



**LEIGHTON BUZZARD
SWIMMING CLUB**
EST. 1921

Affiliated to Swim England East Region and Bedfordshire

2019 Club Championships

Licensed Level 4 Meet

CHAMPIONSHIP RULES & INFORMATION

The competition is a Level 4 licensed meet, held under Swim England Laws, Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming and the following conditions:

1. The Club Championships is only open to members of Leighton Buzzard Swimming Club.
2. The Promoters of this event are Naomi De Voogt, Lauren Grice, Katherine Feander and Anna Hewitt on behalf of Leighton Buzzard Swimming Club.
3. The Championships will consist of eight galas, will take place on 5th, 10th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 19th and 23rd November and will be held at the 25m pool at Tiddenfoot Leisure Centre, Mentmore Road, Leighton Buzzard, Beds.
4. The closing date for entries is **FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER**. **Full Payment is payable with entry forms, cash or cheque ONLY.** Forms without payment will not be accepted.
5. The Championships are only open to club members who are Leighton Buzzard Swimming Club first-registered swimmers. Other clubs may be invited to compete in events to add competition to the Races, but will not be part of the Club Championships competition.
6. The age groups for boys and girls are: 8 & under, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17 & over. The age of each swimmer shall be as at 31st December 2019.
7. The entry fees for this year's event are as below
 - 8 & Under swimmers will pay £1.50 per event
 - 9 & Overs will pay £2.50 per event (Max cost capped at £30)
 - There will a spectator fee with a programme of £3.
8. The Championships will be held under Swim England laws and disqualification may take place. It is therefore advisable for younger swimmers to have their strokes assessed by their teacher or coach before entering, to avoid the disappointment of being disqualified during the championships.
9. All events are Heat Declared Winner - there will be no finals. Swimmers will be seeded according to their latest short course personal best ranking list (as of 4 October 2019). The slowest swimmers will be seeded to swim first. Where a swimmer has no recorded time for an event within their age group they are still eligible to enter. They will be seeded to swim first, in accordance with the rules.
10. Over the top starts may be used at the referee's discretion.
11. Any Disputes or appeals will be dealt with according to Swim England Law and procedures.
12. There will be 25m, 50m, 100m, 200m, and 400m events:
 - 25m events are only for competitors aged 8 years and under
 - 9 years old can enter all 50m, 100m and 200m. In addition if approved by the Head Coach can enter the 400m Free event
 - 10 years and over can compete in all 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m events
 - Learn to Train entries will accepted after agreement with the Head Coach

13. The first six swimmers in each age group of each event will be awarded the following 1st, 2nd, 3rd with medals 4th, 5th and 6th will be presented with ribbons. Individual event medals and ribbons will be presented during each gala. Trophy winners will receive their awards at the Presentation Evening.
14. Spectators will not be allowed to spectate from the changing room areas, as this is against H&S and Child Safeguarding Policy and Procedures. Please use the viewing balcony or volunteer to help.
15. Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee, subject to Swim England laws, Regulations and the Swim England Technical Rules of Racing.
16. All participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at Tiddenfoot Leisure Centre. Neither the Promoter nor the Leighton Buzzard Swimming Club will be responsible for any loss or damage occurring during this meet.
17. The Data Protection Act 2018 requires us to provide you with certain information and to obtain your consent before processing data about you. Processing includes obtaining, recording, holding, disclosing, destruction or retaining information. We require certain personal data for the purposes of making entries to the competition, managing the meet and the submission of results to Rankings. The information provided by you will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Consent to process such personal data is deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry.
18. In accordance with the Swim England safeguarding Policies and Procedures, any parents or carers of swimmers under the age of 18 who wish to take photographic or video images are requested to focus on their own child as much as reasonable possible and to avoid including other children in those images. No images or footage should be shared on Social Media. Should you have any concerns about photography or filming please bring them to the attention of the Promoters.
19. No photography is permitted in changing rooms. Any person found to be contravening this condition will be required to leave the competition and venue without refund.
20. All participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at Tiddenfoot Leisure Centre. Neither the Promoter nor Leighton Buzzard Swimming Club will be responsible for any loss or damage occurring during this meet.
21. Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee, subject to Swim England Laws, Regulations and Technical Rules of Racing.



2019 Club Championships - Club Trophy Awards

Club Championships

Age group trophies will be awarded to the swimmer with the most points from their 10 highest point events.

1st - 7pts, 2nd - 6pts, 3rd - 5pts, 4th - 4pts, 5th - 3pts, 6th - 2pt.

Gain a legal time – 1 point.

400m Club Championships

Points from the two 400m events will be totalled to determine the placings of the overall champion within each specified age groups i.e., 9 years, 10 years, 11/12years, 13/14 years, 15/16 years and 17/over years.

200m Club Championships

Points from all the 200m events will be totalled to determine the placings of the overall champion within each of the specified age group i.e., 9 years, 10 years, 11/12years, 13/14 years, 15/16 years and 17/over years.

Individual Medley Trophies

Trophies for the 100m Individual Medley are awarded to the winner in the age group of 9 years, Trophies for the 200m IM are awarded to the winner in age groups above age 10.

In the event of a tie in any of the above, the trophies will be awarded jointly.

Junior and Senior Cups

The swimmers will compete for the Junior and Senior cups in their own age band i.e. Junior (12years and under) and Senior (13years and over). The allocation of these cups are based on **a swimmers time** and not points received during the competition. The fastest swimmer receiving 6 points in each event they compete in down to the sixth place swimmer who will receive 1 point, the sum total of points for each swimmer are then calculated to determine the winner. The **Junior cup** will be contested over the 50M, 100M and 200M events. The **Senior cup** will be contested over the 50M, 100M, 200M and 400M events. **For example, a 15 year old could be faster than a 17 year old and gain more points than the 17 year old.**

In the event of a tie on points for the Junior and Senior Cups, these cups will be awarded jointly.

Trophy winners are asked to keep the trophy clean and polished and to have their name engraved on it in line with the previous engraving.