



# The Neate Meet 2017

## Rules and Conditions

1. The competition will be held under ASA Law and Technical Rules.
2. The pool is 25m and 6 lanes with anti-turbulence lane ropes and use of electronic timing. The depth of the pool at the shallow end is 0.9 m. diving at this end of the pool is not permitted.
3. Age shall be as at midnight on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017.
4. Age groups are 9,10,11,12,13,14,15 and over. Awards will be made for the three top placed swimmers in each age group. Awards will also be made to the highest scoring Boy and Girl using Hytek cumulative points system.
5. All events will be Heat Declared Winners (HDW).
6. Entrants must be ASA Category 2 registered, belong to an affiliated club and enter in the name of one club only.
7. A swimmer must have a valid entry time for each event and upper time limits are being used. In the event that the gala is oversubscribed, the promoter reserves the right to reject the slowest swimmers in each age group to comply with licensing regulations regarding session times.
8. In the event the gala is undersubscribed at closing date, entries will be accepted outside of the qualifying criteria on a time trial only basis.
9. Qualification times must have been achieved within the previous 12 months, although conversion times to 25m can be used.
10. Electronic entry is preferred and an entry file set will be available for download from the website. Entry forms and payment must have been received by the closing date of 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017. They should be fully and correctly completed or the promoter reserves the right to reject the entry.
11. Refunds will only be made for swims if there is a valid medical reason for withdrawal, up to one week before the gala. The promoter's decision is final.
12. The entry fee will be £4.50 per event. Cheques should be made payable to "West Suffolk Swimming Club". Clubs wishing to pay by Bank Transfer should contact the promoter for details.
13. Lists of accepted /rejected entries will be posted on the website ([www.westsuffolkswimming.co.uk](http://www.westsuffolkswimming.co.uk)) as soon as possible after the closing date and emailed to club representative if required. It is requested that any errors are notified to WSSC as soon as possible prior to the meet.
14. All swimmers will be expected to register upon arrival where their swims will be checked individually by WSSC staff. Competitors who have not registered by the designated time, will not be accepted for that session's events.
15. Every swimmer should have a named coach/ appropriately approved adult to be responsible for ensuring that swimmers are present for their swims during the day, or to submit a withdrawal slip at the start of each session. Failure to complete a withdrawal slip may result in a charge being levied. Competitors should report to the stewards no later than two events prior to the start of their event or 10 minutes before the start of the first event of any session.
16. Coach passes will be available for purchase. Details will be available on the club summary form. Coach passes cannot be purchased upon the day of the meet.
17. A charge will be made for spectators and programs with details available as soon as possible after the closing date. Please note, spectator seating is limited and will be allocated on a first come-first served basis.
18. For health and safety reasons, large rucksacks and bags must be kept in the hall although lockers are available for use in the changing rooms for a small refundable deposit. Swimmers and spectators are reminded that property should not be left unattended at any time. WSSC cannot accept liability for any losses or damage which may occur.
19. Pool shoes must be worn at all times outside of the pool side area.
20. No glass items are allowed on poolside.
21. We ask all swimmers and spectators wishing to take photographs and videos to ensure that they are aware of the ASA guidelines and respect them. A copy of the guidelines are available to view at <http://www.swimming.org/asa/clubs-and-members/safeguarding-children/> (Wavepower p76-77). In particular

we draw your attention to the need to seek the permission of a parent or guardian of any child contained in an image BEFORE posting it on social media. Please note that, other than the official photographer, devices such as cameras, phones and tablets are not allowed to be used inside the barriers on poolside for safety reasons.

22. Results will be posted on the website ([www.westsuffolkswimming.co.uk](http://www.westsuffolkswimming.co.uk)) as soon as possible after the event and emailed to those nominated club representatives upon request. Results will also be sent electronically to the ASA in accordance with the license requirements.
23. Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the promoter and Referee, subject to ASA Laws, Regulations and the ASA Technical Rules of Racing.
24. The Promoter is Andrea O'Connor, 14 Whitby Road, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 2EU, enquiries via email: [andreakaren@talktalk.net](mailto:andreakaren@talktalk.net)
25. Entries to the meet will be held on a computer and consent, as required by the Data Protection Act 1998 to the holding of personal information on computer, will be deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Personal data will be available for inspection during the Meet on the application to the Promoter.