

The "Bob Stallings" Aggieland Invitational

HOSTED BY
A&M Consolidated
Swimming & Diving Team



Short Course Yards – Prelims/Finals
Saturday, November 7, 2009
Following UIL Rules of Conduct
USA Swimming Observed



LOCATION: Texas A&M University
Student Recreation Center Natatorium
Olsen Boulevard
College Station, TX 77843

For more information about the TAMU Student Recreation Center Natatorium, visit:
<http://recsports.tamu.edu/>

LOCAL INFORMATION:

Parking: Parking is free on the surface lots of the TAMU campus on Saturday, except where designated. Please park in the lot in front of the pool or in the parking garage. Rates are \$1/hour for the first two hours, then 50¢/hour for each additional hour. Maximum daily fee is \$6. No in and out passes will be available for the parking garage.

Teams with **buses and vans** should drop off their passengers at the front of the Rec Center and park in the Olsen Field parking lot.

Hotels: Please visit the Bryan/College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau at <http://www.visitaggieland.com> or call (800) 777-8292.

COACH: **A&M Consolidated:** Ryan Goodwyn, email: coachry1650@yahoo.com

POOLS: **Swimming:** Two eight lane, 25 yard indoor pools with non-turbulent lane lines will be used for warm-up and competition. Two lanes of a separate 25 meter diving well will be available for warm-up and warm-down.

Diving: Diving well with double 1-meter spring boards.

TIME AND DATE: This is a prelim/finals meet with A, B finals. All relays will be swum as timed finals events during finals.

Saturday, November 7: Prelims: 8:45* – 10:00 a.m. warm-up / 10:10 a.m. start
Finals: 5:00 – 5:50 p.m. warm-up / 6:00 p.m. start
Diving: 9:30 a.m. warm-up / 10:30 a.m. start

* Split warm-ups will be in effect for prelims warm-up. Warm-up lane assignments will be published by Tuesday, November 3, 2009. The Rec Center facility and natatorium open at 8:30 a.m. Open warm-up format at finals.

MEET REFEREE: Gary Baker, email: gary.baker@shell.com

MEET DIRECTOR: Henry Clark, (979) 220-2703, email: clark@comp.tamu.edu

DIVING REFEREE: Derrick Mauk, hmmauk@yahoo.com

SAFETY MARSHAL: Shannon Clark

SAFETY GUIDELINES AND WARM-UP PROCEDURES: See attachment

GENERAL MEETING: All swimmers must be represented at a general meeting to be held Saturday, November 7, 2009 in the natatorium classroom. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. or immediately following prelims warm-up. Any changes to the conduct of the meet will be decided at this meeting. It is each swimmer and coach's responsibility to be aware of any changes made during this meeting.

SEEDING: The meet will be pre-seeded except for the 500 free and relays. The 500 free and relays will be deck seeded. Coaches please inform your swimmers of deck seeding rules. Prelim events will be circle seeded.

PRELIMS AND SCRATCHING: There will be no penalty for failure to report to the starting blocks for prelim events.

FINALS AND SCRATCHING: Any finalist who fails to report to the starting blocks for finals or consolation finals, for which he has qualified and failed to scratch with the Clerk of Course prior to the scratch deadline, shall be banned from further competition.

In a Prelim/Final meet, the finalists and alternates for finals shall be announced and shall have thirty (30) minutes after the announcement to scratch from finals. Any qualified swimmer in the event (a swimmer is qualified for finals or consolation finals if he has successfully completed the event in Prelims) may be moved into finals due to scratches. Thirty (30) minutes after the announcement, no further scratches shall be accepted, the existing scratches will be tabulated and the finalists and two (2) alternates for the event shall be set. Only the finalists set at this point may be subject to the banishment from competition, even though any qualified swimmer may be moved into finals.

LATE ENTRIES: Entries made after the entry deadline will NOT be accepted. No changes to entered times or entered events will be accepted after the entry deadline.

ENTRY INFORMATION:

Entry Times: Swimmers should enter at their best time. If swimmers have never competed in an event, put NT where a seed time is requested.

Qualifying Times: none

Number of Events: Teams may enter more than four (4) athletes into a given individual event but **only four (4) competitors from each team may advance to finals**. Each athlete may enter a maximum of four (4) events of which no more than two (2) events may be individual events. If more than four (4) events are shown on the entry form for a given athlete, only the first four (4) will be accepted. Diving will be considered as one individual event. Teams may enter only two (2) relays within a given relay event.

Deadline: Entries, payment and a hard copy print-out of the entries must be in the hands of the Meet Director no later than **6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2009**. No late entries will be accepted. Do not send entries via Federal Express, etc., that require a signature; if you must send your entries by express mail, please indicate that a signature is NOT required. Mail or hand deliver entries to the Meet Director at:

Henry Clark
9465 Barrow Court
College Station, TX 77845

Phone: (979) 220-2703

Email: clark@comp.tamu.edu

Entries: All teams MUST submit their entries electronically via e-mail, using the Hy-Tek Meet Manager/Team Manager computer software. Include relays and relay-only swimmers with your electronic submission.

Fees: \$20.00 per athlete. Make checks payable to **Aggie Swim Club**.

FINALISTS: All finalists and relay teams should report directly to the starting blocks. The names of the top 8 finalists will be announced before the start. The names of the consolation finalists and relay teams will be announced after the start.

- AWARDS:** Individual: 1st – 8th place medals
Relay: 1st - 3rd place medals
Girls Team: 1st – 3rd place plaques
Boys Team: 1st – 3rd place plaques
- SCORING:** Individual Events: 1st – 8th place: 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11
9th – 16th place: 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
Relay Events: 1st – 8th place: 40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22
9th – 16th place: 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
- RELAY EVENTS:** All relays will be swum as timed final events during finals. Properly completed relay cards must be turned in to the Clerk of Course by 12:00 p.m. (noon) or the entry will be considered scratched. All relay heats will be swum slowest to fastest.
- 500 FREE EVENTS:** The 500 free will be deck seeded. Entrants must check in with the Clerk of Course by 10:10 a.m. and confirm their intention to compete in the event.
- RULES AND SANCTIONS:** The 2009-2010 National Federation of State High School Associations Swimming and Diving and UIL rules and regulations regarding competition will be applied. This meet will be USA Swimming observed for registered USA swimmers. The coach from each team must submit a list of names and USA-S ID numbers along with their entries. Unattached swimmers may compete in this meet with the requirements that they are 1) USA Swimming registered, 2) full time High School students, 3) under the age of 19 and 4) in good academic & disciplinary standing with their High School.
- OFFICIALS:** Any team bringing UIL and/or USA swimming officials should contact the Meet Referee; Gary Baker at gary.baker@shell.com Deck officials must have current NFIOA and/or USA-S certification. There will be an officials' meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.
- TIMING SYSTEM:** A Daktronics electronic timing system with electronic scoreboard will be used. Two watches per lane will be used as a back-up.
- TIMERS:** Each team will be required to furnish **TWO** timers for the prelim session. Timing assignments will be published in the meet program.
- DIVING COMPETITION:** Competition is subject to UIL rules and regulations.
- Divers may enter 1 meter diving events only
 - Only four divers will score for any one team
 - "Six" dive venue
 - Field reduction will not be a factor
 - Order of dives will be determined and maintained throughout the competition
 - Dive score sheets will be submitted with the team entries and verified at "check in" at 9:30 a.m.
 - Diving Competition begins at 10:30 a.m.
- SPECTATORS:** There will be a one-time three dollar (\$3) gate fee per spectator for the day. College student spectators are free of charge with student ID cards.
- POOL DECK RESTRICTION:** Because of insurance and safety regulations, the swimming pool deck, during the operation of this meet, is closed to all persons except swimmers, coaches, marshals, officials, meet personnel, and timers. If you are asked to leave the deck by any registered personnel, please do so. It is for your safety.
- SWIMMERS WITH DISABILITIES:** Coaches and/or swimmers are responsible for notifying the Meet Director of any disability prior to the competition and for providing their own assistant or equipment.
- CONCESSIONS:** Concessions will be available in the main lobby of the Rec Center at the "Time Out" snack bar from 9:00 a.m. on Saturday.
- HOSPITALITY:** A hospitality room will be available for coaches, officials and meet personnel.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY STUDENT RECREATION CENTER NATATORIUM RULES:

- Participants and spectators are not allowed to use other areas of the Student Recreation Center Complex during this event.
- Swimming is allowed only when the area is supervised.
- NO glass containers, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages are allowed within the natatorium area.
- Only participants, coaches, event administrators, and event volunteers are allowed on the pool deck. All spectators and parents must remain in the grandstand.
- Participants are not allowed to climb over the grandstand railings or pass any posted barriers.
- Don't hang on the lane lines.
- There will be **NO SHAVING** within the Student Recreational Complex. All shaving should be completed prior to arrival at the natatorium. Safety marshals will be monitoring the locker rooms and restrooms to enforce this policy.
- Safety rules will be enforced during warm-ups before each event session and in the diving well during the meet. The diving well is a warm-up area. Recreational swimming is prohibited.
- Diving Boards will be closed and off-limits to all competitors and spectators.
- Please be neat. Throw your trash in the trash containers.
- **NO LAWN CHAIRS** are allowed in the facility.
- The Texas A&M Recreational Sports staff has final authority on all safety matters and reserves the right to remove anyone for behavior that is deemed unsafe or inappropriate.
- Blocking or restricting fire lanes or emergency exits, and the use of emergency exits for non-emergencies is prohibited. Team Banners must not exceed 5'X 8' and will be hung by event staff. No handmade signs are allowed in the facility.
- No pets allowed in the Rec Center complex or on the pool deck.

ORDER OF EVENTS:

Girls		Event		Boys
1	Finals Only	200 yd Medley Relay	Finals Only	2
3	P/F	200 yd Free	P/F	4
5	P/F	200 yd IM	P/F	6
7	P/F	50 yd Free	P/F	8
9	Prelim Only	Diving	Prelim Only	10
11	P/F	100 yd Fly	P/F	12
13	P/F	100 yd Free	P/F	14
15	P/F	500 yd Free	P/F	16
17	Finals Only	200 yd Free Relay	Finals Only	18
19	P/F	100 yd Back	P/F	20
21	P/F	100 yd Breast	P/F	22
23	Finals Only	400 yd Free Relay	Finals Only	24

WARM-UP PROCEDURES:

- A. General warm-up (Initial portion [1/2] of the warm-up session or with the agreement of all of the coaches in a particular lane.)
 - 1. **NO DIVING OR RACING STARTS** allowed from the blocks edge of the pool. Swimmers must enter the pool feet first cautiously.
 - 2. **NO SPRINTING OR PACE WORK** allowed during this general warm-up session.
- B. Specific warm-up (Last portion [1/2] of the warm-up session or with the agreement of all of the coaches in a particular lane.)
 - 1. **RACING STARTS ONLY**, either from blocks or from backstroke starts.
 - 2. Lanes are **ONE WAY ONLY**.

SAFETY GUIDELINES

- A. Swimmers Responsibilities
 - 1. All swimmers without a registered coach to observe them at the meet, and/or their coaches, should arrange, prior to their arrival at the meet, for a registered coach to observe them during the warm-up, competition and warm-down. Any unattached or unattended swimmers who have not made previous arrangements with a coach to observe them at the meet should contact the Meet Director, Safety Marshal or Meet Referee for assistance in making such arrangements prior to their participating in the warm-up.
- B. Coaches Responsibilities
 - 1. Coaches shall instruct their swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practice.
 - 2. Coaches shall stand near the starting end of the pool when starting swimmers on sprint and pace work.
 - 3. Coaches shall actively supervise their swimmers throughout the warm-up session.
 - 4. Coaches shall maintain as much contact with their swimmers as possible, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.
 - 5. Registered coaches of unattached swimmers and registered coaches of non-Gulf teams should notify the meet host by the entry deadline if they will be at the meet, so that they may be assigned to a warm-up lane.
- C. Safety Marshals
 - 1. Appointed Safety Marshals are members of USA Swimming and have the authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of the warm-up session, any swimmer or coach who is in violation of safety guidelines or warm-up procedures. **THE MEET REFEREE MAY EXERCISE ADDITIONAL ADJUDICATION AUTHORITY AS NECESSARY.**
- D. Miscellaneous
 - 1. Swimmers should be reminded by coaches that breaststrokes need more lead time than freestyle or butterfly swimmers.
 - 2. Backstrokers shall ensure that they are not starting at the same time as a swimmer on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step up on the starting blocks, when a backstroker is waiting to start.
 - 3. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
 - 4. Swimmers are required to exit the pool upon completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time. The pool is not for visiting or playing during warm-up periods.
 - 5. Warm-up procedures shall be enforced for any breaks, scheduled or otherwise, during the competition.
 - 6. All diving boards and equipment are **OFF LIMITS**.
 - 7. **NO EQUIPMENT**, kick boards, paddles, etc. are allowed during the entire meet.
- E. Pool Rules
 - 1. Smoking or use of other tobacco products is not allowed on the grounds of USA Swimming meets.
 - 2. Glass containers are prohibited.
 - 3. Swimmers, coaches, and spectators are expected to observe all rules and regulations included in the invitation.

