



Tilehurst Swimming Club

Affiliated to South East Region, Swim England

Novice Ribbon Meet Saturday 7th February 2026

Level 4 Licence: 4SE260289

Promoter's Conditions

Venue

Crossfields Swimming Pool, Shinfield Road, Reading. Berkshire. RG2 9BL

5 lane, 25m pool equipped with anti-turbulence lane ropes. Depth: 2m. Starting blocks 75cm above water. Electronic timing. No secondary strobe available. All events will be conducted in accordance with Swim England laws, regulations and technical rules for swimming.

1. To enter, swimmers must be 8 years of age or above on Saturday 7th February 2026
2. Swimmers must be or have applied to be registered with Swim England as a Club Compete athlete, and may only enter events in their own age group.
3. Classified swimmers are welcomed. If you hold a Certificate of Swimming Disability (signed by the Swim England Medical Officer) or a Functional Ability Care, please submit it to the Referee via the Promoter before the warm-up.
4. Upper limit times are in place for this meet. Entry times must be slower than the Upper Limit Time. NT entries will also be accepted.
5. Entries are restricted to swimmers from **Tilehurst Swimming Club, Maidenhead Marlins, Reading Swimming Club** and **Ascot Royals Swimming Club**.
6. The closing date for entries will be **Sunday 18th January 2026**, after which no more entries can be accepted. Please notify the club of any withdrawals after this date via the online withdrawal form.
7. Ribbons will be presented to the top 3 swimmers in each age group/gender category.
8. Colorado CTS6 electronic timing will be used.
9. Any dispute related to a matter not covered in these conditions shall be determined by the Promoter.

Competing Categories

Swimmers will be required to swim in one of two groups: Female or Open/Male swimmers. The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with [Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy](#). By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female.

Schedule of events

Saturday 7th February 2026	
Warmup: 8am	
Racing starts: 8.30am	
Event 1	Female 100m IM
Event 2	Male/Open 100m IM
Event 3	Female 50m Breast
Event 4	Open/Male 50m Breast
Event 5	Female 100m Fly
Event 6	Open/Male 100m Fly
Event 7	Female 50m Free
Event 8	Open/Male 50m Free
Event 9	Female 100m Back
Event 10	Open/Male 100m Back
Event 11	Female 50m Fly
Event 12	Open/Male 50m Fly
Event 13	Female 100m Breast
Event 14	Open/Male 100m Breast
Event 15	Female 50m Back
Event 16	Open/Male 50m Back
Event 17	Female 100m Free
Event 18	Open/Male 100m Free

Qualifying Times

To qualify for this meet, swimmers must not exceed the following upper limit times.

Open/Male	Upper Limit Time
100m IM	1:29.00
50m Breast	45:00
100m Fly	1:35.00
50m Free	34:00
100m Back	1:26.00
50m Fly	39:00
100m Breast	1:41.00
50m Back	40:00
100m Free	1:15.00
Female	Upper Limit Time
100m IM	1:29.00
50m Breast	45.00
100m Fly	1:30.00
50m Free	34.30
100m Back	1:25.00
50m Fly	38.50
100m Breast	1:38.00
50m Back	39.50
100m Free	1:14.00

Charges

Swimmer Entry Fees: £4.50 per event

Spectator Entry: £5 per Adult. Children & OAP free. Payment by card or cash at the entry desk please. Spectators may be requested to follow certain precautions for the benefit of all swimmers, volunteers, officials and fellow spectators. TSC reserve the right to limit spectator numbers.

Coach/TM Passes: £5 each. Passes will be issued to Qualified Swimming coaches & Team Managers with up-to-date certification. Clubs are responsible for ensuring adequate provision for supervision of their swimmers is made in line with Swim England Supervision Policy for Coaches Team and Chaperones ([here](#)).

Entries

1. Entries will be available to Invited clubs only. The **Closing Date** for entries is Midnight on **Sunday 18th January 2026**. Entries will be accepted on a first-come-first served basis. The promoter reserves the right to bring forward the closing date once the maximum number of entries is reached.
2. All swimmers will be placed into heats based on their submitted entry times, slowest to fastest.
3. Entries must include accurate date of birth and Swim England registration number details. The name and club for each swimmer must exactly match those registered with Swim England, to ensure successful upload of results to the Rankings database.
4. Club entries *must* be made in an electronic format using the Hytek Team Manager entry software. The entry file set will be available for download via <https://www.tilehurstswimmingclub.org.uk/ribbon-galas/>. Individual entries will not be accepted for this meet.

To enter, invited clubs should send their electronic entry file to tsc.galas@gmail.com, transfer payment and complete a copy of the **Summary Entry Form**

5. Correct payment for entry fees and coach/TM passes should be paid by direct bank transfer (please use your club name as a reference so that we can identify your payment).

Bank transfers should be made to the following account:

Account Name	:	Tilehurst Swimming Club
Account No	:	53863506
Sort code	:	40-38-04
Reference	:	TSC_NR26_clubname

6. The Promoter reserves the right to restrict entries to meet allocated pool time or on health and safety grounds. Any entry not accepted will be refunded in full.
7. Clubs are responsible for ensuring adequate provision for supervision of their swimmers is made in line with Swim England Supervision Policy for Coaches Team and Chaperones ([here](#)).
8. Details of accepted entries will be posted on the TSC website and circulated to attending clubs as soon as possible after closing.
9. Time trials may be accepted at the discretion of the Meet promoter and Referee. If time trials are accepted swimmers will be eligible for awards.
10. The submission of entries will indicate acceptance of these Conditions.

General

Mobile phones must not be used in the changing rooms for child protection reasons, and should be

switched off and stored in the swimmer's bag when swimmers are using the changing rooms. Anyone found using a phone in the changing rooms will be asked to leave the meet and will not receive a refund. Parents are not allowed in the changing rooms at any time during the meet, and should remain dry spectator-side of the pool throughout the event. Toilet facilities for spectators are in the Sports Hall foyer.

Swimmers must wear suitable clothing and footwear on the poolside. Wet clothing is not allowed in the spectator area.

All attending the event must listen to the safety announcement at the beginning of each session, and familiarise themselves with the location of the emergency exits, which must always remain clear. Everyone is asked to observe all normal safety precautions in the pool area and when moving around Crosfields pool.

Withdrawals

Withdrawals will only be refunded on presentation of valid medical evidence. Funds for any entries not accepted will be refunded by bank transfer shortly after notification of rejection. Withdrawals should be notified in advance via the Withdrawal Form.

Results:

Results will be forwarded to Swim England for inclusion in rankings as soon as possible after the meet.

Results will be posted poolside and after the meet on the Tilehurst website.

In the event of a swimmer having a query about results, they should discuss this with their coach at the meet; swimmers and their families should not directly raise issues about results with either the Swim England Officials, or the TSC Meets Technical Team. The Referee's decision is final.

Code of Conduct

By entering this meet, swimmers and spectators confirm that they agree to abide by Codes of Conduct published on Tilehurstswimmingclub.org.uk

Use of Personal Data

Entry and results data for this meet will be held on computer. The data collected will include name, date of birth, swimming club membership, email address, swimming times, Swim England number and any other data collected as part of the entry process. Submission of an entry implies consent to the holding and use of this personal information by Tilehurst Swimming Club, as required by the 2018 General Data Protection Regulations.

This information (together with the meet results) may be used:

- to contact entrants and their clubs regarding entries and the running of the meet
- to produce accepted swim lists, which will be published on participating club websites.
- In the meet programme, which will be available to print and download on the TSC website
- In the meet documentation used by officials on the day of the meet
- to publish results at the meet venue and on the TSC website
- to submit results and rankings to Swim England

By entering the meet, entrants are consenting for their data (and that of the swimmers) to be used as above, and are accepting and agreeing to abide by these conditions.

Photography and safeguarding

TSC must be mindful that images of children and adults can be misused and sharing images widely without consent may betray a confidence or identify a child or adult, which could present a risk of harm to that individual. All attending the meet are asked to abide by the [Swim England Wavepower guidance](#).

Parents and carers of participants in our meet who wish to take images are requested to focus on their own children as much as reasonably possible and to avoid including other children in images. Whilst it is acknowledged that parents/carers may wish to photograph and/or record their own children when taking part in galas, it should be recognised and respected that other families may not

wish for their child's image to be taken and shared in this way. Therefore, please do not post any images that include any swimmers other than your own child on social media platforms.

Should you have any concerns about photography or filming at the event please bring this to the immediate attention of the meet either Adam Barrett or Ian Whitney, by going to the Tech Desk at the starting block end of the pool.

Tilehurst Swimming Club is committed to ensuring that all children who participate in our galas can take part in an enjoyable and safe environment. If you have any child safeguarding concerns at the event, please contact Adam Barrett or Ian Whitney immediately to disclose your concerns.

Access to Changing Rooms

For the safety and welfare of swimmers, spectators and parents are not allowed in the changing rooms at any time during the meet. If parental access is required to support a swimmer with a disability, please contact the club to arrange.

Meet Promoter: **Ian Whitney, Tilehurst Swimming Club**

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