Swimming World

ABF Team Specialty Meet

Event Date: October 30-November 1, 2015

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SCY Meet, Swimmer fee \$10; NE Swim Travel Fund fee \$1

Roger Williams University, 1 Old Ferry Road, Bristol RI 02809

Contact: Alan Sanders 508-863-7164

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Bluefish November 13&O Trials/Finals with 12&U Timed Finals

New England Swimming Sanction # NE-16-024 TT

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Contacts	Phone	E-mail	
Meet Director: Christie Batchelor	508-455-2791	abfswimsccc@yahoo.com	
Referee: Joanie Beisel	401-294-6995	beisel@cox.net	
Entry Chairperson: Alan Sanders	508-863-7164	atsanders@aol.com	
Admin Official: Alan Sanders	508-863-7164	atsanders@aol.com	
Safety Monitor: Jessica Morrison	508-272-5196	Jm062290@yahoo.com	

For Bluefish Swim Club information, warm-up schedules, and/or "day-of-the-meet" weather or emergency notices, access the ABF web page (http://bluefishswimclub.com/) or call the ABF office at 508-455-2791

MEET FORMAT: For the 13 & O age group, the meet will be swum timed finals on Friday and prelims/finals on Sat and Sun. The 12&U age group will swim timed finals only.

The Finals will comprise of 2 heats for the 13-14 age group and 2 heats for the 15&O age group.

Note: For the trials/finals events, the top 14 swimmers in the 13-14 age groups and the top 14 finishers in the 15&O age group will advance to swim in the final heats. The 500 FR and 400 IM will be swum as OPEN, with the top 14 advancing to swim in the final heats.

Note for the Friday afternoon session: The 12&U 400 IM and the OPEN 1650 FR will be swum fast to slow. Swimmers must provide their own timers and counters for these events

Modified USA Swimming procedures for scratching events will be used:

Prelims deadline: No later than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of competition. Finals deadline: No later than 30 minutes after announcement of prelims event results. Note: A swimmer may reserve the intention to scratch from finals until 5 minutes after the result of his/her subsequent prelims event is announced.

No-show at finals: - scratch from the remainder of the meet.

Penalty waiver fee: \$10 / finals no-show.

If required, swim-offs will take place no later than 30 minutes after the announcement of the results of the last swim in the session of any participant.

Each prelim and timed final session will be seeded by computer based on positive check-in at the beginning of each session. Coaches will receive a positive check-in sheet before each session, which must be returned no later than 30 minutes before the beginning of the session. Heat sheets will be posted around the pool deck. Coaches will be able to pick up heat sheets for each event at the Clerk of Course office. Coaches are responsible for ensuring their swimmers are in the correct heat and lane. No events will swim with more than one swimmer per lane.

SITE: The Roger Williams University competition pool is an 8-lane, 25-yard pool with seven-foot-wide lanes and non-turbulent lane lines. Fully-automatic Daktronics Time Systems electronic timing with touchpads at the finish end of the pool with full electronic display. There are no touchpads at the turn end of the pool. The finish end of the pool is 12 ½ feet deep; the turn end of the pool is 4 feet deep. The competition course has not be certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). Spectator seating for 500. The pool is located inside the Recreation Center Athletic Complex, 1 Old Ferry Road Street, Bristol, RI 02809.. Directions may be found later in this document.

COURSE: Short course yards (25 yards)

25-YARD EVENTS: 25-yard events will start from the blocks. Hand timing will be used for these events.

CUT PROTOCOL: If a session is over-subscribed, the Meet Director reserves the right to limit events, heats, swimmers, or adjust the format to conform to the 4-hour rule using the following cut protocols in any order deemed necessary:

- (a.) Teams included in the 75% may be asked to cut each athlete to 4 events in the session.
- (b) Distance events may need to be cut by time.

For teams included in the 25% of the 75/25:

- (a.) Teams may be asked to cut each athlete to as few as 3 events in the session.
- (b.) Entries may be cut by time or to a specific number of heats for specified events

If deck scratches allow a reasonable time-line, the swimmers can be reinstated into those previously entered events. In order to comply with the specific time requirements for any 12&U session, a lottery from the 25% for entry into those sessions may be conducted by the New England Swim office. Clubs will be notified of cuts no later than Monday before the meet.

RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES: Once a meet is sanctioned, changes can be made to the meet invitation before the meet, only with the approval of the Technical Chair, Laura Matuszak. Any change to the meet format after the meet begins will be at the discretion of the Meet Referee, and will be presented to the coaches at a coaches meeting.

MEET COMMITTEE/JURY: The Meet Jury will be made up of one Official, one coach, and one athlete to be selected by the Meet Referee who will present issues and moderate the Jury but not vote. The three members shall be from separate teams. The Meet Jury will decide all issues of eligibility and anything not addressed in the Meet Announcement. The Meet Referee shall have authority as described in the current USA Swimming Rulebook.

WEATHER PROTOCOL: If weather or facility conditions make it impossible to follow the original timeline of events, the Meet Director and Meet Referee have a right to make changes to the meet sessions. The Meet Director will notify the teams of the changes with as much notice as possible. **Cancellation of the meet, or session**, is a decision of the Meet Director, Meet Referee and the Meet Committee

ELIGIBILITY: All swimmers must be 2015/2016 registered swimmers with United States Swimming. Swimmers may register with Carol Healey, PO Box 920133, Needham, MA 02492: office@neswim.com Age is determined by the age of the swimmer on the first day of the meet.

All coaches on deck must be registered with USA Swimming and display their coach membership cards.

Any swimmer entered in the meet 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. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement

REGISTRATIONS: All swimmers must be registered (includes proof of age and payment) with USA Swimming before 11:59 PM on the Tuesday before the start of the meet. Any swimmer who has entered a meet and does not register by 11:59 PM on the Tuesday before the first day of the meet is subject to a \$100 fine and will be scratched from the meet. Teams are **required** to check their entries with the online registration check tool on the <u>New England Swimming</u> web site to verify registration status

DECK REGISTRATIONS for deck entries: We will accept on-deck registrations at this meet, for any unregistered swimmer that wants to swim, as long as there is a completed registration form, proof of age, and a check made out to New England Swimming for \$75.00. Entry fees for on-deck entries are \$7.00 per event.

DISABILITY SWIMMERS: Any current athlete members of USA Swimming with a disability, as defined by USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, may enter this meet. If modifications to USA Swimming rules are necessary then the coach or athlete must notify the meet referee and meet director of any disability prior to competition.

EVENTS and SESSIONS: See attached list.

ENTRY INFORMATION:

First date of entry acceptance: September 30, 2015 (any entry received before this date will be considered received on September 30, 2015)

Final date of entry acceptance: October 26, 2015

Make checks payable to "C & C Swimming".

Mail completed signed entry cover page and waiver, and payment to the entry chairperson:

Alan Sanders PO Box 623 Buzzards Bay MA 02532 Payment due date for all entries: October 26, 2015. Any team that fails to send payment, cover page and waiver form, by this due date can be scratched from the meet at the discretion of the Entry Chairperson.

ENTRY POLICY: <u>75%/25%</u>

Teams that are included in the 75% of guaranteed entries must submit their entry and payment to the host team no later than 7 calendar days before the first date of entries, or the host team may remove them from the 75% of guaranteed entries. The team will still be liable for payment of the entry fee, and will be referred to the Board of Review. The host team can release this liability if it is able to fill the meet with entries from other teams.

Teams accepted in the 25% or the lottery must send payment for their entry within 4 calendar days of the notification. Accepted teams that do not send payment within 4 calendar days will forfeit their entry, but will still be liable for payment of the entry fee, unless the host team is able to fill the meet with entries from other teams. No refunds will be given for entries that are accepted or for entries that are rejected due to improper entry. Any swimmer who is entered with incorrect swimmer information, or an incorrect or no ID, or is unregistered, will be scratched from the meet until corrections are made per the New England policy.

All unattached swimmers must be declared as unattached in writing before the meet begins.

ENTRY FEES: Electronic entries:

\$5.00 for all individual events including time trials \$6.00 for trials/finals events \$7.00 for distance events On-deck entries: \$7.00.

Non-electronic entries: Add 50c for individual events. Swimmer Participation Fee is \$10.00 per swimmer

NE Swimming Travel Fee of \$1.00 per swimmer (to be included in the check and the host team will send to NESwimming)

ELECTRONIC ENTRIES: Electronic entries (such as from Hy-Tek Team Manager or other team management software) that are in CL2 or SD3/SDIF format may be emailed as an attachment to the entry chairperson <u>Alan Sanders</u>. Entries WILL be acknowledged. If you do not receive acknowledgement, contact entry chair directly by phone. Please check that your team name, address, and contact information are listed correctly in this file. For email entries, payment and hardcopy of the entry (including signed entry cover page and waiver) must be received within 4 days of acceptance.

ENTRY LIMITS: Athletes may enter and swim in a maximum of 5 individual events per day for timed final events, or 3 per day for trials/finals events. Time Trials count in the per day event count.

ENTRY TIME UPATES: Entry times may be updated until 1 day prior to the first day of the meet. Entry time updates should be sent via email to the entry chairperson <u>Alan Sanders</u>. Entry time updates must be sent as Hy-Tek format CL2 files with updated times. (New entries may be automatically excluded.)

ENTRY TIMES: All entries must be specified in short-course yard (25-yard pool) times. Meter times must be converted to yard times. Entries with No Time are accepted but it is preferred that the swimmer be entered with a Coaches Time.

TIME TRIALS: Time trials will be offered at the discretion of the Meet Director and the Meet Referee if time allows. Time trials are \$5.00 for individual events, and \$20.00 for relays.

LEGAL SPLITS: Legal splits (including relay lead-offs) must be requested before the event using a legal split form (available from the Clerk of Course) and the requesting party must supply an additional timer(s) on the lane for the split, if necessary, to meet the USA-S requirement.

ADMISSION: \$3.00 per session

HEAT SHEETS: \$5.00 per session.

MEET MOBILE: Meet mobile will be functional for this meet. All users should be aware that Meet Mobile publishes unverified raw data which cannot be relied upon until the official results have been published and posted in the facility.

WARMUPS: The pool will open for warm-ups up to one-hour before the beginning of each session (See event listing). The pool will close ten minutes before the beginning of each session. Teams will be assigned warm-up lanes after all entries are received.

OFFICIALS: If you know that you will be attending this meet, please email the Meet Referee and let him/her know your level of certification, team, and sessions you will be available. This is for pre-meet planning purposes only. All officials are welcome to work any number of sessions and walk-ons are always welcome. (Officials meetings must be at least one hour prior to the start of a session.)

SAFETY:

- 1. Diving will be prohibited during warm-ups except in specifically announced one-way sprint lanes. There will be no diving in the warm-up and warm-down areas at any time
- 2. No shaving is permitted at the competition site.
- 3. No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
- 4. Swimmers must be under the supervision of a coach. If a swimmer arrives at the meet without a coach, the swimmer should notify the referee before he/she warms up. The referee will assign the swimmer to a registered coach for warm-ups.
- 5. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, locker rooms, behind the blocks, or in any marked NO CAMERA ZONE.
- 6. Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited.

RULES: Current USA Swimming rules will govern all competition. Decisions by the meet referee will be final unless a written protest is lodged within 30 minutes of the heat swum. All swimmers, coaches and officials will follow the USA Swimming code of conduct under article 304 of the USA Swimming rules and regulations. Any violation of such policy will be reported to the Meet Referee and the New England Swimming office for further review and/or action.

SAFE SPORT: The conduct of all participants and spectators at a meet is governed by USA Swimming Rules 304/305. Any and all infractions must be reported to an official, the Meet Referee or the Meet Director to be resolved.

USA Swimming and NE Swimming encourage all to report any witnessed or suspected forms of abuse/safe sport violations to the NE Swimming Safe Sport Chair, Anne Kaufman: anne.l.kaufman@gmail.com (857-928-3638) or through the <u>USA-S online reportable form</u>.

PHOTOGRAPHY: PHOTOGRAPHERS ON DECK: As per New England Swimming policy, professional photographers contracted by Bluefish Swim Club or press photographers who have been approved in advance by the Meet Director are allowed on deck. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted behind the starting blocks, including in any spectator area behind the starting blocks, nor in any other marked NO CAMERA ZONE. Email the Meet Director with questions and requests

The host team may designate NO CAMERA ZONEs in order to further restrict filming on deck. NO CAMERA ZONEs will be clearly designated

DECK ACCESS: Only 2015/2016 USA Swimming registered athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staffs are permitted on the pool deck. All non-athletes on the pool deck must display their current USA Swimming registration card at all times. Individuals without their USA

Swimming registration card will be removed from the pool deck, and will be subject to a fine by New England Swimming.

SCORING: The meet will not be scored.

AWARDS: Ribbons will be awarded for the first 8 places in the individual events for 12 & Under age groups only.

FOOD: A concession stand will be in operation for the duration of the meet.

EQUIPMENT VENDOR: A swimming equipment vendor will be selling suits, goggles, and other accessories for the duration of the meet.

MISCELLANEOUS: Roger Williams University and Bluefish Swim Club assumes no responsibility for lost or stolen property. Pets of any kind are not permitted within the facility.

PARKING: See map. Visitors must use the North Entrance and park in Lot D only. The swim pool is in Building 16. Entrance is opposite Building 15.



DIRECTIONS:

From Providence, RI: Take Route 195 East to Massachusetts Exit 2 (Warren/Newport RI, Route 136 South). Follow 136 South for approximately nine miles. Campus is on your left; make a U-turn, just before Mt. Hope Bridge, to main entrance. The Recreation Center is the 2nd building on your left after entering past the gate.

From Boston, MA: Take Route 93 South to Route 24 South to Fall River. From Route 24 bear right onto Route 195 West to Exit 8A (Tiverton/Newport RI) where you will continue on Route 24 South for approximately seven miles. Take Mt. Hope Bridge/Bristol exit. Bear right up hill and across Mt. Hope Bridge. The University is just after the bridge on the right. The Recreation Center is the 2nd building on your left after entering past the gate.

Local Area Hotels

(Approximately 10-20 minutes from campus)
Bristol Harbor Inn, Bristol (401) 254-1444
Bay Willows Inn, Middletown (401) 847-8400
Courtyard by Marriott, Middletown (800) 321-2211
Hampton Inn, Westport MA (508) 675-8500
Comfort Inn and Suites , 360 Airport Road Fall River MA 508-672-0011 Special Swim rate, Free Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking

Providence, RI/Seekonk, MA Area Hotels

(Approximately 20-35 minutes north of campus)
Holiday Inn, Providence (401) 831-3900
Johnson & Wales Inn, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-8700
Motel 6, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-7800
Omni Biltmore Hotel, Providence (401) 421-0700
Providence Marriott (866) 807-2171
Radisson, Providence (401) 272-5577





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Entry Cover Sheet

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Sanctioned by NE Swimming # NE-16-024 TT CONTACT INFORMATION

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Entries Contact:	Phone:	Email:	
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