

2008 GRPA

CLASS 'A'

STATE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

JULY 25-26, 2008

AUGUSTA RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT



AUGUSTA AQUATICS CENTER



GEORGIA RECREATION & PARKS ASSOCIATION
2008 STATE 'A' SWIM MEET

- DATE: Friday July 25th and Saturday July 26th
- HOST: Augusta Recreation & Parks Department
- WHERE: Augusta Aquatics Center
3157 Damascus Road
Augusta, GA 30909
706-261-0424
706-261-0440 (fax)
- FACILITIES: 40,000 square foot building with a 50 meter x 25 yard Olympic size competition pool. Competition pool may be set up as an 8-lane long course or a 16-lane short course venue. Facility also has a 25 yard x 48 foot recreation pool with 1 meter and 3 meter springboards. Balcony seating and deck level seating can accommodate over 1,250 spectators.
- TIMING: Colorado Timing System – touch pads, back-up buttons and scoreboard.
- RULES: Governed by the Georgia Recreation & Parks Association Athletic Manual. United States Swimming Short Course Rules will govern the conduct of the meet for preliminaries and finals.
- ELIGIBILITY: Age control date is prior to June 1st of the current year. A child must attain the age of seven for competition.
- ENTRY LIMIT: Each competitor may enter a maximum of two individual events and two relay events.
- ENTRY FEE: There is a \$5.00 fee per person, per individual event and a \$12.00 fee per relay team, per relay event.
- ENTRIES: All rosters, results and entry forms must be received by the Augusta Recreation & Parks Department by Monday July 14, 2008. Entries should be submitted using the HY-TEK meet manager software. Checks should be made payable to the Augusta Aquatics Center. Official GRPA rosters (with birth certificate documentation) signed by the agency director, must be received by close of business on Monday July 14, 2008.
- AWARDS: Medals will be awarded to the top eight finishers in each event.
- SCHEDULE: 7 & 8 and 10 & under – Friday
12, 14 and 18 & under – Saturday
- CONCESSIONS: Available at facility

Driving Directions to The Augusta Aquatics Center

**3157 Damascus Road
Augusta, GA 30909
706-261-0425**

www.augustaga.gov/departments/aquatic_center/home.asp

Traveling on I-20:

Take exit 196A (I-520 East – Bobby Jones Expressway) to Exit #2 (Wrightsboro Road). Turn left and go under the bridge, go 1.9 miles and turn right at the seventh stoplight (Damascus Road). The Aquatics Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

Traveling on US Highway 78 East:

Take I-20 East at Thomson, GA. Take exit 196A (I-520 East – Bobby Jones Expressway) to Exit #2 (Wrightsboro Road). Turn left and go under the bridge, go 1.9 miles and turn right at the seventh stoplight (Damascus Road). The Aquatics Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

Traveling on US Highway 1 North:

Take I-520 West (Bobby Jones Expressway) to Exit #2 (Wrightsboro Road). Turn right, travel 1.9 miles, and turn right at the sixth stoplight (Damascus Road). The Aquatics Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

Traveling on US Highway 25 North:

Take I-520 West (Bobby Jones Expressway) to Exit #2 (Wrightsboro Road). Turn right, travel 1.9 miles, and turn right at the sixth stoplight (Damascus Road). The Aquatics Center is 0.3 miles on the left.

Augusta Aquatics Center Hotel Information

****Please note**: In order to obtain the best available rate, you must identify yourself as part of a team participating in an event sponsored by the Augusta Recreation and Parks Department.

Augusta, GA 30909
(706) 737-2300

Augusta, GA 30813
(706) 396-4610

Homewood Suites
1049 Stevens Creek Road
Augusta, GA 30907
(706) 738-3131

Augusta Marriott Hotel & Suites
Two 10th Street
Augusta, GA 30901
(706) 722-8900

Baymont Inn & Suites
2905 Riverwest Drive
Augusta, GA 30907
(706) 733-5900

Hotel Augusta
I-20 @ Bobby Jones Expressway
Augusta, GA 30907
(706) 855-6060

RESTAURANTS IN THE PROXIMITY OF THE AUGUSTA AQUATICS CENTER

	Address	Phone
Applebee's Grill	3150 Wrightsboro Rd	706-736-1156
Arby's	Augusta Mall	706-737-8840
Atlanta Bread Co	255 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-736-1551
Baldino's Jersey Subs	3336 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-9796
Break 4 Lunch	1522 North Leg Rd	706-

Burger King	3431 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-9762
Captain D's Seafood	3166 Wrightsboro Rd	706-733-5361
Chick-Fil-A	202 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-738-9163
Chili's	273 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-667-0007
Cracker Barrel	460 Park West Drive	706-650-2414
Don Pablo	277 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-733-0661
KFC Chicken	3493 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-0040
Krystal	3403 Wrightsboro Rd	706-736-7753
Logan's Roadhouse	269 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-738-8088
Macaroni Grill	275 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-736-3029
McDonalds	3423 Wrightsboro Rd	706-733-5011
New Ming Wah	3415 Wrightsboro Rd	706-736-1701
Old Country Buffet	3435 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-8049
Piccadilly Cafeteria	Augusta Mall	706-738-2517
Sconyers Bar-B-Que	2250 Sconyers Way	706-790-5411
Souper Salad	250 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-733-1745
Subway	3233 Wrightsboro Rd	706-737-6444
T-Bonz	1654 Gordon Hwy	706-796-1875
Taco Bell	3213 Wrightsboro Rd	706-733-2467
Tony Roma's	203 Robert C. Daniel Pkwy	706-733-9497
Vallarta Mexican	3144 Wrightsboro Rd	706-731-0321
Village Deli Sub & Pub	2803 Wrightsboro Rd	706-736-3691
Wendy's	3342 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-0859
Wife Saver	1501 North Leg	706-736-5593
7 Star Chinese	3156 Wrightsboro Rd	706-738-2828

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RULE IX – YOUTH SWIMMING AND DIVING

ARTICLE I – ELIGIBILITY

SECTION A – CLASSIFICATIONS

1. Allow within district lines for individuals to compete in the nearest or adjoining departments with the following restrictions:
 - a. Home or county agency has no program for the sport.
 - b. No recruiting by the adjoining agency.
 - c. Cannot cross district lines.
 - d. Host agency endorsed participant.
 - e. Cannot pass over a program to participate in another agency. (Exception: see j. below).
 - f. Must participate in the sport/program in the Host agency/program.
 - g. If the participant resides in class "A" County, he/she cannot compete in "B/C" county.
 - h. Host agency must notify the District Athletic Chair with list and home county of each crossover participant. The district must forward the information to the State Host & State Athletic Chair.
 - i. Participants must be approved by their District Athletic Chair. Any and all protest of crossovers must be done prior to district competition. Once they are approved they are legal throughout district and state.
 - j. When a private agency is the only provider of a program and a participant must purchase a membership plus pay fees then the participant will be allowed to participate with an agency across county lines.

2. Class A – Agencies of 15,000 youth population or more.

3. Class B/C – Agencies of less than 15,000 youth population or any agency who appealed B or C.

4. There is no classification for diving. Class A, B, and C will compete as one group at one State Meet.

5. All state, federal, private, military, or other related organizations participating are subject to youth population criteria to meet classification guidelines.

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SECTION B – AGE DIVISIONS

1. There are five (5) age divisions for boys and girls. The age divisions are as follows: (Cutoff Date - age prior to June 1.)

Swimming
a. 7-8

Diving
7-8

b. 9-10	9-10
c. 11-12	11-12
d. 13-14	13-14
e. 15-18	15-18

2. Relay participants in District competition may qualify for the State Meet by Agency name only. Names of relay participants are not required, and relay participants may be changed, added or substituted, provided that their names appear on their Agency's Official GRPA Roster and that they did not participate in a different age division. An example of a relay change would be one based on sickness, which occurred between District and State, or injury to a participant between the preliminaries and the finals.

3. Participants in swimming relays cannot change from preliminaries to finals unless due to illness or injury. A relay team found to contain an ineligible swimmer or swimmers shall be disqualified.

4. Youth coaches must be certified by one of the following programs: NYSCA, ACEP, GHSA, US SWIMMING, KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY, SIMPLY THE BEST, or staff member.

SECTION C – ENTRIES

1. All rosters and entries shall be submitted by the date specified by the State Host. The district host to complete state meet entries and submit entry sheet to be double checked by each of the teams from the district, before submitting to the state host. If submitted electronically you must also submit hard copy.

2. A district having only one team participating in swimming and diving may enter the State Meet, provided all rules and regulations concerning entry and eligibility as described in this Manual are met.

3. Individual competitors may enter a maximum of two individual swimming events, two relay events, and two diving events in which he/she has qualified for at the agency or district meet.

4. Relay teams must be composed of members from one Agency team, and not a district-wide relay team or participants from more than one Agency Team. Names of relay entries must be submitted to the state host prior to the state entry deadline with the understanding that they can be changed prior to their competition if due to illness or injury.

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5. All agencies must enter swimmers as a team on Official Roster Forms. Entries must be made by Agencies and not to be entered by associations, leagues, or individual teams.

6. The Recreation Agencies will be responsible for the entries and all monies getting to

and being paid to the State and to the State Host.

7. If an individual competitor swims up in an age division for relay competition, he/she must swim up in their individual events throughout the entire meet. (i.e. One cannot swim 12 & Under 50 freestyle and 14 & Under Medley relay and maintain eligibility in the lower age event).

Class "A" Agencies:

1. Agencies with 1500 or more swimmers and divers that are registered locally to participate in GRPA competition shall be awarded three (3) entries in each swimming event and unlimited entries in each diving event at the State Meet without district competition.

2. Districts who have agencies with 1500 or more swimmers and divers within their district will be awarded three (3) entries in swimming and three (3) entries for each diving event in the state meet. All other districts will be awarded three (3) entries in each swimming event and unlimited entries in each diving event at the State Meet.

Class "B & C" Agencies:

1. Each district shall be awarded three (3) entries in swimming and unlimited entries in diving events at the State Meet.

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ARTICLE II – REGULATIONS

SECTION A – GOVERNING RULES (US SWIMMING AND DIVING)

1. The GRPA State Swimming and Diving Meet shall be governed by this Manual. In

any situation which may not be covered by this Manual, the Meet Director, in consultation with the GRPA Swimming and Diving Sub-Committee if he deems it necessary, shall have the authority to make the final decision.

2. All situations not specifically covered by this Manual concerning meet regulations, shall be handled in accordance with the current US Swimming and US Diving Rule Book.

SECTION B – EVENTS

1. Swimming events in each age division for boys and girls are as follows: (Length of competition in yards)

(A) 7 - 10	(B) 12, 14, and 18 & Under
Yards / Style	Yards / Style
50 / Freestyle	100 / Freestyle
100 / Medley Relay	200 / Medley Relay
25 / Freestyle	50 / Freestyle
25 / Breast Stroke	50 / Breast Stroke
100 / Individual Medley	100 / Individual Medley
25 / Back Stroke	50 / Back Stroke
25 / Butterfly	50 / Butterfly
100 / Freestyle Relay	200 / Freestyle Relay

2. “A”, “B”/ “C” Meet

a. Using an eight (8) lane pool, swimmers shall be seeded in preliminary heats according to US Swimming guidelines. The top eight (8) times [top six (6) times in a six lane pool] from the preliminaries shall advance to the Finals. If there are eight (8) [six (6) in a six lane pool] or less swimmers in an age group entered in a single event, that event will be swam as a timed final during the preliminary heats.

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3. Schedule of Competition (“B” – “C” State Championship will have swimming only.)

Finals for all age groups

FRIDAY

7:00 AM

Swimming Warm-ups for 7 & 8 and 10 & Under

9:00 AM

Open Ceremonies and Swimming Preliminaries for 7 & 8 and 10 & Under

4:00 PM

Or three hours following completion of preliminaries swimming finals

SATURDAY

7:00 AM

Swimming warm-ups for 12, 14 and 18 & Under

9:00 AM

Swimming preliminaries for 12, 14 and 18 & Under

4:00 PM

Or three hours following completion of preliminaries swimming finals

SECTION C – SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. All rules for swimming the strokes, for starts and turns, and for relays, shall be taken directly from the current US Swimming Rule Book.

2. Rules for Diving:

- a. All rules for dives and conduct of events shall be in accordance with the rules as outlined in the US Diving Rules Book, except as noted otherwise herein.
- b. Divers may qualify for one- and three-meter events.
- c. Diving sheets are due by 6:00 PM the night prior to competition.
- d. Diving order of events: determined by host.

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SECTION D – DIVING COMPETITION

1. Diving Requirements shall be as follows:

- a. 7-8, 9-10 Age Group (1 and 3 Meter) – five (5) total dives
 - (i) Front Approach and Jump DD 1.0

- (ii) Back Approach and Jump DD 1.0*
- (iii) 101 DD 1.7
- (iv) Two (2) optional each from different groups DD as listed
- b. 11-12 Under Age Group (1 and 3 Meter) – five (5) total dives
 - (i-a) Front approach and jump DD 1.0
 - OR
 - (i-b) Back approach and jump DD 1.0*
 - (ii) 101 DD 1.7
 - (iii) Three (3) optional each from different groups DD as listed
- c. 13-14 Under Age Group (1 and 3 Meter) – six (6) total dives
 - (i) Three (3) voluntary dives from different groups DD 1.7
 - (ii) Three (3) optional dives from a minimum of 2 different groups DD as listed
- d. 15-16 Under Age Group (1 and 3 Meter)
 - (i) Three (3) voluntary dives from different group DD 1.7
 - (ii) Four (4) optional dives from a minimum of 3 different groups DD as listed
- e. 17-18 & Under Age Groups (1 and 3 Meter)
 - (i) Four (4) voluntary dives from different groups DD 1.7
 - (ii) Four (4) optional dives from a minimum of 3 different groups DD as listed.

*On three meter, the back approach will be replaced by a front line-up DD 1.0.

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ARTICLE III – FACILITY/EQUIPMENT/TIMING

SECTION A – FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

1. The facility for the State Meet shall meet standards as set forth by US Swimming and

US Diving for an 8 (eight) or 6 (six) lane pool.

2. The pool shall be equipped with acceptable pool depths, starting blocks on both ends, lane dividers, backstroke flags, and a recall rope.

3. The diving well will be a minimum of 12 feet deep. The springboard shall be 20 inches wide and 16 feet long, level, and covered (the whole length) with an adequate nonskid material. A mechanically and readily adjustable fulcrum between dives is required.

4. All other items as necessary for the successful operation of the meet, such as adequate seating, restrooms, concessions, watches, pistols, etc., shall be provided by the Host Agency for District and State Competition.

SECTION B – TIMING

1. Fully-automatic electronic timing with touch pads shall be required for State level swimming competition, and is highly recommended for District competition. Times shall be reported to two decimal places only (100ths of a second). Times shall be listed in hundredths only. All state records shall be reported to the hundredth of a second with no rounding off.

2. Two back-up timing systems shall be available at all times when electronic timing is being used. This could consist of (a) a manual backup built into the timing system plus one watch per lane or (b) three watches per lane. Two across-the-board finish judges shall be used at all times with either backup system.

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ARTICLE IV – MEETS AND AWARDS

SECTION A – DISTRICT

1. No additions or substitutions are allowed after entries have been submitted. Entries

are final once they have been submitted to the State Host. Agencies and Districts have the sole responsibility of verifying the accuracy of each entry.

2. A copy of the district results will be forwarded to the State Host along with the State entries. Official rosters are to be signed by the tournament director from district competition. Birth certificates are not required from district competition.

EXCEPTION: Agencies with over one-thousand five-hundred (1500) swimmers conducting their own qualifying meet must submit an official roster signed by the agency director along with birth certificates for verification. The State Host will verify the information for accuracy and sign the roster.

3. Each agency will be allowed only two (2) coaches on the deck during the state meet.

4. The name and contact information of the District Swim Meet Coordinator, each participating team's department representative, and all swim coaches who participated in the district competition, must be faxed or emailed to the state host within forty-eight (48) hours of the conclusion of the district meet.

SECTION B – STATE

1. Seeding of all preliminaries will be done in accordance with US Swimming guidelines. The finals shall be seeded (in accordance with US Swimming guidelines) with the eight (8) fastest times [six (6) fastest times in six lane pool] from the preliminaries in both the "A" and "B, C" State Meet. The diving order will be drawn by lot. Places will be awarded by time for swimming or total score for diving.

2. A scratch meet will be held prior to every swimming and diving meet. During said scratch meets, all entries can be verified and bona fide entry errors can be corrected.

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ARTICLE V – DISQUALIFICATIONS AND PROTESTS

1. A participant may be disqualified from an event for failure to swim a stroke correctly or exhibiting unsportsmanlike conduct. Any protest or clarification of this decision

must come from the participant’s coach or Agency representative only. No parents shall be allowed to file a protest or approach any official while the Meet is in progress, subject to the disqualification of the swimmer for the duration of the meet. A protest shall be filed with the Meet Director, who then has the authority to take it to the State Athletic Committee, if he deems necessary, or make a ruling on the spot. All swimmers will be allowed one false start. Judgment disqualifications can not be protested (i.e., disqualifications on a stroke).

2. With one false start a warning will be given to the field and the next false start the swimmer will be disqualified.

ARTICLE VI – OFFICIALS AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION A – HOST OFFICIALS

1. The Host Agency shall be responsible for providing all officials necessary for the proper management of the State Meet, including starter, stroke and turn judges, finish judges, timers, scorers, clerk of course, awards personnel, announcer, diving judges, and any others deemed necessary by the Host Agency.

SWIMMING ORDER OF EVENTS

FRIDAY			SATURDAY		
EVENT	STROKE & DISTANCE	AGE GROUPS	EVENT	STROKE & DISTANCE	AGE GROUPS
1	50 Free	7 & 8 Girls	33	100 Free	12 & Under Girls
2	50 Free	7 & 8 Boys	34	100 Free	12 & Under Boys
3	50 Free	10 & Under Girls	35	100 Free	14 & Under Girls

4	50 Free	10 & Under Boys	36	100 Free	14 & Under Boys
5	MR	7 & 8 Girls	37	100 Free	18 & Under Girls
6	MR	7 & 8 Boys	38	100 Free	18 & Under Girls
7	MR	10 & Under Girls	39	MR	12 & Under Girls
8	MR	10 & Under Boys	40	MR	12 & Under Boys
9	25 Free	7 & 8 Girls	41	MR	14 & Under Girls
10	25 Free	7 & 8 Boys	42	MR	14 & Under Boys
11	25 Free	10 & Under Girls	43	MR	18 & Under Girls
12	25 Free	10 & Under Boys	44	MR	18 & Under Girls
13	25 Breast	7 & 8 Girls	45	50 Free	12 & Under Girls
14	25 Breast	7 & 8 Boys	46	50 Free	12 & Under Girls
15	25 Breast	10 & Under Girls	47	50 Free	12 & Under Boys
16	25 Breast	10 & Under Boys	48	50 Free	14 & Under Girls
17	100 IM	7 & 8 Girls	49	50 Free	14 & Under Boys
18	100 IM	7 & 8 Boys	50	50 Free	18 & Under Girls
19	100 IM	10 & Under Girls	51	50 Breast	12 & Under Girls
20	100 IM	10 & Under Boys	52	50 Breast	12 & Under Boys
21	25 Back	7 & 8 Girls	53	50 Breast	14 & Under Girls
22	25 Back	7 & 8 Boys	54	50 Breast	14 & Under Boys
23	25 Back	10 & Under Girls	55	50 Breast	18 & Under Girls
24	25 Back	10 & Under Boys	56	50 Breast	18 & Under Girls
25	25 Fly	7 & 8 Girls	57	100 IM	12 & Under Girls
26	25 Fly	7 & 8 Boys	58	100 IM	12 & Under Boys
27	25 Fly	10 & Under Girls	59	100 IM	14 & Under Girls
28	25 Fly	10 & Under Boys	60	100 IM	14 & Under Boys
29	Free Relay	7 & 8 Girls	61	100 IM	18 & Under Girls
30	Free Relay	7 & 8 Boys	62	100 IM	18 & Under Girls
31	Free Relay	10 & Under Girls	63	50 Back	12 & Under Girls
32	Free Relay	10 & Under Boys	64	50 Back	12 & Under Boys
			65	50 Back	14 & Under Girls
			66	50 Back	14 & Under Boys
			67	50 Back	18 & Under Girls
			68	50 Back	18 & Under Girls
			69	50 Fly	12 & Under Girls
			70	50 Fly	12 & Under Boys
			71	50 Fly	14 & Under Girls
			72	50 Fly	14 & Under Boys
			73	50 Fly	18 & Under Girls
			74	50 Fly	18 & Under Girls
			75	Free Relay	12 & Under Girls
			76	Free Relay	12 & Under Boys
			77	Free Relay	14 & Under Girls
			78	Free Relay	14 & Under Boys
			79	Free Relay	18 & Under Girls
			80	Free Relay	18 & Under Girls