

Winchester Summer Scorcher 2024 Level 3 LC Meet - 3SE241023 20th and 21st July 2024 Winchester Sports & Leisure Park

Promoters Conditions

This is a **licensed Level 3 Competition** promoted by Winchester City Penguins Swimming Club, which is affiliated to the Swim England South East Region. The competition is held under Swim England Laws and Technical Rules of Racing.

The aims of the meet are to provide a fun end-of-season racing experience across an almost-full programme. Swimmers can gain early County Qualifying times and Long Course racing experience.

Facilities

- Long course 50m 8 lane pool with anti-wave ropes. 2m depth at both ends for starts.
- Backstroke ledges, starting strobe, electronic Swiss timing. (Swimmers requiring the strobe are requested to declare this with their entry).
- 20m warm down pool opens after each session has started (no diving allowed in this pool; at busy times numbers in this pool may be limited).

Entries

- Ages are as at 21st July 2024
- Entries open Sunday 16th June 2024 at 10am
- Entries close Sunday 23rd June 2024 at 9pm
- First come first served (see also below)
- Entry fee £9.00 per event
- All entries Club and Individual must be submitted by Hytek file plus summary form before acceptance
- Age groups 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/over

All swimmers must be aged 9 years or over at 21st July 2024 and be registered with Swim England as competitive swimmers with Club Compete Membership.

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, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female.

Qualifying times

Upper limit <u>long course</u> qualifying times apply. Entry times must be equal to or slower than these and have been achieved at a Licensed Meet since **1 September 2023**. Short course time conversions may be used.

All entries must have a time on rankings within the qualifying period – we will not be accepting NT entries.

Swimmers must be 11/over to enter the 400m Freestyle and 400m Individual Medley. Random checks on entry times will be made. If swimmers are found to have entered the meet with any false times, they will be disqualified from all events that they have entered and their entry fees will be forfeited.

Entries from swimmers with a Disability Classification will be accepted if they have a time for their events on rankings within the Qualifying period.

Entry acceptance process

The opening date for entries is **10am on Sunday 16th June** and the closing date is **Sunday 23rd June at 9pm.** Entries will close ahead of the closing date if the meet is full. Entries will be accepted on a **"first come first served" basis.**

Entries are treated as having been submitted at the time the Hytek file email is received in the Winchester Meets e-mail inbox (as determined by the supplier of our email service – gmail), and not the time they were sent by the sender. Please note that some events and sessions may become fully subscribed sooner than others. Acceptance into all events applied for cannot therefore be guaranteed.

The club summary form MUST be completed and submitted within an hour of the Hytek file being emailed.

The promoter reserves the right to give preference to accepting entries from Clubs travelling over 100 miles due to their having to pre-book accommodation and/or flights, and may accept entries from such clubs (and from Winchester City SC) before entries open to other clubs. These clubs should register their intent to enter – by email - by Sunday 1st June 2024.

Late entries / time trials

If the meet is under-subscribed late entries will be accepted and we may also accept time trials. (Time trial entries will not be eligible for awards). Priority for time trials will be given to swimmers already entered in the Meet.

Entry submissions

The entry file and Hytek summary entry report should be emailed to

<u>winchestermeets@wcpsc.org.uk</u>. The club summary must be completed <u>online</u> via the form on our website immediately following submission of the Hytek entry file (within an hour, as above).

Notification of acceptance of entries will be made electronically to each club. Payment must then be made within 5 working days.

Payment details are:

Account name: Winchester City Penguins Swimming Club Sort Code: 40-46-39 Account: 51082736 Payment reference: Club name/Scorcher

The programme

Swimmers / clubs are responsible for checking their entry confirmation and any errors found must be notified no later than three days after entry confirmation is published. After this time, it may not be possible to make any amendments, unless the error has been made by Winchester City Penguins SC.

Swimmers will be distributed in heats from the submitted entry times. Improved times will not be accepted after the entries have been received. There will be no finals and all events will be swum on a heat declared winner (HDW) basis.

Disability Swimming

The conditions for this Meet shall apply to the Disability Swimmers, noting the following:

- As above, swimmers need a time on rankings from 1st September 2023 to enter an event.
- Swimmers with S1 to S15 classifications will be accepted.
- Personal care attendants will be permitted for swimmers if needed. Chaperone passes for these should be requested on entry.
- The competition format will be based on disability inclusion within the programme. Swimmers will be integrated on a time-banded basis in all events.
- Disability Swimmers will be included in the Multi-Disability results and placed within those results according to the number of British Disability Points gained.
- Where possible an official who holds the qualification of Swim England Disability Official will act as a technical adviser in each of the sessions where disability athletes are entered.
- Medals shall be awarded on a multi-disability basis to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each event.

Awards

Awards will be made in the following age groups: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/over. Medals will be awarded for the top 3 in each event and age category. Awards for classified swimmers will be awarded on a multi-disability basis.

Poolside passes

All Club entries must ensure swimmers are accompanied on poolside at all times by a Coach or Team Manager registered with Swim England and with a current DBS check. Poolside passes are £35 per whole / part of the Meet to include heat sheets, results, a buffet meal and refreshments.

All clubs must ensure that they apply for sufficient poolside passes to comply with the rules in the Swim England Team Manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy which came into effect in 1st September 2023.

Individual entrants may join the WCPSC swimmers on poolside if required. They must let us know ahead of the Meet if they wish to do this.

Sign In – 400m events

There will be sign in for the 400m Events. Sign-in forms will be in the entrance foyer. Swimmers must sign in for their event by the start of warm up for that session.

Withdrawals

Withdrawals should be made using the online form available via our website. This form will be used both prior to and during the Meet. Withdrawals enable us to avoid empty lanes, potentially offer time trials, and give swimmers the best possible racing experience with full heats.

Refunds

Refunds will be available for withdrawals due to injury or illness made up to **5pm on Friday 19th July 2024.** These refunds – **minus a £10 admin charge** - will be provided on receipt of proof of injury or illness through a doctor's/medical certificate or similar.

Officials

Clubs submitting entries are requested to try to assist in the running of the meet by supplying details of any licensed officials who are willing to assist. Drinks will be available for all officials and food will be provided for those officials who volunteer to work consecutive sessions. Expenses can be offered to a maximum of £40 per day or claimed at 40p per mile, whichever is less.

There will be a sign-up link for officials on the Clubs event page at wcpsc.org.uk. **Dress code:** officials should wear white tops and black trousers / skirt/shorts.

Cameras, Phones & Live Stream

Anyone wishing to use a camera, mobile phone camera, or video camera, should adhere to the updated guidance in Swim England Wavepower - Section 3 - on the use of images and restrict to their own child and their own private use with no posting on social media or similar platforms.

You are reminded that flash photography is not permitted at the start of any heat. Swimmers and parents / guardians should be aware that the Meet will be live-streamed on YouTube.

The use of Mobile Phones in the changing rooms is prohibited at all times.

Spectators

There is a maximum number of spectators allowed in the gallery – due to health and safety regulations - and hence entry may be restricted to comply with this. Spectators will not be permitted to bring their own chairs and must keep all aisles and fire exits clear at all times. Wet swimmers are NOT permitted in the gallery. Tickets will be sold online via "Order Whizz". Once tickets are sold out, no more will be available. Tickets will be £4.00 per session.

Please note: We cannot guarantee there will be enough space for all potential spectators, and we strongly advise spectators to purchase tickets ahead. Tickets will be refunded for swimmers with refunded withdrawals as above.

All our Meets are also live-streamed via our YouTube channel. This gives high quality footage of races for live viewing or watch-back.

Data Protection

Meet entries shall be managed on a computer. Your consent to the holding of personal information for the purposes of the Meet shall be treated as being given by the submission of your entries, as shall your consent for such details to be published during and after the Meet.

Health and Safety

No outdoor shoes to be worn on the poolside. **No large bags are allowed poolside.** Swimmers are asked to ensure they wear appropriate footwear and clothing when on the balcony or reception area.

Individual entrants under the age of 16 years must have a responsible adult on the premises at all times. Individual entrants should inform us if their swimmer intends to sit with WCPSC swimmers whilst on poolside.

Conduct

Swimmers, team managers and coaches are expected to behave appropriately at all times. This includes treating other Clubs with respect; treating WCPSC volunteers with respect; treating all WSLP staff with respect; and avoiding damage to or littering of the premises. It is expected that coaches / team managers will take responsibility for their swimmer's behaviour, and ensure swimmers understand what is expected of them. Any instances of poor behaviour will be taken very seriously and will not be tolerated. Those

responsible will be removed from the Meet and asked to leave the premises

Amendments and Event cancellation

The promoter reserves the right to amend these conditions with the approval of the Swim England South East Licensing Panel.

If part / all of the Meet has to be cancelled then affected Entry Fees and Poolside Passes will be refunded. The Promoter, Club and Pool do not accept any responsibility for any travel or accommodation expenses incurred.

The decision of the referee on all aspects of the Open Meet is final. Matters other than those under the control of the referee, not covered by these conditions, shall be decided upon and resolved by the promoters. By submitting an entry, participants have deemed to agree to such decisions.

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