

MIDDLESEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 Inclusive of Multi-Classification Events

7th, 8th, 14th & 15th February 2026 @ London Aquatic Centre

Under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules at Level 1 under no: 1LR260201 & 1LR260202

GENERAL MEET CONDITIONS

1. MEET ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1. The Promoter for this meet is Jeanette Edmiston. promoter@middlesexswimming.com
- 1.2. The Meet Administrator for this meet is Leah Pullen competitionsecretary@middlesexswimming.com
- 1.3. The Lead Referee is Gillian Neal. secretary@middlesexswimming.com
- 1.4. Closing deadline for entries and full payment is 10pm on 1st January 2026.

2. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 2.1. This Meet shall be conducted Long Course under Swim England Laws, Regulations and Technical Rules of Swimming, the relevant World Para Swimming Rules and these Promoter's Conditions.
- 2.2. There shall be separate events for open/males and females. 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.
- 2.3. In the interest of safety, to keep the event within the available time booked at the hosting facility and to ensure the smooth running of the Meet, Middx Swimming Committee reserve the right to restrict the number of entries in any given event. In all cases, competitors with the fastest times, after converting to the meet course, by age group will take preference.
- 2.4. Time Trials will not be permitted during this Meet.
- 2.5. With the specific exception of official photographers appointed by MCASA, photography & videoing is prohibited at all times during the Meet, this is a condition of hire by the pool operators.
- 2.6. Swim England changing room policy now prohibits all use of a mobile phone or any other photographic devices in changing room areas. All devices must be in a bag or a pocket.
- 2.7. There will be a secondary strobe available at the venues.
- 2.8. Entry for spectators will be £10.00 per day regardless of number of sessions.

3. DATA PROTECTION.

- 3.1. We will process personal data submitted by the swimmer or their club in accordance with the current Privacy Notice published by Middx County. With respect to this meet we will process personal data for the legitimate purpose of running the gala. The items of personal data processed are name, Swim England number, date of birth, gender and para-swimming classification if applicable. During the gala we will process name, gender and competition age in reports for the legitimate purpose of running the gala efficiently. At the end of the gala we will process name, gender, Swim England number and date of birth in the electronic submission made to British Rankings. We will also share the full results of the meet, excluding the dates of birth of swimmers, with the competition secretaries of those clubs taking part.
- 3.2. After the gala the personal data processed will be stored securely in both document and electronic formats for 12 months and then erased. This period of storage permits the accurate response to enquiries about the gala and provides statistical information for the purpose of designing the following year's gala. No personal data will remain on any electronic timing systems used to run the gala. You have the right to have your personal data erased from our systems if you have withdrawn from the gala. You also have the right to object to the processing of your personal data. In both cases, please make your request in writing to the promoter.

4. ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY

- 4.1. The Meet is open to eligible competitors, as defined by Swim England, who are members of clubs affiliated to Middlesex County.
- 4.2. A competitor must be a registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at the closing date. The appropriate registration form must have been received by the relevant governing body at least 60 days prior to the first day of the Competition.
- 4.3. A swimmer may only compete in the name of one club at the Competition.
- 4.4. All para swimming competitors must have an authorised IPC Swimming, Aquatics GB, INAS-FID or British Blind Sport classification, which is held on the Aquatics GB or IPC Swimming classification database at the time of entry.
- 4.5. A competitor may not take part in this Meet if they are competing in another County's equivalent meet.
- 4.6. All events have short course and long course entry qualifying times.
- 4.7. Competitors must have equalled or bettered the published entry consideration times on or after 1st January 2025 at an event licensed at levels 1, 2, 3 or 4 by Swim England or WASA, or Levels 1, 2 or 3 by SASA. The entry time must be registered on one of the Swim England rankings databases. Converted times are not permitted for entry. There is a Qualifying Time and a Consideration Time for entry into this competition. The achievement of the Qualifying Time **will guarantee entry** into the competition subject to the Promoter's Conditions. The achievement of the Consideration Time will make the swimmer eligible for consideration as an entry into the competition subject to the Promoter's Conditions. The achievement of the Consideration Time **does not guarantee entry** into the competition. Consideration entries will be managed to achieve an optimal number of competitors for the meet.
- 4.8. There will be no qualifying standard needed for Para swimming competitors but times achieved must be since 1 January 2025.
- 4.9. By submitting an entry to this Meet, a competitor - or in the case of a competitor being under 18 years of age during the meet, the competitor's legal guardians – attest to the fitness and ability of the competitor to complete the event without foreseeable injury or incident and without causing delay to the event schedule.

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5. AGE CRITERIA

- 5.1. Age Groups swum in the meet will be 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17+
- 5.2. A swimmer's age shall be determined as at midnight on 31st December 2026.

6. EVENTS

- 6.1.1. 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m Freestyle
- 6.1.2. 50m, 100m, 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly
- 6.1.3. 200m, 400m Individual Medley
- 6.1.4. Finals will be swum for 50m, 100m all strokes and 200m IM
- 6.2. Para-Swimming competitors may swim in the following events:

Stroke/Distance	Range of Classifications
Freestyle – 50m & 100m	S1 - S14 (inclusive)
Freestyle – 200m	S1 - S5 (inclusive) & S14
Freestyle – 400m	S6 – S14 (inclusive)
Backstroke – 50m	S1 – S5 (inclusive)
Backstroke – 100m	S1, S2 & S6 – S14 (inclusive)
Breaststroke – 50m	SB1 – SB3 (inclusive)
Breaststroke – 100m	SB4 – SB9 & SB11 – SB14 (inclusive)
Butterfly – 50m	S1 – S7 (inclusive)
Butterfly – 100m	S8 – S14 (inclusive)

7. ENTRY FEES

- 7.1. The entry fee for each individual event (with the specific exception of the 800m & 1500m Freestyle events) shall be £15.50.
- 7.2. The entry fee for the 800m & 1500m Freestyle events shall be £17.50.
- 7.3. Full payment for entries submitted must be received by the Meet Manager on or before the stated entry deadline.
- 7.4. Entries will not be accepted from clubs with an outstanding debt to Middlesex County.
- 7.5. Refunds will not be considered with the specific exception where Clause 2.3 has been exercised or where a medical condition has arisen after the closing date but before the start of the meet. In this event a letter or email by a medical professional must be provided before the meet start date.

8. ENTRY PROCEDURE

- 8.1. An Events file containing the full schedule of events is available for download from Middlesex County website. This file should be used in conjunction with the “Hy-Tek Team Manager” software or another compatible team management application.
- 8.2. All eligible entries must be made by clubs in the standard electronic format produced by HyTek's Team Manager or an equivalent compatible application.
- 8.3. **Club Entries must be submitted using the [online Meet entry Portal](#). (This is the same portal as London Region and you can use the same log in and password).**
- 8.4. Individual Entries where your club is not entering a club entry must be submitting using this [form](#): (<http://https://mcasa.wufoo.com/forms/p3makra0x3dbgy/>)
- 8.5. **Para Swimming entries must enter using the [Individual form](#).** (<https://mcasa.wufoo.com/forms/p3makra0x3dbgy/>)
- 8.6. An **[ONLINE Summary Form](#)**: (<https://mcasa.wufoo.com/forms/qyeeg3i0dgswwgs/>) **MUST be completed and returned before any entries are accepted.**

9. MEET PROCEDURE

- 9.1. All events of 200m, 400m or more (with the exception of 200IM) shall be heat declared winner and will be seeded in accordance with WA rules.
- 9.2. Finals will be 50m, 100m all strokes & 200m IM and will be seeded in accordance with WA rules.
- 9.3. All finals will be 8 lanes. Lanes 0 (and 9) will be used if a tie between 2 (or three) swimmers occurs for 8th place.
- 9.4. Competitors whose entries have been accepted will be expected to swim unless they have complied with the withdrawal procedures.
- 9.5. **800m and 1500m competitors must sign in before the appropriate warm up.** No other signing in is necessary.
- 9.6. Any Para-Swimming competitor who qualifies for a final may swim in that final.
- 9.7. There will be no separate finals for para swimmers swimming in multi-classification events.
- 9.8. Start sheets for the heats will be posted on-line and will not be provided at the meet. Start sheets for the finals will also be available on-line and one copy will be posted for coaches and swimmers to view.

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10. WITHDRAWAL & FINES

- 10.1. Competitors (or their representatives) who are not intending to swim in heats or finals must submit official withdrawal forms, either electronically as prescribed on the competition website - up to midday on the **Thursday** preceding the start of competition (two days before the start of the competition), or at the Withdrawals table at the pool by completing an official withdrawal form no later than 50 minutes before the advertised starting time of the first event in each session.
- 10.2. **An announcement will be made of the finalists and 2 reserves for each event as the meet progresses.** The announcement will include a time by which finalists **and** reserves who do not wish to swim must withdraw from a final.
- 10.3. If a swimmer fails to withdraw from a final within the specified time and does not swim, a £25 fine will be levied on the club under whose name the finalist or reserve was entered, if a further violation occurs during the competition, a further £50 fine will be levied, and the swimmer will be withdrawn from all remaining events for the rest of the meet.
- 10.4. Such fines will be levied on the swimmer's club and will be issued after the meet.

11. MARSHALLING

- 11.1. It is the competitor's responsibility to report to the Competition Stewards in the designated Marshalling area in good time for their event. Heat start lists for each event will be posted on-line before each session starts and it is the competitor's responsibility to ensure their name appears on the list prior to the start time of the session.
- 11.2. Upon entry to the Marshalling area, the athlete must ensure that they report to a Steward and be registered as being present. They must remain there until they race. Competitors must follow the directions of the Competition Stewards at all times.
- 11.3. All competitors must enter the Marshalling area 'race ready' as under normal circumstances having entered the Marshalling area they should remain in its confines until led onto the pool deck for their race.
- 11.4. Coaches/chaperones will not be allowed in the Marshalling area at any time.

12. COACHES, CHAPERONES AND PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS

- 12.1. All coaches, chaperones and personal care attendants who wish to be on deck/poolside during the event must have a valid Pass.
- 12.2. Personal care attendants are only permitted for para swimming competitors where assistance is permitted on their code of exceptions. Such attendants will be excluded from any restrictions and will be given the same accreditation as the competitor for whom they have personal care responsibilities.
- 12.3. Passes must be clearly displayed at all times when on deck/poolside. Failure to display a pass will result in ejection from the pool deck.
- 12.4. Passes are made available to clubs and their coaches to ensure the safety and wellbeing of their swimmers. Clubs must ensure there are enough adults (Coaches and Team Managers with the correct ratios to the number of attending swimmers) on poolside with valid passes to provide adequate supervision in accordance with Swim England's Team Manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy, and with reference to their obligations and the recommendations laid down in [Wavepower 2024](#), the Swim England Child Safeguarding Policy & Procedures.
- 12.5. Pass applications can be made by completing and submitting the [application form](#) (<https://mcasa.wufoo.com/forms/p1jcw8a1coe4lc/>). **Applications must be received by midnight one week before the competition start date.**
- 12.6. Passes cost £11.50.
- 12.7. Passes will be emailed directly to each individual. **Please ensure you bring your pass with you, as entry to the competition will not be permitted without it.**
- 12.8. All coaches and chaperones applying for a pass must have a valid DBS disclosure.

13. VOLUTEERS AND OFFICIALS

- 13.1. We are very grateful for any offer of assistance. This gala cannot be run without the commitment of our volunteers. Technical Officials & Volunteers may register their willingness to volunteer your time for this event at this [link](#).
- 13.2. Expenses may be claimed by all volunteers and officials on the form attached in accordance with the attached policy:
 - [Meet Expense Policy](#)
 - [Meet expense Claim Form](#)

14. AWARDS

- 14.1. The first, second and third placed competitors in each age group in the event shall be awarded medals.
- 14.2. There shall be no official presentation of medals.
- 14.3. Medals will be available for personal collection from the Presentation Desk subsequent to the publishing of the official results for each event.
- 14.4. Medals not collected during the meet will not be made available subsequent to the meet.
- 14.5. Medals for para swimmers will be awarded, on a multi-classification basis, to the first three places in each event which will be allocated to the top three BPS points scorers.
- 14.6. If there is only one para-swimming competitor in an event, they will receive a medal only if they swim faster than their entry time.

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- 14.7. County Championship Trophies will be awarded by The Middlesex County President or their deputy to the winners after the end of the competition.

15. TROPHIES

- 15.1. In addition to medals, County Trophies will be awarded in both the Open Championships and Junior Championships (16 years & under) categories.

- 15.2. If a swimmer in the Junior Category is the fastest swimmer in an event, they will receive both the Open and Junior trophies.

Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the following events:

Event	Juniors	Open
Female 200m Individual Medley	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 50m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Female 50m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 400m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Female 800m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 50m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Female 50m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 200m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 200m Individual Medley	Juniors	Open
Female 50m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 50m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Female 400m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 800m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Female 50m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 50m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Female 200m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Female 400m Individual Medley	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 200m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Female 100m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 100m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Female 200m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 1500m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Female 100m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 100m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Female 200m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 400m Individual Medley	Juniors	Open
Female 200m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 100m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Female 100m Breaststroke	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 200m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Female 1500m Freestyle	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 100m Backstroke	Juniors	Open
Female 100m Butterfly	Juniors	Open
Open/Male 200m Freestyle	Juniors	Open

- 15.3. The following trophies — *The Bob Glasier Memorial Trophy, The WJ Howcroft Memorial Trophy, County Cup, Buller Cup, The Wilkinson Sword (12/o), The Junior Boys Wilkinson Sword, The Junior Girls Wilkinson Sword, The Swan Trophy, The Walron Trophy, Ted Sayer Memorial Trophy, Doris Sayer Memorial Trophy, and the Boys' and Girls' Dave Barnes Trophies* — will be awarded upon completion of the competition.

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16. DISPUTES

- 16.1. Any dispute relating to these conditions shall be determined by MCASA Swimming Committee and the Promoter.
- 16.2. The Swim England Protest and Complaints procedures should be followed for any Protest or Complaint.