

Maryborough Masters 2023 Swim Meet

A Maryborough Masters Games Event Maryborough Aquatic Centre Cnr Kent & John Streets, Maryborough Saturday 14 October 2023

Program of Events

Event	Distance	Stroke
1.	400m	Individual Medley
2.	400m	Butterfly
3.	400m	Backstroke
4.	400m	Breaststroke
5.	400m	Freestyle
6.	200m	Individual Medley
7.	200m	Butterfly
8.	200m	Backstroke
9.	200m	Breaststroke
10.	200m	Freestyle
11.	50m	Backstroke
12.	4 x 50m	Mixed Medley Relay
13.	50m	Freestyle
14.	100m	Butterfly
15.	100m	Backstroke
16.	50m	Butterfly
17.	100m	Breaststroke
18.	100m	Freestyle
19.	50m	Breaststroke
20.	4 x 50m	Mixed Freestyle Relay
21.	50m	Dash for Cash – Female Handicap
22.	50m	Dash for Cash – Male Handicap

Event limits: 1 x 200m event; 1 x 400m event

Meet Date: Saturday 14 October 2023	Meet Director: Ian McAlister	Five (5) individual events + relays
Entries Close: Tuesday 3 October 2023	imc49125@bigpond.net.au	Entry Fee: \$35.00 (plus transaction fees)
		Includes BBQ
Venue: Maryborough Aquatic Centre	0484 767 806	Unattached swimmers \$5.00 additional entry
		fee (plus transaction fees)
Warm up: 9.00am Start time: 10.00am	MSQ Sanction Number: Q15/23	

Eligibility

This meet is open to Masters Swimming Queensland (MSQ) registered swimmers, and swimmers registered with other Masters Swimming Australia (MSA) affiliated clubs. International swimmers who are current members of their national Masters Swimming Federation may also compete (proof of membership must be provided).

The Maryborough Masters Swim Meet is an event of the Maryborough Masters Games.

Guest swimmers are welcome to enter this meet.

Age

Age as at the 31 December 2023. Minimum age is 18 years at day 1 of competition.

Entries

Entries are to be submitted online via Swim Central. Entries will open in August 2023. The closing date for entries is Tuesday 3 October 2023.

International Masters members and swimmers who are swimming at the Maryborough Masters Games are invited to contact the MSQ Director of Recording who will provide specific entry instructions.

No late entries are permitted at this meet after the closing date.

A swimmer may enter a maximum of five (5) competition events for \$35.00 (plus transaction fees). Relay and exhibition entries are free.

A swimmer may enter 1 x 200m events, and 1 x 400m events. Please note: additional 200m/400m events entered will be

Non-members/guests

deleted with no refund.

Non-member/guests will need to:

- 1. Register a Swim Central account (if you do not have one already) and log in with your email address
- 2. Purchase an event membership of \$5 (plus fees)
 - a. Click on Store in left menu
 - b. Click Memberships link
 - c. Search for "Maryborough Masters" in Find a Club
 - d. Add "Maryborough Masters Meet Non-Member 2023" membership to your Cart and purchase
 - e. Once purchased, you will be able to enter the meet via your home page or the Events link
- 3. Enter the meet paying the applicable entry fee

Conduct of events

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

Please note: based on numbers and combinations of entries received, the meet organisers reserve the right to make changes and combine heats and events where necessary.

400m form stroke events are to be swum as programmed, i.e. a 400m form stroke will not be recognised if swum in the 400m freestyle.

Qualifying times

There are no qualifying times required for this meet. On selecting an event in Swim Central, if you have matching results from the previous two (2) years, the fastest time will be displayed. If you have no previous results, "NT" will be displayed, and you may be seeded in the slower heats. You cannot edit your entry times. It is advised that you email the MSQ Director of Recording to provide a recent or training time. If you have a valid reason that may vary your performance greatly, you may also request a seed time change.

Relays

Race Secretaries must complete relay nominations in Swim Central by 3 October 2023. Clubs entering relays must ensure their members are entered individually in ample time to complete relay entry. Clubs may enter multiple teams per age group for all relays. Any changes to relay composition shall only be accepted if due to illness or nonattendance and advised to the Meet Recorder before the commencement of competition.

Swimmers must enter at least one individual event to be eligible to swim in a relay team. All relays must consist of members or second claim members of the same club. All teams not disqualified will score points.

Relays are to be swum in the order swimmers are nominated in their entry.

Non-members are to nominate for relays on the day.

Multi Class events

Multi Class swimmer are always welcome, however there will be no separate Multi Class events conducted at this meet.

Entry List and Timeline

The Entry List will be available on the MSQ meet event page on 6 October 2023. All competitors must check their entries thoroughly and submit discrepancies to the MSQ Director of Recording by 6PM, Saturday 7 October 2023. The Timeline for this meet will be published on or before 9 October 2023.

Event changes, withdrawals and refund policy

A swimmer may change their entries or withdraw from the meet in Swim Central up until the closing date. A refund will only be considered prior to the closing date. If the meet has already closed, please do not attempt this process, but contact the meet organiser.

To make changes to events entered, the swimmer can simply add a new event if they have not filled the allowed quota of events, or withdraw from unwanted events by requesting a refund, and once approved add a new event(s).

You will lodge your request in Swim Central against your entries. Go to your profile, to the meet, to the event, and click the green 'Entered' button for the event to withdraw from. The Order History page will display and you will click the 'Request Refund' link for that event and provide a reason. Once the meet organiser has approved, you may then add another entry.

If you are withdrawing from the meet entirely, you will need to click the 'Request Refund' link for each and every event entered (including \$0.00 events), and also the Meet Entry Fee, (where applicable), then provide a reason. This requires approval before changes are confirmed. If approved, a refund will be granted, minus the administration fee(s).

Rules

All MSQ/MSA meet guidelines, by-laws and rules, and World Aquatics swim rules apply. By nominating to participate in this swim meet, all swimmers thereby authorise the Meet Director or Pool staff 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 help reduce the spread of COVID-19 please:

- Do not attend if you are COVID-19 positive or have COVID-19 symptoms
- Maintain physical distancing to the extent possible outside of the pool
- Practice good hand hygiene, washing/sanitising hands often

Tickets and programs

Entry to this meet is free for spectators – no tickets are required.

No printed programs will be available at the meet. Programs will be available on the MSQ event page for online download prior to and during the meet. Programs made available before the day of the competition will be draft and are subject to change without notice. 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 will commence at 9.00am. The competition lanes (1-7) will close at 10.00am, with lane (8) remaining open throughout the duration of the day's session for warm-up and swim down. Follow the directions of pool staff and Technical Officials for lane use.

Self-Marshalling

All swimmers will be required to self-marshal. People who are not swimming or officiating should not be near the starting end of the pool during the meet.

- Swimmers are responsible for knowing the event, heat, and 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 Marshalling area prior to their heat being called to the blocks may be deemed withdrawn.
- No more than four (4) heats of swimmers are permitted in the marshalling area including behind the blocks:
 - $\circ~$ 25m events 4 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - o 50m events 4 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - $_{\odot}$ $\,\,$ 100m events 4 heats prior to the heat in the water
 - $_{\odot} \quad$ 200m events 3 heats prior to the heat in the water
- \circ 400m events 2 heats prior to the heat in the water
- Swimmers in 25m and 50m events need to be prepared to move quickly.
- Swimmers in the 400m events should be prepared to report early to the marshalling area as heats may be combined to save time.
- 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.

- When asked to clear the pool lanes 1–4 will exit via the side at lane 1, and lanes 5–8 exiting via the side at lane 8.
- MSQ notes that the information provided is correct at the time of publishing. However, some aspects are subject to change, including changes required in the event of too many entries being received for the allowed duration of the meet.

Results

Live results will be made available for this meet. The Meet Mobile application will be operating and can be downloaded to your chosen device(s). Results will be posted to the MSA Portal, with results and statistics posted on the MSQ website meet event page in the days following the meet.

Competition results for men and women will be separated and Individual events: 18-24 and then in 5-year groups, i.e. 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, etc.

Relays: 72-119, 120-159, 160-199, 200-239, 240-279, 280-319, 320-359 and 360-399.

Records

Manual timing (2 stopwatches per lane) will be in use.

This meet is classed as a Time Trial as guests are invited. Records and World Aquatics Top Ten performances will not be recognised.

Meet awards and presentation function

At the conclusion of this event, competitors and supporters are welcome to join us at the Maryborough Aquatic Centre for a BBQ. The club with the highest aggregate points total will be awarded the Maryborough Masters Games Swim Meet trophy.

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of this meet:

- Trophy Highest Ave Points Small Club
- Trophy Highest Ave Points Large Club
- Gold Silver & Bronze medals will be presented for each male & female age group.

All swimmers, Queensland and visitors, are eligible to score points and win awards. Full meet results, statistics and rankings will be made available in the days following the meet. Results on the day of the swim will be displayed and updated outside the shower block.

Severe Weather Policy

Maryborough Aquatic Centre recognises the dangers of extreme weather in Queensland and the need to ensure that all staff and users of UQ facilities take the correct precautions in the event of extreme weather.

Extreme weather includes unexpected, unusual, severe, or unseasonal weather that may pose a safety risk to users including rain, drought, wind, flood, storms, dust, hail, and extreme temperature.

If the meet is affected by extreme weather, 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 Maryborough Aquatic Centre staff. No refund of entry fees will occur under such circumstances.

First aid

Pool lifeguarding and patrols will be carried out during the meet by Maryborough Aquatic Centre pool staff. Any accident or injury should immediately be brought to their attention and to the attention of the Meet Director.

Venue

Maryborough Aquatic Centre, Corner Kent and John Streets. The Maryborough Pool is a 50m outdoor facility. Sunscreen will be supplied. Please also bring a hat. There is a grandstand,

There is limited shade available at the venue. Limited shade tents will be provided by Maryborough Masters Swim Club for timekeepers and officials. Clubs are welcome to bring their own shade. You will be directed on arrival where setup is appropriate, and you must adhere to the weighting requirements set by the venue, i.e. 3m x 3m marquee = 90kg and 6m x 3m marquee = 120kg. Please provide your own weights as pegging tents is NOT permitted.

You will need to BYO chairs.

No glass is to be brought on site.

The Aquatic Centre will remain open to the public during the swim meet. Please respect other patrons as they utilise the 25mt pool and amenities.

Food such as tea, coffee, cold drinks, and snacks will be available for sale from the Aquatic Centre canteen throughout the event.

Contacts

Important dates

Entries open	September 2023
Closing date	3 October 2023
Entry list available	6 October 2023
Entry list finalised	8 October 2023
Program available	9 October 2023
Swim Meet	14 October 2023