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MEET GUIDE



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MSQ Sanction Meet Number: Q1/21



Event Details

Eligibility

The Great Barrier Reef Masters Games Swimming is open to all competitors 18 years and older, both members of Masters Swimming Australia and non-members, Australian and international.

Entry requirements

Australian competitors must provide masters ID number and club code when prompted upon completing online entry. All Non-Masters Swimming Australia members must provide proof of age via a copy of driver's license or passport. International competitors must provide proof of age (copy of driver's license or passport unless current Masters ID# is provided and approved). Entries without appropriate identification will not be accepted.

Age

Age as at the 31 December 2021. Minimum age is 18 years at day 1 of competition.

Entries

Entries are to be submitted via The Great Barrier Reef Masters Games website: www.gbrmg.com.au. Swimmers may enter a maximum of 9 individual events. The closing date for individual entries is Thursday 13 May 2021.

Anyone may form and enter a relay team on the day of the event by submitting a relay form at the desk on pool deck. Payment is required at the time of relay entry.

It is recommended that MSQ club relay entries are submitted online via Quick Entry using the Club Relay Teams link. This will remain open until an announced time on the day of the event.

All clubs entering relays are to nominate a Club Captain for coordination and communication purposes.

Events

All events will be conducted as timed finals. Heats will be swum from fastest to slowest. The fastest seeded heat will be heat 1 of each event. Starts will be 'over the top' where possible.

Qualifying times

There are no qualifying times required. You must submit a time for each event entered, preferably your personal best from the previous two (2) years. Entering 'no time' (NT) is not permitted for this event.

Entry fees

Sport Fee:

- \$65 per person for up to 9 events
- \$20 per relay team – to be paid to MSQ

Games Fee:

- Early bird \$69 (until 11:59pm 31 March, 2021)
- Standard \$89 (from 1 April, 2021)

Entry List and Timeline

The entry list will be available on the event page of the MSQ website on 16 May 2021. All competitors must check their entries thoroughly and submit discrepancies to the Director of Recording as soon as possible.

The timeline for this meet will be published on the event page of the MSQ website on 17 May 2021.

Late entries

No late entries will be accepted.

Multi Class events

Multi Class events will be conducted within the full program and will be awarded medals according to the age group and gender category in each classification. Details of disability classification must be provided (if not currently on MSQ file) prior to the commencement of the first day of competition. Multi Class events will not be using the Multi Class point score system for this meet.

Rules

All Masters Swimming Australia and FINA Masters Swimming Rules apply. By nominating to participate in this swim meet, all swimmers thereby authorise the Meet Director/Masters Swimming Queensland/Tobruk Memorial Pool Cairns to take whatever action is deemed necessary in the event of an emergency, and persons involved accept responsibility for any and all costs arising from such action.

COVID-Safe Meet Information

To comply with Queensland Government regulations for the running of COVID-Safe Events, all nominees must confirm they agree to the below:

- [COVID-19 Terms and Conditions](#)
- [Meet Information for Attendees](#)

Event Details

Programs

Programs will be available for online download prior to and during the meet. Programs made available before the day of competition will be draft and are subject to change without notice. Final programs for the day will be posted at the venue on the morning of each session, and made available online. This will allow for re-seeding of events, or heat and lane allocation changes on the day of competition if required. All changes will be reflected immediately in the Meet Mobile application and swimmers in attendance will be notified by announcement prior to the start of the affected event(s).

Warm-up start time

Warm-up for Thursday will commence at 12:00pm, and at 7:30am on Friday and Saturday. The 25m pool will remain open during the meet. Competition will commence at 12:45pm on Thursday, and 8:30am on Friday and Saturday.

Results

Live results will be made available for this meet via the Meet Mobile application downloaded to your chosen device. Provisional results will be posted at the venue soon after the completion of each event. These results will be marked as Final once a minimum of 30 minutes has elapsed, and following the resolution of any protests lodged.

Daily results will be updated to the MSA Portal, and a PDF results file will be published to the event page of the MSQ website.

Medals

Medals will be awarded to all age groups, Multi Class classifications, men and women, for all individual events:

18-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90+

Medals will be awarded to all age groups, all four swimmers, men's, women's, and mixed for all relay events:

72-119, 120-159, 160-199, 200-239, 240-279, 280-319, 320-359, 360-400

Records

World records will not be recognised at this event as per FINA's rules in respect to multi-sport Games. Any MSA member may break their respective state and Australian records. All swimmers, non-masters and masters' swimmers may break a GBRMG record.

International Masters' swimmers are able to take their results to their country for ratification of relevant records.

Major meet awards

Male and Female 'Swimmer of the Meet' awards will be presented at the conclusion of this meet.

These awards will be based on:

- Swim meet event points
- GBRMG records
- Swims under state or national records

Pool deck access

Pool deck access is limited to marshaling for events, the officials and technical staff. Please do not stand in front of the recording area.

Protests

Protests must be made in writing on the official form and submitted to the Meet Director within a half hour of posting the provisional results.

Photo/video release

By nominating for this meet, swimmers agree that they may be photographed or videoed by GBRMG and MSQ approved photographers, and that photos and videos may be used by GBRMG and MSQ at their discretion.

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Relays

Relay team entry will remain open until an announced time on the day of the event.

Anyone may form and enter a relay team on the day of the event by submitting a relay form at the desk on pool deck.

Payment is required at the time of entry.

All MSA clubs will be given access to lodge and pay for their relay teams online prior to the meet. All MSA clubs captains are encouraged to complete relay nominations and payments online prior to commencement of the meet.

Club relays shall consist of four swimmers each registered with the same club. No swimmer is allowed to represent more than one club.

Swimmers must enter at least one individual event to be eligible to swim in a relay team. A swimmer may only swim a particular relay event once. Relays are to be swum in the order swimmers are nominated in their entry. Mixed relays must consist of two (2) males and two (2) females. The order of swimmers by gender is optional in mixed relays.

Teams may be amended up until the published daily deadline. After this only by discretion of Meet Director.

For the guidance of competitors

- Swimmers must comply with signage on pool deck regarding the use of the warm-up and swim-down lanes. Diving will not be permitted unless the signage indicates otherwise.
- Paddles and watches are not permitted to be worn during competition, warm-up or swim-down.
- At the conclusion of warm-up periods, swimmers must leave the competition pool promptly when asked to do so.
- Event(s) to be marshalled will be announced.
- Swimmers should keep clear of timekeepers moving to the blocks to collect times. Use care and discretion when preparing for your start prior to the previous heat completion, i.e. adjusting your block's kick position.
- Starts will be 'over the top'. Competitors will remain in their respective lanes until the next heat is started. Move quickly to the lane rope away from the wall once you have completed your heat.
- When asked to clear the pool lanes 0-4 will exit via the side at lane 0, and lanes 5-9 will exit via the side at lane 9.

Self Marshaling

Marshaling has changed due to the need for physical distancing. All swimmers will be required to self-marshall. The objective is to ensure the meet runs efficiently regarding swimmer movement with no swimmer missing their events. Swimmers and officials are to be physically distanced and minimise contact with surfaces. People who are not swimming or officiating should not be near the starting end of the pool during the meet.

- Seating is no longer permitted in the marshaling area – in general there will be one seat per timekeeper, and there may be one seat behind for swimmers' use.
- No clothing or gear is to be taken to the blocks – if essential items are required they can be left in a storage zone near/in the marshaling area.
- Swimmers are responsible for knowing the event/heat/lane they are competing in, and for being aware of what event/heat is currently in the water. The Meet Announcer will be calling the heat number in the water after the start of every heat, and regularly reminding how many heats there are in total for the current event.
- An entrant who fails to report to the Marshaling area prior to their heat being called to the blocks will be deemed withdrawn.
- No more than four (4) heats of swimmers are permitted in the marshaling area including behind the blocks:
 - 50m events - 4 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - 100m events - 4 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - 200m events - 3 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - 400m events - 2 heats prior to the heat in the water
- Swimmers in 50m events need to be prepared to move quickly.
- Swimmers in 400m events should be prepared to report early to the marshaling area as heats may be combined to save time.
- The Self Marshaling Entry List should be emailed to swimmers and published at least two days prior to the meet.
- The Self Marshaling Entry List and the Meet Program will be posted at the venue.
- The Marshal will be a helper who can verify a swimmers' position, answer questions, and direct heats to the blocks. The Check- Starter(s) will do a name and lane check behind the blocks prior to the heat.

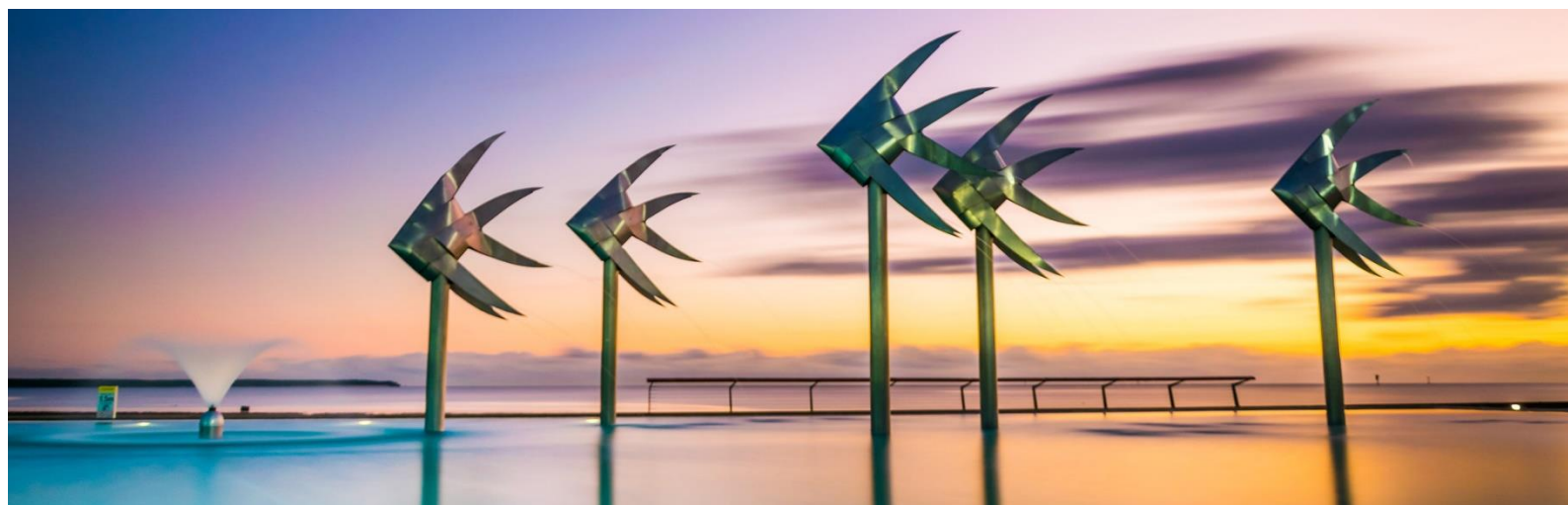
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Contacts:

Administrator MSQ: admin@mastersswimmingqld.org.au
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 Director of Recording: recorder@mastersswimmingqld.org.au
 MSQ website: <https://mastersswimmingqld.org.au>
 Meet Entry: <https://www.gbrmg.com.au/register>

Important dates

Entries open July 2020
 Individual closing date..... 13 May 2021
 Entry list available 15 May 2021
 Entry list finalised 17 May 2021
 Draft timeline available 18 May 2021
 Relay closing date..... 10:00AM Day of relay



Program of Events

Thursday 20 May 2021

First Session

Competition Start Time: 12:45pm

Event	Distance	Stroke
1.	400m	Individual Medley
2.	400m	Breaststroke
3.	400m	Butterfly
4.	400m	Backstroke
5.	400m	Freestyle
6.	200m	Individual Medley

Friday 21 May 2021

Second Session

Competition Start Time: 8:30am

Event	Distance	Stroke
7.	100m	Backstroke
8.	50m	Breaststroke
9.	100m	Freestyle
10.	50m	Backstroke
11.	100m	Butterfly
12.	200m	Breaststroke
13.	200m	Freestyle
14.	4 x 50m	Women's Medley Relay
15.	4 x 50m	Men's Medley Relay
16.	4 x 50m	Mixed Freestyle Relay

Saturday 22 May 2021

Third Session

Competition Start Time: 8:30am

Event	Distance	Stroke
17.	50m	Butterfly
18.	100m	Breaststroke
19.	50m	Freestyle
20.	200m	Backstroke
21.	200m	Butterfly
22.	4 x 50m	Women's Freestyle Relay
23.	4 x 50m	Men's Freestyle Relay
24.	4 x 50m	Mixed Medley Relay

More Details

Presentation

Presentations will follow the conclusion of the final day of events and will be on location in the Tobruk Pool grounds.

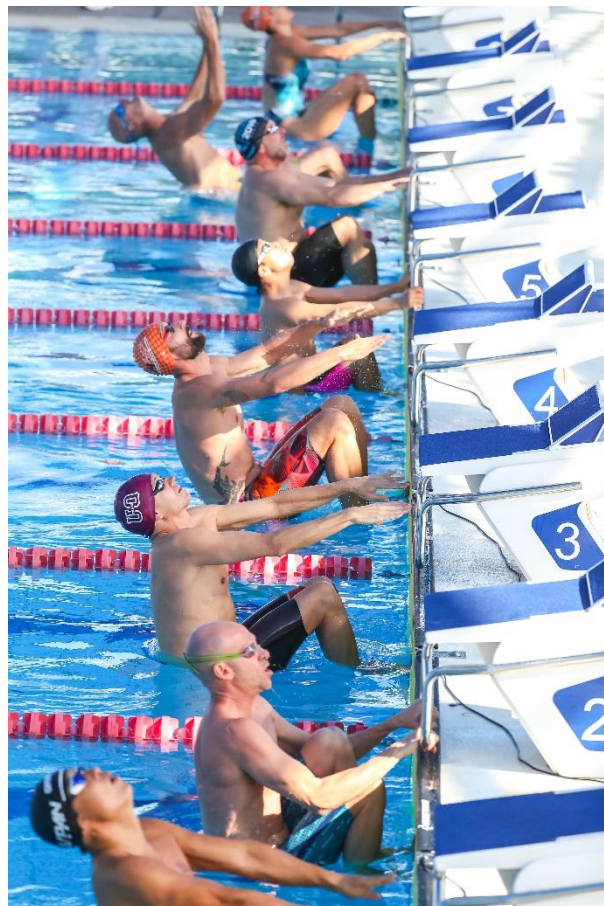
Merchandise

Merchandise will be available to purchase at the Registration Hub (51 The Esplanade, Cairns).

Meet Mobile Swim App

The Meet Mobile application (app) displays meet results in real time as data is received during meets from the recording desk (one heat at a time). As swimming clubs and organisations cease providing paper programs, Meet Mobile is the ideal replacement, and can be used for any meet you can search across the world.

- This app has the ability to display programs, timelines, team scores, entry times and results;
- You can search swim meets from all over the world or in just your local area to follow the action live, as it unfolds;
- In addition to real time results, see pre-race rankings, standings, and heat/lane assignments as they become available. You will see individual and team scores;
- Follow your favourite swimmers and/or teams as “favorites” and then easily filter down to see both completed results and upcoming schedule;
- Available on Android and iPhone devices;
- Cost is between \$6 and \$10 per year.



Accommodation

Rydges Esplanade Resort Cairns:

- Website: <https://www.rydges.com/accommodation/cairns-qld/esplanade-cairns-resort/>

MiHaven:

- Website: www.mihaven.com.au



Severe Weather Contingency Plan

If the meet is affected by storms, a mandatory safety suspension of events will be imposed. This may require a shortened event format which will be determined by the Meet Director and Swimming Centre staff. No refund of entry fees will occur under such circumstances.



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Venue

Parking is available in the car park area at the side and rear of the pool. Please follow all road signage.

The grandstand has shade and seating for 420 people. Clubs are welcome to display banners. Please remember sunscreen and hats.

No glass is to be brought on site.

The Tobruk Memorial Pool will remain open to the public during the swim meet. Please respect patrons as they utilise the other areas of the venue.

Swim shop

The Swim Shop, located within the Tobruk Memorial swimming pool will be open during this meet. They have a small selection of swimwear and goggles.

The Tobruk Memorial Swimming Pool "Swell Café" sells a variety of well-priced hot and cold foods, tea, coffee, cold drinks, snacks and fruit.

Bags/eskies

Please note that Tobruk Memorial swimming pool rules state that bags/eskies must be a pliable nature (soft to touch) and are to be no bigger than 40cm x 40cm x 40cm and must be stowed under seats. All other bags/eskies will be refused admission.

First aid

First aid services will be provided by Category 5 Medics and the Tobruk Pool Staff. Any accident or injury should immediately be brought to their attention and to the attention of the Meet Director.

Emergency evacuation

In case of an emergency evacuation you will be directed to go to the "emergency entrance" at the double gates at the front entrance of the pool on the south-western boundary of the pool complex (the main pool entry). If asked to evacuate please do so immediately.

Raffles

Cairns Clams Masters Swimming Club will be holding raffles and a \$100 board during the three-day event.

Tickets will be available at the raffle table.

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