

## **OPEN MEET RULES AND INFORMATION**

### **GENERAL**

1. This Spring Festival level 3 licensed open meet will be held under ASA Law and Technical Rules of Racing, the ASA Open Meet criteria and these promoters' conditions. The meet will be run as an "age on the day" for swimmers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017.
2. The competition will be held in an 8 lane, 25m deck level pool with anti-wave lane ropes. The depth of the shallow end is 1.1m. The blocks are 700mm above the water line at the deep end of the pool. Omega electronic timing will be in operation.
3. All events will be timed finals.
4. It is the responsibility of all clubs and coaches that swimmers are competent to the standard of the ASA competitive start award, all swimmers must be registered with the ASA as Category 2 members.
5. Swimmers MUST not climb out over the timing pads or sit on the lane ropes.
6. BBSC would like any person wishing to engage in any video or photography to register their details at the entrance to the spectators' area, before carrying out any such photography.

### **ENTRIES**

7. All entries will be £5.50 per race. Coach passes are £10.00 for the day, which includes entry to the pool, a programme of events for the whole day and a buffet lunch. Entry to poolside will be restricted to swimmers, officials and coach pass holders. Maximum of 2 passes up to 20 swimmers.
8. All entries must be received by the closing date of Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017. No exceptions.
9. No late entries will be considered. Entries may be submitted: electronically – SportsSystems files will be posted on our website to be sent to [openmeets@braintreeswimming.org.uk](mailto:openmeets@braintreeswimming.org.uk); manually – complete the entry forms and send them to us via email. Entries submitted in this way will incur an additional £1.00 per swimmer administration charge. If the meet is not full at the closing date we will extend the deadline for 1 week only and advise all clubs of our decision.
10. Cheques should be made payable to BBSC and sent to us by post with a copy of the entry summary. Please send a single cheque to cover all the entries for your club, upon receipt the entries will be confirmed via email. To pay by Bank Transfer, please make payments to: Sort Code: 20-97-40 Account Number: 70036498. Please use your club name as reference. If the meet is not full at the closing date we will extend the deadline for 1 week only and advise all clubs of our decision.
11. As soon as possible after the closing date, we shall email the respective clubs a list of the accepted/rejected entries together with the check-in procedure and any other information you will need.
12. If entries are oversubscribed, the slowest entry times in each age group will be rejected.

### **AGE GROUPS**

13. Age groups are based on the swimmers age on the 20th May 2017. The age groups for both boys and girls will consist of 7 individual age groups: 9, 10, 11,12,13,14,15 & over.

### **THE COMPETITION**

14. All swimmers or their coach must report to the competitor's stewards on entry to the pool and sign in for each session, before the session's warm up commences.
15. Each event will be swum as heat declared winner for each of the above age groups.
16. All events will be spearheaded seeded on submitted times for all heats.
17. Over the top starts may be used at the referees discretion.
18. No added swims or time trials will be available at the meet.
19. Swimmers may compete in the following events: 9 yrs: 50m all strokes, 200m Free, 200m IM, 10 yrs upwards: 50m all strokes, 100m all strokes, 200m Free, 200m IM.

## AWARDS

20. Awards will be made to the first 6 swimmers of each age group.
21. Trophies will be awarded to the overall Top Boy and Top Girl. The basis for this will be the points gained in the individual age group events. In the event of a tie we will count back the number of first places, then second places and so on. Points will be awarded as follows 1<sup>st</sup> – 10 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8points, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6 points, 4<sup>th</sup> – 5points, 5<sup>th</sup> – 4points, 6<sup>th</sup> – 3 points, 7<sup>th</sup> – 2 points and 8<sup>th</sup> 1 –point

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Entries to the meet will be held on a computer and consent as required by the Data Protection Act 1998 to the holding of personal information on computer, will be deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Personal data will be available for inspection during the Meet on application to the Promoter.
23. Competitors must report to the marshalling area. It is the swimmers/coaches responsibility that they report to the marshals on time.
24. Results will be available on the BBSC club website as soon as possible after the meet.
25. Spectator admission will be £5.00 for the day, concessions £3.00 per day.
26. The promoter reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator, coach or swimmer.
27. Any issues not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee, subject to ASA Laws, Regulations and the ASA Technical Rules of Racing.
28. The promoter of the event is Mrs Jenny Aley.