

Wishart State School Amateur Swimming Club - Club Rules

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1. A child (plus at least one parent/guardian) must be a financial member of the Club to participate in club events.
2. Club swim nights can only be cancelled at the Pool by 6.30 pm or by prior arrangement at school, by the Referee and or the Executive Committee. The Referee, at his/her discretion, may abandon any Club swim during the course of the program if he/she considers that weather conditions will endanger the safety of the swimmers.
3. Swimmers must be suitably attired, and bathing caps are compulsory.
4. Any child who is suffering from discharging eyes, ears, nose or sore on any part of the body will not be allowed in the pool.
5. Smoking is strictly forbidden on School grounds, in accordance with Queensland Education policy.
6. Swimmers are not permitted in the time keeping area unless under instruction by Club Officials. Running and pushing are not permitted around the pool concourse.
7. Officials will not delay any race for any swimmer who does not report when called to the blocks.
8. At all swims conducted by the Club, the Referee's decision shall be final and binding in all cases. Any protests must be submitted to the Referee within fifteen (15) minutes and confirmed in writing. Such protests will be discussed at the next General Meeting or a specially convened meeting. The quorum for any meeting must be in accordance with that stated in the Charter of Operations. The protester may appear at the meeting to speak for the protest.
9. Any other grievance with the Club's operation should be referred in writing to a Swimming Club Meeting for consideration, and definitely not be dealt with by any individual Committee Member.
10. Should any person disobey an instruction given by a Committee Member of the Club or Club Official, the Referee may expel such person from the pool area, and bar such person from taking any further part in swimming activities on that day or subsequent days until his/her case is heard by the Committee. The Referee will report the name of any such person to the Committee who will decide whether any further action will be taken.
11. All nominations must be completed 5 minutes before the scheduled start of the night. Late nominations may not be accepted.
12. On Club nights no swimmer shall be eligible to nominate for more than five (5) events.
13. Heats of Club events will be arranged in order of members' swimming times without regard to age.

14. Qualifying for 50m

14.1. Swimmers aged nine (9) or less cannot swim 50 metres until they have qualified on times on Club nights.

14.2. At the weekly Club swims, qualifying times to graduate from 25 metres to 50 metres will be as follows:

Stroke	Distance	Time Required
Freestyle	25m	23 seconds
Backstroke	25m	28 seconds
Breaststroke	25m	30 seconds
Butterfly	25m	26 seconds

15. Qualifying for 100m

15.1. One 100m event each club night will be declared an open event and is open to both 25 metre and 50 metre swimmers in each stroke, whether they have a qualifying time or not.

15.2. A second 100m event each club night will be declared an qualified event and is only available in lieu of a 25m or 50m swim by those swimmers that have qualified as follows:

Distance Event	Necessary Qualification	Time Required
100m Freestyle	50m Freestyle	38 seconds
100m Backstroke	50m Backstroke	48 seconds
100m Breaststroke	50m Breaststroke	55 seconds
100m Medley	25m qualifying times for all four strokes as per 14.2	

16. Principal's Trophy

During the season (i.e. October to March) all children will compete for the Principal's Trophy.

16.1. One trophy will be awarded to each age division (age determined as per the date for the championships).

16.1.1. For intermediate, sub-senior and senior, to the boy or girl who by the end of the season has obtained the highest total of points awarded on their best club nights as defined by 16.3.

16.1.2. For sub-junior and junior, to the boy or girl who has obtained the highest total of points awarded on their best club nights as defined by 16.3. Points will not be awarded for 100m swims for swimmers in these age groups.

16.2. At most N minus three nights may be counted towards the tally, where N is the number of normal club nights, ie it does not include special events such as the break up.

16.3. "Best club nights" are defined as those on which the swimmer obtained his/her highest number of points as calculated in 16.4 below.

16.4. If PB is the Personal Best time for a stroke and CT is the Current for that stroke, then:

Criteria	Standard
If CT is 2.51 seconds or more slower than PB	Points = 1
If CT is 1.51 to 2.50 seconds or more slower than PB	Points = 2
If CT is 0.51 to 1.50 seconds or more slower than PB	Points = 3
If CT is 0.50 seconds slower to 0.50 seconds faster than PB	Points = 4
If CT is 0.51 to 1.50 seconds faster than PB	Points = 5
If CT is 1.51 to 2.50 seconds faster than PB	Points = 6
If CT is 2.51 seconds or more faster than PB	Points = 7

16.5. Any swimmer who is disqualified will receive one (1) point towards the Principal's Trophy for the swim in which he/she is disqualified.

16.6. If a faster than "best time" is recorded, this time becomes the swimmer's "best time" for future points.

16.7. For all new swimmers, seven (7) points will be awarded for their first swim in a new stroke or over a new distance. (i.e. graduating from 25 metres to 50 metres in all strokes, or the first swim in 100 metre events)

16.8. Where a swimmer is absent from a Club night due to their required attendance at another compulsory/official swimming meet they will receive two (2) points a "registered swim" towards the Principal's Trophy. Points will only be awarded due to absence for a maximum of two (2) Club nights. This absence must be confirmed, in writing, within seven (7) days of that meeting, by an Official from that meet. Otherwise points will not be awarded.

17. Records

17.1. If two time keepers plus the head time keeper record a new record during a normal club event, the record shall stand.

17.2. Any child equalling the Pool Age Record on a normal Club night has the right to notify the President and/or Referee for an attempt to break the record at a later date, such time to be advised-by the President and/or Referee. Three time keepers must be used to record this event.

17.3. All records are based on age on blocks.

18. CLUB SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS (25/50 METRES)

18.1. Club Sprint Championships will be held at the end of the swimming season and in all events the member's age shall be taken as age as at March 1.

18.2. Separate events for boys and girls shall be held in the following age groups:

Age	Division
4 years 5 years 6 years 7 years	Sub Junior Division
8 years 9 years	Junior Division
10 years 11 years	Intermediate Division
12 years 13 years	Sub Senior Division
14 years 15 years 16 years & over	Senior Division

18.3. Nominations must be lodged by the date set by the Committee and at least seven (7) days prior to the swimming of elimination heats for the Championships.

18.4. In order to compete in the Club Sprint Championships in a particular event and stroke a member must have qualified and competed in at least eight (8) Club swims in that stroke and event during the current season and prior to closing of nominations.

18.4.1. A swim will count towards qualifying for the Club Championships even if the swimmer is disqualified.

18.4.2. A swimmer who is ten (10) years and over and who has qualified to swim 50m in a stroke may count swims in 25m events towards qualification in the 50m event for the Club Championships.

18.4.3. A swimmer who is nine (9) years and under may count swims in 50m events towards qualification in the 25m event for the Club Championships.

18.4.4. In the event of a Club night being cancelled, in accordance with Club Rules, all swimmers will be credited with a swim in events normally nominated for the purpose of Club Championship qualifications.

18.5. New members who join in the second half of the season or current members commencing a new stroke in the second half of the season must swim at least 4 x 25 or 50 metre events to qualify for the Club Sprint Championships. A new stroke is defined as one which has never been swum before in any season.

New members who qualify for an event and stroke or join part way through the first half of the season must have swum and compete in at least six (6) Club swims in that stroke and event.

18.6. FOR FREESTYLE, BREASTSTROKE AND, BACKSTROKE:

All swimmers in the Junior and Sub junior Divisions (i.e. ages nine (9) years and under) are only eligible to swim 25 metres at the Sprint Championships, even if they have qualified to swim 50 metre events on Club nights. All swimmers aged ten (10) years and over who have qualified to swim 50 metres in any one stroke on Club nights are ineligible to swim 25 metre events in that stroke in the Club Sprint Championships. Any swimmer aged 10 years and over who has not qualified to swim 50 metres in one or more of these strokes may nominate to swim in a 25 metre event in the

Club Sprint Championships in that/those stroke(s) but will not be eligible to receive points towards the Age Championship for that/those stroke(s).

FOR BUTTERFLY:

All swimmers in the Intermediate, Junior and Sub junior Divisions (ie ages eleven (11) years and under) are only eligible to swim 25 metres at the Club Sprint Championships, even if they have qualified to swim 50 metres on Club nights. All swimmers in Sub senior and Senior Divisions (ie ages twelve (12) years and over) who have qualified to swim 50 metres in this stroke on Club nights are ineligible to swim 25 metres in this stroke at the Club Sprint Championships. Swimmers aged twelve (12) years and over who have not qualified to swim 50 metres in this stroke on Club nights may swim in a 25 metre event in the Club Sprint Championships in this stroke but will not be eligible to receive points towards the Age Championship for this stroke.

18.7. Club Sprint Championship Medals will be awarded to the three (3) place getters in the finals of each event for each age group.

18.8. Club Sprint Championship Trophies (boy and girl), will be awarded in each of the five (5) age divisions (Sub Junior, Junior, Intermediate, Sub Senior and Senior) based on performances during the Club Sprint Championships. These Divisional Champions will be selected by a Panel of Judges consisting of the President, Referee and Chief Recorder based on points awarded as outlined in 21.

19. CLUB DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (100 METRES)

19.1. Club Distance Championships will be held at the end of the swimming season and in all events the member's age will be taken as age as at March 1.

19.2. Separate events for boys and girls shall be held in the following age groups:

Age	Division
Up to 7 years	Sub Junior Division
8 years 9 years	Junior Division
10 years 11 years	Intermediate Division
12 years 13 years	Sub Senior Division
14 years 15 years 16 years & over	Senior Division

19.3. Nominations must be lodged by a date set by the Committee, at least seven days prior to the swimming of the Championships.

19.4. Qualifying for Club Distance Championships.

19.4.1. A member must have competed in at least three (3) Club swims in that stroke and event during the current season and prior to closing of nominations.

19.4.2. In the event of a Club night being cancelled, in accordance with Club Rules, all swimmers will be credited with a swim in events normally nominated for the purpose of Club Championship qualifications. For 100 metre events the minimum requirement will be one (1) swim for the full or half season regardless of the number of storms.

19.5. New members who join in the second half of the season or current members commencing in a new stroke in the second half of the season must swim two (2) x 100 metre events to qualify for the Club Distance Championships. A new stroke is defined as one which has never been swum before in any season.

19.6. Distance Swims will be swum in individual ages except for 16 years and over and 7 years and under.

19.7. Club Distance Championship Medals will be awarded to the swimmers gaining the three (3) fastest times in their age divisions for each stroke.

19.8. Club Distance Championship Trophies (boy and girl), will be awarded in four (4) age divisions (Junior, Intermediate, Sub senior and Senior) based on performances during the Club Distance Championships. These Divisional Champions will be selected by a Panel of Judges consisting of the President, Referee and Chief Recorder.

20. No exceptions will be made for eligibility in qualifying for Club Championships.

21. AWARDING OF POINTS

21.1. Points are awarded towards determining all Divisional Club Champions on the following basis:

Place	Points
First Place	3 Points
Second Place	2 Points
Third Place	1 Point

21.2. Where a swimmer is the only swimmer in a final for their respective age group, points are awarded on the following basis:

Points	Criteria
3	Time is no more than one second slower than his/her PB in that stroke
2	Time is more than one second slower than his/her PB in that stroke
1	Time is more than two seconds slower than his/her PB in that stroke
0	Time is more than five seconds slower than his/her PB in that stroke

21.3. Where there is a tied result for Divisional Club Champion there will be a count back to the number of first placings during club championships to determine the winner. If the result is still tied, there will be more than one Club Champion for that Division.

22. CARNIVAL SELECTION

22.1. Competitors who withdraw themselves from two (2) or more Carnivals without giving adequate notice to a Carnival Selector, or without good reason will not be eligible for the Club Distance and/or Sprint Championships.

22.2. Carnival selection will be based on best times swum by club members.

22.3. Carnival selection is determined the Carnival Selection Committee.