

# HADEN HILL SWIMMING CLUB

## Conditions and Competition Rules – 32nd Annual Open Meet, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2012

1. Entry forms can be obtained from the club's website [www.hadenhillasc.com](http://www.hadenhillasc.com) Entries must be submitted electronically by a duly appointed club representative to the following address: [hhsopenmeet@btinternet.com](mailto:hhsopenmeet@btinternet.com) Confirmation of club entries must also be submitted on correctly completed forms, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee, Individual Events; £4.50. The electronic entry submissions take precedence over the paper confirmations, the Promoter will not be held responsible for any discrepancies. Club entries will take precedence over individual entries received from a competing club. **Entries must be returned together with the entry fee by midnight Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2012.** Any corrections to entries including alterations to submitted times must be made prior to the closing date; alterations to submitted times must be certified by the respective club representative. It is our intention to provide lists of acceptances and rejections with notifications going out on or about 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012. These confirmations will be sent to the duly appointed club representative. Where individual entries are received in addition to a particular club's entry then confirmation will only be sent to the duly appointed club representative, not to the individual.
2. The meet is licensed by the ASA at Level 3. **Licensed Reference 3WM\*\*\*\***
3. Events will be swum as on the Programme. All events will be heat declared winner. Over the top starts may be used.
4. Ages as at 13<sup>th</sup> May 2012.
5. Principles for acceptance of entries:
  - a. Upper qualifying times are based on approximately 95% of the 2011 National Qualifying times for Short Course Competition and a lower limit consideration time based on approximately 20% of the 2011 National Qualifying times for Short Course Competition. Swimmers with slower times may be accepted at the discretion of the Promoter.
  - b. If an event is over subscribed, then entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis however swimmers from Haden Hill Swimming Club will be given priority over swimmers from other clubs.
  - c. The Promoters reserve the right to refuse any entry. Incorrect entries will not be accepted. Any entries that are not accepted will be returned with the entry fee. Entries are accepted on the understanding that the competitor accepts the Promoter's Conditions.
  - d. No refunds will be made to competitors who withdraw after the closing date for submission of entries or who withdraw after advice of acceptance.
  - e. We will be operating with reserve swimmers for each event where the event is oversubscribed. These swimmers will be printed in the programme and have been selected based on our first come first served criteria. All reserves are at the discretion of the meet organiser. In the event of any no shows from the main entrants the swims will be offered to the published reserves in order. Their swims will count as part of the event and will earn club points and any reserves that are not called to swim will be refunded. **No additional reserves will be accepted on the day.** The organisers do not guarantee that swims will be available to reserve swimmers. All reserve swimmers must report to the stewards, no later than 30 minutes before the start of each session, and will be advised if they are to be offered a reserve swim. Reserve swims will be offered in the order that they appear in the programme. No reserve swims will be offered once the session has started. Any club with reserve swimmers who do not swim will be refunded after the event by post. **The meet organisers reserve the right to withdraw the reserve swimmer system at any time if its operation affects the smooth running of the gala or at the discretion of the meet organiser.**
6. All swimmers age 16 and under must be under the supervision of the Club Coach (or a designated Club Official) in possession of a poolside pass, at all times, during warm-ups, in competition and while in the pool complex.
7. Registrations must be submitted by a single representative from each competing club, to the stewards, at least 30 minutes before the start of each session. No late entries will be accepted.
8. Heats may have 'over the top' starts
9. Entries will be seeded into heats from submitted times, with the slowest heat first
10. Session times: **1<sup>st</sup> Session** - Girls' warm-up: 9.00am -- 9.30am. Boys' warm-up: 9.30am - 10.00 am The first session will start at 10.00am. **2<sup>nd</sup> Session** - Girls' warm-up: 2.00pm - 2.30pm. Boys' warm-up: 2.30pm - 3.00pm  
The second session will start at 3.00pm.
11. Swimmers should report to the Competitors' Steward at least one event before their swim.
12. There will be 5 Event Age Groups: 9/10 years, 11/12 years, 13/14 years, 15/16 years and 17 years and over for 50m and 100m events (**9 year olds are not eligible for 100m swims**), and Junior (9-13 years) and Senior (14 years and over) for all 200m events.
13. An award will be made to the fastest three swimmers in each age group category in each event.

14. A Perpetual Trophy and a cash prize will be awarded to the team with the highest points score at the end of the meet. Points will be awarded to swimmers placing first to eighth as follows:  
1<sup>st</sup> - 8points; 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7points; 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6points; 4<sup>th</sup> - 5points;  
5<sup>th</sup> - 4points; 6<sup>th</sup> - 3points; 7<sup>th</sup> - 2 points; 8<sup>th</sup> - 1point.
15. A Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the swimmer with the highest points score at the end of the meet.
16. A Trophy will be awarded to the Worcestershire swimmer with the highest points score at the end of the meet.
17. For all trophies, points will be awarded in a swimmer's own age group only.
18. Any competitor disqualified will not receive an award for that event.
19. Clubs may have a maximum of 2 poolside managers who will be admitted on the production of a pass obtained beforehand at a cost of £8.00, which will include a programme. No coaches passes will be sold on the day.
20. Spectators admission will be £6.00 per person per day with a refund available for one session only. Programmes will be £1.50 each
21. The Promoters reserve the right to amend these conditions as necessary. All participants will be informed of any alterations.
22. The competition will be held under A.S.A. Laws and Technical Rules, and the ASA Laws on Open Competitions shall cover any laws not covered by the Promoter's Conditions