

Hythe Aqua Synchronised Swimming Section Gains National Accreditation



Hythe Aqua's Synchronised Swimming Section based at Hythe Pool and part of one of the largest swimming clubs in Kent has achieved Swim21 National Accreditation. The Synchronised Swimming Section joins the Clubs Teaching, Competitive swimming and Masters Sections that already have national accreditation. Swim21 is awarded by the sports governing body the Amateur Swimming Association and is linked to the national Clubmark scheme that has also been awarded to the section.

Swim21 is the Amateur Swimming Associations national club development programme and was set up in 1999 and is designed to enable swimmers, teachers and coaches to achieve their clubs full potential. The scheme is focussed on the needs of swimmers and strives to provide them with the best possible environment in which to develop their skills.

Club Chairman Jim Parris praised the work of the hard working volunteers within the club and especially Barbara Gadenne and Helen Seamer who had worked very hard to steer the synchronised swimming section to this high level accreditation. This accreditation recognises the continuous improvements that are being made across the club with membership now close to 500 with 40 volunteer teachers, coaches, officials and administrators working across all the swimming disciplines.