



## **STO Report April 2016**

I am pleased this year so far has been busy with a lot of courses taken place.

Timekeeper Course and AOE training on the Western Isles looks like it will take place in 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May

Galas are in full swing and I would like to remind all STOs that they should always wear white **(including foot wear)** and show their STO badge & licence (Orange timekeeper badge) when on poolside. Furthermore, **shorts** are not recognised poolside wear.

All Judge(J1/J2/J2S) course application forms, from now on are to be sent to The ND STO Administrator (Helen Guy). (NDSTO.Committee@outlook.com)

Updated application form on ND website.

### **STO Training**

#### **Referee**

There are 3 candidates carrying out there training this year, there poolside training is arranged through there Course leader's (Kevin Paterson/Brian Hendry) and they will be attending meets over the next 6 months.

#### **Recorder**

There will be 14 candidates sitting their exam on the 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Timekeepers should now fill in the ND record of timekeeping form that comprises of 4 TK and 1 CTK signatures to qualify to sit recorders exam

#### **Judge 2S**

Currently we have 6 Judge 2s working through their training,

Can I ask any Judge 2, that is keen on progressing to Judge 2S to get your Forms & fee to the **ND STO Administrator (Helen Guy)?**

2 having passed their final assessment

#### **Judge 2**

8 candidates applied for training so far this year

Can I ask any Judge1 thinking about progressing on to Judge 2 to get your Forms & fee to the **ND STO Administrator (Helen Guy)?**

6 Passed their assessments

2 waiting to be assessed

## Judge 1

16 candidates applied for training so far this year.

There was a courses run in Aberdeen on the 16<sup>th</sup> &17<sup>th</sup> February 2016

There was a course run at Banchory on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Kath Cartwright runs workshops in Thurso area

Derek Allan runs workshops in Orkney.

All application forms to be sent to **ND STO Administrator (Helen Guy)**. who will inform the appropriate area organiser

Completing the training takes time and it is important to keep up the momentum so that we do not run short of Judges

When submitting officials for galas clubs **must** indicate the status/stage of the nominees. Can all clubs remind their trainee's to take their forms and hand them to the Referee when checking in at least 30 mins before the start of the gala or they will not get there training session.

It is essential that candidates know that it may not be possible for them to gain signatures at every session they attend. If you are unable to attend a gala that you have requested a mentor session, or have finished your signatures Can I ask you to inform the club that has organized the gala, this will make it much easier for the Referee on the day,

**Trainees should make sure that they have completed their Timekeeping & Chief Timekeepers signatures before applying for mentor sessions.**

10 Candidates passed their final assessments with 4 waiting to be assessed

## AOE

We have 1 candidate in training at moment with others that were assessed on Ares 21 getting mentored on Quantum.

## Area Organisers

Helen Guy runs workshops in the Forres /Elgin/Inverness area.

Kath Cartwright runs workshops in Thurso/Wick area

Jim Robertson runs workshops in Shetland.

Derek Allan runs workshops in Orkney.

Kevin Paterson runs workshops in Aberdeen area

## Judge workshop Dates (Aberdeen)

### Judge 1 Workshop 1

February 16 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue- Bridge of Don pool.7pm
March 16 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue- Bannchory CC 7pm
<b>April 5<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	<b>Venue – Cults Pool 7pm</b>
June 8 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue - Bridge of Don pool.7pm
November 8 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue - Bridge of Don pool.7pm

### Judge 1 Workshop 2&3

February 17 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue- Cults Pool. 7pm
<b>June 7<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	<b>Venue -Bridge of Don pool.7pm</b>
September 21 <sup>st</sup> 2016	Venue - Bridge of Don pool.7pm
November 9 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue -Bridge of Don pool.7pm

### Judge 2 Workshops 1

<b>June 9<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	<b>Venue - Bridge of Don pool.7pm</b>
November 10 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue -Bridge of Don pool.7pm

### Judge 2 Workshops 2&3

February 18 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Venue- Bridge of Don pool.7pm
September 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2016	Venue -Bridge of Don pool.7pm

### Judge 2s Workshop 1

**April 6<sup>th</sup> 2016**    **Venue – Cults Pool 7pm**

Any club/s want to hold a Judge 1 course (minimum of 10 candidates) this can be arranged on one of the dates above or another date, The Club/s would then have to arrange a room for the course, all application forms must be sent to ND STO Administrator a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the course date.

## Other Courses

**Para-Swimming Awareness**                      **April 7<sup>th</sup> 2016**    **Venue – Cults Pool 7pm**

## Contemporary Issues Course Dates

**Now available on-line through IOS** [www.swimming.org/.../swimming/cpd-for-officials/](http://www.swimming.org/.../swimming/cpd-for-officials/)

Fina Rules Update Course Dates -The FINA rules Course lasts about 15-30 mins,  
When required for License renewal

## Recorders Examination

14<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**5<sup>th</sup> November 2106** Venues -TBC by Area Organisers

Applications to the ND STO Convenor by the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 & **1<sup>st</sup> September 2016**

## Timekeepers

These courses remain the initial entry onto the STO ladder. Can I remind club STOs that the first step is to send an application form with names and the appropriate fee (£25 for up to 10 candidates) to **Eleanore Ferguson**, at the address on the form, with a note of possible/suitable dates, times and venue. Eleanore Ferguson will then arrange for the delivery of the course and confirm the details. It is perfectly acceptable to add/change the names of the candidates at the time of the course

There have been 17 courses so far with 146 Timekeepers

There are 1 courses waiting to be delivered.

Remember clubs can reclaim the cost of 1 Timekeeper course each year, this will be sent by the North District Treasurer.

**Timekeepers should now fill in the ND record of timekeeping form that comprises of 4 TK and 1 CTK signatures to qualify to sit recorders exam and to get the first 2 signatures' in Judge 1 signed off**

## Licensing of Officials (Judge 1 and above)

As we are now receiving our licence from British Swimming, it is up to the individual to pay and maintain their licence.

Applying & renewing your BS licence, below is a list of People who can sign off your Application

Jim Robertson (Shetland)

Ian Gibson (Orkney)

Kath Cartwright (Thurso)

Helen Guy (Nairn)

Kevin Paterson (Aberdeen)

Jenny Young (Aberdeen)

Brian Hendry (Stonehaven)

## 2. Requirements for Renewing your License

Member of SASA

Evidence of having attended Contemporary Issues & FINA rules update

Evidence of having met the minimum stated requirements related to carrying out the role which the license application applies (A minimum of 8 occasions over the 4-year period, spaced out over the 4-year period, a minimum of 2 sessions in the last year)

You must also achieve a minimum of 10 points from electives (Which can be found in Section 10 in your logbook)

A Licensed Referee who wishes to be a licensed starter will have to provide evidence of having carried out a minimum of 1 session as a starter in the last year prior to license renewal, this is in addition to the requirements of being a licensed Referee.

Contemporary issues are now available as an online course from the IOS.

## **STO Committee**

ND STO Convenor- Kevin Paterson (northsto@gmail.com)

ND STO Administrator-Helen Guy (NDSTO.Committee@outlook.com)

ND STO Timekeeper Administrator- Eleanore Ferguson (elle\_190@hotmail.co.uk)

ND STO Member-Kath Cartwright

ND Meet Officials-Durno Jessiman

### **Seminar**

**The annual STO seminar will take on Sunday 25th September 2016.  
Venue to be confirmed**

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