

**SOMERSET and GLOUCESTER  
MASTERS OPEN MEET 2026**

**EVENT CONDITIONS & PROGRAM OF EVENTS**

**Date: Sunday 7th June 2026**

**Time: 1.30pm - 6.30pm (approximately)**

**Location: Millfield School, Street**

**Entry closing date & time: Sunday 23rd May, 5pm**

**Ages as of 31st December 2026**

**Events**

**50m & 100m Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke & Butterfly**

**100m & 200m I.M. (Mixed)**

**200m Freestyle, Backstroke & Breaststroke (Mixed)**

**200m (8 x 1 25m) Freestyle Cannon Relay (Mixed)**

**4 x 50m Club Medley Relay (Mixed)**

**4 x 50m Club Freestyle Relay (Mixed)**

**All events will be Heat Declared Winners (HDW)**

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## PROMOTERS CONDITIONS

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- 1 All events shall be competed for under Swim England Laws and Regulations Technical Rules of racing for Masters Swimming.
- 2 The pool is a 25m 8-lane deck level competition pool
- 3 The competition will be swum short course with anti-wave lane ropes
- 4 There will be a continuous warm up and cool down pool
- 5 Competitors are to contact the Meet Promoter if a secondary strobe light is required during the competition
- 6 All competitors must be Swim England Club Compete registered prior to submitting entries
- 7 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
- 8 The closing date for entries will be **5pm on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026**
- 9 Once entries have been confirmed no refunds will be given for competitors who subsequently withdraw.
- 10 The Promoter requests that any competitors who wish to withdraw, send an email to [brian.armstrong47@gmail.com](mailto:brian.armstrong47@gmail.com) this is to avoid empty lanes and unnecessary heats. No refunds will be paid when withdrawing or not attending.
- 11 A refund for withdrawal on medical grounds will be considered provided a request is made to the Promoter no later than 72 hours prior to the start date and time of the applicable weekend of competition and must be supported with a medical note within four weeks of that date.
- 12 Results will be published in Meet Mobile, on the Gloucester County ASA website and on the Somerset ASA website.
- 13 Results will be forwarded to Swim England for inclusion into the Masters rankings and the British Swimming Masters Decathlon Competition.
- 14 The entry fee is £8.00 per individual event.
- 15 The entry fee is £15.00 per team event.
- 16 **Please Note** that there will be a mixed 8 x 25m 'Canon' Freestyle relay event which shall operate with the following rules.
  - Combined team age of 240 years or greater
  - 4 male swims and 4 female Swims
  - Swimmers can swim in any order with respect to gender or age
  - Swimmers can swim more than once but cannot swim 2 x consecutive 25m's
- 17 Online entries and payment can be made using this link <https://bsbasa.org/meet/smswsm26> and the entries received so far is available at <https://bsbasa.org/entries/smswsm26>
- 18 We are not able to accept entries for the 8 x 25m 'Canon' Freestyle Relay through the entry portal. If you would like to enter a team for this event, please email the Promoters at the address above.
- 19 **Age groups are based on ages at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2026.**
- 20 All competitors must be aged 25 year or over by midnight on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2026, with the exception of the Senior Group who must be aged 18 years or over on the date of competition.
- 21 Competitors may compete under the name of one club only.
- 22 Heats will be pre-seeded. Competitors do not need to sign in. The organisers reserve the right to amend the running order of the events and to add non-scoring competitors at their

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sole discretion should it become necessary. All events will be **Heat Declared Winner**. Entries will be seeded into heats from submitted times, these will be seeded before the event, where competitors have withdrawn late the lane will be left empty. Slowest heats will be swum first.

- 23 A commemorative medal will be awarded to all competitors. One medal per competitor.
- 24 An award will be made to “Best Somerset Club”; “Best Gloucester Club” & “Best Visiting Club”. Points will be awarded for individual swims and double points will be awarded for relays swims. Clubs with the most points will win the award in their respective category
- 25 During the meet and in case of unforeseen circumstances out of our control the Referee may need to alter the conditions to ensure the smooth running of the competition.
- 26 Any swimmer breaking these conditions will be liable to disqualification from any or all events
- 27 The Organiser reserves the right to ban the use of gas hooters, klaxons etc., which in the Organiser’s opinion, could be a hazard or danger to competitors, officials or spectators
- 28 Officials who officiate at any of the Sessions will be entitled to Mileage Expenses at a Rate of 40p per mile from their home address to the Pool Venue and return, with a limit of one claim per day, regardless of the number of sessions attended on that day. Officials should request an Expenses Application Form from a Referee which should be completed and returned to that Referee during the duration of the Meet
- 29 The Meet Promoter will make every effort to run the event. In any situation that the meet must be cancelled competitors are not eligible for full refunds of their entry fees. Proportionate refunds may be made but only after the promoter has covered all incurred costs
- 30 **Code of Conduct** All competitors are to be familiar with Swim England’s Code of Conduct, which is included in Swim England’s Safeguarding Policy, known as [WavePower](#). This meet is run under the protection of this policy and all visitors to the complex will be expected to abide by the policy. Somerset & Gloucestershire ASA has a zero tolerance to any breach of any code of conduct and anyone who is deemed in breach of a code of conduct will be asked to leave the venue and reported to the Management Committee for further investigation
- 31 By entering you declare that to the best of your knowledge you are physically fit and able to compete and train in Masters Events and Training Sessions and have not been advised otherwise by a Medical Advisor. You therefore exonerate Swim England, GCASA, Swim Wales, Somerset ASA, Officials and Meet Organisers from any injury as a result of your medical condition. You also confirm that you are proficient in the execution, where necessary, of entry dives in accordance with Swim England recommendation.
- 32 **Data Protection Declaration**
1. Competitors
    1. agree to abide by the Competition's Entry Conditions
    2. must provide information which is correct and accurate to the best of their knowledge
    3. consent to their personal data being collected, stored, used, shared and transferred by Somerset ASA in accordance with Somerset ASA's Privacy Policy, which can be found here: <https://somersetasa.co.uk/privacy-policy/>
  2. Clubs
    1. agree to act as a Data Processor on behalf of Gloucester ASA and Somerset ASA for the collection, storage, use, sharing and transfer of the personal data of members who have made the above competitor declaration in support of entry into this competition
    2. agree to submit Batch Entries which are correct and accurate to the best of their knowledge
    3. must promptly make the Promoter aware of any exceptions and

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4. agree to resolve any queries directly with the member(s) concerned.

### **33 Photography & Imagery Consent**

1. Your privacy is important to us. Any concerns during an event should be reported to the Promoter or an appropriate member of the Meet Management team
2. This event may be photographed and videoed in accordance with our Privacy Policy <https://somersetasa.co.uk/privacy-policy/>. Media may be displayed on our website <https://somersetasa.co.uk/> , on our social media accounts and used to promote the event and events in the future. If you have any concerns, please refer to the ASA. Photography Guidance in Wavepower 2025 <https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/wavepower-child-safeguarding-for-clubs/>
3. The Promoters may have official photographers and may record the competition events in which you are participating, and general images of swimmers, coaches, officials, parents and volunteers will form part of the information we hold and use. In addition to the purposes for general information set out above, Somerset ASA may use these recordings and images for the purposes of education and training, inclusion in press releases and Club Communications, and event promotion.
4. Please note consent will be valid for 3 years.
5. You can withdraw or change your consent at any time.
6. Where you do not grant consent, we will not be able to use your imagery except in certain limited situations, such as where required to do so by law or to protect members of the public from serious harm.

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## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Sunday 7th June 2026

**Session: 1 Warm-up starts: 1.00pm**

**Session: 2 Warm-up starts: 3.30pm\***

**Competition starts: 1.30pm\***

**Competition starts: 4.00pm\***

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Session 1			
Event Number	Open /Male or Female	Distance	Event
1	Mixed	100m	I.M.
2	Female	50m	Freestyle
3	Open/Male	50m	Freestyle
4	Female	100m	Butterfly
5	Open/Male	100m	Butterfly
6	Female	50m	Breaststroke
7	Open/Male	50m	Breaststroke
8	Female	100m	Backstroke
9	Open/Male	100m	Backstroke
10	Mixed	200m	Breaststroke
11	Mixed	4 x 50m	Club Mixed Medley Relay
BREAK			
Session 2			
Event Number	Open /Male or Female	Distance	Event
12	Mixed	4 x 50m	Club Mixed Freestyle Relay
13	Mixed	200m	I.M.
14	Mixed	200m	Backstroke
15	Open/Male	50m	Butterfly
16	Female	50m	Butterfly
17	Open/Male	100m	Freestyle
18	Female	100m	Freestyle
19	Open/Male	50m	Backstroke
20	Female	50m	Backstroke
21	Open/Male	100m	Breaststroke
22	Female	100m	Breaststroke
23	Mixed	200m	Freestyle
24	Mixed	200m	Cannon (4 Female, 4 Open/Male swimmers, total age of 240)

\*Start times are a guideline and will be confirmed once all entries are received and confirmed.