



Affiliated to the Swim England East Region
Presents:

HATFIELD REGIONAL QUALIFIER 2019

A LEVEL 3 Licensed meet No: 3ER191307

Under Swim England Laws & Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming

The Hertfordshire Sports Village

Hatfield, Hertfordshire

Saturday & Sunday 6th & 7th April 2019
(Closing date Monday 18th March 2019 @ 10pm)

Conditions

The Meet

1. The Meet Promoter is HEATHER STOTT promoter@hatfieldswimmingclub.org . The event will be held at 'The Hertfordshire Sports Village' Hatfield, Hertfordshire.
2. The competition is to be held under Swim England laws and Swim England technical rules of swimming.
3. The competition is licensed by the Swim England as a LEVEL 3 meet. Licence no. 3ER191307
4. Entrants must be Swim England Registered at Category 2 and have a Swim England number and belong to an affiliated club or WASA and SASA equivalent
5. Entry times must be achieved since 1 January 2018, conversion via SportSystem software is acceptable. The entry times must be drawn from the Swim England rankings. No other entry times are acceptable. Entry times must be achieved at level 1,2,3, and 4 meets. There are lower entry standards in operation. Entries with 'No Time' are not permissible.
6. Clubs entering more than 1 swimmer must do so electronically by using SportSystem Entry Manager or other formats supplied by the promoter.
7. Entries of 1 swimmer only can be accepted by the supplied files or on the manual entry form along with a summary sheet. A manual entry will be subject to an administration charge of £2.
8. Entry forms, SportSystems files, and entry payments must be received by the promoters on or before the specified closing date of 18th March 2019 and be fully and correctly completed.
9. Entries which do not follow the above procedures may be rejected.
10. Entries will be restricted to ensure the meet runs to time and will be accepted on a 'first come first served' basis, but with consideration to balancing out the numbers in each age group category.
11. If the event is oversubscribed the promoter reserves the right to return entries. Refunds will be made by a single payment to the club concerned. The promoter's decision is final.

The Events

12. OVER THE TOP starts will be used in the heats if required by the referee.
13. ALL RACES will be SPEARHEADED and for events with finals the fastest 3 heats will be CYCLICALLY seeded.

14. Age groups are: 10,11,12,13,14,15+ years.
15. Ages are as at midnight on 31st December 2019.
16. Medals will be awarded to the first 3 in each age group (above) in each event.
17. The fastest 8 swimmers in combined age groups 10 to 13 will be selected to swim Junior Finals (other than 400m events) and the fastest 8 swimmers in combined age groups 14+ will be selected to swim Senior Finals (other than 400m events). A maximum of 10 swimmers will be called for each final, the 8 fastest swimmers plus 2 reserves.
18. Swimmers who do not wish to swim finals must withdraw within 15min of the last heat of the event. Withdrawal sheets will be available to clubs at the announcer's desk.
19. Only the 400m events are heat timed finals. All other events have heats and finals.
20. Entry fees will be £7.00 per event (this includes the Swim England levy)
21. The pool length is 25m and there are 8 lanes with anti-turbulence lane ropes. Omega AOE will be used at the meet.
22. The Depth of the water is 1.8 metres across the pool, anti-wave devices will be in place and AOE will be used. A secondary strobe for the starting system is not available.

Pre-Meet Info

Advertised on the web for all competitors to see – www.hatfieldswimmingclub.org

23. Session timings may be adjusted depending on the number of entries received and accepted. Any changes will be posted on the Hatfield SC website www.hatfieldswimmingclub.org
24. A list of accepted entries & rejections will be posted on the web as confirmation.
25. Swimmers must withdraw from events that they no longer wish to swim. Withdrawal slips will be available from the recorders desk on the day or may be e-mailed in advance. All withdrawals must be made 60 minutes prior to the start of the first event in each session, coinciding with the start of warm-up. Swimmers failing to attend the start of a heat without withdrawing will incur a £5 penalty, which will be deducted from any refunds or invoiced to the club. Refunds are not available for withdrawals, other than for medical reasons.

Passes & Payments

26. Coaches' passes will be available at a cost of £20.00 per pass. It is the responsibility of the entered Club to ensure that the coaches they have on poolside are fully compliant with Swim England Guidelines for Child Protection.
27. Passes can only be obtained by completing the meet summary form with named persons/coaches and submitting it to the Promoter. Passes must be displayed at all times. Passes entitle the coach to refreshments/food between sessions, access to pool side, plus copies of all relevant meet information on the day.
28. Clubs should make their entries collectively and send payment via electronic banking (details enclosed on Summary Sheet). Refunds will only be payable to the entered club.
29. Only swimmers, team managers, coaches and officials will be allowed on poolside.
30. All swimmers should be supervised by their coaches/team managers during warm up and whilst on poolside.
31. Any club whose swimmer(s) have not abided by condition 18 will be charged a penalty of £15 per individual finalist's swim.

General

32. By submitting an entry form or SportSystems entry, Clubs, Competitor's and Coaches are agreeing to be bound by these rules.

33. Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee, subject to Swim England Laws, Regulations and the Swim England Technical Rules of Racing.

Data Protection

34. The Data Protection Act 2018 requires us to provide you with certain information and to obtain your consent before processing data about you. Processing includes: obtaining, recording, holding, disclosing, destruction or retaining information. We require certain personal data for the purposes of making entries to the competition, managing the meet and the submission of results to rankings. The information provided by you will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Consent to process such personal data is deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Where the personal data of competitors, officials and coaches/team managers has been passed to us by a third party such as a club rather than by the individuals themselves, we rely on the third party to ensure that consent has been obtained.

Photography

In accordance with Swim England Child Safeguarding Policies and Procedures any parents or carers of swimmers under the age of 18 who wish to take photographic or video images are requested to focus on their own child as much as reasonably possible and to avoid including other children in those images, particularly if those images are being shared with family and friends through social media platforms.

Note that any photography in the changing rooms is absolutely forbidden by both the club and the swimming pool management.

Should you have any concerns about photography or filming at this event then please bring them to the attention of the meet Promoter.

All participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at Hertfordshire Sports Village. Neither the Promoter nor Hatfield Swimming Club will be responsible for any loss or damage occurring during this meet.