



BRAINTREE SPRING FESTIVAL MEET

2nd June 2019

LICENCE NUMBER 3ER191300

OPEN MEET RULES AND INFORMATION

GENERAL

1. This Spring Festival level 3 licensed open meet will be held under Swim England Law and Technical Rules of Racing, Swim England Open Meet criteria and these promoters' conditions. The meet will be run as an "age on the day" for swimmers on the 2nd June 2019.
2. The competition will be held at Braintree Swimming & Fitness, Charter Way, Braintree, Essex CM77 8YJ. This is an 8 lane, 25m deck level pool with anti-wave lane ropes. The depth of the shallow end is 1.1m. The blocks are 700mm above the water line at the deep end of the pool. Omega electronic timing will be in operation. A secondary strobe for the starting system is available.
3. All events will be timed finals.
4. It is the responsibility of all clubs and coaches that swimmers are competent to the standard of the Swim England competitive start award, all swimmers must be registered with Swim England as Category 2 members.
5. Swimmers **MUST** not climb out over the timing pads or sit on the lane ropes.
6. In accordance with the 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. Should you have any concerns about photography or filming at this event then please bring them to the attention of the Promotor on the day.

ENTRIES

7. All entries will be £5.50 per race. Coach passes are £15.00 for the day, which includes entry to the pool, a programme of events for the whole day and a buffet lunch. Entry to poolside will be restricted to swimmers, officials and coach pass holders.
8. All entries must be received by the closing date of Thursday 2nd May 2019. No exceptions.
9. No late entries will be considered. Entries may be submitted: electronically – SportsSystems files will be posted on our website to be sent to openmeets@braintreeswimming.org.uk; manually – complete the entry forms and send them to us via email or address below. Entries submitted in this way will incur an additional £1.00 per swimmer administration charge. If the meet is not full at the closing date we will extend the deadline for 1 week only and advise all clubs of our decision.
10. Cheques should be made payable to BBSC and sent to us by post with a copy of the entry summary. Please send a single cheque to cover all the entries for your club, upon receipt the entries will be confirmed via email. To pay by Bank Transfer, please make payments to: Sort Code: 20-97-40 Account Number: 70036498. Please use your club name as reference. If the meet is not full at the closing date we will extend the deadline for 1 week only and advise all clubs of our decision.
11. As soon as possible after the closing date, we shall email the respective clubs a list of the accepted/rejected entries together with the check-in procedure and any other information you will need.
12. If the number of entries is high, the promoter reserves the right to limit entries to enable the gala to meet licensing requirements. This will be done by rejecting the slowest swimmers first in the over subscribed events.

AGE GROUPS

13. Age groups are based on the swimmers age on the 2nd June 2019. The age groups for both boys and girls will consist of 7 individual age groups: 9, 10, 11,12,13,14,15 & over.

THE COMPETITION

14. All swimmers or their coach must report to the competitor's stewards on entry to the pool and sign in for each session, before the session's warm up commences.
15. Each event will be swum as heat declared winner for each of the above age groups.
16. All events will be spearheaded seeded on submitted times for all heats.
17. Over the top starts may be used at the referee's discretion.
18. No added swims or time trials will be available at the meet.
19. Swimmers may compete in the following events: 50m all strokes, 100m all strokes, 200m Free, 200m IM.

AWARDS

20. Awards will be made to the first 6 swimmers of each age group.
21. Trophies will be awarded to the overall Top Boy and Top Girl. The basis for this will be the points gained in the individual age group events. In the event of a tie we will count back the number of first places, then second places and so on. Points will be awarded as follows 1st – 10 points, 2nd – 8points, 3rd – 6 points, 4th – 5points, 5th – 4points, 6th – 3 points, 7th – 2 points and 8th 1 –point

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. 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.
23. Competitors must report to the marshalling area. It is the swimmers/coaches responsibility that they report to the marshals on time.
24. Results will be available on the BBSC club website as soon as possible after the meet.
25. Spectator admission will be £5.00 for the day, concessions £3.00 per day.
26. The promoter reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator, coach or swimmer.
27. Any issues 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.
28. The promoter of the event is Miss Helen Osborn, 41 Great Notley Avenue, Great Notley, Braintree, Essex CM77 7UW (helen.osborn@hotmail.co.uk)