

# TIDAL WAVE SWIMMING

## TWS Invite

December 11-13, 2015

Sanction: Sanctioned by USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming, Inc.

Host: Tidal Wave Swimming  
4915 North Main Street, PO Box 802  
Acworth, GA 30101

Facility: Cobb Central Aquatic Center  
520 South Fairground Street S.E.  
Mariette, GA 30060  
(770) 528-8465

10 lane, 25 yard competition pool with a separate warm-up/warm-down pool. Bleachers are available. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming & Georgia Swimming. The pool depth at the start end is 4 & ½ feet and 4 & ½ feet at the turn end.

Rules: The 2015 USA Swimming rules will govern the conduct of this meet unless otherwise noted. Swimmers will be responsible for swimming in the correct heat and lane. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in the changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. All swimmers, teams and coaches must be USA Swimming registered. Coaches and officials must wear credentials while on the pool deck.

Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**Deck Changing, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit (excluding a drag suit) in an area other than a permanent or temporary locker room, bathroom, changing room or other space designated for changing purposes while at a practice, competition, or other pool-related activity. The practice of Deck Changing is prohibited at all USAS Sanctioned events. Swimmers participating in deck changing would be in violation of the USA Swimming Rule 202.2.9I and could be subject to removal from further competition in the meet**

Meet Director: Craig Cochran [craig.cochran@innovate.gatech.edu](mailto:craig.cochran@innovate.gatech.edu)

Meet Referee & Safety Director: Vincent Maggio [Vincent@maggio.biz](mailto:Vincent@maggio.biz)

Starter and Stroke & Turn: Beth Volden and Kathy Clark

Scratch Rule: The current Georgia Swimming Scratch Rule will be in effect. See the attached information for details.

- Eligibility:** Open to invited out of state teams and Georgia teams registered with USA Swimming. There are no qualifying standards for this meet.
- Concessions:** Concessions will be available for purchase during all sessions of the meet. Hospitality will be available for all coaches and officials.
- Format:** The meet will be conducted as a timed finals for all 10 & Under swimmers and will be prelims/finals for all 11 & Over events (the top 20 swimmers in each event return for finals) with the exception of the 50 Free, 500 Free, 1650 Free, 200 IM and 400 IM.
- The 500 Free, 1650 Free and the 400 IM will be **deck seeded** events, requiring **positive check-in**. All other events will be pre-seeded.
- The 50 Free, 200 IM and 500 Free will be conducted as timed finals. The 500 Free will be swum in event order, slowest to fastest. The 500 Free will be limited to the fastest 40 swimmers in each event.
- The 400 IM will be conducted as a timed final with the top heat of each event swimming in the finals session. The 400 IM will be limited to the fastest 40 swimmers in each event. The morning heats of the 400 IM will be conducted in event order, fastest to slowest.
- The 1650 Free will be conducted as a timed finals with all ages seeded together. The 1650 Free will be conducted fastest to slowest, alternating girls and boys, with all swimmers competing as the final events on Sunday morning. The 1650 Free will be limited to the fastest 20 swimmers in each event.
- The host team reserves the right to use dive over starts as needed.
- Entry Fees:** Entry fees will be \$5.00 each for an individual event. A Georgia travel surcharge of \$2.00 for out of state athletes will be added for each swimmer. Please include a check with your entries. **Make checks payable to Tidal Wave Swim Foundation, Inc.**
- Entries:** Each entry must include the swimmers first and last name, age, USA Swimming number and a seeding time. All 10 & Unders may enter 5 individual events per day. Swimmers that are 11 & Over may enter 3 individual events per day. Swimmers should be entered at his/her best short course yard times for seeding.
- Late Entries:** Late entries will be accepted for empty lanes only, no new heats will be created to accept late entries. All late entries will be entered with a No-time (NT). All swimmers entering late should be prepared to show their USA Swimming registration card or Deck Pass to the Clerk of Course to verify their current USA membership. Fees for late entries will be \$10.00 for individual events. Make checks payable to: **Tidal Wave Swim Foundation, Inc.**
- Entry Deadline:** All entries **must** be postmarked on or before **Tuesday, December 1, 2015**. We cannot accept fax or phone entries. Email entries as attached Hytek files can be sent to

**Brian.clark@clark6.com**, as long as a hard copy, signed entry summary form, waivers and a check are received by the entry deadline and sent to:

Tidal Wave Swimming  
4915 North Main Street  
PO Box 802  
Acworth, GA 30101

\*All out of state entries should be prepared to submit proof of current USA Swimming membership.

Clerk of Course Schedule for Late Entries:

Friday Evening: 3:00PM to 4:00 PM for late entries  
Saturday and Sunday Morning: 7:15AM to 8:00am for late entries  
Saturday Afternoon: 12:30PM to 1:30PM for late entries

Entry Limit: Meet management reserves the right to limit the meet to 600 swimmers. Due to the interest in this meet, we suggest you get your entries in as soon as possible.

Warm-up: In accordance with the Georgia LSC, there will be a strict warm-up procedure to be followed by all swimmers and coaches attending this meet. All warm up sessions will be Open with no assigned lanes to teams. Note that each team will be required to provide a USA Swimming certified coach to monitor its swimmers during the warm-up period.

Coaches Meeting: A mandatory coaches meeting will be held 3:15 PM on Friday afternoon.

Officials: Tidal Wave Swimming welcomes visiting officials and will appreciate any help in officiating this competition. Any certified official or apprentice with USA Swimming wishing to officiate or apprentice at any session must sign in prior to the required officials meeting which is held one hour before the start of each session. All officials must present at check-in current (2014) USA Swimming registration cards and current LSC certification cards. Officials must display their credentials while officiating or in hospitality. Officials must have current certification in order to be on the pool deck in any official capacity. It will be appreciated if all officials and apprentices would contact the Meet Referee (Vincent Maggio, **Vincent@maggio.biz**) with their intent to officiate. The same applies to any official requesting a certain position. They should try to contact the meet referee at least two weeks prior to the meet. All requests will be considered. Uniform for the preliminary event sessions is white collared shirt, navy blue slacks or shorts (or skirts for women), and white tennis/deck shoes. Assigned officials shall wear the prelim session uniform except that long pants (or skirts for women) shall be worn.

Awards: Medals for 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place, ribbons for 4<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> place in each event.

Schedule: **Friday:** 11-12, 13-14 & Senior  
Warm-up: 3:30 pm  
Timed Finals: 4:30 pm  
**Saturday** 11-12, 13-14 & Senior

And	Warm-up:	7:00 am
<b>Sunday:</b>	Prelims:	8:30 am
	Warm-up:	5:00 pm
	Finals:	6:00 pm

8 & Under, 10 & Under  
**(No Earlier than)**

Meet Management reserves the right to change start times based on projected timelines.

Warm-up:	1:00 pm
Timed Finals:	2:00 pm

Check-In: In order to swim in deck seeded events, swimmers must check-in positively with the Clerk of Course by the following times:

Friday:	Events 13-18 (500 Free)	4:00 pm
Saturday:	Events 43-48 (400 IM)	8:00 am
	Events 69-70 (500 Free)	1:30 pm
Sunday:	Events 97-98 (1650 Free)	8:00 am

Liability Release: In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Georgia Swimming, Inc., Tidal Wave Swimming, Inc., the Tidal Wave Swim Foundation, Inc. and Cobb County Parks and Recreation Department shall be free and held harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reasons of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this meet. Acceptance of this policy is evidenced by the entry into this meet.

Order of Events

Women

Men

**Friday, December 11, 2015**

11-12, 13-14, Seniors

Warm-up:	3:30 pm
Timed Finals:	4:30 pm

1	11-12 50 Free	2
3	13-14 50 Free	4
5	Senior 50 Free	6
7	11-12 200 IM	8
9	13-14 200 IM	10
11	Senior 200 IM	12
13	11-12 500 Free	14
15	13-14 500 Free	16
17	Senior 500 Free	18

**Saturday Morning, December 12, 2015**

11-12, 13-14, Senior

Warm-up:	7:00 am
Prelims:	8:30 am

19	11-12 100 Fly	20
21	13-14 100 Fly	22
23	Senior 100 Fly	24
25	11-12 200 Free	26
27	13-14 200 Free	28
29	Senior 200 Free	30
31	11-12 50 Breast	32
33	13-14 200 Breast	34
35	Senior 200 Breast	36
37	11-12 100 Back	38
39	13-14 100 Back	40
41	Senior 100 Back	42
43	11-12 400 IM	44
45	13-14 400 IM	46
47	Senior 400 IM	48

**Saturday Afternoon, December 12, 2015**

Warm-up: no earlier than 1:00 pm

8 & Under, 10 & Under

Timed Finals: 2:00 pm

49	10 & Under 50 Fly	50
51	8 & Under 50 Fly	52
53	10 & Under 200 Free	54
55	8 & Under 25 Free	56
57	10 & Under 50 Breast	58
59	8 & Under 50 Breast	60
61	10 & Under 100 Back	62
63	8 & Under 25 Back	64
65	10 & Under 100 IM	66
67	8 & Under 100 IM	68
69	10 & Under 500 Free	70

**Sunday Morning, December 13, 2015**

Warm-up: 7:00 am

11-12, 13-14, Senior

Prelims: 8:30 am

71	11-12 50 Back	72
73	13-14 200 Back	74
75	Senior 200 Back	76
77	11-12 100 Free	78
79	13-14 100 Free	80
81	Senior 100 Free	82
83	11-12 100 Breast	84
85	13-14 100 Breast	86
87	Senior 100 Breast	88
89	11-12 50 Fly	90
91	13-14 200 Fly	92
93	Senior 200 Fly	94
95	11-12 100 IM	96

**5 Minute Break**

**Sunday Afternoon, December 13, 2015**

8 &amp; Under, 10 &amp; Under

Warm-up: no earlier than 1:00 pm

Timed Finals: 2:00 pm

99	10 & Under 50 Back	100
101	8 & Under 50 Back	102
103	10 & Under 100 Free	104
105	8 & Under 100 Free	106
107	10 & Under 100 Breast	108
109	8 & Under 25 Breast	110
111	10 & Under 100 Fly	112
113	8 & Under 25 Fly	114
115	10 & Under 50 Free	116
117	8 & Under 50 Free	118
119	10 & Under 200 IM	120

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ENTRY SUMMARY SHEET

TEAM \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICIAL ABBREVIATION \_\_\_\_\_  
COACH \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICIAL TEAM ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

	Number of Swimmers	Individual Events
8 & Under Girls		
8 & Under Boys		
10 & Under Girls		
10 & Under Boys		
11-12 Girls		
11-12 Boys		
13-14 Girls		
13-14 Boys		
Senior Girls		
Senior Boys		
<b>TOTAL</b>		

1. TOTAL # OF NON-GEORGIA REGISTERED SWIMMERS \_\_\_\_\_ X \$2.00 \_\_\_\_\_
2. TOTAL ENTRIES \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. GRAND TOTAL (sum of lines 1 & 2) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Tidal Wave Swim Foundation, Inc.

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e-Mail Entries to: Brian Clark at Brian.clark@clark6.com

Mail Hard Copies & Checks to: Tidal Wave Swimming, 4915 North Main Street, PO Box 802,  
Acworth GA 30101

WAIVER, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND LIABILITY RELEASE

I, the undersigned coach or team representative verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry form are registered with USA Swimming.

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming regarding warm-up procedures and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers and those rules during the meet.

Georgia Swimming, Inc., USA Swimming and Tidal Wave Swimming, Cobb County Parks and Recreation Department and its agents, employees and coaches shall be free from any liability or claim from damages arising by reason of injury to anyone during the conduct of the meet.

I have reviewed RULE 302.4 FALSE REGISTRATION and understand that GA Swimming probably will issue a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against a member coach or a member club submitting a meet entry which indicates a swimmer is registered with USA Swimming when that swimmer or the listed club is not properly registered.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Title\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*Please include a list of all USAS coaches who will be attending this meet. (Use an additional sheet to list all coaches who may attend).



## **GEORGIA SWIMMING INC. SCRATCH RULE**

The Scratch Rule to be used in all Georgia LSC sanctioned meets where the meet format includes preliminary heats, consolation finals and finals, is the "Scratch Rule" as found under "Administrative Conduct of USA Swimming Championships", subsection "Scratch Procedures", subsections "Scratching from finals" and "Exceptions for failure to compete", of the current "USA Swimming Rules and Regulations". An excerpt is provided below. The following Georgia LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well as all preliminary/finals meets.

### **Scratching from finals:**

- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted in paragraph E. A declared false start under 101.1.3F or deliberate delay of meet under 101.1.5 is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
- (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition the Referee shall fill the C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final, when possible, with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
- (3) Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall reseed the C, B, or A (bonus final, consolation final and the) final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
- (4) If the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the (championship) final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

### **Exceptions for failure to compete:**

#### **No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if:**

- (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
- (2) A swimmer qualifying for a C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.

(3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.”

#### **Georgia LSC Additions:**

##### **Unless otherwise stated in the final sanctioned Meet Information:**

1. Swimmers that qualify for any final heats as announced in the meet information will also be subject to these rules.
2. In all deck seeded events, a swimmer who has been checked in either personally or by a team coach, has been seeded and then fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in “Exceptions for failure to compete” above. This rule also applies only to timed-finals meet events where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number of individual entries to be accepted for a particular deck-seeded event as specifically stated in the meet information.
3. There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.
4. Qualifiers for all finals heats are those as identified on the originally posted results of the preliminary heats. Any qualifier who has moved up into this group as a result of the posting of corrected preliminary results after original results have been posted shall not be subject to penalty.
5. The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.
6. On the final day of “**LSC Championship**” competitions, any swimmer who has checked in for finals and fails to compete will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.
7. A “Positive check-in procedure” shall be used for all deck seeded events. A swimmer’s intent to swim a race shall be denoted by the **swimmer’s or swimmer’s coach’s** initials entered next to the swimmers’ names on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course. Failure to check in shall be considered to indicate that the swimmer **will not compete**.
8. In cases where changes to the USAS rules cause conflict with the Georgia LSC additions, USAS rules shall take precedence.

Adopted by the HOD: April 18, 2010

Revised: September 23, 2012

