

**SOMERSET COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION
COUNTY DEVELOPMENT MEET 2026**

EVENT CONDITIONS, QUALIFYING TIMES & PROGRAMME

Level 3

Licence Number: 3SW262058

Dates: Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th October 2026

Venue: Millfield School, Street.

Promoter: Kelly Podbury, on behalf of Somerset ASA

Events

**50m & 100m Open all strokes including I.M.
200m I.M. & Freestyle all age groups
200m Breaststroke & Backstroke ages 13/O only**

All events will be Heat Declared Winners (HDW)

**Medals awarded to:
1st, 2nd & 3rd places in age groups 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15 & over**

All events have 'Slower than' qualifying times

Ages will be as of 31st December 2026

Maximum entry per swimmer will be 5 events

Closing date for entries:

5pm, Saturday 3rd October 2026

Entries will be confirmed on Sunday 4th October 2026

Payment by Friday 9th October 2026

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PROMOTERS CONDITIONS

- 1 All events shall be competed for under Swim England Laws and Regulations Technical Rules of racing
- 2 This meet has been designated as a development meet (Licensed to Level 3) to extend the opportunity of good class competition for emerging competitors. A maximum time for each event and age group will be published and competitors who have achieved better than that listed are not permitted to enter
- 3 The competition is open to members of clubs affiliated to Somerset ASA, eligible to compete and registered in accordance with Swim England laws and technical rules
- 4 The Promoter, Somerset ASA, reserves the right to reject any entry without giving a reason. By submitting entries, competitors accept the rules of this competition. Competitors whose entries are accepted and subsequently found to have been entered in the wrong event(s)
 - a. because of incorrect entry information will be withdrawn from the event(s) and will not have their entry fees refunded
 - b. because of an organiser error, will be withdrawn from the event(s) and will at the organiser's discretion and without further obligation or liability by the organiser either a) be entered in the correct event or b) receive a refund of the relevant entry fee(s)
- 5 The pool is 25m and the competition will be swum short course with anti-wave lane ropes
- 6 Clubs are to contact the Promoter, at the time of entry, if a secondary strobe light is required during the competition
- 7 The acceptance of competitors will be based on times submitted. It is essential that only times achieved, or club time trials as agreed by the club coach be entered. As many heats as possible will be run in the time available for the meet. Times must be supplied with entries, **NT entries will not be accepted**
- 8 Any swimmer who, at the closing date of entries for the Meet including those entered early, that has achieved a time faster than the published upper limit may not enter that event or will be entered by the host club as a time trial swim if time permits once all swimmers under the uppers limit have been accepted. Should it transpire at any stage that a swimmer has submitted an ineligible entry or not declared a faster time, then the entry will be rejected, and the fee forfeited. It is the Clubs responsibility to be transparent with any times improved above the QT standard at close of entry.
- 9 Competitors cannot enter an event in which they have achieved an official time faster than the published upper time in any competition, whether licensed or unlicensed, during the specified qualifying period prior to the closing date of the competition.
- 10 Competitors with WPS Functional Ability Classification or a Certificate of Swimming Disability achieving Para-Swim/Disability Consideration Standards for County Events will be accepted
 - a) WPS Functional Ability Classification MUST be declared on the entry email. Competitors with a Certificate of Swimming Disability MUST present to the Certificate to the Referee at the start of the relevant session before racing commences.
 - b) Para-Swim/Disability competitors may enter any event that is not deemed a Para-Swim Event, subject to satisfying the relevant qualifying or consideration standard(s) as specified in the entry conditions
- 11 To ensure safety procedures and protocols are observed, together with the well-being of all competitors, all associated medical conditions must be declared on a Health Information Form with the management plan for the condition and submitted to the Promoter at least two weeks before the date of competition. The declaration shall be made by the

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competitor/parent/guardian for the sole use of those persons with responsibility for health and safety during the competition. The content of the declaration will be held in strict confidence, and only shared when essential to ensure the safety of the competitor during the competition. The forms submitted by competitors entering an event in this meet will be held securely on file until the final Somerset ASA competition of the 2026/2027 season

- 12 All competitors must be showing on Swim England Membership as Club Compete registered prior to submitting entries
- 13 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
- 14 Competitors are only permitted to enter five (5) events
- 15 Competitors must be race ready when reporting to marshalling
- 16 **The use of any device with video or photo capture capability are strictly prohibited in the toilets, changing rooms or changing area's at any time. Strict sanctions will be imposed if this rule is broken.**
- 17 Should the event be oversubscribed an equal amount of the fastest competitors from each event and age group will be scratched
- 18 Entries are to be made via Hy-Tek Team Manager compatible format. All entries are to be emailed to somersetasa@gmail.com and include the information requested on the Event Entry Submission. The closing date for entries will be **5pm on Saturday 3rd October 2026**
- 19 Confirmation of entries and entry fees to pay will be received by clubs on Sunday 4th October 2026. Clubs are to check their confirmed entries thoroughly in case competitors have been scratched in line with point 18 above
- 20 Once entries have been confirmed to clubs no refunds will be given for competitors who subsequently withdraw
- 21 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
- 22 The entry fee is £5.00 per event
- 23 Payment by BACS transfer only must be paid directly into the Somerset ASA bank account by Friday 9th October 2026. Evidence of cleared funds will be confirmed by the Treasurer to the Competition Secretary prior to the event. Clubs who do not have evidence of cleared funds by the date above will not be able to compete. Ensure the club name is used as reference when submitting payment.

Bank details:	HSBC
Sort Code:	40-44-33
Account Number:	62083051
- 24 Coach & Team Manager accreditations are to be downloaded individually from the Swim England Membership Options. Clubs must adhere to [SE1048 Swim England Team Manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy](#). All Teams must be accompanied by at least one qualified Level 2 coach or equivalent and at least one qualified Level 1 Team Manager. All coaches and Team Managers must have an in-date Safeguarding qualification and a valid in date DBS check. Failure to have these in place will prevent coaches and Team Managers from downloading accreditations and therefore access the competitors balcony and poolside will be denied
- 25 Clubs must contact the promoter if they have a competitor who needs a chaperone and is not eligible for a Coach or Team Manager accreditation
- 26 Only competitors reporting for their event, required volunteers and appointed officials are allowed on the poolside during the meet

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- 27 **ALL ACCREDITATIONS MUST BE WORN AROUND THE NECK AT ALL TIMES AND PRESENTED TO THE COMPETITORS STEWARD OR ANY EVENT ORGANISER ON REQUEST. Failure to do this will result in a breach of the Code of Conduct. This will be reported to the Somerset Management Committee where sanctions may be imposed**
- 28 During warmups, only coaches holding valid accreditation will be permitted on the poolside
- 29 Accreditations must be worn at all times when on the competitors balcony and poolside
- 30 All Team Managers, Coaches and Chaperones must:
- a) Download their accreditation using the Swim England Membership platform. [Swim England Membership Options](#).
 - b) Ensure you have uploaded a photograph of yourself
 - c) Select 'Purchase accreditations for events'
 - d) Select the free option choice with the correct dates
 - e) You will be emailed your accreditation
 - f) This process will safeguard our competitors by ensuring that all adults wearing an accreditation has the right qualification and checks in place
- 31 Coaches and Team Managers are to print accreditations and collect a holder and lanyard at the Front of House, these can then be used for the duration of the meet and returned on the final day to Front of House
- 32 **The cost of the accreditations is included within the entry fee. Clubs should not add additional surcharges to entry fees for the purpose of providing coach and team manager passes for the event.**
- 33 Clubs may still wish to add a surcharge to their own entries to recover the cost of coaches' travelling expenses and anything else they may pay their coaches for attending the event
- 34 **Ages will be as on 31st December 2026.**
- 35 Heats will be pre-seeded. Competitors do not need to sign in.
- 36 The organisers reserve the right to amend the running order, with the permission of the Regional Licensing Officer,
- 37 The Promoter is permitted to add non-scoring competitors at their sole discretion should it become necessary.
- 38 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. All heats will be spearheaded
- 39 Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded to the first three competitors in each age group, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 and over
- 40 Medals will be awarded to the top three placed Para-Swim/Disability competitors in each event, which shall be determined on a multi-Para-Swim/Disability basis
- 41 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
- 42 Any swimmer breaking these conditions will be liable to disqualification from any or all events
- 43 The Promoter reserves the right to ban the use of gas hooters, klaxons etc., which in their opinion, could be a hazard or danger to competitors, officials or spectators
- 44 All clubs with five or more competitors are kindly requested to provide qualified and licensed officials to assist with the officiating of the event during each session. The promoter will endeavour to ensure enough officials and timekeepers meet the licence requirements for each session, however if this proves not to be achievable the times for the competitors will not be accepted by rankings

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- 45 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
- 46 It is also requested of clubs that enough volunteers are encouraged to support the event to ensure our competitors are competing in a safe and secure environment
- 47 The 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
- 48 The Promoter will make every effort to run the event at the advertised licence level. In any situation that the meet must be run at either unlicensed or at a lower licence level, competitors are not eligible for refunds of their entry fees
- 49 **Code of Conduct** All clubs, their coaches, team managers, competitors and parents are 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 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
- 50 **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 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
 4. agree to resolve any queries directly with the member(s) concerned.
- 51 **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 <https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/wavepower-child-safeguarding-for-clubs/>
 3. Somerset ASA may have official photographers and may record the competition events in which you are participating, and general images of competitors, 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.

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4. If competitors, coaches, officials, parents and volunteers have any concerns with their child / themselves being photographed / filmed at our events please contact the Promoter by email somersetasa@gmail.com or call 07780 733 512 prior to the event.
5. Please note consent will be valid for 3 years or in the case of consent by a parent / guardian on behalf of a child, the shorter period of 3 years, or until the child's 16th birthday. 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

Day 1 – Saturday 17th October 2026
Ages 10, 11 & 12

Session: 1 Warm-up starts: 8.25am*

Session: 2 Warm-up starts: 1.25pm*

Competition starts: 9.30am*

Competition starts: 2.30pm*

Event	Description	Event	Description
101	Open/Male 200m I.M.	201	Female 200m I.M.
102	Female 200m Freestyle	202	Open/Male 200m Freestyle
103	Open/Male 100m Freestyle	203	Female 100m Freestyle
104	Female 50m Butterfly	204	Open/Male 50m Butterfly
105	Open/Male 100m Butterfly	205	Female 100m Butterfly
106	Female 50m Breaststroke	206	Open/Male 50m Breaststroke
107	Open/Male 100m Breaststroke	207	Female 100m Breaststroke
108	Female 100m Backstroke	208	Open/Male 100m Backstroke
109	Open/Male 50m Backstroke	209	Female 50m Backstroke
110	Female 100m I.M.	210	Open/Male 100m I.M.
111	Open/Male 50m Freestyle	211	Female 50m Freestyle

Day 2 – Sunday 18th October 2026
Ages 13, 14 & 15 & Over

Session: 3 Warm-up starts: 8.25am*

Session: 4 Warm-up starts: 1.25pm*

Competition starts: 9.30am*

Competition starts: 2.30pm*

Event	Description	Event	Description
301	Open/Male 200m I.M.	401	Female 200m I.M.
302	Female 200m Freestyle	402	Open/Male 200m Freestyle
303	Open/Male 100m Backstroke	403	Female 100m Backstroke
304	Female 50m Butterfly	404	Open/Male 50m Butterfly
305	Open/Male 200m Breaststroke	405	Female 200m Breaststroke
306	Female 100m Butterfly	406	Open/Male 100m Butterfly
307	Open/Male 50m Backstroke	407	Female 50m Backstroke
308	Female 200m Backstroke	408	Open/Male 200m Backstroke
309	Open/Male 100m Freestyle	409	Female 100m Freestyle
310	Female 50m Breaststroke	410	Open/Male 50m Breaststroke
311	Open/Male 100m Breaststroke	411	Female 100m Breaststroke
312	Female 100m I.M.	412	Open/Male 100m I.M.
313	Open/Male 50m Freestyle	413	Female 50m Freestyle

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

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QUALIFYING TIMES

Slower than the times stated below

Ages will be as at 31st December 2026

FEMALE 2026						
EVENT	10	11	12	13	14	15 & over
50m Freestyle	38.00	35.00	33.00	32.00	31.50	31.00
100m Freestyle	1:28.00	1:20.00	1:13.00	1:09.50	1:08.00	1:08.00
200m Freestyle	3:15.00	2:50.00	2:35.00	2:30.00	2:27.00	2:26.00
50m Backstroke	48.00	43.00	40.50	39.70	37.60	37.60
100m Backstroke	1:45.00	1:33.00	1:24.00	1:22.00	1:20.00	1:20.00
200m Backstroke				2:58.00	2:54.00	2:52.00
50m Breaststroke	56.00	49.00	46.00	44.00	43.00	42.00
100m Breaststroke	2:00.00	1:45.00	1:38.00	1:34.00	1:30.00	1:30.00
200m Breaststroke				3:18.00	3:17.00	3:16.00
50m Butterfly	50.00	44.00	39.00	36.50	36.00	35.50
100m Butterfly	2:00.00	1:50.00	1:29.00	1:22.00	1:21.00	1:21.00
100m Individual Medley	1:40.00	1:33.00	1:28.00	1:25.00	1:24.00	1:21.00
200m Individual Medley	3:31.00	3:20.00	3:00.00	2:58.00	2:55.00	2:54.00

OPEN / MALE 2026						
EVENT	10	11	12	13	14	15 & over
50m Freestyle	44.00	37.00	35.00	32.00	30.00	29.50
100m Freestyle	1:33.00	1:20.00	1:15.00	1:10.00	1:05.00	1:04.00
200m Freestyle	3:06.00	2:50.00	2:45.00	2:25.00	2:20.00	2:16.00
50m Backstroke	54.00	44.00	41.00	39.00	38.50	36.00
100m Backstroke	1:50.00	1:34.50	1:25.50	1:21.00	1:16.00	1:14.50
200m Backstroke				2:58.00	2:45.00	2:39.00
50m Breaststroke	59.00	52.00	48.00	43.80	40.80	37.00
100m Breaststroke	2:05.00	1:55.00	1:42.00	1:37.00	1:29.00	1:27.00
200m Breaststroke				3:22.00	3:12.00	3:10.00
50m Butterfly	54.00	48.00	43.00	39.50	37.00	35.00
100m Butterfly	2:10.00	1:55.00	1:52.00	1:40.00	1:30.00	1:20.00
100m Individual Medley	1:40.00	1:30.00	1:28.00	1:25.00	1:22.00	1:20.00
200m Individual Medley	3:40.00	3:25.00	3:15.00	2:50.00	2:45.00	2:38.00