Caradon Swimming Club

Two Counties Spring Open Meet

Saturday 14th April - Sunday 15th April 2018

**Introduction**

Please find attached all the information you require in order to enter Caradon's very own Two Counties Spring Open Meet to be held on Saturday 15th- Sunday 16th April 2018 at Plymouth Life Centre, Mayflower Drive, Plymouth, PL2 3DG

This is a level 3 Licensed Meet.

The pool will be a 25m 10-lane with anti-wave lane ropes and electronic timing.

**Qualifiers**

A list of swimmers who have achieved the qualifying times to date is attached. No swimmer will participate in any event in which they have not achieved qualifying standard.

Swimmers who have achieved a large number of qualifying times should speak with a member of coaching team about which events they should prioritise.

**Entry and Fee**

Each swimmer has to pay a fee for each event in which they enter. All events are charged at £6.50. Further to this Caradon Swimming Club charges an additional Coaching and Administration fee of £3.50 per swimmer that should be included in total payment. Please submit the correct total entry fee along with your entry form. Emailed entries will be accepted along with proof of Bacs transfer or via post to **Claire Rickards, 35 Sycamore Drive, Torpoint, Cornwall, PL11 2NA,** cheques should be made payable to ‘Caradon Swimming Club’

**Closing date for entries to be received by the club is Tuesday 6th February 2018**

**Format**

The Two Counties Meet is offering a programme of :-

9 year age group are eligible to swim all 50m and 200m events. The 100m IM and 200m IM only.

10,11,12,13,14,15,16/over all events

 All events will be run on a heat declared winner (HDW) basis. All heats will be swum with all age groups combined and swimmers seeded by entry times. All heats will be spearheaded.

Additionally, there will be male and female skins events. 14 years and under and 15 years and over. The 8 fastest 100im swimmers in each of the qualifying age groups plus 2 reserves will be invited to compete in the skins finals.

Each swimmer’s age group is defined by his or her age as of the 15th April 2018.

**Awards**

Awards to first 6 in each age group. Cash prizes for skins

**Marshalling**

All competitors must report for their event at the times notified on events and sessions attachment.

**Transport**

It is each swimmer’s responsibility to arrange his or her own transport to and from the competition.

**Caradon Uniform (Swimmers)**

As a club, the image we portray to other competitors, spectators and officials is very important. An organised team gives a positive impression to others. With that in mind all the swimmers are expected:

* To arrive at the venue ready to go straight to poolside in appropriate clothing
* To arrive wearing Caradon Swimming t-shirts and hoodies or tracksuits that should be exposed once inside the venue and worn throughout the day
* To arrive wearing tracksuit trousers or shorts, that should be worn throughout the day of competition on poolside
* To wear suitable footwear such as trainer, throughout the day
* To be in possession of more than one Caradon Swimming hat. Those who wear hats for warm up and / or completion must only wear a Caradon hat
* Swimmers are permitted to race in a navy blue Speedo Aqua V hat if they prefer

**Caradon Uniform (Supporters)**

Parents and supporters at the meet are strongly encouraged to wear a Caradon Swimming t-shirt for the competition

**Attendance and departure**

* Caradon swimmers must be on poolside no less than 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the published warm up time for sessions in which they are competing
* No swimmer will leave the competition without the permission of a member of the Coaching Team
* Athletes are expected to remain on poolside with the tea. Athletes will be permitted to see parents during the course of the day at suitable times in their schedule
* Athletes may return home at the end of competition in regular clothing

**Caradon Racing Policy at Meets**

Please note the standard policy regarding racing, which will be adhered to by all swimmers and parents who make an entry in this meet:

* Caradon swimmers will race in every race in which they enter
* Caradon swimmers will race in every final for which they qualify either directly, or as a reserve that is subsequently required for the final
* Caradon swimmers will undertake all warm ups and swim downs as directed by the Head Coach
* Decisions regarding a swimmers racing programme at a competition will be at the discretion of the Head Coach. Withdrawal from any heat of final will usually only occur in the case of illness, injury or emergency. The Head Coach may make exceptions to the above policy for specific performance reasons on an individual basis in consultation with the swimmer concerned. The head coach’s decision in all these matters is final.

 **Additional Rules and Conditions**

1. The meet will be held under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules and had been Licensed Level 3 by the ASA for the entry to District Competitions.
2. Qualifying and cut off times will be applied to all events.
3. All competitors must be members of an affiliated club, registered with the ASA and may compete in the name of the club only.
4. The promoter reserves the right to accept or reject entries and also restrict in order to complete the meet within the time available. If the meet is oversubscribed, entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis, allowing for an equal balance of swimmers across the age groups.
5. Entries and Results for this meet will be held on computer. As required by the Data Protection Act 1998 submission of entries implies consent to the holding of personal information on computer. These details may be made public before, during or after the meet.
6. The one start rule will, be in operation during this event.
7. Wet swimmers are not allowed in the spectator’s areas.
8. I accordance with recommendations of the ASA child protection policy, any person wishing to use video, zoom or close range photography, including mobile phones that have photographic capabilities should first register their details at the spectators entrance.
9. Neither the promoter nor the pool accept liability for any loss or damage to personal belongings.
10. The promoter reserves the right to alter these conditions if necessary, any alterations being announced during the meet. Any matter not covered by these conditions shall be at the promoter’s discretion if not covered by the ASA Laws or Technical Rules.
11. Should it be necessary to cancel the meet, for reasons beyond the control of the promoter, refunds will not apply once the meet has commenced. Prior to commencement refunds may apply at the promoter’s discretion.
12. The promoter reserves the right to make alterations to these conditions if necessary and all participants will be notified. Any matter not covered by these conditions or by ASA Laws or technical rules will be at the promoter’s discretion.
13. Any swimmer breaking these conditions will be liable to disqualification from any or all events.
14. Refunds will also be given for medical reasons on production of a Doctor’s note.
15. The promoters reserve the right to refuse admission to any competitor or spectator.