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My daughter discovered synchronised swimming by accident back in 2011 and, of the 23 girls involved in a display for the 2012 Nationals held in Perth, was the only one who continued with this wonderful yet very unique sport. I was intrigued by the sport, really didn't understand it and decided to have a closer look at how it all worked. Eight years later I have travelled the world judging in New Zealand, France, Germany, USA, Spain and China, have qualified as an International Judge with FINA. I have also had the opportunity to be assistant referee at two of our Nationals and referee at one, been involved with the selection trials of the Rio Olympic Team and been a selector for the national teams for the last few years. Locally, I have built up a solid panel of amazing judges who dedicate so much of their free time to the sport. I have loved every minute of it all. The people I have met, being involved in this sport, are fabulous and diverse in their backgrounds, personalities and abilities. I have learnt so much and continue to learn about this sport that is challenging to do as well as judge. As the sport grows in WA I would love to have full panels of experienced judges for every competition. That means 15 Judges which, on top of all the other volunteers needed to run competitions, is a lot but as the clubs grow I imagine the parent involvement will grow as well.