



## *Thanet Swim Club*

### *Swimming Officials Courses 2008*

To make any gala run smoothly, qualified technical swimming officials are always needed on poolside and it also makes it easier to run our internal events such as Club Championships and Development Galas if we are able to call on qualified people to officiate. Most importantly it is also fairer on the swimmers.

There are now four levels of registered swimming official and these are:

1. Judge Level 1
2. Judge Level 2
3. Judge Level 2 Starter
4. Referee

You cannot become qualified in a level without successfully completing the previous level although you can take and pass Judge Level 1 and leave it that or go on if you wish, you do not have to take them all. There are course books for each level and there is also some compulsory practical and theory training for each. You would become qualified once you have completed the training and passed a final practical assessment.

There is more information and detail on each level on the British Swimming website at:

<http://www.britishswimming.org/vsite/vnavsite/page/directory/0,10853,5157-183010-200228-nav-list,00.html>

There is one other level of qualification called Club Timekeeper. This is not registered although though there is an exam structure similar to the others. Even though this is a good point to start the ASA are really encouraging people to take the Judge Level 1 course.

If you want to know more or are interested then please email me or give me a call and if we get enough interest then we should be able to run courses locally.

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