**Washington Township Swim Club’s Groundhog Invitational Meet**

Timed Finals Short Course Meet, January 25-27, 2019 North Central High School Natatorium, Indianapolis, IN [www.wtscswim.org](http://www.wtscswim.org/)

**Format:** All events will be timed finals. (see attached schedule).

**Friday Arrival:** Swimmers, coaches, officials, volunteers, parents, spectators and vendors are **NOT** permitted on the North Central High School campus until **after 3:00 pm EST**. Swimmers will not be permitted on the pool deck until 4:30 pm.

**Sanction:** This meet is sanctioned by USA Swimming and Indiana Swimming #IN19153. Current USA Swimming and Indiana Swimming rules will govern this meet.

**Location:** North Central High School Natatorium, 1801 E. 86th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

**Directions:** The North Central Natatorium is located on the north side of Indianapolis. From I-465, exit at Meridian Street or Keystone Avenue head south. From Meridian turn left/east at 86th Street and turn right/south at the stoplight at the school entrance across from the Northview Shops. From Keystone turn right/west at 86th Street/Nora exit and left/south at school entrance. Enter door #24 at rear of school.

**Free Parking:** Available in adjacent lots. Be advised that school dismissal on Friday afternoon may hamper parking access. Although this meet takes place in a safe community, Athletes and spectators are reminded to not leave valuables in their vehicle. WTSC is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

**Admission:** $6 per session. All session pass $15. $2 per heat sheet.

**Local Attractions:** Nearby hotels, restaurants, and stores accommodate a variety of tastes and budgets. Shopping includes: Northview Shops, Nora Plaza, The Fashion Mall at Keystone Crossing, Castleton Square Mall, and Glendale Plaza. Nearby Broad Ripple Village offers numerous dining options, shops and art galleries, as well as the Monon Trail and Central Canal for walking, running and biking.

**Facility:** The North Central Natatorium will use two 25-yard competition pools with 10 lanes and Keifer-McNeil non-turbulent lane markers, equipped with a Colorado Electronic Timing System. Lanes that are not used for competition will be used for continuous warm-up and warm-down.

The water depth of the pool from the west end to a distance beyond five meters is a constant six feet, and from the east end to a distance past five meters the depth is 14'6". At a point beyond five meters from the ends, the bottom slopes up to a water depth of 4'6" for a middle portion of the pool. The competition course is certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4) and is on file with USA Swimming.

**Spectator Bleacher Seating**: Available on one side only and seats 500. The timed finals format will place spectator seating at a premium. Please be respectful of others who wish to view particular races, plan on moving into and out of the seating area. The meet timeline will be posted for your convenience.

Comfortable, cool seating will be provided adjacent to the swimmer camping area. Meet Mobile will be enabled and complimentary wi-fi will be available.

**Camping**: Available in performing arts area adjacent to the pool. Swimmers are asked to take only competition swim gear, towels and fluids on deck. Please keep personal belongings such as food, backpacks, chairs, blankets and pillows in camping area.

**Concessions:** WTSC will offer a variety of snacks and meals throughout the meet.

**Accessible seating:** A limited number of seats can be made available for those in need of accessible seating due to a physical disability.

**Hotel Info:** There are several hotels in the local area.

**Meet Director: Emily Wolfe-** emguibs@aol.com

 **Julie Spicer-** jspicerwtsc@gmail.com

**Entry Chair: Josh Buening-** MeetEntry@wtscswim.org

 **Head Coach: Josh Saylor-** jsaylor5@yahoo.com

**Meet Referee: Heather Baker-Smith-** iubaker1@yahoo.com

**Communications:** WTSC will only communicate with club coaches and/or designated representatives and not the swimmers' parents. Please seek additional information from those designated.

**Entry Acceptance Date:** Entries will not be accepted prior to **12:01 AM EST on Wed, December 26, 2018.**

**Entry Deadline:** The **Entry Deadline** is **11:59 PM EST, January 7, 2019.** Teams not accepted will be notified by **8:00 PM EST, January 8, 2019.** The deadline will be extended if the meet is not full.

### Entry Procedures:

Submit entries **via the internet only** in an USA Swimming approved SDIF file format recognized by Hy-tek's Meet Manager to MEET ENTRY CHAIR:

**Name-** MeetEntry@wtscswim.org

Note: In a short time you should receive an email confirming submitted entry. Immediately report any problems entering to: MeetEntry@wtscswim.orgYour team will not be penalized or rejected from meet if you experience technical difficulties.

### Other Entry Rules:

* Current and correct Swimming ID numbers must be supplied with your entry for every swimmer.
* No times and non-conforming times will be accepted.
* Non-conforming times will be converted by Hy-tek Meet Manager and will be seeded with conforming times accordingly.
* Relay entries must include names of four swimmers (minimum) of the correct sex and age group for the event. These names will be submitted in the order in which you intend them to swim. Actual relay teams and swimming order may be modified via the submission of relay cards. (See relay card section below.) The Entry Chair will not accept relay teams entered without names.
* Your electronic entry file must include all team information regarding your coach's name/s, team address, team phone number and team email address. Those teams that do not include this information will not be accepted into the meet until all of the required information is provided.

**Acceptance Criteria:** If meet is over-entered, WTSC will consider entries to accept based on:

* Past support of other WTSC Meets (not State Championships)
* Number of officials volunteering to assist with officiating the meet
* Balance of age groups and gender in entry
* Level of competition
* Order of acceptance after Meet Entry Acceptance Date

**Once Accepted:** Please perform the following tasks:

* Carefully check the entry report that WTSC emailed back to your team's designated individual. Report any errors or variances via email as soon as possible and before the deadline for changes **January 17, 2019 by 5:00 PM EST**. All athletes planning to swim, must be entered by the January 19, 2019 deadline. Any athlete entered after this date will be considered late and will incur deck entry fees. Late entries will be at the sole discretion of Meet Entry Chair. Late entries will not be added if they will unduly extend the meet.
* Keep the original Entry Report WTSC sent to you along with all subsequent Entry Reports notifying you of changed or update entries. These are the official record of your team's entry. No refunds or changes will be made to your team's entry due to your failure to review reports sent to you by WTSC.
* Please email the following to: MeetEntry@wtscswim.org so it will be received by the Entry Chair on or before **5:00 PM EST January 19, 2019**:
	+ Executed release and hold harmless agreement
	+ Officials/Volunteer Sheets
* **Pay Fees:** Pay your fees at the meet prior to your first swimmer starting competition. If other payment options need to be arranged, please email the Meet Entry Chair.

### Fees:

* $2 per swimmer surcharge (collected by WTSC and paid to Indiana Swimming)
* $5 per Individual Event (IE)

**Deck Entry Fees**: Double the price listed above per type of event

* Deck entries will be accepted only by the authority of the Meet Director or Meet Entry Chair and only if such additions will not affect the timeline. No new heats will be created for Deck Entries.
* No refund of fees for missed events, no-shows, scratches, disqualifications or event cancellations.
* WTSC will refund entry fees for heat-limited events
* Spectators not volunteering will be charged admission
* Volunteers not working current session will be charged admission

### Entry Limitations:

Swimmers are limited to five (5) events per day.

**Friday Evening Events:** Meet Entry Chair may establish cuts for Friday night events to keep session within reasonable time line. No time updates or additional entries to Friday evening events will be accepted after cuts are announced. If time line permits, host team may add heats in limited events solely for host team swimmers who do not meet cut. Swimmers cut from all events on Friday evening do not need to report to pool. Swimmers who miss cuts due to an entry error that was not reported to WTSC prior to deadline for changes will not be added to limited events.

**Saturday and Sunday Events:** WTSC reserves right to limit select events during all sessions if deemed necessary to complete session/s within requirements of Indiana Swimming rules. No time updates or additional entries to any limited events will be accepted after cuts are announced. WTSC swimmers will be subject to same cuts and will not be added after cuts are announced. Swimmers who miss cuts due to an entry error that was not reported to WTSC prior to deadline for changes will not be added to limited events.

**Psych Sheets:** Psych Sheets for limited events will be e-mailed to participating clubs on or before **January 21, 2019**. They will also be posted to WTSC web site at: [www.wtscswim.org.](http://www.wtscswim.org/) Failure by a coach or parent to determine if a swimmer has been cut is not an accepted excuse. Swimmers who have been cut may not swim.

**Fly-Over Starts:** Fly-Over starts may be used for this meet.

**Session Start Times:** WTSC may request ability to adjust start times of warm-ups or competition to be either earlier or later than published times as dictated by number of entries received and to coincide with Indiana Swimming recommendations. If start times are adjusted, team representatives will be notified via email on or before **January 21, 2019.**

**Swimmer Eligibility:** Swimmers must be registered with USA Swimming to be accepted into this meet. The swimmer's age as of **the first day of the meet January 25, 2019,** will determine eligibility for age group events. Current and correct Swimming ID numbers must be supplied with every swimmer entry. (Foreign athletes not currently registered with USA Swimming should submit the registration number assigned to them by their country's FINA member organization.) Athletes without proper registration will be denied participation in the meet. Indiana Swimming does not process on-site registrations.

### USA Swimming Rules:

* **Supervision Rules:** (202.5.2) At a sanctioned competitive event, USA Swimming athlete members must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member coach during warm-up, competition and warm- down. The Meet Directors or Meet Referee will assist the athlete without a member coach in making arrangements for such supervision.

"Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach, must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement."

* **Swimsuit Rules:** (102.0.1.b) Competitors must wear only one swimsuit in one or two pieces, except as provided in (205.10.1.) Swimsuits shall be made from textile materials. For men, the swimsuit should not extend above the navel nor below knees, and for women, shall not cover the neck, extend past shoulder, nor extend below the knee. The referee has the authority to bar offenders from competition until they comply with the rule.
* Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
* Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
* **202.4.9 J**: Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open-ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by the Program Operations Vice Chair.

**Distance Events**: Lap counters will **not be provided by host club** for the 500-yard events. Swimmers must provide lap counter.

**Clerk of Course:** Clerk of Course will be used for ALL 8 & under events and will be provided by host club.

**Check-In:** This is a positive check in meet. Any changes or deck entries made after the seeding will be made to empty lanes in the first heat of an event. If there are no empty lanes, additional heat/s at the beginning of event may be added at the sole discretion of Meet Directors and Meet Referee, provided the timeline will allow. The only reason that an event may be re-seeded would be a mistake made by host club. Re-seeds will be announced and posted prior to the event.

**Awards:** Awards will be given for the top 8 places in each individual event in age group 8 & under, 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14. No events will be scored as multi-age events. Awards not picked up at end of meet will not be mailed.

**Final Results:** Within three days of the conclusion of the meet, WTSC will email the designated Club Contact (and others upon request) the following results files: Hy-tek Meet Manager Back up (Swmmbkup.zip); Hy-tek Team Manager Results (CL2); and Text file (Html and/or PDF). Any team wishing a hard copy of the results should indicate accordingly in the "Special Requests" sections of the on-line entry form.

**Coach Eligibility:** All coaches on deck must be registered USA Swimming coaches. Coaches MUST constantly display their USA Swimming Coach's credentials or deck pass to gain deck access. Meet Referee reserves right to ask coach to display credentials or deny deck access if coach does not comply with request.

**Facility rules:** Please do not tape posters, placards, signs or banners to painted surfaces, use tiled surfaces only. Violations will be subject to damages payable to NCHS Natatorium. No damage or vandalism to property. Keep all trash picked up. No balloons in pool area. No smoking or tobacco allowed in Natatorium or on school premises including parking lots. Keep out of unauthorized areas, any place other than the lobby, seating area, pool deck, and designated camping areas. Only swimmers competing in current session, coaches of entered teams, officials and volunteers working current session will be allowed on deck. Refrain from flash photography during race starts.

**Volunteer Sheet** (See the end of this meet letter for both the Officials and Time Volunteer Sheets)

# Washington Township Swim Club Groundhog Invitational

## January 25- January 27, 2019

*All Ages Swim Together In One Session Each Day*

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**FRIDAY SESSION / TIMED FINALS**

(Limited Heats)

4:45 PM WARM-UPS START

5:30 PM SESSION STARTS

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| **GIRL'S EVENT #** | **AGE** | **DISTANCE** | **STROKE** | **BOY'S EVENT #** |
| 1 | 11 & OVER | 500 | FREE | 2 |
| 3 | 10 & UNDER | 200 | FREE | 4 |
| 5 | 11 & OVER | 400 | IM | 6 |
| 7 | 10 & UNDER | 200 | IM | 8 |

**SATURDAY SESSION / TIMED FINALS**

8:00 AM WARM-UPS START

9:00 AM SESSION STARTS

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| **GIRL'S EVENT #** | **AGE** | **DISTANCE** | **STROKE** | **BOY'S EVENT #** |
| 9 | 13 & OVER | 200 | FREE | 10 |
| 11 | 8 & UNDER | 25 | FREE | 12 |
| 13 | 9-10 | 50 | FREE | 14 |
| 15 | 11-12 | 200 | FREE | 16 |
| 17 | 13 & OVER | 100 | BREAST | 18 |
| 19 | 8 & UNDER | 50 | BREAST | 20 |
| 21 | 9-10 | 100 | BREAST | 22 |
| 23 | 11-12 | 100 | BREAST | 24 |
| 25 | 13 & OVER | 200 | BACK | 26 |
| 27 | 8 & UNDER | 25 | BACK | 28 |
| 29 | 9-10 | 50 | BACK | 30 |
| 31 | 11-12 | 50 | BACK | 32 |
| 33 | 13 & OVER | 200 | FLY | 34 |
| 35 | 8 & UNDER | 50 | FLY | 36 |
| 37 | 9-10 | 100 | FLY | 38 |
| 39 | 11-12 | 100 | FLY | 40 |
| 41 | 13 & OVER | 50 | FREE | 42 |
| 43 | 11-12 | 50 | FREE | 44 |

**SUNDAY SESSION / TIMED FIN**

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9:00 AM SESSION STARTS

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| 47 | 8 & UNDER | 50 | FREE | 48 |
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| 51 | 11-12 | 100 | FREE | 52 |
| 53 | 13 & OVER | 200 | BREAST | 54 |
| 55 | 8 & UNDER | 25 | BREAST | 56 |
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| 71 | 8 & UNDER | 25 | FLY | 72 |
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| 75 | 11-12 | 50 | FLY | 76 |
| 77 | 13 & OVER | 200 | IM | 78 |
| 79 | 8 & UNDER | 100 | IM | 80 |
| 81 | 11-12 | 200 | IM | 82 |

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SWIM CLUB**

**“Groundhog Invitational”**

**RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

***CLUB: CLUB CODE:***

IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SWIM MEET, CLUB, AND ITS SWIMMERS, COACHES, PARENTS, MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS HEREBY RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SWIM CLUB, USA SWIMMING, INDIANA SWIMMING, NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, THE RESPECTIVE OWNERS, TRUSTEES, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF EACH OF THEM, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH SPONSORING OR HOLDING THIS SWIM MEET, OF AND FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LOSSES, DAMAGES OR EXPENSES, OF WHATEVER KIND OR CHARACTER, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH SAID SWIM MEET AND THE FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL FOR IT. FURTHER, CLUB AND ITS SWIMMERS, COACHES, PARENTS, MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SWIM CLUB, USA SWIMMING, NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, THE RESPECTIVE OWNERS, TRUSTEES, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF EACH OF THEM, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH SPONSORING OR HOLDING THIS SWIM MEET, OF AND FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LOSSES, DAMAGES OR EXPENSES, OF WHATEVER KIND OR CHARACTER, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INJURY TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING DEATH, OR INJURY OR DAMAGE TO ANY PROPERTY.

THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTS THAT HE/SHE IS AUTHORIZED BY THE CLUB, AND ITS SWIMMERS, COACHES, PARENTS, MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS TO EXECUTE THIS RELESASE AND HOLD HARMELSS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF EACH OF THEM, BINDING CLUB, AND ITS SWIMMERS, COACHES, PARENTS, MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS TO THE TERMS HEREOF.

### EXECUTED THIS DAY OF , 2019 SIGNATURE

**PRINTED NAME POSITION**

**TIMER VOLUNTEER SHEET**

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**OFFICIALS VOLUNTEER SHEET**

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