" in the words of the USOC press box, as they went through all team ties without dropping a single match.
- Gao Jun qualified for the 2008 Olympic Games as she emerged as the Pan American Champion in Women's Singles
- Wang Chen just narrowly suffered a seven game defeat in the semi-finals of the Women's Singles to highly ranked Wu Xue of the Dominican Republic

Other:

-Also coached Gao Jun to two consecutive top sixteen finishes at the ITTF Pro Tour Events in France and Germany

HONORS/RECOGNITION

(Local, State, National and International)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

SERVICE TO SPORT

Executive Director of USA Table Tennis from 2003-2007

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Please feel free to include additional information.

Please provide a short description of why you think this person should be recognized as the National Coach of the Year?

The US Women's Team had a great year coming out as the Pan American Team Champions, as well as almost certainly qualifying two members for the Olympic Games next summer. Other results as mentioned above speak for themselves and it is a sure-fire testament to not only our players, but also to the coach that works with them – Teodor "Doru" Gheorghe. As Athlete Rep of USA Table Tennis, I am already well aware of the support Doru gives his players, but what many do not know is that I hear, on a regular basis, vocal support that many of Doru's players credit to him. This is likely a major factor into the excellent and stable performance of our Women's Team and I strongly believe that Doru deserves recognition for his commitment to his athletes and to USA Table Tennis.

Signature: Michael D. Cavanaugh Date: 1/23/08



"DOC" COUNCILMAN SCIENCE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

The "Doc" Councilman Award is for a coach that utilizes scientific techniques/equipment as an integral part of his/her coaching methods, or has created innovative ways to use sport science.

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USE OF SCIENCE IN COACHING

(Please explain in detail how this coach integrates sport medicine, sport science and/or technology in his/her coaching.)

O'Neill has used the latest online technologies to keep his athletes playing their best.
Through the use of taping and uploading over 650 video matches online, national team
players and coaches can view their performances from any web connection. These
matches are also secure so foreign competitors are unable to view them from the major
search engines. Any USATT certified coach interested in viewing the videos are
granted instant access with the goal of furthering our collective knowledge of our
players and the competition. O'Neill has also set up online training logs/journals for all the US
Paralympic Team as well as a number of US Olympic hopefuls. Everyday training drills,
tournament prep notes, training suggestions, motivational advice, competition review
and sports psychology tips are provided for the team members in a secure fashion
which can again be accessed from and web connection. Combining both online video
and training logs allows Sean to remotely coach our players playing in NY, TX, Sweden, CA,
OH, VA, OR. While it is extremely time consuming to convert/upload the videos the value is
immeasurable when you can watch a previously played match the night before while in a foreign
country. The next step is helping the players download the matches on the fly to their IPods
and iPhones which a number have started to do to view at the tournament site!

HONORS/RECOGNITION/COACHING RECORD

(Local, State, National and International)

US Paralympic Team – Head Coach and Olympic Hopeful Coach (Jackie Lee/Justen Yao)	
2007 Para Pan Am Games (Rio de Janeiro) (Head Coach) 5 Gold, 4 Silver, 2 Bronze Medals.	
2007 US Open Paralympic Championships (Head Coach): 1 Gold, 2 Silver, 4 Bronze Medals.	
4 Additional Qualifiers for Beijing on World Ranking. Team also won: Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in Copa Tango V (Buenos Aires) and Atlantic Cup (Mar del Plata);	
Olympic Hopeful Jackie Lee – 2007 US Mixed Doubles National Champion, Women's Doubles Finalist and Women's Singles Bronze Medal. Sean also works with 2007 US Cadet #1 and US Junior #1 Justen Yao .	

SERVICE TO SPORT

Serve on USA Table Tennis' Officials Committee	
Serve on International Paralympic Table Tennis Committee Ranking Committee	
Former USOC AAC Member	
Former USATT Coaching Chair	
Former ITTF Player Representative	

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Serves as Board of Director member for Oregon Sports Action (Oregon Olympians Alumni Association)

Please feel free to include additional information.

Please provide a short description of why you think this person should be recognized for the "Doc" Counsilman Science Award?

As a Management Information System (MIS) Major at George Mason University, O'Neill has always been on the cutting edge of technology and coaching since graduation in 1996. Using Google's Video and Document tools he has taken remote coaching to a new level. Players are able to get instant feedback via online forms, instant messaging, SMS for their training and competition needs. O'Neill has taken it one step further by making his work available to the entire USATT network of coaches to help elevate their level of understanding and knowledge.

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