NEW ENGLAND EIGHT AND UNDER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hosted by North Shore Swim Club Salem State College, Salem, MA February 15-16, 2003

Sanctioned by New England Swimming # NE-03-22 # NE-03-22A

TEAMS ASSIGNED TO THIS VENUE

AAC, ABF, ACK, AMW, ANA, AYT, BAT, BGCP, BGSC, BOSS, BYB, CCSC, CCYM, CHSC, CLBC, CSR, CUDA, DART, DYD, EB, GBSC, GMSC, HAY, MAG, MBM, MD, MELY, MVP, MYSD, NBST, NSSC, NU, OCY, OSS, PAC, PSST, RAMS, SAC, SCA, SD, SMY, SSSC, SSYS, TRIY, WAC, WBD, WEST, WW

DATES AND LOCATION

February 15-16, 2003 at the O'Keefe Athletic Center, Salem State College, Salem, MA. This meet is hosted by North Shore Swim Club.

CONTACTS

Meet Director	Dan Warner	(978) 542-6809	Nssc1@aol.com
Entry Chair	Dan Warner	(978)283-4456	Nssc1@aol.com
Referee	Dave Saunders		Dsaund991@attbi.com

SESSIONS

Saturday Afternoon, February 15	Warm-up 12:00 PM	<u>Meet</u> 1:05 PM		
Sunday Morning, February 16	8:00 AM	9:05 AM		

Teams will be assigned warm-up times and lanes once entries are received.

FACILITY

O'Keefe Aquatic Center is located in the Athletic building of Salem State College in Salem, MA. The O'Keefe Pool is eight lane 25 yard. Lanes are separated by wave-reduction lines. Timing and results displays are accomplished by an 8 lane Colorado scoreboard. Spectator capacity is 250.

Swimmers and spectators are not allowed in any other of the athletic facilities including gymnasiums, weight rooms and training areas. Glass is not permitted in the bleachers, deck or locker rooms. Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the building.

FORMAT

All events will be seeded during warm-ups and swum as timed finals. Heat and lane assignments will be posted after scratches are entered. Copies of heat and lane assignments will be given to coaches and made available for parents. Swimmers should report directly to the blocks for their events. Coaches are responsible for ensuring their swimmers are in the correct heat and lane. There will be no bullpen.

ELIGIBILITY

All swimmers must be 2003 registered swimmers with New England Swimming. Swimmers may register with Mary Riddell, 20 Cleveland Rd., Needham, MA 02492. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the swimmer the first day of the meet and must be shown on the entry form. All coaches on deck must be registered with US Swimming and present their coach membership cards.

ENTRY INFORMATION

No swimmer may <u>enter</u> more than nine individual events. Relay only swimmers are allowed but must be listed on the entry. Relays will be limited to two teams per event per club.

Entries must be received by **Tuesday**, **February 4**, **2003**. Entries earlier than that will be greatly appreciated. Electronic entries, whether by email or on computer disk are appreciated and are less expensive (according to NES policy). Please submit an .sd3 file (LSA Team) or .cl2 (Hy-Tek Team Manager) file. Seed cards are not required.

Email Entries: Attach the .cl2 or .sd3 file to the email message. A zipped version of the entry tends to work better than just attaching the regular entry file. If sending entries via email, the entry fees and a paper copy of the entry, along with the entry cover sheet must be received by Saturday, February 8, 2003.

Other Entries: United States Postal Service Overnight Mail is the preferred paper mailing method. If Overnight Mail is used, indicate that the package be delivered even if no one is there to sign for it. No fax entries will be accepted. All fees must accompany the entry.

Entry times must be achieved between February 16, 2002 and February 4, 2003. Times achieved in a 25 meter pool must be multiplied by .9049 to convert to yards. A swimmer who qualifies in a new event at the Bronze Classic meet on February 7-9th, can send in their entry by USPS or email by Tuesday February 11th. If sent by email, the hard copy and check are due by Wednesday February 12th in order to be accepted.

SCRATCHES

Coaches must scratch swimmers by the end of the first 30 minutes of each warm-up session.

FEES

\$3.50 per individual entry only one check per team will be accepted and should

\$10.00 per relay Payable to North Shore Swim Club

\$1.00 per swimmer Payable to New England Swimming

(both individual and relay only swimmers)

In accordance with New England Swimming policy, fees are increased 50¢ per individual entry if not submitted in an .sd3 or .cl2 electronic file.

SEND ENTRIES AND FEES TO

North Shore Swim Club 19 Fenley Road Gloucester, Ma. 01930 (978) 283-4456 nssc1@aol.com

VERIFICATION

All entries must include verification codes. Results will be reviewed by New England Swimming. Teams found entering swimmers with unverifiable times will be reported to the Board of Review for further action and may jeopardize their participation in future New England championships meets.

RULES

2003 US Swimming rules will govern except as otherwise stated herein and the decision of the referee will be final, unless a written protest is lodged within 30 minutes of the swim heat being protested. Disabled swimmer forms are required by US Swimming and are available from the New England Swimming office.

OFFICIALS AND TIMERS

In accordance with standard New England Championship procedure, all teams entering this meet must provide a pro-rata share of officials and timers and other required personnel. Teams will be informed of their assignments prior to the meet.

AWARDS

All swimmers will receive a commemorative pin from New England Swimming, which may be picked up with the coach's packet.

Medals will be awarded for the first eight places in individual events and for the first three places in relays. Medals will be presented throughout the meet. Ribbons will be awarded 9th -16th place in individual events and 4th-8th place in relays.

Plaques will be awarded to the individual high point winners for both boys and girls for the first eight places. These will be awarded at the conclusion of the last relay on Sunday.

SCORING

Place	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Individual	20	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	9	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

ADMISSION

Admission: \$1.00 per session

Heat/Lane Assignments Programs: \$2.00 per session

CONCESSIONS / VENDOR

Food and merchandise will be for sale throughout the meet.

SAFETY

All team and individual warm-up and warm-down shall be under the direct supervision of the respective swimmers' coach, or individual designated by the referee. Any swimmer participating in the meet without a US Swimming registered coach shall report to the referee before warm-ups prior to each session. Diving will be prohibited during warm-ups with the exception of the sprint lanes when they are announced.

There will be no shaving at any venue of this meet including showers, locker rooms, pool deck, or bleachers. Glass containers are prohibited on the pool deck and in the bleachers and locker rooms.