



RAYS LC Invite April 29th – 30th, 2017

SANCTION: Sanctioned by Georgia Swimming, Inc. #**GA17-056**

HOST TEAM: Stingrays Swimming, Inc.

FACILITY: Mountain View Aquatic Center
2650 Gordy Parkway
Marietta, GA 30066
770.509.4925

The Mountain View Aquatic Center is a 10-lane 50 meter by 25 yard, which will be set up for a 10-lane competition pool with start-end/turn-end depth varying between 5 and 6 feet and 10-lane warm-up/warm-down pool with an additional 5-lane 25 yard warm up/warm down pool. An Omega timing system with a ten-line scoreboard is used. Ample seating and parking is available. **The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming & Georgia Swimming.**

MEET DIRECTOR: Stephen Payment sjpayment@yahoo.com

OFFICIALS: The meet referee(s) for this meet will be Glenda Orth glenda.orth@comcast.net; tJeff Seiden Bigmonkey42@hotmail.com; Stu Hixon smhixon@aol.com; and Rob Schreer h2oref@bellsouth.net

All certified, visiting and apprentice officials are welcome to work at the meet. Please contact the Meet referee 10 days prior to the meet if a specific assignment is requested. Otherwise, report to the Meet Referee 60 minutes prior to a session.

[Officials Sign Up Link](#) Also linked on Event page on Stingrays website

All officials must present their current LSC Officials Certification Card; OR a recently completed Apprentice Form; AND proof of current USA Swimming Non-Athlete membership upon check-in. Credentials must be worn on deck and in hospitality.

ENTRY
CHAIRPERSON: E-Mail Entries to: Sue Carducci suecarducci@msn.com

Mail Checks Payable to T4L & mail to:
803 Savona Way
Woodstock, GA



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ELIGIBILITY: Open to all out of state teams and invited Georgia teams registered with USA Swimming.

On deck USA Swimming registration, will not be permitted and Stingray Swimming shall not allow participation in the competition unless the swimmer is a member as provided in USA Swimming Rules, Article 302. **If a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, the host LSC may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against the individual, member coach or member club submitting the entry.**

Deck Pass is acceptable proof of USA Swimming Membership (Athletes, Coaches and Officials).

ENTRY FEES: Entry fees will be **\$6.00** each for an individual event. A Georgia surcharge of **\$2.00** for all out-of-state teams will be added for each swimmer. Please include a check with your entries. Make check payable to **T4L**.

CONCESSIONS: Breakfast, lunch, and snack items will be for sale at the Aquatic Center for purchase by swimmers and spectators.

RULES: The current USA Swimming (USA) Rules and Regulations will govern the conduct of the meet unless noted otherwise herein.

All teams must sign the waiver on the Summary Sheet stating all swimmers and coaches participating in this meet are currently registered with United States Swimming.

Deck Changes are prohibited. Swimmers participating in deck changing could be subject to removal from further competition from the meet.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms

Swimmers are responsible for swimming in their assigned heat and lane.

“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



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within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. “

Photos and videos may be taken of swimmers during the meet by parents or a professional photographer retained by the host club. All participants agree to be filmed or photographed by photographers designated by the meet host and to allow the meet host the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during, or after the period of participation in Georgia Swimming competitions to promote swimming and meets hosted by the meet organizer. If you do not wish to have your child(ren) photographed, you may withdraw your consent by informing the Meet Director before the start of the first day of the meet.

Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coaches' 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 Vice President of Program Operations.

FORMAT:

- The 400 IM & 400 Fr will be, swum fast to slow, alternating women then men if necessary (dependent upon the division of athletes and pools). These events may be limited to 6 heats of Woman & 6 heats of Men

COACHES:

All coaches will be required to sign in and show their 2017 coaches' registration card or show proof through your deck pass app. Any coaches arriving after the meeting should report to the meet referee(s) and present their card. All teams must sign the waiver on the Summary Sheet stating all swimmers and coaches participating in this meet are currently registered with USA Swimming.

ENTRIES:

Please submit entries on the enclosed entry form. Each entry must include the swimmer's first and last name, age, USA Swimming number, and seeding time. Make sure the swimmer's USA Swimming number is entered correctly next to his/her name on the entry form. All swimmers may enter 5 individual events per day. Swimmers should submit his/her best short course times for seeding.



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- LATE ENTRIES:** Late entries will be accepted for empty lanes only; no new heats will be created to accept late entries. All late entries will be entered with a No-Time (NT). All swimmers entering late should be prepared to show their USA Swimming registration card to the Clerk of Course to verify their current USA Swimming membership. Fees for late entries will be **\$12.00** for individual events.
Make checks payable to: **T4L**
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** **All entries MUST** be post marked on or before **Tuesday, April 18th, 2017**. **All entries MUST** include a check and entry summary sheet. Entries submitted incomplete, may be refused. Entries will be limited to 350 swimmers, including the Host Team's swimmers that have submitted all required documentations and fees by the meet deadline. If a non-host team's entries cause the limit to be exceeded, all entries for that team will be accepted
E-mail entries as attached Hytek files can be sent to **Sue Carducci** suecarducci@msn.com if a hard copy, signed entry summary form, waivers and a check are received by the entry deadline:

Coaches, we will only accept two files, one to reserve a spot with your most accurate information and numbers and the final file with updates by the entry deadline.
- SEEDING:** All individual events will be pre-seeded as except the 400 Free and 400 IM, events, which are deck seeded events.
- CHECK-IN:** To be seeded in the deck-seeded events, swimmers and relays must check in at the Clerk of Course table by 30 minutes before the beginning of that session.
- SCRATCH RULE:** The Georgia Scratch Rule (Revised 9/12/15) will be in effect for all deck-seeded events during the conduct of this meet.
- WARM-UP:** In accordance with the Georgia LSC, there will be a strict warm-up procedure to be followed by all swimmers and coaches attending this meet. The warm-up procedure will be posted prior to the start of the meet warm-up for each session. Note that each team will be required to provide a USA Swimming certified coach to monitor its swimmers during the warm-up period.



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FORMAT: The format for Saturday, and Sunday will be as follows:

Saturday, April 29th, 2017 and Sunday, April 30th, 2017

Warm-up: 8:00 AM - 9:00AM

Preliminaries: 9:10 AM

SCORING: No Team Scoring.

AWARDS: Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-10th places in each Age Group (10 & under, 11/12, 13/14, 15 & Over).

LIABILITY: Stingrays Swimming, Inc., T4L, Georgia Swimming, Inc., USA Swimming, Inc. and Cobb County Parks Recreation Dept. shall be held free and harmless from all liabilities.

COACHES: There will be a coaches' meeting Saturday, April 29th, 2017, at 7:45 AM at the Mountain View Aquatic Center before warm-ups begin. This meeting will be held in the Hospitality Suite. Coaches must present, upon check-in, a current USA Card or proof of membership through the Deck Pass App. Each team must have a coach representative at the meeting.

For More Information: visit our web site www.stingraysswimming.com for directions

**Sat. Morning
Apr. 29th, 2017**

Girls

Event No.

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SESSION 1

Event

13& Over 200 Fr

12& Under 200 Fr

13& Over 100 Fl

Warm-up: 8:00 AM

Start: 9:10 AM

Boys

Event No.

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7	12& Under 50 Fl	8
9	13& Over 100 Bk	10
11	12& Under 50 Bk	12
13	13 & Over 200 BR	14
15	12& Under 100 BR	16
17	13 & Over 50 Fr	18
19	12& Under 50 Fr	20
21	13 & Over 400 IM	22
23	12& Under 200 IM	24

Sun. Morning
Apr. 30th, 2017

SESSION 2

Warm-up: 8:00 AM
Start: 9:10 AM

Event No.	Event	Event No.
25	13& Over 200 IM	26
27	12& Under 100 IM	28
29	13& Over 100 Fr	30
31	12& Under 100 Fr	32
33	13& Over 200 Fl	34
35	12& Under 100 Fl	36
37	13& Over 200 Bk	38
39	12& Under 100 Bk	40
41	13 & Over 100 BR	42
43	12 & Under 50 BR	44
45	13 & Over 400 Fr	46
47	12 & Under 400 Fr	48

ENTRY SHEET RAYS LC Invitational April 29th-30th, 2017

Team Name: _____ Team Code: _____
Coach Name: _____



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Mailing Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____

	Number of Swimmers	Number of Individual Events
10 & Under Women	_____	_____
10 & Under Men	_____	_____
11-12 Women	_____	_____
11-12 Men	_____	_____
13-14 Women	_____	_____
13-14 Men	_____	_____
15 & Over Women	_____	_____
15 & Over Men	_____	_____
Total Number of Swimmers Out of State		\$ _____ (x \$2.00)
Total Number of Swimmers/Events	_____	\$ _____ (x \$6.00)
 Total of Entry Fees		 \$ _____

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: STINGRAYS SWIMMING
ENTRY DEADLINE: No later than Tuesday, April 18th, 2017

E-Mail Entries to: E-Mail Entries to: Sue Carducci suecarducci@msn.com

Mail Checks & forms to:
 T4L
 803 Savona Way
 Woodstock, GA 30189

WAIVER, ACKNOWLEDGMENT, AND LIABILITY RELEASE

I, the undersigned coach/team representative, verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are currently registered athletes with USA Swimming.

I, acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and of Georgia Swimming Inc. regarding warm-up procedures, and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my team to those rules during this meet.

Georgia Swimming Inc., USA Swimming Inc., Cobb County, T4L and Stingrays Swimming, its employees, agents, and coaches shall be free from any liability or claim from damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this meet.

Signature/Title _____ Date _____
**Please list USA registered coaches who will be attending this meet.*



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GEORGIA SWIMMING INC. SCRATCH RULE

The Scratch Rule to be used in all Georgia LSC sanctioned meets where the meet format includes preliminary heats, consolation finals and finals, is the "Scratch Rule" as found under "Administrative Conduct of USA Swimming Championships", subsection "Scratch Procedures", subsections "Scratching from finals" and "Exceptions for failure to compete", of the current "USA Swimming Rules and Regulations". An excerpt is provided below.

Scratching from finals:

- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted in paragraph E. A declared false start under 101.1.3F or deliberate delay of meet under 101.1.5 is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
- (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition the Referee shall fill the C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final, when possible, with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
- (3) Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall reseed the C, B, or A (bonus final, consolation final and the) final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
- (4) If the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the (championship) final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

Exceptions for failure to compete:

No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if:

- (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
- (2) A swimmer qualifying for a C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.
- (3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer."



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Unless otherwise stated in the final sanctioned Meet Information: the following Georgia LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well as all preliminary/finals meets.

1. Swimmers that qualify for **any** final heats as announced in the meet information will also be subject to these rules. Revision 1.5; 09/12/15 Page 12

2. In all deck seeded events **(1)**, a swimmer who has been checked in either personally or by a team coach, has been seeded and then fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in "Exceptions for failure to compete" above. This rule only applies to timed-final events where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number of individual entries to be accepted for a particular deck-seeded event as specifically stated in the meet announcement.

3. There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.

4. Qualifiers for all finals heats are those as identified on the originally posted results of the preliminary heats. Any qualifier who has moved up into this group as a result of the posting of corrected preliminary results after original results have been posted shall not be subject to penalty.

5. The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.

6. On the final day of "**LSC Championship**" competitions, any swimmer who has checked in for finals and fails to compete will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.

7. A "Positive check-in procedure" shall be used for all deck seeded events. A swimmer's intent to swim a race shall be denoted by the swimmers or swimmer's coach's initials entered next to the swimmers' names on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course. Failure to check in shall be considered to indicate that the swimmer will not compete.

8. In cases where changes to the USAS rules cause conflict with the Georgia LSC additions, USAS rules shall take precedence.

(1) Interpretation: The change clarifies the intent of the rule. If there are no limits placed on the number of swimmers in the deck seeded event – then there is no penalty for a no-show in that event; given that no swimmer was impacted by the no show and everyone that wanted to swim got to swim. If a limit is placed on a deck seeded event (e.g. the fastest 30 swimmers), then a no-show could cause the exclusion of the 31st fastest swimmer from competing and would result in a penalty against the no-show swimmer.

Adopted by the HOD

April 18, 2010

Revised: September 12, 2015