



BOBSC - CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

LICENSED LEVEL 4 GALAS (Licence Number TBC)

The Club Championships have been a part of the Borough of Barnsley Swimming Club since its inception in 1990 when the Barnsley Metropolitan Swimming Club and Barnsley Olympic Swimming Club amalgamated. The Club still holds records of all the winners since that time and maintains the Club Championship Records for each discipline, by age group and gender category for each event

The Borough of Barnsley Swimming Club Championships for 2023 will be swum over four galas at the Dearneside Leisure Centre in Goldthorpe.

Gala 1 - Saturday 9th September
Gala 2 - Sunday 10th September
Gala 3 - Saturday 28th October
Gala 4 - Saturday 25th November

The championships will be run under Swim England law governing the sport and under the club's rules for the definition of swimmer categories.

The Club Championships are an annual event open only to swimmers of the Borough of Barnsley Swimming Club to allow them to compete against their peers, to gain licenced times and to win trophies and medals for their swimming. All swimmers within the Club who have joined the club as members, and are Swim England members are invited to swim.

Events are as follows :

	Age 12 Years & Under	Aged 13 Years & Over
50m	All 4 strokes	All 4 strokes
100m	Maximum of 2 strokes plus 100m Individual Medley	All 4 strokes (not eligible for 100m IM)
200m	None	Maximum of 2 strokes plus 200m Individual Medley
400m	400m Freestyle	400m Freestyle

All heats will swum as mixed girls and boys/open Results will be separated for girls and boys/open, and will be as per the age categories outlined below. Age is defined as 'age at the date of the final gala' (ie. age as at 25th November 2023). The Girls 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.

Medals will be awarded for places 1-3 in each event, in each gender category, and in each of the following age categories:

	Age Categories
50m all strokes	7 & Under, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/16, 17-24, 25 & Over
100m all strokes	8 & Under, 9/10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/16, 17-24, 25 & Over
100m IM	8 & Under, 9/10, 11/12
200m all strokes	13, 14, 15/16, 17-24, 25 & Over
200m IM	13, 14, 15/16, 17-24, 25 & Over



400m	10 & Under, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17-24, 25 & Over
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Results will be published after each gala is complete. Medals will be presented at the club's annual presentation night.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Saturday 9th September @ 4.15pm (warm up)		
101	Girls & Boys/Open	50m Breaststroke
102	Girls & Boys/Open	100m Freestyle
103	Girls & Boys/Open	200m Butterfly
104	Girls & Boys/Open	100m Backstroke

Sunday 10th September @2.15pm (warm up)		
201	Girls & Boys/Open	50m Backstroke
202	Girls & Boys/Open	200m Freestyle
203	Girls & Boys/Open	100m IM
204	Girls & Boys/Open	200m Breaststroke
205	Girls & Boys/Open	100m Butterfly

Saturday 28th October @4.15pm (warm up)		
301	Girls & Boys/Open	50m Freestyle
302	Girls & Boys/Open	400m Freestyle

Saturday 25th November @4.15pm (warm up)		
401	Girls & Boys/Open	50m Butterfly
402	Girls & Boys/Open	200m Backstroke
403	Girls & Boys/Open	100m Breaststroke
404	Girls & Boys/Open	200m IM

The lead referee's decision during all sessions, is final.

400m Handicap

Events 302 will double as a regular 400m freestyle event, and also as a 400m handicap event. Handicaps will be applied by a series of calculations based on a swimmer's 50m freestyle time, their age and their 400m freestyle time. This is an established formula, used specifically for this event. The organiser's decision on the result is final.

Method of Gala Entry:

Entries are to be submitted via the club's Swim Manager system. The closing date for all entries is **Sunday 27th August 2023**. Late entries will not be accepted.



If a swimmer is a dual club swimmer (ie. they are registered to swim for another Club as well as Borough of Barnsley) and Borough of Barnsley is not their Ranked Club, then they may enter the Club Championships but may swim for time only. A swimmer may only win a medal or trophy if Borough of Barnsley is their primary (ranked) club.

When entering this event, you agree that we may collect and publish personal information of all competitors as part of the entry to and results of the event. We may pass such information to the Governing Body or Affiliated Organisations for the purpose of membership and qualification checking. Following the event this personal information will be used for publishing results either for the event alone or combined with or compared to other events (British Rankings). The published results may include (but not limited to) Name, Club Membership, Race, Times, Age, Category

The organisers reserve the right to refuse admission to any competitor or spectator. Filming of the event is strictly prohibited.

New Members (joining after the closing date):

When a swimmer becomes a full member after the closing date, they will be allowed to enter the next available gala by submitting an entry 2 weeks prior to the next gala date. The swimmer must have paid the necessary membership fees/subscriptions prior to the next scheduled Club Championship gala.

On the Day:

Swimmers should arrive 15 minutes before the warm-up start time to be ready on poolside to complete their pre-pool stretching. Warm-ups will be mixed Girls & Boys/Open but will be split into two sessions based on age (tbc).

Changing rooms will be available for use before and after each session, however swimmers are requested to arrive 'pool ready' in their swimwear if possible to ensure a prompt start.

No outdoor shoes must be worn on poolside.
No glass containers are permitted on the poolside.

Swimmers are advised not to leave clothes or equipment lying around as the organisers cannot accept liability for loss or damage. Any lost property should be taken to reception.

Withdrawals

To avoid there being empty lanes, and so that the poolside team and officials can be informed, swimmers wishing to withdraw after entry must notify the club secretary as soon as possible before the gala – withdrawals are to be emailed to communications@bobsc.co.uk

Any matter not covered in the above will be at the discretion of the organisers. Any queries should be directed to organisers – the BOBSC Committee.