

Promoters Conditions and Information

- Venue:** The competition will be held at: The Waendel Leisure Centre, Thomas Street, NN8 1DZ
- Pool:** 6 Lane 25m Pool with diving blocks and turning boards at both ends, AOE is present At one end of the pool. All Starts will be from the deep end.
- Entry Fee:** Entries cost £3 per event. This will be run as a 'cardless meet'. Payment will be to WASC upon entry. Entries will not be accepted without payment being received prior to the closing date. Methods of payment are detailed upon entry form.
- Spectators:** There will be a small charge of £2 for adult spectators for the day, children will have free entry. A programme will be provided as part of the fee.
- Closing Date:** The closing date for entries is published on the entry form.
- Late Entries:** LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Session Details: Please see programme of events for details

Competition Age: Awards will be presented to the age categories stated on the entry form. **Age as at 31st December 2018.**

Registration: Registration closes 15 minutes before the warm up and the timing is clearly stated on the programme events and the entry form. Any swimmer who does not register, or does not arrive before registration closes, will be withdrawn. Once entries have been finalised no re-installment will be possible.

Warm Up: Warm up will be half an hour before the session commences. THERE IS TO BE NO DIVING during warm up, other than in supervised sprint lanes. Lanes 1,3,5 will be clockwise 2,4,6 anticlockwise – this will be announced before the warm up. Warm up may be segregated by gender and squad/ability. Squad coaches will be asked to marshal the warm up in order to supervise the swimmers.

Entries: The competition is open to all swimming members of WASC.

Applications to be made out correctly on the official entry forms and returned by the specified closing date. No late entries will be accepted.

It is the responsibility of the swimmer and/or their parent/guardian, to ensure entry criteria have been achieved prior to entry. Swimmers not qualifying will be rejected. Fees for incorrect entries may be reimbursed. There will be no reimbursement of fees for swimmers who change their mind about entering an event after their entry has been accepted.

Entry times will only be drawn from the times stored on Swim Club Manger (WASC Time S Database).

Only times added by the date the times are downloaded will be considered. This date will be shortly after the close of entry and decided by the championships co-ordinator.

Times will be drawn from up to 18 Months Prior to the close of entry. Should the times be long course the Swim Club manager conversion tool shall be used to determine the short course equivalent.

All other will be given a time based on age and pre-determined formula. Details of which can be gained from the Championships co-ordinator

Masters and Seniors swimmers, as defined by Swim England, may have their times adjusted if the Championships Co-Ordinator feels this is in the best interest of Competition.

Eligibility: In order to be eligible for the winners section the following criteria must be met. Others may enter as a time trail.

1. Swimmers must be a full member of WASC.
2. A swimmer who has joined from any other Swim England, Swim Wales or Scottish Swimming club must have been a member of WASC for at least 3 months prior to the first day of competition. Membership begins on the date recorded by the Membership secretary.
3. They must not have competed in Another Clubs Championships within the last 6 Months. This includes swims made under dual memberships or a club they were previously a member of.

Time Trial: WASC members may choose to compete as Time Trail and this should clearly indicate on an entry form in addition to those who do not meet the Eligibility criteria.

Those entered as time trail are able to enter all events excluding SKINS.

They are not able to receive any Championships Records or rewards.

They cannot win the King or Queen of the sprints.

These swimmer will only leave with a recorded time.

Any Time trial if seeded to be in the final heat will be moved to the penultimate heat, and the final reseeded accordingly.

Entry of all time trial swimmers, including those who meet eligibility but have opted out, is at the co-ordinators discretion and may reject if this would ensure the smooth running of the championships and appropriate session lengths.

Winners: All events will be heat declared winners. Age groups for each event is on the programme of events and entry form.

Winner and place award will only be given to those who meet the Eligibility criteria and all those entered as time trial removed.

The winner in each of those age groups where appropriate will be presented with the WASC Club Championship Trophy that corresponds with that event and age group. This will be handled in line with the trophy control procedure.

Medals will also be presented to places 1 st , 2 nd and 3rd . Pens will be presented to 4 th , 5 th and 6th. Presentations will take place between sessions and swimmers must report to the trophy table immediately to be organised by stewards for those presentations when requested.

Competing: Swimmers must report to the competitor stewards, by the small pool, when instructed to do so by the announcer – squad coaches will be on hand to assist with this. Any swimmer who does not report may be withdrawn from the event. Swimmers will be reminded to keep noise levels to a minimum during the start of a race to enable competitors to hear the starting signal.

Starts: The referee may decide to have over the top starts in place in order to get through heats more quickly and will always be from the deep end of the pool.

Heats: All heats will be spearheaded, with the slowest heat first and the fastest heat last, with the exemption shown for those under time trail.

Results: Results will be posted on the poolside beside the changing rooms, and in the spectator gallery by the entrance. Swimmers are not to use the Results on the Balcony without footwear.

Where possible results will also appear live on www.wasc.info/SS/

King and Queen of Sprints: ‘King and Queen ‘ awards are presented to the male and female, from those that meet the eligibility, with the highest cumulative FINA points across the all 4 50m events , they must have swum and not disqualified in all 4 strokes.

SKINS: 6 swimmers from the following age groups:

12 and under, 13 and 14, 15 and over

Are automatically selected by giving a cumulative FINA points score for all 4 50m events. The six swimmers , from those that meet the eligibility, who have the highest scores are selected and these names will be placed next to the results in the Spectator Gallery and on Poolside. The six selected swimmers will be issued a Lane Number at random and they are to swim in that Lane throughout the event.

The swimmers will be told which stroke the first 50m swim will be by the referee (who will have randomly selected one from a ‘hat’) and will be called up to blocks in the usual way (by a series

of short whistles and a long whistle). Swimmers will be set off by the starter with 'Take your mark' and the starting signal.

The swimmer that comes last in the race will be eliminated. Other than for coming last, a swimmer will be eliminated if they are disqualified.

In this case the swimmer that came last would continue to the next round. If there is a dead heat then two swimmers are eliminated from the next heat, except in the final heat, in which case, the heat will be re swum. 80 seconds later the referee will give the remaining swimmers a ten second warning and inform them of the next stroke.

90 Seconds after the buzzer last sounded it will sound again; there will be no 'Take your mark' or whistles to call the swimmers to the block.

The swimmer that is left at the end is the winner of the event.

There will be 2 of each stroke in the "hat" with strokes being removed from the "hat" once completed. This means there will be strokes will not be swum more than twice per event. .

Officials: Officials will be qualified and licensed to perform the task they are allocated. They will be allocated in line with the ASA licencing requirement.

Admissions: The promoter, on behalf of the club, reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator or competitor.

Health and Safety: All spectators and swimmers will work with and comply with pool staff instruction in line with the Pool Safety Operating Procedures(PSOP). Sections of the Normal Operating procedure and Emergency action will be announced prior to every warm-up.

Only those swimmers who have reached the standard of the ASA competitive start award are permitted to start with a shallow racing dive. If there is a false start swimmers should continue with a shallow racing dive, they should not topple into the water head downwards as this is dangerous.

Photography: In line with the recommendations set out in the ASA Child Protection Policy, the promoters of this event request that any person wishing to engage in any photography, including video, zoom, and close range photography, must register their details with staff at the entrance control before carrying out any such photography. Identification stickers must be prominently displayed. This includes the use of a mobile telephone with an image capturing facility.

WASC does not allow any form of photography or videography at It championships apart from official photographers approved by the Championships co-ordinator.

You may apply to the championships co-ordinator to uses photography or videography. Each case will be reviewed by the Championships Co-Ordinator and the WASC welfare group.

Miscellaneous: Anything not covered in the above conditions will be at the discretion of the Co-ordinator /referee, subject to the Swim England Laws and Technical Rules of Swimming.

The Co-ordinator is free to change the conditions to allow for a smooth running of the event providing all elements of the Swim England licencing in addition to Laws and Technical Rules of Swimming are maintained.

Should competitors, parents or coaches feel that any of the above conditions have not been met or followed they may appeal to the WASC Chair for a decision to be reviewed. They may only appeal if the conditions have not been followed and not a decision the Championships Co-Ordinator/Referee has made in line with the above conditions.

Any breaches of these conditions or misconduct may be referred to the WASC Disciplinary Procedures