

# Bedfordshire ASA Young Timekeeper Course



Are you a swimmer aged between 14–19 years with an interest in extending your involvement with the sport? Able to travel to Saxon Pool, Biggleswade during the County Championships this March? Why not qualify as a Young Timekeeper during the gala at a free course sponsored by Bedfordshire ASA. All Bedfordshire swimmers are eligible, whether or not you will be competing at the Championships.

## ***What the course covers***

A two-hour coursework session will be held at Flitwick Village Hall, Dunstable Road, Flitwick (MK45 1HP) at 7:00pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. This covers the role of timekeeper, reporting for gala duty, procedures for reporting a time, determining an official manual time, split taking, back up button, lap cards, bells & whistles, understanding of role of a chief timekeeper and disability-swimming events. A short practical assessment will be held during one convenient session of the County Championships at the Saxon Pool, Biggleswade (SG18 8SU) on 6, 7, 20 or 21 March, leading to a formal qualification as an asa timekeeper.

## ***Roles and responsibilities of a timekeeper***

The role of the timekeeper is to measure the time of a swimmer's performance, this is achieved by accurately determining the time it takes the swimmer to cover the distance of the event.

## ***What can you expect once you have qualified***

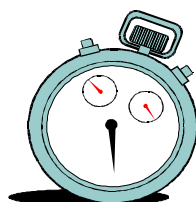
Once you have qualified as a timekeeper, you are welcome to become a member of swimming's national governing body, the asa, which will allow you to officiate at club, open or other meets.

***You need to bring a stop watch and a pen with you. Each candidate will be issued with a free white polo shirt bearing the asa Young Official logo.***

**Spaces are limited so please apply as soon as possible and no later than Sunday 28 February 2010.**

If you wish to apply, please complete the Swimming Officials Application form and return it to Phil Winder

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Please apply by 28 February 2010. Places are limited and strictly first-come first-served.