Wycombe 4th Long Course Premier Meet

22nd to 24th March 2019

Our 4th Long Course Premier Meet (Level 1) has once again proven very popular with a significantly oversubscribed entry. Unfortunately, we have had to scratch around 3,800 swims from a total of over 7,000 entries.

Scratching Process:

Scratching was carried out in line with our terms and conditions, fastest to slowest with age consideration; a calculation based on the swimmer's entry time compared to the qualification time. Open events were scratched purely on fastest to slowest times. All other events were scratched using the same percentage of scratches within each age group within each event.

The Accepted Entries report is now available. Swims not included in this report have been scratched. A refund will be made for all scratched swims.

As always, our aim is to run all events with full lanes and as such we have produced a list of seven Reserves for each event. These are the next fastest scratched swimmers.

Reserves Process:

Reserves will have to sign in, before warm up, for each session on separate sign-in sheets.

Once all scratches, for swimmers who didn't sign in, have been completed, spare lanes will be filled with any Reserves who have signed in on the Reserve list.

Please note Reserves will be used to fill empty lanes and not necessarily replace swimmers who drop out.

We are mindful that some swimmers on the Reserve list may not be at that particular session. As it is not possible to know if they would be prepared to come along on the chance of getting a swim, we have left them in. If you have swimmers who are on the Reserve list and know they will not be attending, please let the organisers know by emailing on the <u>openmeets@swimwycombe.com</u>

(With eight lanes, the first reserve has an 87% chance of a swim)

In the case where only a few of the seven declared Reserves want to swim and there are still spare lanes, additional swimmers can be added. Those who wish to be considered for this should add their name onto the Reserve list on the day. This will be a 'Trial Swim' only, and not eligible for awards. Please note that names cannot be added before the gala and names will only be accepted for swimmers who originally entered and were scratched.

We will attempt to reconcile all finances before the event so anyone on the Reserve list will be deemed to have not paid Wycombe Swimming club and will have to pay for any reserve swims on the day. Payment should be made at the Announcer's desk after confirmation of the swim. (This is not applicable to Wycombe swimmers who will have the fee added to their account automatically.)

We hope you agree this to be the fairest way to ensure we accommodate as many swimmers as possible.

Thank you to all clubs for your understanding and support.

Wycombe Open Meet Team