

Lanier Aquatics Qualifying Opportunity Meet

February 2nd – 4th, 2018

Qualifying Opportunity Meet

Sanction: Held under the sanctioned of USA Swimming Inc., issued by Georgia Swimming, Inc.
Meet Sanction No. – **GA18-003**

Host: Lanier Aquatics

Officials:

Meet Referee: David Furlong 404-615-8888 atlfurlong@gmail.com

Administrative Official: Jim Young 770-519-6500 jimyoung1@mindspring.com

Time Trials: Time trials will be run at the discretion of the Referee based on available time and officials. Time trial events count toward the five event limit per day. The time trial event schedule will be determined by the meet referee based on requests. The time trial fee will be \$6.

Facility: Frances Meadows Aquatics and Community Center, 1545 Community Way, NE, Gainesville, Ga. 30501, 770-533-5850. 10 lane, 25 yard pool with Colorado timing and scoreboard.. This is a USA Swimming certified pool and the certification is on file with USA Swimming. The pool is 12 feet at the start end and 4 feet at the shallow end. 8&U 25 yard events will start from the blocks at the deep end.

Eligibility: Open to all USA-registered swimmers and teams. All coaches must be USA-registered and certified and will be asked to show their registration credentials at the meet. Lanier Aquatics will not allow unregistered swimmers, coaches, officials and teams to participate in this meet.

Rules: The current USA Swimming, Inc., rules will govern the conduct of this meet unless otherwise noted. Deck Pass is acceptable proof of USA Swimming membership. The current Georgia Swimming scratch rule will be used (attached). Photos and videos may be taken of swimmers during the meet by parents or a professional photographer retained by the host club. All participants agree to be filmed or photographed by photographers designated by the meet host and to allow the meet host the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during, or after the period of participation in Georgia Swimming competitions to promote swimming and meets hosted by the meet organizer. If you do not wish to have your child(ren) photographed, you may withdraw your consent by informing the Meet Director before the start of the first day of the meet. On-deck athlete registration will not be accepted at this event. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Deck Changes are prohibited. (changing, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit when wearing just one suit in an area other than a permanent or temporary locker room, bathroom, changing room or space designated for changing purposes.) Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coaches' areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and /or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by the Vice President of Program Operations. On-deck athlete registration will not be accepted at this competition.

Format: All events will be timed final events.

Age Divisions: 8&U, 10&U, 11-12, 12&U (10&U may enter these events), Senior (places divided out by age groups – see “awards”)

Schedule: Friday, Feb. 2nd – warm ups at 5:00 PM with meet starting at 6:00 PM. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 3rd and Feb. 4th (sessions two and five), warm ups for 10&U at 8:00 AM with the meet starting at 9:00 AM. Sat afternoon, session three, warm ups for the 12&U and Seniors no earlier than 12:30 PM with the meet starting no earlier than 1:30 PM, Sat. afternoon session four for the Senior 500 free, warm ups not before 5:30 with start time not before 5:45. Sunday afternoon session six for 12&U and Seniors warm ups not before noon with meet starting not before 1 PM, and Sunday afternoon session seven for the 1000 Free warm ups not before 5:00 and starting not before 5:45. If fewer entries result in shorter timelines, we will start the 500 and 1000 free sessions earlier. Meet management reserves the right to change warm up/start times if the timeline indicates that this would result in a better use of pool time and space for swimmers, coaches, officials and spectators.

Events and Entries: Since this is a qualifying opportunity meet for the various championships to be held later in the season, all events except the 1650 are being offered. Some age group events are being combined to make better use of time and space. 12&U swimmers needing the opportunity to swim the 200's and/or the longer freestyles and 400 IM as well as 14&U swimmers needing to swim the 100 IM can enter those events in the Senior division (100 IM is now being offered in the 14&U State Meet this year). 10&U swimmers can enter all 12&U events. All swimmers may enter up to five events per day.

Limits: In order to protect the time line and to not over-crowd the facility, the following limits will be imposed: the total number of swimmers to be accepted will be 500 (250 per session); the meet committee reserves the right to limit the 200's to the six fastest seeded heats each of male and female; if necessary the 1000 free will be limited to three heats of male and three heats of female swimmers; if necessary the 400 IM's and 500 free's will be limited to four heats each of male and female swimmers. The meet committee reserves the right to implement and adjust these limits so as to make the best use of time and space and to accommodate the most number of swimmers in a reasonable manner. Dive-over starts may be used if deemed necessary by the meet management.

Deck-Seeded Events: The 400 IM's, 500, 1000 free's will be deck-seeded events with check-in deadlines set at thirty minutes prior to the start time of the session in which the event will be swum. The meet committee reserves the right to deck-seed the 200 yard events as per the above stated limits in order to maintain a reasonable time line.

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 8th place for the 8&U, 10&U, 11-12, 13-14 and Senior age groups. The 12&U 500 Free and 200 IM awards will be broken out for 10&U and 11-12; Senior events: 400 IM, 100 IM, 200 Fly, Back and Breast, 1000 Free, awards will be given for 12&U, 13-14 and 15&O; for all other Senior events awards will be given for 14&U and 15&O.

Entries: Please submit entries via Team Manager. HY-TEK Meet Manager will be used. Email entries are encouraged (send to jimyoung1@mindspring.com). Be sure to send hard copy of entries and check by mail.

Entry Fees: \$4.50 per individual event. \$6 per time trial. Out of state swimmers must pay the Georgia Swimming, Inc., surcharge of \$2.00 each. Make checks to Gainesville Parks and Recreation.

Entry Deadline: Entries must be received on or before Wed., Jan. 24th. Send check and hard copies to:
Gainesville Parks and Recreation
830 Green Street
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

Late Entries: Late entries will be accepted at the meet for empty lanes only and will be entered with "No Time". Swimmers entering late must show proof of USA registration.

Warm Ups: Warm ups will be governed by the guidelines as adopted by Georgia Swimming, Inc. Teams will be assigned warm up lanes and times based on numbers per session.

Safety Marshal: The safety marshal will be the Frances Meadows Center staff .

Officials: The meet referee will be David Furlong (404-615-8888, atlfurlong@gmail.com). Visiting officials are welcomed and encouraged. Please see meet referee upon arrival. All officials must present, at check-in, their current LSC Officials Certification Card; OR a recently completed Apprentice Form; AND proof of current USA Swimming Non-Athlete membership. Credentials may be required for deck access and hospitality.

Meetings: There will be an officials meeting 30 minutes prior to the start of each session. There will be a coaches meeting at 4:45 PM on Friday. Other meetings will be held if necessary.

Liability: In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. It is further understood that Georgia Swimming Inc., Lanier Aquatics and the City of Gainesville, GA.; shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone or loss of or damage of any kind to any personal property during the conduct of this meet or during travel to or from this meet.

Meet Director: Jim Young – Cell 770-519-6500, email jimyoung1@mindspring.com

Entry Summary Sheet

Lanier Aquatics February Invitational Feb. 2nd – 4th, 2018

Team Name _____ Abbrev. _____

Coach _____ Phone _____

Team Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Fax _____

| | No. of Swimmers | No. Ind. Events |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 12&U Girls | _____ | _____ |
| 12&U Boys | _____ | _____ |
| Sen. Girls | _____ | _____ |
| Sen. Boys | _____ | _____ |
| Totals | _____ | _____ |
| | X \$2.00 = | X \$4.50 = |

(Out of State Swimmers Only)

_____ + _____ =

Total Due _____

Make Check to: Gainesville Parks and Recreation

Mail to: Gainesville Parks and Recreation
830 Green Street, Gainesville, Ga. 30501
Deadline is Wed., Jan. 24th, 2018

I certify that all swimmers entered in this meet are USA-registered.

I have reviewed RULE 302.4 FALSE REGISTRATION and understand that: If a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, the host LSC may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against the individual, member coach or member club submitting the entry.

Signed _____ Title _____

Lanier Aquatics February Invitational Order of Events

Friday, Feb, 2nd Session 1: Warm up at 5:00 PM, Start at 6:00 PM

| Girls Event No. | Event | Boys Event No. |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1 | Sen. 200 Breast | 2 |
| 3 | 12&U 200 IM | 4 |
| 5 | Sen 400 IM | 6 |
| 7 | 12&U 500 Free | 8 |

Saturday Morning, Feb. 3rd Session 2: Warm up at 8:00 AM, Start at 9:00 AM

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| 9 | 10&U 100 Back | 10 |
| 11 | 8&U 50 Back | 12 |
| 13 | 10&U 50 Fly | 14 |
| 15 | 8&U 25 Fly | 16 |
| 17 | 10&U 100 Breast | 18 |
| 19 | 8&U 50 Breast | 20 |
| 21 | 10&U 50 Free | 22 |
| 23 | 8&U 25 Free | 24 |
| 25 | 10&U 200 Free | 26 |
| 27 | 8&U 100 Free | 28 |

Sat. Afternoon Session 3: Warm up Not Before 12:30 PM, Start Not Before 1:30 PM

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| 29 | 11-12 100 Breast | 30 |
| 31 | Senior 200 IM | 32 |
| 33 | Senior 100 IM | 34 |
| 35 | Senior 100 Fly | 36 |
| 37 | 11-12 50 Fly | 38 |
| 39 | Senior 200 Back | 40 |
| 41 | 11-12 100 Back | 42 |
| 43 | Senior 100 Free | 44 |
| 45 | 11-12 100 Free | 46 |

Sat. Afternoon Session 4: Warm ups Not Before 5:30, Starts Not Before 5:45. **Will start earlier if timeline allows.**

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| 47 | Senior 500 Free | 48 |
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Sunday Morning, Feb. 4th Session 5: Warm up 8:00 AM, Start 9:00 AM

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| 49 | 10&U 100 IM | 50 |
| 51 | 8&U 100 IM | 52 |
| 53 | 10&U 50 Breast | 54 |
| 55 | 8&U 25 Breast | 56 |
| 57 | 10&U 100 Fly | 58 |
| 59 | 8&U 50 Fly | 60 |
| 61 | 10&U 50 Back | 62 |
| 63 | 8&U 25 Back | 64 |
| 65 | 10&U 100 Free | 66 |
| 67 | 8&U 50 Free | 68 |

Sunday Afternoon Session 6: Warm up Not Before 12:00 PM, Start Not Before 1:00 PM

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| 69 | Senior 200 Fly | 70 |
| 71 | 11-12 100 Fly | 72 |
| 73 | Senior 100 Back | 74 |
| 75 | 11-12 50 Back | 76 |
| 77 | Senior 200 Free | 78 |
| 79 | 11-12 200 Free | 80 |
| 81 | Senior 50 Free | 82 |
| 83 | 11-12 50 Free | 84 |
| 85 | Senior 100 Breast | 86 |
| 87 | 11-12 50 Breast | 88 |

Sunday Afternoon Session 7: Warm Ups Not Before 5:00 Starts Not Before 5:15. **Will start earlier if timeline allows.**

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| 89 | Senior 1000 Free | 90 |
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GEORGIA SWIMMING INC. SCRATCH RULE

The Scratch Rule to be used in all Georgia LSC sanctioned meets where the meet format includes preliminary heats, consolation finals and finals, is the "Scratch Rule" as found under "Administrative Conduct of USA Swimming Championships", subsection "Scratch Procedures", subsections "Scratching from finals" and "Exceptions for failure to compete", of the current "USA Swimming Rules and Regulations". An excerpt is provided below.

Scratching from finals:

- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted in paragraph E. A declared false start under 101.1.3F or deliberate delay of meet under 101.1.5 is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.

- (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition the Referee shall fill the C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final, when possible, with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.

- (3) Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall reseed the C, B, or A (bonus final, consolation final and the) final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.

- (4) If the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the (championship) final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

Exceptions for failure to compete:

No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if:

- (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.

- (2) A swimmer qualifying for a C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.

- (3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer."

Unless otherwise stated in the final sanctioned Meet Information: the following Georgia LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well as all preliminary/finals meets.

1. Swimmers that qualify for **any** final heats as announced in the meet information will also be subject to these rules.

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2. In all deck seeded events **(1)**, a swimmer who has been checked in either personally or by a team coach, has been seeded and then fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in "Exceptions for failure to compete" above. **This rule only applies to timed-final events where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number of individual entries to be accepted for a particular deck-seeded event as specifically stated in the meet announcement.**

3. There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.

4. Qualifiers for all finals heats are those as identified on the originally posted results of the preliminary heats. Any qualifier who has moved up into this group as a result of the posting of corrected preliminary results after original results have been posted shall not be subject to penalty.

5. The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.

6. On the final day of “**LSC Championship**” competitions, any swimmer who has checked in for finals and fails to compete will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.

7. A “Positive check-in procedure” shall be used for all deck seeded events. A swimmer’s intent to swim a race shall be denoted by the swimmers or swimmer’s coach’s initials entered next to the swimmers’ names on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course. Failure to check in shall be considered to indicate that the swimmer will not compete.

8. In cases where changes to the USAS rules cause conflict with the Georgia LSC additions, USAS rules shall take precedence.

(1) Interpretation: The change clarifies the intent of the rule. If there are no limits placed on the number of swimmers in the deck seeded event – then there is no penalty for a no-show in that event; given that no swimmer was impacted by the no show and everyone that wanted to swim got to swim. If a limit is placed on a deck seeded event (e.g. the fastest 30 swimmers), then a no-show could cause the exclusion of the 31st fastest swimmer from competing and would result in a penalty against the no-show swimmer.

Adopted by the HOD

April 18, 2010

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