

## DOVER AND CANTERBURY SWIMMING CLUBS

Affiliated to SCASA, EIASA Registered Charity 1144320

## Icebreaker Open Gala

(Under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules)

License XXXXXX at level 3 for entry to level 1 and 2 meets and county and regional championships

## Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2016 at Kingsmead Leisure Centre, Canterbury, Kent, CT2 7PH CONDITIONS & INFORMATION

The competition will be swum under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules

- Events: 50m,100m and 200m in all strokes and 400m individual medley and 400 free
- Age groups:9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 yrs and over<br/>Ages as at 3rd January 2015
- Entry fee: £5.00 per event for all events

Closing date: Closing date for entries is midnight 12th December 2015

**Qualifying times:** Entries are subject to the qualifying times (see separate page) All submitted times must be short course times achieved since 1 January 2015.

**Awards**: Awards will be given for first, second and third places in each age group for each event. All events are heat declared winner:

**Entries:** All entries must show the swimmer's date of birth and ASA registration number. Entry using Sports Systems Meet Manager software is preferred: an entry file with event list and consideration times will be available to download from the club website, <u>www.ccscswim.org.uk</u>. There is a £25 admin charge for entries of more than 5 from any club that <u>does not</u> use SportsSystems software. No charge if electronic entry file used

All entries must be within the upper and lower qualifying times for the individual age. Entries to be accepted on a 'First come first served' basis, and some events and sessions may become fully subscribed sooner than others. Entries may be restricted in order to keep the session times within appropriate time scales.

**Over-subscription:** You will be advised as soon as possible after the closing date if any entries are rejected (in this case fees will be refunded). A list of accepted entries will be posted on the club website. If there is capacity on the day, time trials may be accepted.

## Time Trials:

Time trials may be accepted for swimmers from any Kent affiliated club. Time trialist's will be seeded based on entry time.

**Signing in, reporting, seeding and starts:** Competitors, team managers or coaches must 'sign in' at least 60 minutes before the start of each session for swimmers entered but not competing. Swimmers must report to the competitor marshals when instructed to do so and competitors not reporting in time may not be permitted to swim. Events will be swum with all age groups combined, all heats will be spearheaded. Over the top starts will be used at the discretion of the referee.

**Results** will be available as the meet progresses via the club website. Every effort will be made to provide full electronic results and splits but in the event of technical failure this may not always be possible.

**Coaches:** Coaches passes are available at a cost of £25 each to include entry, programmeand lunch . A free coach pass is available for clubs providing two officials. Only competing swimmers and holders of passes will be permitted on poolside. To be eligible for a coach pass, applicants must be qualified coaches or certified ASA team managers.

**Officials:** The event needs a minimum of 16 officials for each session. If you are a qualified official and can officiate for any session or sessions, please let us know. Clubs with five or more swimmers competing at the gala are asked to supply three officials.

**Spectators:** Adult spectator admission is by programme (price £5) only; children under 14 are admitted free. There is a cafeteria, vending facilities and a swimshop at the leisure centre. There is car parking at the centre and nearby public car parks: further details are on the CCSC website.

**The pool** is 25m, six lanes, with anti-wave lane lines and electronic timing and scoreboard. The pool depth is 0.95m at the start end and 3.81m at the turn end.

**Warm up and safety information:** The pool is available for warm up only during the designated times. During the warm up swimmers and coaches must ensure that they (and swimmers in their charge) take no action which would endanger themselves or others. The instructions of the warm up marshals or others in authority must be obeyed immediately. Diving is not permitted in the warm up until sprint lanes are announced and then only in the sprint lanes under supervision by club coaches. Competitors must wear footwear and tops when leaving the poolside and in the marshalling area. All participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at Kingsmead Leisure Centre. Neither the promoters nor City of Canterbury Swimming Club will be responsible for any loss or damage during the meet. The Promoter and pool management reserve the right to remove any person from the pool area, whose behaviour is either unsafe to themselves or others or against the pool rules, promoter's conditions or the efficient running of the meet

**Data protection:** consent is deemed to have been given, as required by the Data Protection Act, to hold and distribute as necessary the personal information given by you by email, other electronic means or paper to run the meet.

**Photography:** Anyone wishing to carry out video, zoom or close range photography must register their details at the entrance to the spectator balcony before carrying out any such photography. This includes the use of a mobile telephone with an image capturing facility. It is a condition of entry that swimmers consent to any such photography taking place. These conditions also apply to swimmers on poolside.

The gala promoter has the right to change any aspect of the gala to ensure the smooth running and fairness of the event.

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