

Warriors of Warrington Long Distance Gala
Saturday 13th April 2019
Gala Information and Rules

The competition will be held under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules of Swimming and is licensed by the ASA at Level 4 (Licence No: 4NW191272). It is open to all registered swimming members of the Warriors of Warrington Swimming Club who satisfy the entry criteria below.

Competitors with a disability must inform the promoter of their classification prior to the start of the event. Failure to do so may render the swimmer liable for disqualification for non-compliance with the rules for a particular stroke.

Venue Orford Jubilee Neighbourhood Hub, Jubilee Way, Orford, Warrington, WA2 8HE. Telephone: 01925 572504

Pool 8 lane, deck level, 25m with anti-wave lane ropes and electronic timing

Age Groups 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/o
Age as at Midnight 13th April 2019

Swimmers aged under 9 on the day of the gala cannot enter.
Swimmers aged 11 or below who wish to enter this gala should obtain the agreement of their coach before signing up on Active. Also, please see advice below regarding eligibility.

Events Mixed 800 Free
Mixed 1500 Free
Swimmers are permitted to enter **one** event only, not both.
The one start rule will apply and over the top starts will be used.
Events will be swum as integrated age groups with seeding by submitted times.

Eligibility This gala has been established to provide an opportunity for swimmers who do not qualify to enter long distance events at externally licensed meets to attempt one of these swims. Specifically the gala is targeted at swimmers who have not previously attempted a long distance swim under competitive conditions, or who have not achieved times which satisfy the entry requirements for externally licensed meets.

Parents please note that coaches do not expect swimmers in National Squads to enter this gala unless they have not previously attempted the event they wish to swim.

Entry Times There are no upper or lower limit times for this gala.
Please enter your fastest time against the event you wish to swim on the attached entry form. If you do not have a time, please enter NT against your chosen event. Please remember that once submitted, entries cannot be changed and poolside entries will not be permitted.

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Awards	There will be no medals awarded at this meet. Swimmers are swimming for times only. Times gained at this event can be used to enter other licensed meets.
Closing Date	Midnight Sunday 24 th March
Entries	Entries for this gala must be entered online using the Active Portal – full instructions will be given. Late/improved or poolside entries will not be accepted.
Entry Fee	To contribute towards pool hire and administrative costs, there is a charge of £5.50 to enter this event. Pre-payment will be made when a swimmer is entered via the Active Portal but not charged until the closing date.
Withdrawals	Any swimmer wishing to withdraw from an event must follow the withdrawal procedures which will be posted on the club website.
Data Protection	Entries for this meet will be held on computer and results will be submitted to the ASA Rankings Service. Under the General Data Protection Regulations 2018, permission to hold personal data will be deemed to have been given by submission of an entry.
Volunteers	All internal galas are run entirely by volunteers, so please register your interest on the Active Portal Website. Training and support will be provided for new volunteers. A Swim England DBS check is required for poolside helpers. If you would like to get involved but do not have DBS clearance please contact the internal galas team via the website for advice.
Shop	The Warriors Swim Shop will be available throughout the meet.
Admission	Spectator admission will be free of charge. The programme will be available to view/download the day before the event. A limited number of paper copies will be available at the door at £2 each
Security	You are advised not to leave any clothing or other articles unattended as neither the Promoters nor the Pool Management can accept responsibility for loss or damage.
Photography	Parents are permitted to take photographs and videos of their own children at licensed events. There may be an official photographer at the meet and by entering the meet you accept that your Swimmer may be photographed. Photographs will be offered for sale at the meet and on-line. Access to on-line event photography is controlled via the use of a log-in ID and password.

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Disputes The Referee's decision will be final on all matters relating to Swimming and Swimmer discipline.

Any other matters Any matters not covered by the above conditions will be at the discretion of the Promoters. Any queries can be emailed to the Internal Galas Co-ordinator via homegalas@swimwarriors.org.uk.

Programme of Events

Saturday 8th April : Session 1
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Warm up: 5:00pm, Start: 5:15pm, Est. Finish 6:30pm

1. 800 Free (Max 4 heats)

Saturday 8th April: Session 2

Warm up: 6:30pm, Start: 6:45pm, Est. Finish 8:00pm

2. 1500 Free (Max 2 heats)

Start and finish times will be subject to number of entries and may be altered. Prior notice of any changes will be given via email and posted on the website www.swimwarriors.org.uk.