

## **Billy Brown – Educator**

### **Fullerton High School: 1992 – 1996**

1996 CIF Swimmer of the Year.

1996 Orange County Register Swimmer of the Year.

Held the CIF Record in the 100 Breast Stroke.

All American Swimming – 100 Yard Breaststroke.

1996 Bulldog Courage Award: Given by the U.S. Marine Corps for showing exceptional courage and bravery in coming back from Adversity. (Post-Concussion Syndrome)

Both Billy and his Dad had Concussions that resulted in severe learning deficits and resultant academic problems.

### **COLLEGE:**

#### **University of Massachusetts, Graduated 2001**

Degree: Sports Management

First Swimmer from the Atlantic – 10 Conference to qualify for the NCAA Championships and Olympic Trials.

Atlantic – 10 Champion numerous times during his college years.

Swimmer of the year for the Atlantic – 10 Conference 2001.

UMass Athlete of the Year for all sports 2001.

Set pool records at 8 different Universities on the East Coast.

200 Breast, 100 Breast, 400 Yard Individual Medley Specialist.

Inducted into the UMass Hall of Fame in 2015.

#### **University of Redlands**

Degree: Master's in education

Coached the men and women swim teams for two years while receiving his degree.

Billy coached the Pearl Harbor Aquatics Team for four years before moving to Kauai where he founded Swim Kauai Aquatics.

2013: Billy Brown is the only swimmer to complete Hawaii's Golden Triangle Channel Swims in both directions: Maui to Lanai to Molokai... and then back to Maui.

2014: Billy successfully completed a transit swim of the Strait of Gibraltar, avoiding cruise ships, freighters and naval vessels, thereby swimming from Europe to Africa.

2010: Billy and three others, as a relay, swam non-stop from Oahu to Kauai, a distance of 107 miles in 47 hours and 52 minutes. No one has completed this swim either before or since.

## **CURRENTLY**

Billy is the Director of Aquatics and the National Swim Coach for the Island of Palau. As part of his duties, Billy provides regular clinic and training sessions for elementary school children in addition to visiting remote islanders to educate them in life saving practices. Billy has shared his knowledge with people on a score of islands throughout Polynesia and Micronesia. Billy is also the FINA Commissioner for Open Water Swimming representing the Pacific Rim and coached the USA Team in a recent open water competition.

He has taken this small county and managed to triple the size of the swim team while persuading the US Navy to assist him in refurbishing their national pool. In 2016 Billy coached two of his swimmers at the Olympics in Rio. Billy returned to Olympic action coaching at the 2021 Games in Tokyo.

In addition to the Olympics, Billy's swimmers have competed successfully in Pan Pacific Games, Youth Olympics, World Championships and FINA sponsored events around the world.

Billy has earned the highest (Level 5, Olympic) coaching accreditation granted by the International Swimming Federation (FINA) and the American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA).

He works closely with FINA and is always looking to encourage and get others into aquatic sports, while guiding them to be all they can be.

Billy Brown is an educator.

Billy's old man is very proud of him.