

General Information

The Neate Meet 2019 | 3ER191833

Fri 4th Sat 5th & Sunday 6th October 2019



Venue: Bury St Edmunds Leisure Centre, Beetons Way, BSE, IP33 3TT – Tel No: 01284 753496

Car Parking: Olding Road Car Park (entrance just off ASDA roundabout but steps at far end bring you out opposite front of Leisure Centre)

Suffolk House Car Park (opposite front of Leisure Centre)

Please Note: the West Suffolk College Car Park is not available

Spectator Entry: On Friday evening, entry poolside will be from 5.30 pm. On Saturday 5th October, entry to the poolside for spectators will be from 12.00 pm. **The queue to pay to enter the gala must be formed outside the front entrance to the Leisure Centre – please note, this is an uncovered area, be prepared for all weather.** Swimmers will be allowed in to change and parents and swimmers alike can access the Sports Hall from 11.00 am however, no entry queue inside the building please! On Sunday, entry poolside and to the Sports Hall will be from 8.30 am.

Spectator seating will be available on a **'first come, first served basis'** and we do ask that swimmers do not occupy any seats in this area. Also for Health and Safety reasons, swimmers bags must be kept clear of poolside.

Spectator Charges are as follows:

Friday: £1.00 entry fee
Saturday: £3.00 per session or £5.00 all day
Sunday: £3.00 per session or £5.00 all day
Programmes: £3.00
***Concessions half price (Under 16s & OAPs)**

Swimmer Registration: On Friday evening, the Registration Desk will be next to the spectator entry desk poolside and will close at 6.00 pm, **half an hour before the session start time**, as we do not have use of the Sports Hall. The Registration desk will be situated in the Sports Hall on Saturday and Sunday and will **close 1 hour before each Session start time**. Any swimmer who has not signed in at closing will be assumed not to be taking part in that session and they will be automatically withdrawn, therefore avoiding the possibility of running with empty lanes. To that end, we would ask if Coaches/Team Managers could please check their team's entries before closing to avoid any errors. We will not be able to re-seed once the start sheets have been printed. Withdrawal advice from Swimmer or Coach only please.

SWIMMER REGISTRATION SIGN TIMES	
Friday 4th October	Swimmers must sign in by:
Session One	6.00 pm
Saturday 5th October	
Session Two	12.00 pm
Session Three	4.30 pm
Sunday 6th October	
Session Four	9.00 am
Session Five	1.30 pm

Spectators are kindly requested not to approach the computer desk, all queries should be directed through their club Coach.

Sports Hall: The Sports Hall has been allocated for use by the swimmers on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October for relaxation between races and the Marshalling process will also begin in the Sports Hall (please note, it is not available on Friday evening). It will be available on Saturday from 11.00 am only, due to classes taking place beforehand. Swimmers are allowed to eat in the Sports Hall but we would request that they please use the rubbish bags provided and most importantly, **remember to bring and wear appropriate footwear**, the floor can become extremely slippery when wet and we would like to avoid any unnecessary accidents. It may be cold, we also advise swimmers to have warm clothing to wear between races. Please note, there is no seating available, please bring fold up chairs if required. **Abbeycroft Leisure Centre have requested that we emphasize that swimmers do not play or sit in the corridors or walkways of the Leisure Centre, and use the Sports Hall for recreation only.**

Refreshments, BBQ & Raffle: A range of drinks and snacks will be available poolside for swimmers and spectators and our very popular BBQ will be operating just outside the building serving hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings and bacon rolls on Sunday morning! Your custom and support of our raffle will be greatly appreciated our main prize is a pair **Beats Solo3 Wireless Headphones**.

Awards: These will be available from our medal table as soon as the results for each event have been posted. 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 Hy-tek cumulative points system and Top Visiting Club. The **Don Neate Trophy** will be awarded to the overall highest scoring swimmer at the meet.

Results: These will be available to view in the Sports Hall after the conclusion of each event. A full set of results will be available on our website www.westsuffolkswimming.co.uk as soon as possible. Live results will be on Meet Mobile throughout the weekend.

Swim Shop: We are fortunate to have SwimPath at our Meet this weekend. On the Swimpath stand will be **Jemma Lowe**, a swimmer who represented GB at the Beijing Olympics in 2008 in the 100/200m Butterfly and as part of the 4x100m Medley Relay Team, she will be available for autographs. They provide a great selection of all your swimming needs and offer an excellent service. They will be situated in the Sports Hall, please support them if you can.

Photography: 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.

Coach Packs: These will be available for collection from the Swimmer Registration desk located in the Sports Hall on arrival and Refreshments will be available in Studio One for officials and coaches (upstairs). A warm-up schedule will be provided separately, please ensure your team arrives for their allocated time promptly and clears the pool when requested. Swimmer numbers per club do not lend themselves to exact lane allocation so we please ask for Coaches co-operation with each other for best use of water space available.

Contact: We hope you all have and enjoyable and successful weekend's swimming with WSSC, should you require any further information please don't hesitate to contact Tina Hudson mob: 07939372031 or Andrea O'Connor mob: 07881621443 email: meets@westsuffolkswimming.co.uk.