

**BRACKNELL AND WOKINGHAM
SWIMMING CLUB**
Affiliated to ASA South East Region



22nd BRACKNELL MASTERS OPEN MEET

**Saturday, 4 March 2017
Short Course at
Bracknell Leisure Centre**

ENTRY AND INFORMATION PACK

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INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS AND PROMOTER'S CONDITIONS

General information

The venue is Bracknell Leisure Centre, Bagshot Road, Bracknell. Bracknell Leisure Centre offers a 25 metre competition pool, with 6 lanes and electronic timing, plus an adjacent second 25 metre pool which can be used for continuous warm up throughout the meet. There is a large free car park at the centre and a cafeteria serving hot and cold food all day.

The meet will be run in accordance with ASA Laws and the ASA Technical Rules of Racing. The One Start Rule will apply to this meet.

Events will be swum in two sessions, as follows (NB session times are provisional and will be confirmed once entries have closed)

First session:	Warm up 12.00 pm.	Events start 12.45 pm.	Registration by 12.00 pm
Second session:	Warm up 4:15 pm.	Events start 4:45 pm.	Registration by 4.15 pm

Teams for the Mixed 8 x 25m Freestyle Relay must comprise four male and four female swimmers with a total age of at least 240 years. Seniors and Masters may swim in all relay teams.

Awards and age groups

Age groups are: Seniors= 18/24; A=25/29; B=30/34; C=35/39; D=40/44; E=45/49; F=50/54; G=55/59; H=60/64; J=65/69; K=70/74; L=75/79; M=80/84; N=85 plus.

All ages are at 31st December 2017. Seniors must be 18 or over on 4 March 2017. Heats will be arranged based on the submitted entry times, from slowest to fastest. Swimmers should enter an estimate of the time they expect to be able to swim. Over the top starts may be used, except for backstroke. All 200m events will be swum in mixed heats.

All events will be decided on a Heat Declared Winner system. Medals will be presented to first, second and third places in each individual event, and to the first placed relay team. In addition, silver and bronze medals will be awarded for relays provided there are at least 4 & 5 entries respectively.

A trophy will be awarded to the visiting team with the highest combined team score. Team points will be awarded for the top six places, six points for first place, five for second place, and so on with one point for sixth place.

Trophies will be awarded to the top female and top male swimmer of the meet (masters only). The winners will be decided using a points based method with age adjusted points calculated using a similar method to the British Swimming Master Decathlon Competition. The awards will be made based on the points for the best five swims (of any distance and stroke combination).

Results will be available on the Bracknell & Wokingham SC website www.bwsc.org.uk as soon as possible after the meet

Entry procedure

All entries must be made and paid for online. Payment can be made via PayPal or credit/debit card, Please visit www.bwsc.org.uk for further details and the web entry link.

The closing date for individual entries is midnight on 9 February 2017. The closing date for team entries is midnight on 16 February 2017. Any entries made but not paid at the closing date will be deemed to be invalid and may not be accepted. Entries received after this date may be accepted at the discretion of the promoter.

Entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. In recent years we have barely had enough officials to run the meet, and session times have been very long as a result. As a consequence, we will accept fewer entries this year and it is very likely that we will need to stop accepting entries before the closing date. Where we close entries early, any entries made but not paid for at that time may not be accepted.

Once the meet has closed for entries (midnight on 9 February 2017, or earlier as above) no refunds will be made for entries withdrawn after that time.

All swimmers must be current ASA Category 2 members, or must take out ASA Temporary Category 2 Membership (this can be done via the online entry system). Entries are made using your ASA number and will be processed using the name, club and DOB information held by the ASA.

By entering, all swimmers are confirming that they

- are Category 2 registered swimmers, with their ASA numbers as provided in the on line entry process
- have all read and understood the Promoter's Conditions and accept them,
- are Club members of the entered clubs
- the dates of birth declared and entry times are correct,

In the case of relay entries, by entering a relay team the person entering is confirming the above (with necessary adaptation) is correct in relation to the swimmers who will swim in that team and will be declared on the relay declaration forms (see below).

The entry fees are £5.00 per individual event and £8.00 per relay team. In addition, there is a £1 per swimmer administration charge.

Entries for this meet will be held on a computer. As required by the Data Protection Act, consent 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 if advance application has been made to the promoter.

Registration procedure

No cards will be issued, but see below regarding relays. Confirmation of accepted entries will be posted on the BWSC website www.bwsc.org.uk as soon as possible after the closing date (this should be no later than 14 February 2017). Competitors should check the confirmation of accepted entries carefully. Most errors can be corrected prior to the meet. It is most unlikely that errors can be corrected on the day. An Information for Competitors document will also be published. This will contain important information about the meet and it is important that competitors refer to this.

The meet will be run on a “registration basis” for individual events. That is, individual competitors will need to sign in for each event that they have entered to signify that they are present and intend to swim in that event. Registration will close 45 minutes prior to the start of the session concerned. Swimmers who have not registered prior to this time may be able to swim in any empty lanes in the first heat, but otherwise will not be able to swim. Full details of the registration process will be posted on the BWSC website.

Relay team declaration forms will be sent by email before the meet. The names of the swimmers in each team must be “declared” on the forms and then posted in the box provided on the announcers desk no later than 45 minutes prior to the start of the relevant session. Teams who do not complete and return relay declaration forms in time will not be eligible to swim.

Meet officials

BWSC strive to provide a professionally run meet and rely on the valuable contribution of Officials who volunteer their time to support us. We cannot provide all the officials from within the club and are very keen to hear from officials who can help on the day. If we do not have enough officials coming forward, then the meet cannot run!

Programme of events

The programme of events for the meet is set out later in this document.

The Promoter reserves the right to amend the Programme of Events to ensure the smooth running of the Meet.

Warm-up facilities

The Pool will be available for warm-up before the start of each session; see the summary programme for warm up timings. The second 25m pool will be available throughout the meet for warm up and swim down.

Other conditions

Competitors are responsible for arriving at the start in good time to swim in their designated heat. Heat start list will be posted as soon as possible after registration has closed, bearing in mind that it does take some time to process registered swimmers in the meet management system.

Any dispute related to a matter not covered in these conditions shall be determined by the Promoter.

The Promoter reserves the right to amend any of the conditions in this document to ensure the smooth running of the Meet.

The promoter will not be responsible for loss or damage occurring during the meet.

SUMMARY PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Saturday 4 March 2017

Session 1 *

Warm-up 12:00pm Start 12:45pm Registration by 12:00pm

Event 1	Ladies 100m IM
Event 2	Mens 100m IM
Event 3	Ladies/Mens 200m Freestyle
Event 4	Ladies 50m Backstroke
Event 5	Mens 50m Backstroke
Event 6	Ladies 100m Breaststroke
Event 7	Mens 100m Breaststroke
Event 8	Ladies 50m Freestyle
Event 9	Mens 50m Freestyle
Event 10	Ladies 100m Butterfly
Event 11	Mens 100m Butterfly
Event 12	Ladies/Mens 200m Backstroke
Event 13	Ladies 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 120 yrs
Event 14	Mens 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 120 yrs
Event 15	Ladies 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 160 yrs
Event 16	Mens 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 160 yrs
Event 17	Ladies 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 200 yrs
Event 18	Mens 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay 200 yrs

Session 2 *

Warm-up 4:15pm Start 5:00pm Registration by 4:15pm

Event 19	Ladies/Mens 200m Butterfly
Event 20	Ladies/Mens 200m Breaststroke
Event 21	Ladies 50m Butterfly
Event 22	Mens 50m Butterfly
Event 23	Ladies 100m Freestyle
Event 24	Mens 100m Freestyle
Event 25	Ladies 50m Breaststroke
Event 26	Mens 50m Breaststroke
Event 27	Ladies 100m Backstroke
Event 28	Mens 100m Backstroke
Event 29	Ladies/Mens 200m IM
Event 30	Ladies 4 x 25m Medley Relay 120 yrs
Event 31	Mens 4 x 25m Medley Relay 120 yrs
Event 32	Ladies 4 x 25m Medley Relay 160 yrs
Event 33	Mens 4 x 25m Medley Relay 160 yrs
Event 34	Ladies 4 x 25m Medley Relay 200 yrs
Event 35	Mens 4 x 25m Medley Relay 200 yrs
Event 36	Mixed 8 x 25m Freestyle Relay 240 yrs

Presentation of Top Male, Top Female, and Top Visiting Club awards.

* Please note times are tentative and will be confirmed once all of the entries for the meet have been processed. Full details will be included in the Information for Competitors document which will be posted at www.bwsc.org.uk by 14 February 2017.