



Service Award - Edelene Koplick

Edelene Koplick first became involved in the sport of swimming nearly 10 years ago through her daughter, Katrena, who was then a staff member of Swimming Queensland. The organisation was looking for a person to manage the catering area of the Officials, and Edelene graciously offered to take on the huge job, which she has done magnificently over the many years until the present day. This role is crucial in showing appreciation to our dedicated Officials, and Edelene has the perfect blend of nurture and nature to make everyone who enters the room feel special and cared for.

Brisbane Swimming was quick to approach Edelene to take on the same role at Brisbane meets. Edelene, together with her close friend Margaret Squires, have formed a great team to welcome and look after the Officials' needs.

Edelene's happy-go-lucky approach to life and wry sense of humour have endeared her to a multitude of Officials, coaches, and fellow workers. The humblest of people, Edelene would be unaware of how much her warm welcome is appreciated by everyone who has the great pleasure of being greeted by her. She genuinely cares about people, as demonstrated by her ability to do all those endless tasks so effortlessly, with seemingly boundless energy.

Edelene's special blend of vivacity, warm-heartedness and selfless commitment is of enduring benefit to the substance and character of the sport of swimming.

For her enormous contribution to the sport, this is a well-deserved Service Award and fitting recognition of her outstanding work.

