



Portsmouth Northsea Christmas Last Chance County Qualifier Meet 2022
Long Course Level 3 Meet
Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th December 2022
License number 3SE222226

Promoters Conditions

- 1) The competition is an open and will be swum under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules. The promoter is Portsmouth Northsea Swimming Club.
- 2) Venue: The Mountbatten Centre, Alexandra Park, Portsmouth PO2 9QA
- 3) Pool: 8 Lane 50 metre pool, with electronic timing and anti-turbulence lane ropes. Electronic timing will be in use. Swimmers must not leave the pool by climbing over the time pads. At the referees discretion we reserve the right to use over the top starts
- 4) A secondary strobe light will be available at this meet.
- 5) The competition will be open to age groups 9,10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15+. Ages will be **at midnight Sunday 5th December 2022.**
- 6) **Qualifying Standards:** Upper qualifying times only will apply. All swimmers who are slower or have no times are eligible to enter. The promoters reserve the right to exclude any swimmer from an event if it is found they have a faster time on Rankings, **since 1st September 2021.** If space is available time trials may be accepted at the promotor's discretion.
- 7) This is a **first come, first served meet.** The promoter reserves the right to limit entries if the meet is over subscribed. Rejections will be made when the volume of entries exceeds the time allowed under Swim England rules for competitive meets and in line with the following criteria:
 - a. Entry times not meeting the qualifying standards
 - b. Reducing the number of heats to comply with session timing using the first come first serve criteria
- 1) **Entries** should preferably be made electronically by downloading the Hy-Tek file which will be made available from the PNSC website – <https://uk.teamunify.com/team/pnsc/page/home> or can be requested from meets@pnsc.org.uk. The completed files, along with completed entry summaries, report and fee entry and any other queries should be emailed to meets@pnsc.org.uk. Late entries may be considered if the meet is not full. Clubs are requested to pay electronically once the invoices have been sent. Paperwork must be emailed to meets@pnsc.org.uk. Individual paper entries must be emailed and payment sent electronically once the invoice has been sent. Please be aware that Hytek entry files will be given priority and entered 1st.

Open Date for Entries: 1800 hours Wednesday 26th October 2022.

Closing Date: 1800 hours Friday 18th November 2022

- 2) **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is **£7 for all 50s, 100s & 200s , £9 for all 400s and £12 for 800s and 1500s.** Individual entries will be charged an administration fee of £10 per swimmer.

- 8) **Data Protection:** Entries will be held on a computer solely for the purposes of this competition. Consent, as required by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), to the holding of personal information on computer will be deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. This data will be held at least 1 year. Data and results will be shared with the British swimming for rankings and the competitors own swimming clubs. Results will be posted at the pool & on the website.
- 9) Once accepted entries have been posted on the PNSC website, it will be the responsibility of the club/Individual representative to check entries, inform all swimmers of their entries and notify the meet secretary immediately of any errors. Once entry times have been accepted no changes will be made unless with agreement of the meet secretary.
- 10) This meet will operate without entry cards. Withdrawals can be made up until 1800 via email sent to meets@pns.org.uk on Thursday 2nd December 2022. After this time withdrawals must be made on the official withdrawal forms which can be found in the coaches' packs and technical office. Coaches **must** submit withdrawal forms for any swimmers not competing to the meet computer room 40 minutes before the start of each session. This notification will help to minimize heats with empty lanes. PNSC reserve the right to implement a fine of £5 per event if withdrawals are not reported. There will be no refund of entry fees to swimmers who withdraw from event, unless the withdrawal is for medical reasons and a doctor's note is supplied. Refunds will be made where a swimmer is rejected from the meet due to it being over-subscribed.
- 11) Competitors must report to the Competitor Stewards when they are called. Any competitor not reporting in time **may** be excluded.
- 12) Coach's packs are available for £30 for the day. They include a program, start sheets, lunch and refreshments. If a club has 10 or more swimmers entered, it is recommended that there is one pass per 10 swimmers.
- 13) Only swimmers and coaches with passes will be allowed on poolside. Poolside coaches need to be registered with Swim England (or equivalent national swimming organization) and hold a valid DBS check. If parents of swimmers attending the meet as individuals (not with a club) wish to be poolside they must pay for a coach's pass of £30 for the day. They must also have a valid Swim England membership number and valid DBS.
- 14) Chaperone passes are available if swimmers require assistance in the changing rooms and will allow access to the spectator area. The cost is £5 per day and the chaperone has to have Swim England membership (or equivalent national swimming organization) & valid DBS. If a swimmer requires additional assistance on poolside please contact the meet organizers in advance
- 15) Awards will be made to the top 3 in each event on a heat declared basis. Medals can be collected from the medal table. Heat results will not be announced but results of each event and details of winners will be posted around the pool and on meet mobile as soon as they are available.
- 16) All meet participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at the Mountbatten Centre and must have footwear when leaving the poolside. Everyone attending the event must familiarise themselves with the location of the emergency exits, which must be kept clear at all times. Swimmers must be fully clothed on the balcony. Due to limited spectator seating we kindly request that seats are used for spectators only.
- 17) Due to limited space poolside we kindly request that swimmers only bring small bags poolside and use the lockers provided and that no land training equipment (such as medicine balls, skipping ropes, mats, etc) is used on poolside during racing as this is a distraction to officials and a potential hazard. Chairs

should only be brought on poolside for coaches' use only but they must be located in areas where they don't interfere with officials.

- 18) There will be a charge to enter the building past the reception area. Programs will only be available through MeetMobile.
- 19) All clubs submitting entries are requested to assist in the running of the meet by supplying details of any licensed or trainee officials who are willing to assist at this gala. Any meet that does not have the number of officials required by the licensing board run the risk of it being downgraded. Name and contact details for officials should be completed by the person responsible for submitting the entries and forwarded to officials@pnsc.org.uk.
- 20) Warm Up: Swimmers and coaches must ensure that they take no action that would endanger themselves or others. Sprint lanes will be announced. A warm down facility will be provided for swimmers to use directly after their event for a limited time only. This facility will be withdrawn if it is abused so coaches' co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.
- 21) Any point not covered in these rules is at the discretion of the organizers. In extenuating circumstances and due to situations out of the clubs control during the competition the promoter reserves the right to make changes to the running of the meet.