East Grinstead Swimming Club (Affiliated to Swim England South East) EGSC OPEN MEET 2024 Sunday 19th May 2024 At K2, Crawley Promoters' Conditions

Meet Level

This Meet has been licensed at level 3, licence number 3SE240109 and shall be run under Swim England laws, Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming and these promoters' conditions.

Purpose of the Meet

This Meet is aimed at all levels of swimmers from those seeking to improve their times to those seeking county and regional qualifying times. All swimmers MUST be registered as Swim England compete.

Age groups and categories

There shall be the following age groups for female and open/male categories:

Age Groups for this Meet are 9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs and older.

The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy.

By entering the 'Female' category you confirm that your birth sex is female.

The Meet will be run as "age on the day" for swimmers 9 years and over on 19th May 2024.

Pool

The competition shall be held in a 25 meter (short course) pool.

The pool has eight lanes and has anti-turbulence lane ropes. Full electronic timing (Swiss quantum) will be used for the Meet. Backstroke ledges will not be used for this competition, a secondary starting strobe will be provided when it is requested by the athlete at the time of entry.

Events

Events will consist of 50m all four strokes, 100m all four strokes and 100m Individual Medley for all age group categories as defined above.

Entries

Entries will be by Hy-tek Meet manager software. Entries not via Hy-tek will incur a £10.00 admin fee, per swimmer, payable with entry. Entries should be emailed to <u>entries@egsc.co.uk</u> EGSC does not accept any responsibility for Hy-Tek files that are entered incorrectly. Please be aware that any swimmer's details entered incomplete or incorrectly on the Hy-Tek file will prevent their times being updated by rankings.

Entries are on a first come first serve basis. Entries will open at midday on 13th March 2024 and will close at midnight on 5th April 2024, or when the Meet is full, whichever occurs first.

Entries will be restricted to a first come first served basis in order to keep the Meet times within the Swim England rules for competitive Meets.

To ensure that this competition is fair, any swimmer/club found to be submitting incorrect or false times may be removed from the Meet. In this case refund of entry fees will not be given.

Clubs will be provided with a **summary of accepted entries** as soon as possible after the closing date by email. Please ensure you check this for accuracy and notify any errors no later than the 19th April 2024. Please make any enquiries or queries regarding entries via your entry club.

Late Entries after the official closing date but before the start of the event may be considered and should be provided via revised Hy-Tek entry file from the club.

The promoters reserve the right to accept swimmers outside of the qualifying standards, after the closing date if the Meet is not full.

Entries on the day/Time Trials -Entry to an event on the day by swimmers already accepted into the Meet may be possible if a lane becomes available in a heat, no new heats will be added to an event. Competitors wishing to swim

time trials should register their interest at the Promoters desk, at the earliest point (no later than the start of each session prior to warm up). There will be a charge of £10.00 per time trial, payable on acceptance prior to being accepted in whipping/call area. There will be no awards for TT's which will be entered as exhibition swims, but times achieved will go to Rankings.

Fees and payment

All entries £6 per event. Administration fee for manual entries £10 per athlete. Payment must be made by BACS transfer to East Grinstead Swimming Club, Account no: 27585260, Sort Code: 30 92 92. Reference: open 2024 and club name

Full payment to be made on confirmation of acceptance of entry by EGSC.

There will be no refunds for withdrawals after entries have been accepted, other than withdrawals for medical reasons that are accompanied by the appropriate certification and have been submitted before the start of the competition.

Qualifying times

There will be no minimum qualifying times for this event. Maximum qualifying times are as set out in Appendix I.

The Competition

Poolside passes must be applied for as soon as entries are accepted, at the time payment is due. 1 free pass is allowed per team, additional passes are £10 each. Coach pack includes admission poolside, event schedule, warm up schedule, list of accepted entries and coach's pass. Packs should be collected, on the day, from the admission entry point. Only those with a poolside pass will be allowed poolside

Clubs will be allowed a maximum of one coach pack per 10 swimmers.

It is the responsibility of the attending clubs to ensure that all coaches/chaperones/team managers abide by the Swim England Wave power policies and guidelines and shall have completed the appropriate training in accordance with those policies and guidelines. Every person poolside at any time must be a registered member of Swim England. Only swimmers, officials and those displaying an appropriate pass will be allowed poolside.

The Meet will be run by "Sign Out" procedure. Coaches should make sure that swimmers wishing to withdraw are signed out using the QR code prior to the start of warm up for the session in which the event is scheduled.

Warm Up: The pool will be available for warm up prior to each session. Times set out in the warm up schedule. Warm up will be controlled by the warm up marshal. Coaches/Team Managers of each club are responsible for ensuring that their swimmers follow the guidelines laid down, act responsibly and warm up in the time allotted for their age group and gender

There will be 3 sessions with approximate times as follows. Exact times will be confirmed after entries close:

| Session 1 | 07.45 Warm Up | 08.45 Start | 11.00 Finish |
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| Session 2 | 11.10 Warm Up | 12.15 Start | 15.00 Finish |
| Session 3 | 15.10 Warm Up | 15.50 Start | 18.30 Finish |

These are the only warm up times and there will not be additional space for a warm up or cool down pool. All swimmers must report to the heat marshalling area when instructed to do so. Any competitor failing to report on time may be excluded from that event. There will be NO announcements calling late swimmers. Over the top starts may operate at the discretion of the principal referee and Meet management.

Each event will incorporate all age groups as promoted (using submitted times to seed).

Results

Results will be on a heat declared basis. Provided they have completed their race without disqualification, medals will be awarded to the first three places (first to third) in each age group. There will be no presentations. Results will be posted alongside the marshalling area. Medals will be available for collection from the medals table, and will not be posted on after the competition. Results will be posted on Meet Mobile.

Data protection

Meet entries and results will be held and managed on a computer. Your consent to the holding of personal information is deemed to be given by the submission of your entry to East Grinstead Swimming Club, as shall your consent for such details to be published both during and after the Meet.

Photography

Anyone wishing to take still or digital photography (including the use of mobile phones), may only do so in line with rules of the venue. No flash photography at the start of races. Please make sure that all electronic devices are switched to silent to avoid disrupting the starts.

Officials

We request that each club seeks to provide as many Licensed Officials or Judge Level 1 candidates (Qualified as timekeepers) as possible, to cover ALL sessions fully. If we do not have enough officials to Meet licensing requirements, the ultimate sanction could be that the Meet would be downgraded to a lower licence level and the times recorded by swimmers would not be allowed into 'rankings' as at that date/level. No refunds will be considered in these circumstances.

As this is a level 3 Meet, we can also accept offers from qualified timekeepers working towards the J1 qualification. We will offer mentoring where possible for trainees of any level but this can only be offered when we have met the Swim England requirements for qualified officials. Please use this link to sign up to officiate at the meet. https://swim-meet.com/Availability/?m=2228

You can contact our official's co-ordinator on officials@egsc.co.uk

General

Spectator entry will be £5 for one session or £7 for two and £9 for all day. Entry includes an electronic programme. Competitors are advised not to leave their belongings unattended. East Grinstead Swimming Club and the venue operator cannot accept responsibility for any property that is either lost or stolen.

All Meet participants and spectators must observe all safety precautions in operation at K2 and follow the instructions of pool staff.

Swimmers may take only one small bag poolside. All kit bags to be placed in lockers. Only 1 chair per club allowed poolside. Glass containers and hot drinks are not permitted on the pool deck. Coaches/team managers will be held responsible for ensuring that this regulation is enforced. Anyone found with glass containers or hot drinks will be asked to leave the pool deck.

Each club is expected to leave the area they occupy during competition in a clean and tidy state at the end of the day.

Swimmers must not go up to the balcony without first drying off and putting on footwear and clothing before leaving the poolside.

The promoter reserves the right to remove any spectators or swimmers from the pool whose behaviour is either against the swimming centre rules or the efficient running of the Meet.

The promoter reserves the right to amend the programme to ensure the timely running of the Meet.

Any matters not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee. We also reserve the right to make any changes that may be considered necessary for the smooth running and discipline of the Meet and do not accept any liability in the event it is necessary to cancel the Meet due to circumstances beyond our control. By submitting an entry, participants have deemed to agree to such decisions.

Any queries about the Meet, please contact the Promoter, East Grinstead Swimming Club.

Meet Administration: Sarah Everson, Simon Clench

The Promoter and Meet Administrators can be contacted on openMeet@egsc.co.uk.