

2011 Texas Open July 1 – 3, 2011

Welcome:

Longhorn Aquatics invites you to join us at the Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center (Swim Center) to compete in our 2011 Texas Open swim meet. This meet is open to all USA Swimming registered swimmers and will be conducted in one 50 meter course, using a Daktronic Timing System and Hy-Tek Meet Manager software. Designated warm-up lanes will be available during the meet.

Location:

The Swim Center is located on the University of Texas Campus, 1900 Robert Dedman Drive, one block west of I-35 on the northwest corner of the intersection of Martin Luther King Boulevard and Red River Street.

Facility:

The Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center has an indoor 8 lane 50 meter competition pool. The pool is 9 feet deep and is considered one of the fastest pools in the world due to its depth, gutter system, high filtration rate and lane width. For the July 2011 meet, the length of the long course competition pool will NOT be certified before the start of the meet. However, in accordance with the 2011 USA Swimming Rules (Article 104), if a US or World record is broken at this meet, we will have the course measured and certified by a qualified, licensed professional immediately following the session during which the time was achieved. There have been many US and/or World records broken at the Texas Swim Center and the measured length of the course has never been an issue.

Liability:

USA Swimming, South Texas Swimming, The University of Texas, The Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center, and Longhorn Aquatics accept no responsibility for liability or injuries sustained by any individual, athlete, coach, official, meet volunteer, or spectator while traveling to and from or while participating in the meet. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer, if unattached, or the offending swimmer's club, if attached, to be held accountable for repairs.

Approval:

This meet has been sanctioned by South Texas Swimming and 2011 rules will apply. There may be athletes competing who are not members of USA Swimming but the USA Swimming technical rules will be observed and all deck officials will be certified by USA Swimming. Foreign athletes must notify the meet director prior to the entry deadline for FINA approval. All US swimmers must be registered as athletes for 2011 with USA Swimming by the entry deadline. Athletes that register with USA Swimming after the entry deadline may deck enter the meet only if they can present their 2011 USA card.

Schedule:

Saturday and Sunday, the meet will be split into morning and afternoon sessions based on age. The morning sessions each day are planned for swimmers 12 & Under and the afternoon sessions for swimmers 13 & Over. However, we reserve the right to split the sessions differently or to combine sessions based on the entries received. Warm-ups may be split if a large number of swimmers enter the meet.

Friday All Ages	Warm-up	1:30 PM	Start	3:00 PM
Saturday 12 & Under	Warm-up	8:00 AM	Start	9:00 AM
13 & Over	Warm-up	**	Start	* *
Sunday 12 & Under	Warm-up	8:00 AM	Start	9:00 AM
13 & Over	Warm-up	* *	Start	* *

^{**} The warm-up for the afternoon session will begin immediately after the morning session. The exact time will be posted on the Longhorn Aquatics website on Thursday, June 30th after The diving well will be available for warm-up before the end of the entries are received. morning session.

Cell Phones:

The presence and/or use of cell phones, and any other equipment capable of producing photographic or video images, in the locker rooms is strictly and specifically prohibited at all times. There are no exceptions to this prohibition. Violators are subject to disqualification from the meet and disbarment from the facility.

Qualifying Times: There are "BB" qualifying times for ALL events. Athletes who do not finish an event within the LCM qualifying time noted will be required to prove their LCM entry time. The entry time must be in the USA Swimming database, or a hard copy of results from a USA sanctioned, approved, or USA observed meet can be offered as proof of time. Swimmers that cannot prove their entry time will be fined \$25 payable to the University of Texas. These swimmers will be barred from competition (at this and/or subsequent meets at the swim center) until the fines are paid.

Meet Format:

All events are timed finals, swum in one long course meter pool, seeded only by time and gender. Age groups will be combined. All events will swim fastest to slowest. Depending on the number of swimmers, chase starts and/or flyover starts may be used. If there are enough swimmers to run both ends of the pool, then even heats will finish at the flag end (closest to the Women's locker room), and odd heats will finish at the non-flag end (closest to the Men's locker rooms).

We are requesting courtesy scratches for all other sessions (see Scratch section below). Heat sheets will be for sale at the store at the beginning of each session.

The 400 meter IM, 400 meter freestyle, and 1500 meter Freestyle, require positive check-in and will swim fastest to slowest. The 400s and the 1500 will swim alternating girl/boy. Swimmers in these events must provide their own timers. Swimmers in the 1500 must also provide their own counters.

We reserve the right to cap the number of swimmers entered in order to stay within the four hour rule. Friday evening's session will be capped at 3 hours. Swimmers will be entered in the order entries are received.

Scratches:

We are asking swimmers to scratch events they will not swim the next day. By 5PM on Friday, swimmers should scratch any events they will not swim on Saturday. Coaches, please help us out and scratch any athletes that will not attend the meet on Saturday.

On Saturday, before you leave your session, you will need to scratch any event you will not swim on Sunday.

There is no penalty for failing to scratch an event, BUT our experience with this courtesy scratch during long course season will shape our decision about positive check-in for all events in the future. Please help us eliminate empty lanes and allow the greatest number of swimmers to participate.

Check-in:

Positive check-in is required for the 400 meter IM, 400 meter freestyle, and 1500 meter Freestyle. Check-in sheets will be available as the swimmers enter the pool for warm-up and will close at approximately one hour before the event is scheduled to swim. Exact times will be posted at Clerk of Course on the day of the event.

Swimmers that check-in for an event **and** fail to swim **will be fined \$25** payable to the University of Texas. These swimmers will be barred from competition (at this or subsequent TXLA meets at the Swim Center) until the fines are paid.

Entry Dates:

Entries will **OPEN on Monday June 13 at noon for South Texas** teams and on **Tuesday June 14** at noon for all other teams. No entries will be accepted prior to this date and time. Any entries received prior to the entry opening date and time will be deleted. Entries will close the earlier of **a) Monday, June 20, 2011** at noon

b) when a session reaches an estimated 4 hours in length (except Friday's session which will be limited to 3 hours).

Entries:

Swimmers may enter a **maximum of 3** individual events per day and a maximum of 7 individual events for the meet. The age of the swimmer will be his/her age July 1, 2011. Enter all events with previous best times achieved in Long Course Meters. **Athletes may not enter an event with a NT**. A good estimated time will ensure your athlete is seeded in the proper heat.

All teams with five or more swimmers entered in the meet must submit their entries using Version 3 or 4 of Hy-Tek Team Manager software.

Email entries to Bridgette Rhoades at sunsandsurfgirl@yahoo.com. When you email the entries, also attach a Word or pdf document of the Hy-Tek Meet Entry Report by swimmer. If you don't receive an email confirmation, your entries were not received.

Teams with fewer than five swimmers may send an **email** including the team, team abbreviation, LSC, the swimmers full name (as registered with USA Swimming), USA ID, event numbers, event description, and entry times for each swimmer.

Entry fees must be received by Wednesday, June 22, 2011 or your entries will be removed from the meet. Please include the meet entry fees report with your check. You do NOT need to mail a copy of the entries you emailed earlier.

No paper, phone, fax, or USPS mailed entries will be accepted. Entries received without accurate USA Swimming registration numbers will **NOT** be accepted or processed.

Entry Fees:

\$8:00 per individual event. This includes the South Texas Swimming splash fee of \$1.25 per splash. Please send only one check per team location please. Refunds will not be given for any reason.

Make checks payable to The University of Texas at Austin

Mail to: Texas Open

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Deck Entries:

Deck entries will be accepted only for open lanes. No new heats will be created. You may deck enter for the current session beginning at the start of warm-up. Deck entries will close 30 minutes before the start of each session. You may deck enter the future sessions' events after deck entries close for the current session.

The deck entry fee is \$20.00 per event. **Swimmers not previously entered in the meet must present their 2011 USA swimming registration card** at Clerk of Course to be able to deck enter.

Awards:

Ribbons, first through eighth place will be awarded according to the following age groupings: boys and girls 8 and under, 9- 10, and 11- 12. No other awards will be given.

Volunteers:

All teams are asked to help us out by providing timers when needed. Please help us keep the meet running smoothly by responding to a call for timers.

Meet Referee:

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Herb.Schwab@gmail.com

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& Entry Chair 814-602-8254

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Head Coach:

Doug Rusk 206-291-5471

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Order of Events

BB Qualifying Times for ALL Events

Friday Afternoon, July 1, 2011

SESSION 1 - All Ages

Girls	Event	Boys
Event #		Event #
1	13 & Over 200 IM	2
3	12 & Under 200 IM	4
5	Open 50 Fly	6
7	Open 50 Back	8
9	Open 50 Breast	10
11	Open 50 Free	12
13	*12 & Under 400 Free	14
15	*13 and Over 400 Free	16

^{*} Positive Check required. Swimmers must provide their own timers.

Saturday Morning, July 2, 2011

SESSION 2 - 12 & Under

Girls	Event	Boys
Event #		Event #
17	200 Free	18
19	100 Fly	20
21	50 Free	22
23	50 Breast	24
25	200 Back	26
27	100 Breast	28
29	*10-12 400 IM	30

^{*}Positive Check-in required. Swimmers must provide their own Timers.

Saturday Afternoon, July 2, 2011

SESSION 3 - 13 & Over

Girls	Event	Boys
Event #		Event #
31	200 Free	32
33	100 Fly	34
35	50 Free	36
37	50 Breast	38
39	200 Back	40
41	100 Breast	42
43	*400 IM	44

^{*}Positive Check-in required. Swimmers must provide their own Timers.

Sunday Morning, July 3, 2011

SESSION 4 - 12 & Under

Girls	Event	Boys
Event #		Event #
45	200 Breast	46
47	100 Free	48
49	50 Back	50
51	50 Fly	52
53	100 Back	54
55	200 Fly	56

Sunday Afternoon, July 3, 2011

SESSION 5 - 13 & Over

Girls	Event	Boys
Event #		Event #
57	200 Breast	58
59	100 Free	60
61	50 Back	62
63	50 Fly	64
65	100 Back	66
67	200 Fly	68
69	*1500 Free	70

^{*}Positive Check-in required. Swimmers must provide their own Timers and Counters.

Officials:

Help from visiting officials is always welcome. Visiting officials are asked to email the Meet Referee with their certification level and availability, so he can plan accordingly, at herb.Schwab@gmail.com. All officials must attend a mandatory meeting before each session. The uniform for all_sessions will be herb.schwab@gmail.com. All officials will be issued credential tags. Only persons with credential tags will be allowed access to the deck. Officials should prominently display their meet credential while on deck. The wearing of name tags is encouraged.

Special Needs:

Please notify the Jamail Texas Swimming Center Staff (512-471-7703) in advance of this event with the name and age of any member on your team who needs assistance to enter the building. TSC staff will make reasonable accommodations for swimmers, coaches, or spectators who wish to enter and use our facility.

In any meet sanctioned or approved by this LSC that may include one or more swimmers with visual, hearing, mental, or physical disabilities, the judging of such competitors shall be in strict accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, i.e., Article 105.

A disability is defined as a PERMANENT physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Unaccompanied Swimmers: 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.

Deck Access:

Only USA Swimming registered athletes swimming in the meet, coaches, officials and volunteers will be allowed access beyond the front desk of the Texas Swimming Center. Those wishing to volunteer as a timer will be given a pass to access the deck and help for that specific purpose. Coaches and officials will be required to show their current USA Swimming registration card at the front desk in order to be on deck.

Please be aware that swimmers will not be allowed onto the deck until one of their team coaches has checked in and is on deck.

Any non-registered individuals not respecting these rules will be removed from that area or from the facility at the discretion of the Meet Director, Longhorn Aquatics Program Director or Texas Swimming Center staff.

TSC Rules:

As guests of The University of Texas, all must adhere to the Texas Swim Center (TSC) rules. Coaches must supervise their swimmers. Chewing gum and glass containers are not permitted in the building. Locks may not be left on lockers overnight. Wet swimmers cannot leave pool deck. Children must be supervised at all times.

Spectators and athletes may not bring food nor drink into the Texas Swim Center from outside sources. Teams ARE permitted to bring two (2) coolers on to the deck.

Parking:

The University of Texas now requires a UT permit for parking along Trinity and San Jacinto as well as C Lot 80 in front of the Swim Center. We are exploring other parking options, hoping to find free or at least cheaper parking close to the Swim Center. Please go to our website as we get closer to the meet for more information on parking. For more information, check the Parking and Transportation web site at http://www.utexas.edu/parking/.

Swimmer Photographs:

There may be one or more photographers on deck at this meet. In the event photographers are on deck, parents or guardians of swimmers under the age of 18 who do not wish to have photographs of their athletes taken are required to contact the Meet Director prior to the beginning of the competition. Photographers must gain **consent from the Meet Director prior to the beginning of the meet.**

SOUTH TEXAS SWIMMING, Inc. Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

A. WARM-UP PROCEDURES

- I. Assigned warm-up Procedures.
 - a. Warm-up lanes and times will be assigned to competing teams based on number of entrants.
 - b. All warm-up activities will be coordinated by the coach(es) supervising that lane
 - c. Dive sprints may be done only under the direct supervision of the coach
- II. Open warm-up procedures.

LANE USE

POOL	PUSH/PACE	DIVES/SPRINTS	GENERAL WARMUP
8 Lanes	1 and 8	2 and 7	3 through 6
6 Lanes	1 and 6	2 and 5	3 and 4

- a. The first ½ of the assigned warm-up time shall be general warm-up for all lanes.
- b. Push/Pace Lanes will push off one or two lengths from starting end.
- c. Sprint lanes are for diving from blocks or for backstroke starts in specified lanes at designated times. One way only! Dive sprints may only be dome under the direct supervision of the coach.
- d. There will be no diving in the general warm-up lanes. Circle swimming only.
- e. No kick boards, pull buoys, or hand paddles may be used.

3. Safety Guidelines

- a. Coaches are responsible for the following:
 - 1. Instructing swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices
 - 2. Actively supervising their swimmers throughout the warm-up sessions, at meets, and all practices.
 - 3. Maintaining as much contact with their swimmers AS POSSIBLE, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.
- b. The host team will be responsible for the following.
 - 1) A minimum of four (4) marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Director shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session(s).
 - 2) Marshals must be members of United States Swimming.
 - 3) Marshals will have authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of a warm-up session, any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of these Procedures.
 - 4) The host team shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool, indicating their designated use during warm-ups.
 - 5) Warm-up times and lane assignments will be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area. The following statement will appear in the meet information: "South Texas Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
 - 6) An announcer will be on duty for the entire warm-up session to announce lane and/or time changes and to assist with the conduct of the warm-up.
 - 7) Hazards in locker rooms, on deck, or areas used by coaches, swimmers, or officials will be either removed or clearly marked.

B. MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- 1. Backstrokers will ensure that they are not starting as the same time as a swimmer on the blocks.
- Swimmers shall not step up on the blocks if there is a backstroker waiting to start.
- 2. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
- 3. Swimmers are required to exit the pool on completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time. The pool is not for visiting or playing during the warm-up session.
- 4. Warm-up procedures will be enforced for any breaks scheduled during the competition.
- 5. No hand paddles, fins, or kickboards may be used at any time during general, specific, or between warmup unless approved by the Referee.

NOTE: Host Clubs, with the consent of the Meet Referee, may modify the time schedule or recommended lane assignments depending on pool configuration, number of swimmers, or other considerations; so long as safety considerations are not compromised. Any such changes will be announced and/or prominently posted in the pool area.

STSI Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

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