L4 New Year Meet
11th January 2025
Licence Number - 4SE250202

MEET CONDITIONS

VENUE: The Spectrum Leisure Centre, Guildford. The pool length is 25m, 8 lanes, and will be equipped with electronic timing with full display and anti-wave lane ropes..

AFFILIATION: Guildford City SC is affiliated to Swim England South East Region. The meet will be held under Swim England laws and Regulations and Swim England Technical Rules of racing. The meet is licensed at Level 3 under licence no. **4SE250202**

AGE GROUPS: Age groups are:6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15+.

Ages as at 23.59 31st December 2025

COMPETING CATAGORIES: Swimmers will be required to swim in one of two groups, Female or Open/ Male swimmers. - '*The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy. By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female'.*

EVENTS: Events will consist of 50m all four strokes,100m, 200m Freestyle and 200m IM

Pre Comp Silver Squad Not eligible for 200 IM

Pre Comp Bronze Squad Not eligible for 200 IM, 200 Freestyle and 50m Butterfly.

Events will be seeded into heats from submitted times with slowest heats swum first. Heats will be swum in a spearhead formation.

It is the responsibility of swimmers to report to the marshalling area in sufficient time for each event. Guildford City SC cannot be held responsible for any swimmer missing the start of their particular heat.

ENTRIES: This is a closed gala for Guildford City Swimming Club Members Only.

Opening date for entries is**: Midday, Monday 9th December 2024**

Closing date for entries is: **Midday, Monday 16th December 2024**

Entries falling within the qualifying times will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

"No Time" entries will be accepted

Guildford City reserves the right to close the meet or individual events within the meet earlier than the specified closing date.

Details of accepted and rejected entries will be posted on our website one week after the closing date. Rejected entries will be refunded.

There will be no refunds for withdrawals after the initial closing date other than: Withdrawals for medical reasons that are accompanied by the appropriate certification.

In the event the meet is oversubscribed, a reserve list will be operated at the meet in order to insulate against the effect of late withdrawals and to maximise opportunities for swimmers to participate. Anyone wishing to be included on the reserve list must be within the qualifying times. The reserve list will be operated on a first come first served basis and priority will be given to swimmers who were originally rejected from the meet.

If the meet is undersubscribed the same reserve list will also be opened to the wider swimming community.
Any available spaces may be filled at the promoters discretion. Successful applicants will be informed as soon as possible.

Time trials may also be considered if space available after entries have closed, subject to space and at the Promoters discretion. Time trials will be charged an entry fee of £10/swim
The submission of entries, either electronically or by entry form indicates acceptance of the Meet Conditions.

Entries with long course times (short course conversions will be accepted) should be submitted using the Hy-tek electronic entry file available to download via www.gcsc.co.uk.

ENTRY FEES: Entry fees are **£9.50** per event.

Payment to be in accordance with the instructions on our website.

The entry fee includes an anual levy fee payable to Swim England South East Region. It also includes spectator entry.

SIGN IN: This is a SIGN IN gala. It is the responsibility of the swimmer to sign in for events they wish to compete before warm-up of the corresponding session. Failure to sign in will result in eviction from the race. The sign in desk will be located in the corridor behind the diving pool.

SECONDARY STROBE: A secondary strobe will be provided where it is requested by the athlete at the time of entry".

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded to the top three placed male/Open and Female swimmers in each age group.
Presentations will not be made. Awards should be collected from the awards table.

"Rubber Duckies" will be awarded to the winner of each heat.

SUPERVISION AND RATIOS: GCSC will ensure there are enough adults on poolside with valid passes and qualifications to provide adequate supervision in accordance with Swim England's Team Manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy, and with reference to their obligations and the recommendations laid down in Wavepower 2024, the Swim England Child Safeguarding Policy & Procedures.

PHOTOGRAPHY: All those attending the GCSC L4 New Year Meet (competitors, coaches, team managers, spectators, officials, volunteers, contracted staff etc.) wishing to use cameras, video or digital image capturing devices (including mobile phones) should only do so after reference to their obligations and the recommendations laid down in Wavepower 2024, the Swim England Child Safeguarding Policy & Procedures and other Swim England Photography guidance. Photographic equipment must not be used anywhere in the changing rooms.

OFFICIALS: Anyone wishing to volunteer as an official for this event, please contact Gareth Mathews.Gcscofficials@hotmail.com

PARKING: Is free of charge, however, the amount of parking may be restricted due to other events running at the venue.



HEALTH AND SAFETY: No outdoor shoes to be worn poolside.
Everyone attending the event must familiarise themselves with the location of the emergency exits, which must be kept clear at all times.
Swimmers must not leave poolside without wearing clothes and suitable footwear.

SECURITY: Persons are requested not to leave belongings unattended.
Belongings should be placed in the lockers in the changing area (£1 charge which is refunded on leaving).
GCSC nor the Spectrum Leisure Centre will be held responsible for loss of personal property.

DATA PROTECTION: Entries and results will be managed via computer and available via the internet.
By submitting entries, consent is thereby given, as required by the Data Protection Act, to the holding of personal information on a computer. Personal data, including submitted and recorded times, will be available during the meet.

ADMINISTRATION: For all information regarding this meet, please see www.gcsc.co.uk.

Officials: Name and contact details for officials should be completed by the person responsible for submitting the entries and forwarded to Gcscofficials@hotmail.com

For queries and submission of electronic entries, individual Entry Forms, cheque payments and application for poolside passes should be sent to: Sergiu.chete@gcsc.co.uk

For all other enquiries, please email the meet promotor Sarah Trotman at s.v.trotman@gmail.com

Any eventuality, situation or dispute not covered by the above conditions or by Swim England laws and Regulations or technical rules of Racing shall be determined by the Meet Promoters.

