

Dear Swimmers, Parents/Carers, Officials and Coaches,

We are looking forward to welcoming you at our Regional Qualifier on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Below are some helpful information for the WE.

### **General info**

Hertfordshire Sports Village Car parking is free of charge on weekends. This WE might be busy as there is another event organised at the Sports Village so, please allow plenty of time for your journey to us in order to find a car parking space ahead of the gala.

Starbuck coffee shop, at the Sports Village, will be open over the WE and they have a variety of cold/warm drinks and a good range of snacks/foods. This coffee shop will stay open during our meet until 5pm each day.

Coach/Team manager pass stickers will be available at the medal table (before the pool turnstiles) before the day session. Passes must be displayed at all times and entitle to refreshments/food between sessions, access to pool side, plus copies of all relevant meet information on the day.

Spectator tickets for the viewing gallery will be sold at £5 per session (cash or card) on the day.

If you need any help on the day, please look for Hatfield SC volunteers.

### **Meet info**

We have access to the changing rooms, but we would ask where possible that swimmers arrive swim ready for the warm-up to limit number of people in the changing rooms at the same time. Changing rooms will be monitored frequently by HSC volunteers.

We would like to remind that no parents are allowed to pass the changing rooms turnstile or to go in the changing room at all times. Please talk to a Hatfield SC volunteer if you need to get in touch with your swimmer.

Results on the day will be available on the Hatfield SC website (<http://www.hatfieldswimmingclub.org/LiveResults/index2.htm>) (subject to internet connection) and we will also make them available on the swim event board in the gallery.

If for any reason your swimmer can no longer swim, please email ASAP [entries@hatfieldswimmingclub.org](mailto:entries@hatfieldswimmingclub.org) so that he/she can be withdrawn. Refunds can only be given on medical grounds.

### **Sessions info**

Please note swimmers will not have access to the pool until 1pm on Saturday and Saturday's warm up will start at 1.15pm. On Sunday morning, swimmers will not have access to the pool until 7.45am and warm up will start at 8am.

Session 1 - Warm up 1.15pm, heats start at 2.15pm

Session 2 - Warm up 8am, heats start at 9am

Session 3 - Warm up to be announced on the day by the announcer/via Facebook and Twitter

Session 1 and 2 warm-up will be 4x15 mins with Boys 14/Un, Girls 13/Un, Boys 15/Ov, Girls 14/Ov.

Session 3 will be 3x 20min with Boys 14/Un, Girls 14/Un and then Mixed 15/Ov.

### **Events during gala**

On Saturday afternoon, Stortford Sports Supplies will be on site for anyone looking to purchase new swimming gears.

Over the WE, we will have a photographer taking pictures of the swimmers during racing. The pictures (£10 each) will ONLY be shown to the parents interested in buying some on a computer located outside the gallery and send by email to the buyer during the week. ALL pictures will be deleted after the gala.

A silent auction will also be held during the gala, with a chance to get a CD signed by the band Slipknot (Heavy Metal band), donated by Alex "V-man" Venturella himself, or a Wuka prize box (1 x Period Swimsuit, 1 x Bikini swim brief, and a leopard print wetbag) or a voucher for a mini shoot from Ian Scott photography.

You will also be able to buy raffle tickets (£1 each) for Easter eggs chocolates and/or yummy cakes.

### **FOR FURTHER DETAILS:**

Meet webpage: <https://www.hatfieldswimmingclub.org/event/hatfield-regional-qualifier-4/>

Meet promoters: Valerie/ Federica [promoter@hatfieldswimmingclub.org](mailto:promoter@hatfieldswimmingclub.org)

Meet entries: JB [entries@hatfieldswimmingclub.org](mailto:entries@hatfieldswimmingclub.org)

**Good Luck to all Swimmers, stay strong, swim fast!**