



AQUABEAR SWIM CLUB

INVITES YOU TO THE

AQUABEAR INVITATIONAL MEET 26TH SEPTEMBER UNTIL THE 29TH SEPTEMBER 2019

You are cordially invited to participate in the “**Aquabear Invitational Meet**”.

The Swimming Pool events will be held at Newton Park Pool Complex.

The facility for the pool events is a heated and indoor 50m rim flow pool with 8 lanes
And touch pads at both ends of the pool. There will be twelve sessions of swimming,
3 per day as detailed in the attached swimming programme.

RULES

- FINA rules will govern.
- Age on 26TH September 2019 determines the age group swimmers may enter.
- Swimmers may compete in their own age group only.
- Swimmers may compete in a relay in their own age group , **OR swim up to an older relay, and an open relay**

- Swimmers may enter as many events as they wish.
- Clubs may only enter 2 relay teams per event.
- Under NO circumstances will a swimmer be permitted to enter any events unofficially.
- NO LATE ENTRIES
- The fastest 16 entries will be accepted for the
 - ❖ 800m freestyle(girls only)
 - ❖ 1500m freestyle (boys only)
- All 50m and 100m events in the 13/14 and 15/over age groups will be swum in heats, However the finals in these events will be swum as follows: **13/14, 15/16 and 17 & over.**
- All other events will be swum as timed finals.
- Swimmers failing to submit entry times will swim in the slow heats.
- The ONE START rule will apply.
- All entrants from outside the Eastern Province must produce a clearance from Their Provincial Association accompanied with their entries.
- Medals to be awarded to the following age groups:
8 & Under , 9 & 10, 11 & 12, 13 & 14, 15 & 16 and 17 & over in the 50's and 100's (not the butterfly events for the 8 & unders)
The 200m and 400's will be from 10 & Under
800 Girls and 1500 Boys - medals are for 14 & under and 15 & over only.
MASTERS: We will also be awarding the top three masters (worked out according to the percentage off the World record of their age group – in each event.)
le 1 set of medals for each event for masters.
Masters may swim in all events EXCEPT the 800m and 1500m freestyle.
- IPC SWIMMERS - PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT THE PAST FEW YEARS WE HAVE DECIDED TO NOT HAVE SEPARATE DISABILITY EVENTS. They may swim if they wish, with the able-bodied swimmers.
- Medal winners must present themselves neatly attired in club uniform and closed shoes and on time For all medal presentations.
ALL MEDALS WILL BE PRESENTED AFTER EACH SESSION. No parents on deck please. You will be able to take photos from the stands.
- **All scratchings must be done the day before by - the end of the previous session in which these events will take place. The middle sessions to be in by the end of the previous evenings session. Finals to be scratched within 30 minutes of the prelim finishing or else you will be fined R100 (only for finals).**
- **NO LATE ENTRIES AFTER THE 25th September 2019 (at the managers meeting).**
- Any appeal to the Referee should be done in writing and submitted (together with a non-refundable R200 fee) at the recording office within 30 minutes after the results have been announced.
- The Referee's decision will be final.
- Only **TEAM MANAGERS** will be allowed at the office. **No swimmers. No parents.**

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

- **Clubs are requested to provide Technical Officials for each session.**
Please provide a list of the names of registered timekeepers, judges, referees etc.
who would be available to assist at the gala. There are 12 sessions and we need each club to adhere to

supplying officials please.

- Officials names and preferred sessions are to be sent to **Linda Mould** at cluboffice@aquabear.co.za before **20TH August 2019** - Include their contact details as well please.

I need a list of the team manager/s and coach/es and contact numbers for certifications as well as for my contact list as well please.

PLEASE NOTE THAT NO MEALS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR OFFICIALS BUT THAT LIGHT SNACKS WILL BE SERVED IN THE BREAKS. Tea, coffee and water will be available.

- For clubs outside of Nelson Mandela Bay , the following is required:
 - ❖ 1 – 5 swimmers, 1 official (1 judge or 1 timekeeper)**PER SESSION.**
 - ❖ 5 and over swimmers – 2 officials (1 judge and 1 timekeeper)**PER SESSION.**
- Your assistance Thursday and Friday (sessions 1 – 6) would be extremely valuable, as these are working days for Nelson Mandela Bay Aquatics parents.
- If you have a swimmer in the 800m or the 1500m you **HAVE** to provide an official and a counter.

POINTS

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
Ind.events:	12	10	8	7	6	5	4	3
Relays:	24	20	16	14	12	10	8	6

10(ten)bonus points will be awarded to a swimmer who breaks a MEET RECORD.

PRIZES

Club Awards:

Prize money will be awarded to the Clubs in the first four positions as follows:

- 1stR1750.00 & SPEEDO Floating Trophy
- 2nd R 1250.00
- 3rd R 750.00
- 4th R 500.00

- Best Club Spirit Award (Teddy bear)

Coaches Awards

R1 250.00 for the coach of the winning club (limited to one coach only)

Individual Awards:

- Aquabear Swimmer of the Meet.
- Victor / Victrix Ludorum – All age groups.
- Top 8 swimmers for each age group ie 8 & under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16 and 17 and over
- 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay – (Boys / Girls Open)
- Top male and Female Masters

Medals

Medals will be awarded for the first three places in all the Individual and Relay finals.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

- An e-mail of intention to participate is to be sent to **Linda Mould** at cluboffice@aquabear.co.za before **1st August 2019** whereupon further information and the entry file will be forwarded to you. Please can you send an approximate number of swimmers attending – just for organizational purposes).
- Closing date for entries is **30th August 2019** to **Linda Mould** together with proof of payment and clearance letter for “out of the region” clubs.

Information re merchandise will be forwarded at a later date.

- **No Clearance and/ or payment, No entry.**
Please cc me when sending the entries to Megan Canter at
pdo@nmb-aquatics.co.za.

Entry fees

- **NO registration fee - R30.00 per individual event. The relays will be R60.00 per relay team.**
- **Entry fees for entries received after the closing date will be accepted at R300.00 per individual entry and R120.00 per relay team.**

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED after the 25th September 2019, at the managers meeting.

- Banking account details for payment: Aquabear Swimming Club
Nedbank Cheque Account
Account No : 1212427793
Branch Code : 121217
Payment Ref: Swimmer/Club Name.

- **NO CASH DEPOSITS, PLEASE.** 😊

ACCOMMODATION

All teams must make their own accommodation arrangements.
A list of accommodation will be sent to you once you have sent us your intention to participate.

MARCH PAST

Will be held on the Thursday night at 5pm.

TEAM MANAGERS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 5PM IN THE ROOM UNDER THE STANDS.
PACKS WILL BE HANDED OUT FROM 4PM IN THE SAME ROOM.

**ENTRANCE FEES FOR SPECTATORS WILL BE R20-00 PER SESSION
R200 PER SEASON TICKET (12 sessions)**

We look forward to receiving a positive response and hosting you in the Friendly
City of Nelson Mandela Bay!!

Yours in swimming
Aquabear Committee

