



2013 Northeastern Division Championships

Gabrielsen Natatorium, University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia –March 22nd – 24th, 2013

Sanction#: GA 13-35

Host Club: Athens Bulldog Swim Club

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The meet will take place in the Gabrielsen Natatorium's state of the art 50M x 25yd competition pool. Two eight lane 25yd courses will be available for competition during the meet. An Eight lane 25yd warm-up/down pool will be available throughout the course of the meet. A Colorado System 6 automatic timing system, non-slip touch pads, non-turbulent lane lines, and two 8-lane score boards will be used.

Eligibility: Open to swimmers registered with teams in the Georgia Northeastern Division.

Format: All events Friday will be timed finals. All events Saturday and Sunday (with the exception of the 1650 Free) will be swum in a prelims/finals format for the 11-12, 13-14, and Senior age groups. Finals for these age groups will be run with an A and B final. A finals will swim first to ensure a full heat. All 10 & Under events will be contested as timed finals. All relays will be contested in the prelim sessions as timed finals. The intention is to run the meet in two 25 yard competition courses: odd heats on one end, even heats on the other.

Meet management, in consultation with the meet referee, reserves the right to run all Saturday and Sunday 10 & Under events in a separate midday session if deemed necessary based on the number of entries.

Friday, March 22nd, 2013

Timed finals warm-up	4:00 PM – 4:50 PM
Timed Finals start time	5:00 PM

Saturday, March 23rd, 2013

Preliminary warm-up	7:15 AM – 8:20 AM
Preliminary start time	8:30 AM
Finals warm-up	4:00 PM – 4:50PM
Finals start time	5:00 PM

Sunday, March 24th, 2013

Preliminary warm-up	7:15 AM – 8:20 AM
Preliminary start time	8:30 AM
Finals warm-up	4:00 PM – 4:50 PM
Finals start time	5:00 PM

Check in events: The 400 IM and 500 Free will be swum slowest to fastest. Swimmers must check in for these events by 4:30 p.m. Friday afternoon. The 1650 Free will be limited to the fastest 16 women and the fastest 16 men. The two heats of 1650s will be swum fastest to slowest. Swimmers must check in for the 1650 by the beginning of the preliminary session on Sunday. All relays will be deck seeded and must check in by the beginning of the session in which they are to be swum.

Scoring: Individual events will be scored as follows:
20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Relay points will be double those awarded for individual events.

Entry Limits: Swimmers in the 11-12, 13-14, and Senior age groups may enter no more than 3 events per day not including relays. 10 & Under swimmers may enter 4 events per day plus relays.

Entry Fees: \$4.50 per individual event and \$6.00 per relay.

Swimmer Surcharge: There will be a \$15.00 per individual facility surcharge.

Late Entries: Late entries will be accepted on lane availability basis. No new heats will be created and all late entries will be entered with NT. Any late entry will need to present proof of USAS registration. The cost will be \$9.00 per individual event and \$12.00 per relay.

Entry Due Date: All meet entries must be received by Friday, March 15th. E-mailed entries are encouraged. Fees and waiver form must be received by the start of the meet.

Awards: Medals will be given to the top 3 finishers in each individual event and the top finisher in each relay event. Ribbons will be given for the 4th – 8th finishers in individual events and 2nd and 3rd finishers in relay events.

Officials: Any officials who are interested in working this meet should contact the Meet Referees as soon as possible. Any certified official or apprentice wishing to work must sign in prior to the required meeting which is held one hour before the start of each session. Anyone wishing a specific assignment must contact the meet referee as soon as possible.

USA-S Membership: No entries will be accepted without USA-S numbers. Each club is responsible for the proper registration of its swimmers, officials and coaches. All coaches must be members of USA-S and must meet current

USA-S safety training requirements. Any coach not having a current 2013 certification card will be barred from the pool deck. There will be no exceptions. If a swimmer attends the meet without a coach, he or she must arrange to be supervised by a USA-S member coach from another team.

Scratch Rule: The current USA scratch rule (which is also the Georgia Swimming scratch rule) as defined in the current USA rule book will be in force (see attached).

Warm-up: Georgia Swimming, Inc. warm-up procedures will be in effect for the meet. There will be a controlled warm-up period before prelims in order to assure space for all swimmers. A warm-up schedule will be distributed to all teams. Warm-up marshals will be assigned to monitor warm-up. Coaches must be USA-S certified and are required to supervise their swimmers during warm-up.

Seating: When not engaged in activities related to their events, swimmers must sit in the stands. There will be no seating for swimmers or parents on the pool deck.

Safety: In the interest of safety, coaches and swimmers shall observe all posted rules and conduct themselves in a safe and prudent manner. No one will be allowed to climb to the three, five, seven, or ten meter tower, the practice boards and mats, or the one and three meter diving boards for any reason. The Gabrielsen Natatorium, the Ramsey Student Center, Athens Bulldog Swim Club, and the University of Georgia will not accept responsibility for any person who climbs to an unsafe height for any reason. Coaches are reminded to tell their swimmers that the depth of the competition pool is 8 feet at the starting ends. Swimmers should always use caution when diving from the starting blocks.

Coaches Meeting: Friday, March 22nd at 3:45 PM. A coach from each team must attend.

Divisional Meeting: There will be a meeting of the Georgia Northeastern Division in the hospitality room at the conclusion of Saturday's prelim session. All teams are encouraged to send a representative.

Spirit Award: An award will be given to the Northeastern Division club showing the most team spirit. A 5 member spirit award committee comprised of coaches, officials, and pool staff will be selected at the beginning of the meet. Their decision on the winner of the award will be announced at Sunday evening's finals session

Results: After each session results will be posted on the Athens Bulldog Swim Club web site. A Hy-tek meet events file may be downloaded from the ABSC website as well (www.athensbulldogs.com).

Order of Events

Friday Evening

Warm-up 4:00 p.m.

Women's Event Number	Qualifying Standard	Event	Qualifying Standard	Men's Event Number
1	3:42.69	10 & Under 200 IM	3:40.89	2
3	3:03.79	11-12 200 IM	3:03.09	4
5	6:10.79	13-14 400 IM	5:50.59	6
7	6:01.49	Senior 400 IM	5:35.79	8
9	8:30.49	10 & Under 500 Free	8:25.79	10
11	7:10.79	11-12 500 Free	7:05.49	12
13	6:51.79	13-14 500 Free	6:31.09	14
15	6:45.29	Senior 500 Free	6:18.39	16

Saturday Morning

Warm-up 7:15 a.m.

Women's Event Number	Qualifying Standard	Event	Qualifying Standard	Men's Event Number
17		8 & Under 100 IM		18
19		9-10 100 IM		20
21		11-12 100 IM		22
23	2:55.49	13-14 200 IM	2:43.69	24
25	2:51.49	Senior 200 IM	2:37.69	26
27		8 & Under 25 Free		28
29		9-10 50 Free		30
31	2:43.19	11-12 200 Free	2:38.89	32
33		13-14 100 Free		34
35		Senior 100 Free		36
37		8 & Under 50 Breast		38
39		9-10 100 Breast		40
41		11-12 50 Breast		42
43	3:14.59	13-14 200 Breast	3:02.39	44
45	3:09.99	Senior 200 Breast	2:55.09	46
47		8 & Under 25 Back		48
49		9-10 50 Back		50
51		11-12 100 Back		52
53	2:51.79	13-14 200 Back	2:41.29	54
55	2:47.89	Senior 200 Back	2:34.39	56
57		8 & Under 50 Fly		58
59		9-10 100 Fly		60
61		11-12 50 Fly		62
63		13-14 100 Fly		64
65		Senior 100 Fly		66
67		8 & Under 100 Free Relay		68
69		10 & Under 200 Free Relay		70
71		12 & Under 200 Free Relay		72
73		14 & Under 200 Free Relay		74
75		Senior 200 Free Relay		76

Order of Events

Sunday Morning

Warm-up 7:15 a.m.

Women's Event Number	Qualifying Standard	Event	Qualifying Standard	Men's Event Number
77		8 & Under 100 Free		78
79	3:20.19	9-10 200 Free	3:09.89	80
81		11-12 100 Free		82
83	2:36.09	13-14 200 Free	2:26.09	84
85	2:32.09	Senior 200 Free	2:20.09	86
87		8 & Under 25 Breast		88
89		9-10 50 Breast		90
91		11-12 100 Breast		92
93		13-14 100 Breast		94
95		Senior 100 Breast		96
97		8 & Under 50 Back		98
99		9-10 100 Back		100
101		11-12 50 Back		102
103		13-14 100 Back		104
105		Senior 100 Back		106
107		8 & Under 25 Fly		108
109		9-10 50 Fly		110
111		11-12 100 Fly		112
113	2:53.39	13-14 200 Fly	2:43.69	114
115	2:48.59	Senior 200 Fly	2:35.59	116
117		8 & Under 50 Free		118
119		9-10 100 Free		120
121		11-12 50 Free		122
123		13-14 50 Free		124
125		Senior 50 Free		126
127		8 & Under 100 Medley Relay		128
129		10 & Under 200 Medley Relay		130
131		12 & Under 200 Medley Relay		132
133		14 & Under 200 Medley Relay		134
135		Senior 200 Medley Relay		136
137		Senior 1650 Free		138

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Meet Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

I. Meet Safety Guidelines

A. Coaches Responsibilities

1. Coaches shall instruct their swimmers regarding swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices.
2. Coaches shall instruct their swimmers regarding swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices.
3. Coaches shall actively supervise their swimmers throughout the warm-up session at meets and at all practices.
4. Coaches should maintain as much contact with their swimmers as possible, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.
5. Coaches should stand near the starting end of the pool when starting swimmers on sprint or pace work.

B. Host Team Responsibilities

1. Marshaling
 - a. A minimum of two marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Meet Director, shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session.
 - b. When ever a sprint lane is open, an additional Marshall must be assigned to that lane's starting block.
 - c. Marshals shall be members of United States Swimming.
 - d. Marshals shall have the authority to move from the deck for the remainder of the warm-up session any swimmer or coach who is in violation of safety guidelines of warm-up procedures.
2. Host teams shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool which indicate the designated use during warm-up.
3. Warm-up times and lane assignments shall be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area. The following statement shall appear in the meet information:
"Georgia Swimming Meet Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
4. An announcer shall 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.
5. Hazards in locker rooms, on deck areas, used by coaches, swimmers, spectators, or officials shall be removed or clearly marked.
6. All starting platforms shall be anchored to the deck or bulkhead to remain stable at all times in accordance with United States Swimming rules.

C. Miscellaneous

1. Backstrokers shall insure that they are not starting at 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. During competition, backstrokers shall enter the water feet first when given permission by the starter to enter the water. The penalty for failure to comply is disqualification.

Georgia Swimming Scratch Rule

The Scratch Rule used in all meets in Georgia where the meet format includes preliminary heats, consolation finals, and finals, is the same "Scratch Rule" as found in Section 207.12 Administrative Conduct of USA Swimming Championships, of the 2010 USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. Certain Georgia LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well.

207.12.6.D. Scratching from finals:

- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted in paragraph E. A declared false start under 101.1.3F or deliberate delay of meet under 101.1.5 is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
- (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition the Referee shall fill the C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final, when possible, with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
- (3) Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall reseed the C, B, or A (bonus final, consolation final and the) final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
- (4) If the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the (championship) final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

E. Exceptions for failure to compete – No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if:

- (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
- (2) A swimmer qualifying for a C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.
- (3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer."

Georgia LSC Additions (Unless otherwise stated in the final sanctioned Meet Information):

- (1) Swimmers that qualify for any additional heats beyond the above mentioned "C, B and A" final heats as announced in the Meet Information will also be subject to the above rules concerning scratching from finals.
- (2) In all deck seeded events, a swimmer who has checked in, been seeded and fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in section E above. This rule also applies in timed finals meets where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number individual entries to be accepted for deck-seeded events.
- (3) There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.
- (4) Qualifiers for all finals heats and the first and second alternates are those as identified the original results of the preliminary heat. Any qualifier who has moved up into this group as a result of the posting of corrected preliminary results after original results been posted shall not be subject to penalty.
- (5) The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.
- (6) On the final day of LSC Championship competitions, any swimmer who has checked for finals and fails to compete will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.
- (7) A "Positive check-in procedure" shall be used for deck seeded events. A swimmer's intent to swim a race shall be denoted by the swimmer's or swimmer's coach's initials entered next to the swimmers name on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course.

Adopted by the HOD, April 18, 2010

Northeastern Divisional Official Entry Summary

Team Name _____

Official Abbreviation _____ Coach _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers (w) _____ (h) _____ (e-mail) _____

Total Swimmers _____ X \$15.00 Surcharge = _____

Total Ind. Entries _____ X \$4.50 Entry fee = _____

Total Relay Entries _____ X \$6.00 Entry fee = _____

Total Due _____

Make checks payable to: Athens Bulldog Swim Club (Please write one check only)

**Send Entry Fee and Waiver to:
Athens Bulldog Swim Club
Attention: Rosemarie Ferguson
520 Millstone Circle
Athens, GA 30605**

**Entries should be e-mailed to
Kevin Taylor
kmtaylor85@gmail.com**

Entries must be received by **Friday, March 15th, 2013.**

WAIVER, ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE:

I, the undersigned coach or team representative verify that all of the swimmers and coached listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming.

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming Inc. regarding warm-up procedures and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet.

The University of Georgia, Athens Bulldog Swim Club, Georgia Swimming, Inc. and USA Swimming, its agents, employees and coached shall be free from any liability or claim for damages rising by reason of illness or injury to anyone during the conduct of this meet.

Signature/Title _____

