



Monster Splash 2023

Level 3 Open Meet - Licence No: TBC

Date Sat and Sun 28th & 29th October 2023

Venue Darwen Leisure Centre, The Green, Darwen. BB3 1PW

Facilities 25m pool complex with 8 lanes, anti-wave lane ropes and Swiss Timing Quantum timing system in operation with scoreboard display. The Leisure Centre has on site café facilities.

There is parking onsite which is limited, however, there are numerous local parking facilities in the vicinity of the pool.

Competition Age: Ages are as at midnight Sunday 29th October 2023

The Meet

The meet will be held under Swim England Technical Rules and is licensed to Level 3. All swimmers must be members of a club affiliated to Swim England at Category Club Compete (old Cat 2) Level.

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.

The programme will cover 50m, 100m, 200m events for all strokes and all age groups.

Entries will be seeded on a slowest to fastest time basis for all age groups within an event.

Entry times should normally have been achieved in the twelve months prior to the event and converted to short course where appropriate. It is not essential however, that entry times have been achieved at a previous licensed open meet. Any submitted times must have been achieved at an agreed club time trial / timed event or endorsed by the club coaches.

If a 50m (long course) time is to be used this must be converted to 25m (shortcourse) times using Swim England Equivalent Performance Tables or Sportsystem Equivalent Times Converter electronic programme

As Event Organisers, we rely on integrity and accurate times being entered to ensure fairness to all swimmers. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Entries that do not meet the attached Qualifying Times for that event will be rejected.

The 100m and 200m events will be Heat Declared Winners (HDW) within the prescribed age limits.



The 50m events will be Heats and Finals as per the attached programme of events.

The fastest 8 swimmers from heats will qualify for the final with two reserves.

Competitors who do not intend to swim in the final must withdraw by completing a withdrawal slip and handing this to the timing suite within 15 minutes of the announcement of the finalists being made for the event.

ALL FINALISTS MUST REPORT TO MARSHALLING FOR THE FINALS UNLESS THEY HAVE WITHDRAWN

Spectators and Live Streaming

To avoid overcrowding we would encourage there being one parent per swimmer in the spectator gallery.

Price of entry will be £10 per person for the full day, or alternatively it will be £5 per session per person.

We will have the facility to pay by card on the entry door should you prefer.

The meet will be live streamed onto the Internet, link details will be found on the Burnley Bobcats website along with the necessary information using the below link/website address:

<https://uk.teamunify.com/team/bbsq/page/competition/bobcats-open-meets>

Awards

Medals will be awarded to the first three placed swimmers in all events (including the Heats of the 50m), and for the following age groups:-

- Female: 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15years & Over
- Male/Open: 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years & Over

Finals will be swum in the following age groups:

- Female & Open: 9 & 10 years, 11 & 12 years, 13 & 14 years, 15years & Over
- Male/Open: 9 & 10 years, 11 & 12 years, 13 & 14 years, 15 years & Over

The winner of each final will receive a trophy. There will be no medals for the finals.

No formal presentations will be made for the events, all awards can be collected from the designated medals/trophy table.

Points accrued by swimmers throughout the event will lead to a 'Top Visiting Club' award.



Entries

Cost per race entry is £7.00 (electronic entry). Clubs should make their entries collectively and make one payment by club. All entries are to be sent from your swimming club only via the competition secretary.

BACS is the preferred method of payment; As a reference, please state the CLUB NAME for the collective entries. Bobcats Account details are;

Name: Burnley Bobcats ADM

Account: 87623262

Sort Code: 30-98-97

The Sportsystem entry file is available on the Burnley Bobcats ADM Open Meets page of the Burnley Bobcats website:-

<https://uk.teamunify.com/team/bbsq/page>

Opening, Closing Date and Acceptance Criteria

As organisers, we reserve the right to limit entries for safety reasons and for the smooth operation of the competition. Where this rule is invoked, the meet will be filled based on FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED basis, however additional rejections may be made by event rather than club. Events chosen for restrictions will be at the organisers' discretion.

The window for applications will open at:

18.00pm - Monday 17th July 2023

With the final closing date for entries subject to not already being closed owing to first come, first serve:

18.00pm - Friday 8th September 2023

Late entries will NOT be accepted, and poolside entries will NOT be accepted at this meet.

All accepted and rejected entries will be posted on the Burnley Bobcats website soon after finalising the programme.

In the event of any entries being rejected, refunds will be forwarded via your club.

Please ensure you check the entries and ensure any queries / errors are raised immediately as we will not be able to correct errors / add swimmers on the day.



Coaches

Passes for coaches / pool side staff are £25 each. This will be for the whole weekend. Note... all poolside helpers must have full CRB clearance.

The pass will include entrance to the pool, programme, heat start sheets, cooked meal, and snacks at programmed breaks.

No swimmer is to be on poolside without a coach / team manager / club pool side helper. If this is not possible, then an agreement should be made with a different club to look after the swimmer.

No one will be allowed on poolside without a poolside pass.

Withdrawals

Withdrawals for any session may be made up to 60 minutes before the start of the session by either:

- e-mail (**bbmeetsecretary@gmail.com**) or text (07577 415621). Please state the swimmer's name, club name, event number, competitor number and the name of the events wishing to be withdrawn from or...
- in person at the designated desk on the day using the withdrawal form

Coaches, team managers and parents may withdraw a swimmer from an event by one or the above methods.

Website

Information and live results will be published on our website at:-

<https://uk.teamunify.com/team/bbsq/page>

The Sportssystem entry file (.sez) together with the Club Entry form should be sent directly to bbmeetsecretary@gmail.com

This is a cardless meet. Entry confirmations will be emailed to clubs as soon as entries are processed.