

NORTH DISTRICT VIRTUAL LEAGUE Season 2020/2021

INFORMATION

The aim of this virtual league is to help motivate athletes, the majority of whom have recently returned to a training environment but with no present opportunity for Meets as we know them to take place. The times to be submitted may be done over a number of training sessions. Events swum can be as many or as few as works for each Club and their swimmers.

All events to be swum in Clubs own pools during training sessions following current Covid 19 guidelines. Times swum to be recorded as entry times in Team Manager, Team Unify or TM Lite (see attached instructions for TM Lite) and sent to the District Entries Secretary as entry files in the normal manner.

Round 1 and 2 times will be put forward by the District for inclusion in Scottish Swimming's proposed "National Virtual Gathering". The information for this will be published and distributed along with the Entry files and the same entry file is to be used for both.

Events

These events are for Rounds 1 & 2, further information will follow for Rounds 3,4 and 5.
50m all strokes, 100m all strokes plus 75m IM for 7 - 10 years, 100m IM for 11+ years and 200m IM

Age

As at 31st December 2020 – for Rounds 1 & 2, 7 - 10 years 11/12 years, 13/14 years, 15/16 years, 17/18 years, 19/24 years, 25 years+

Eligibility To Enter

Open to swimmers who are members of clubs affiliated to the North District. No entries will be accepted from composite teams and swimmers should be entered under their primary/1st claim club.

Entries

All entries must be on Hy-tek Team Manager entry file.
Entry files may be obtained by downloading from the North District website (www.sasanorth.org.uk) or contact Anne Hendry or Sandra Middleton on entries@sasanorth.org.uk
Please e-mail completed entry files to the District Entries Secretary:- entries@sasanorth.org.uk Anyone requiring assistance of any sort with submission of entries should contact Anne or Sandra.

CLOSING DATES are 13th November, 27th November and 11th December as per the National event. However this is not specific to any events, please swim the events as appropriate for your own training conditions but submit your times in batches by these dates in order to reduce the workload of those of us who have to process them all. Times already recorded at Club training sessions since 1st September may also be submitted for inclusion.

Entry Fees

There is no entry fee for this event.

- Consideration Times** There are no consideration times for this event, however all times entered MUST have been swum since 1st September 2020 (as per the Events File since date) and must be actual times swum. This virtual event relies on the integrity of the entries and any attempt to gain short term advantage will compromise the event and ultimately let down our swimmers.
- Awards** At the conclusion of the final round (Round 5) in 2021 there will be awards for :-

Best progression for 400m Freestyle (Rounds 3, 4 & 5 only)
Sprint King & Queen (FINA points total across all rounds)
Best IM progression for 75m IM, 100m IM and 200m IM
- Technical Officials** There is no requirement for Technical Officials to be provided at this stage however this may change for later rounds dependent on the Guidelines at that time.
- Notes** All swimmers entered must have paid their SASA membership fee for the current year. Registration numbers must be shown on entry files. There will be no licence or accreditation for this virtual event but as Scottish Swimming will submit times to Swim England for ranking purposes all data in the entry files must be correct just as for any other Meet.

As these times will not be accredited they cannot be used for record purposes.

The minimum requirement for a starting device is a whistle and Backstroke starting devices should NOT be used.

All participants should adhere to the Scottish Swimming Code of Ethics, and relevant codes of conduct.
- NON standard pools**

North District wishes to give all our swimmers the opportunity to take part in this virtual league but for the purposes of the National Virtual Gathering for Scotland times swum in pools which are not 25m may not be accepted. North District will accept these but please advise when submitting your entries if your pool is not 25 metres so that we may take this into account when passing results on for the Scottish event.

Results/Leaderboards will be published on the District website and also on Swimscotland on the Sunday following each closing date.

Data Protection Statement

In order to operate this meet, we have a legitimate interest to collect and process some basic personal data from all competitors, specifically name, gender, date of birth.

This data will be held securely and only used for the purposes of managing the meet and reporting results. Dates of birth will only be shared with -

- Scottish Swimming for the purpose of maintaining the National Database which is used for Squad Selection and
- Swim England for inclusion on Rankings

Names, gender and age (but not date of birth) will be retained and will be shared with attending clubs and may be published for the purpose of reporting and keeping records.

We appreciate that all of this is new to everybody, if you have any queries at all regarding any aspect of either the north District Virtual League or Tighinn Comhla please get in touch and we will do our best to help.