

**LIMERICK MASTERS SC**

**IRISH OPEN LONG COURSE  
MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

The University Arena  
University of Limerick

Dear Masters Swimmers,

Limerick Masters SC are proud to announce that the Irish Open Long Course Masters Championships 2015 will be held at the University Arena 50m Swimming Pool, on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

Again this year we are offering a full program of events, with the 1500m on the Friday evening followed by a full days swimming on Saturday.

The closing date for the receipt of all entries is Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

Details of the gala entertainments will be announced in the near future.

We hope to be able to offer all competitors the events they wish to enter but due to time constraints and entry numbers, we may have to limit the number of competitors and heats in some events.

I look forward to welcoming you all back to Limerick City for this the premier Masters Swimming event in 2015.

Harry Harbison  
Chairman, Limerick Masters SC

**CLOSING DEADLINE**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015**



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Session 1: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 7:00pm to 11:00pm

1. Mixed 1500m Freestyle.

Session 2: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 9:00am to 1:00pm

2. Mixed 400m Freestyle
3. Mixed 50m breaststroke
4. Mixed 200m Individual Medley
5. Mixed 50m Backstroke
6. Mixed 200m Freestyle
7. Mixed 100m Backstroke
8. Mixed 100m Butterfly
9. Men's 4\*100m Medley Relays
10. Women's 4\*100m Medley Relays
11. Mixed 4\*100m Medley Relays
12. Mixed 800m Freestyle

Session 3: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2:00pm to 5:00pm

13. Mixed 100m Freestyle
14. Mixed 200m Breaststroke
15. Mixed 50m Butterfly
16. Mixed 200m Backstroke
17. Mixed 100m Breaststroke
18. Mixed 200m Butterfly
19. Mixed 50m Freestyle
20. Men's 4\*100m Freestyle Relays
21. Women's 4\*100m Freestyle Relays
22. Mixed 4\*100m Freestyle Relays

## ENTRIES

Completed entry forms and payment, together with any queries should be addressed to:

Gala Organiser

Limerick Masters SC

20 The Oaks, Riverbank,

Annacotty, Limerick

Tel No: 061-338081 (after 6pm)

Email: [galaorganiser@limerickmasters.com](mailto:galaorganiser@limerickmasters.com)

Online entry and payment through

<http://limerickmasters.com/>

## **General Conditions**

1. FINA and Swim Ireland Masters rules apply to all age groups.
2. This gala is open to any swimmer who is 19 years or over on the date of the competition, and is licensed with Swim Ireland or FINA affiliate.
3. Competitors may compete in as many individual gala events.
4. Competitors may only compete once in each of the team events listed.

## **Ages**

5. Age as of the 31st of December 2015 determines your age group for this meet.
6. The age groups for men and women individual Masters events shall be UA=(19-24), A=(25-29), B=(30-34), C=(35-39), D=(40-44), E=(45-49), F=(50-54), G=(55-59), H=(60-64), I=(65-69), J=(70-74), K=(75-79), L=(80-84), M=(85-89), N=(90-94), O=95+
7. All team members in relay events must be 25 years of age in the year of the competition.
8. The age group categories offered for each relay event will be 100-119, 120-159, 160-199, 200-239, 240-279, 280-319 and in 40-year increments as high as necessary years.
9. The combined age of the team, in the year of the competition must fall within the age bands detailed in 8.

## **Individual Events**

10. All events will be run as mixed individual events.
11. All events will be conducted on a timed final basis.
12. All individual events are heat declared winner in age and gender classification.
13. Individual competitors will be seeded according to their entry time and will compete against those with similar times.
14. Where no entry times (NT) have been submitted, swimmers will be placed in the first heat of the particular event.

## **Team Events**

15. Mixed teams shall consist of two competitors of each sex swimming in any order.
16. All team events are heat declared winner in age classification.
17. A swimmer entered in the name of one club in the individual events may not compete in the name of another club in the team event.
18. The names of swimmers in relay teams and the order of swimming must be reported to the Relay Coordinator one hour in advance of the event.

## EVENT CONDITIONS

## Registration

19. All competitors must be a member of Swim Ireland or equivalent prior to the day of the competition.
20. Competitors who are not members of Swim Ireland or FINA affiliate, there is the opportunity to take out a Swim Ireland Special Membership, which allows individuals the opportunity to become a Swim Ireland member and compete in specific events previously only open to club members.

## Entries

21. All entries must be received by the Gala Organiser by the gala published closing date.
22. Late, incomplete, incorrect or unsigned entries will not be accepted.
23. Entries cannot be accepted without accompanying cheque or postal order and must be made payable to Limerick Masters SC.
24. Entry confirmations will not be sent out.
25. The Gala Organiser reserves the right to accept late entries.
26. Entry fees are non-refundable.

## Competitors with a Disability

27. A competitor who has a permanent disability shall not be disqualified in a case where his disability prevents him from complying with the rules of a particular stroke, provided that the disability has been notified to the gala referee by the competitor or his representative before the event takes place.
28. Notification shall be by a medical certificate issued by Swim Ireland approved Medical Officer.

## Safety

29. All competitors are required to ensure that they observe all safety announcements and conduct themselves with safety in mind at all times.

## Awards

30. Medals shall be awarded to the first three placed swimmers and teams in each event in each age group.
31. The Limerick 1500 Trophy will be awarded to the 1500m Freestyle competitor who achieves the closest time to the current world record time in his or her age category.
32. The Limerick 50 Trophy will be awarded to the 50m competitor who achieves the closest time to the current world record time in his or her age category.
33. Awards to The Best Overseas Women Competitor, Best Overseas Man Competitor, Best Irish Women Competitor, Best Irish Man Competitor will be based on the cumulative points scored throughout the gala.
34. The Best Team Award will be awarded based on the cumulative team points scored throughout the gala.
35. The Best Overseas Team Award will be awarded based on the cumulative team points scored throughout the gala.

## Special Arrangements

36. Qualifying Times: Age and gender based qualifying times may need to be applied in the 400M, 800M and 1500M Free Style events. Qualifying times will be posted on the Limerick Masters web site.
37. All competitors in the 1500m will receive confirmation of their entry two days prior to the event.
38. All competitors in the 1500m Freestyle event must register with the Gala Organiser on the pool deck on or before 6pm on the day of the event.
39. For the 1500m Freestyle event, the Gala Organiser reserves the right to hold a list of possible late entries and should competitors not register before the deadline, the gala organiser reserves the right to deck seed the event and slot in the swimmers from the late entry list.
40. The gala organiser reserves the right to run the 1500m event in the order of fastest to slowest heats.
41. 800m & 400m Deck Seeding: The gala organiser reserves the right to deck seed these events.
42. No team entries will be accepted on the day of the gala.
43. Each team event is restricted to 10 teams and entry confirmation be allocated on a first come first served basis.
44. A detailed gala program will be available at [www.limerickmasters.com](http://www.limerickmasters.com) two days in advance of the Championships.

## EVENT INFORMATION

### Venue

University Arena

National 50m Pool

University of Limerick

Tel No: +353-(0)61-213519

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