

The University of Texas at Austin



LONGHORN AQUATICS
2011 New Years Classic
January 7-9, 2011

Welcome: Longhorn Aquatics invites you to join us at the Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swim Center to compete in our 2011 New Years Classic Meet. This meet is open to all USA Swimming registered swimmers and will be conducted in two 25 yard courses, using Daktronics Timing System and Hy-Tek Meet Manager software. Designated warm-up lanes will be available during the meet.

Facility: The Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center has an indoor 8 lane 50 meter competition pool. The pool is 9 feet deep overall (both the start and turn ends) and is considered one of the fastest pools in the world due to its depth, gutter system, high filtration rate and lane width. There are two movable, power-operated bulkheads. For the 2011 New Years Classic meet, the length of the short course competition pools will NOT be certified before the start of the meet. However, in accordance with the 2010 USA Swimming Rules (Article 104), if a US or World record is broken at this unclassified meet, we will have the course measured and certified by a qualified, licensed professional immediately following the session during which the time was achieved. There have been many US and/or World records broken at the Texas Swim Center and the measured length of the course has never been an issue.

The Swim Center is located on the University of Texas Campus, 1900 Robert Dedman Drive, one block west of I-35 on the northwest corner of the intersection of Martin Luther King Boulevard and Red River Street.

Liability: USA Swimming, South Texas Swimming, The University of Texas, the Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center, and Longhorn Aquatics accept no responsibility for liability or injuries sustained by any individual, athlete, coach, official, meet volunteer, or spectator while traveling to and from or while participating in the meet. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer, if unattached, or the offending swimmer's club, if attached, to be held accountable for repairs.

Sanction: This meet has been sanctioned by South Texas Swimming and 2010-2011 rules will apply. All swimmers must be registered as athletes for 2011 with USA Swimming by the entry deadline. Athletes that register with USA Swimming after the entry deadline may deck enter the meet only if they can present their 2011 USA card.

Schedule:	<u>Prelims</u>	<u>Finals</u>
Friday	Warm-up: 7:30 AM Start: 9:00 AM	Warm-up: 5:00 PM Start: 6:00 PM
Saturday	Warm-up: 7:30 AM Start: 9:00 AM	Warm-up: 5:00 PM Start: 6:00 PM
Sunday	Warm-up: 7:30 AM Start: 9:00 AM	Warm-up: 5:00 PM Start: 6:00 PM

We reserve the right to split the sessions differently or to combine sessions based on the entries received. Warm-ups may be split and may be extended if a large number of swimmers enter the meet. If this occurs, it will be posted on the Longhorn Aquatics website before January 7th.

Qualifying Times: There are qualifying times for ALL events, 2009-2012 "B" [National Age Group Motivational Time Standards](#). These Time Standards are provided by USA Swimming. Only yard times in the SWIMS database can be used as proof of time.

Meet Format: Both prelim and final events will swim in two short course yard pools. During prelims, even heats will swim in the North end (American Flag) and odd heats will swim in the South end (Texas Flag). Prelim events will be seeded by time and gender only. Age groups will be combined. All events will swim fastest to slowest.

During finals, boys will swim at the South end (Texas Flag) and girls will swim at the North end (American Flag). In finals, events will swim 10 & under heats, 11/12 heats, 13/14 heats, 15 & over heats. If the meet is undersized we reserve the right to run finals in one pool.

Relays are timed final events. The fastest two heats will swim in finals. All other relays will swim in the prelim session. Teams are limited to two relay teams per event. Relay cards are due to the Clerk of Course by the end of the prelim session on the day the relay will swim. We will assume you are scratching your relay if a relay card is not turned in by the end of the prelim session.

The 1650 on Friday is a timed final. This event will be limited to the fastest four heats of boys and the fastest four heats of girls. No deck entries will be accepted for the 1650. Times in the 1650 will be pre-proved. Only yard times in the SWIMS database can be used as proof of time. Swimmers in the 1650 must also indicate if they intend to swim in prelims or finals. The fastest 8 swimmers of each gender who indicated their desire to swim in finals will swim in the evening session. The remaining heats will swim in prelims, fastest to slowest, alternating heats of girls and boys. All 1650 swimmers must provide their own timers and lap counters.

In finals, events will be separated by gender and age, and seeded by time. The number of heats qualifying for finals in 50 and 100 yard events is as follows:

10 & Under	2 heats
11-12	2 heats
13-14	2 heats
15 & Over	2 heats

In 200 yard events, the number of heats qualifying for finals is as follows:

10 & Under	1 heat (200 Free and 200 IM only)
11-12	2 heats
13-14	2 heats
15 & Over	2 heats

In 400 and 500 events, the number of heats qualifying for finals is as follows:

11-12	1 heat
13-14	2 heats
15 & Over	2 heats

We reserve the right to cap the number of swimmers in prelims to stay within the four hour rule. Swimmers will be entered in the order entries are received.

Scratch Rule: **Prelims** -- Each prelim session will be seeded the evening before. All deck entries (individual and relay) for the next day's events received before 5:30 PM will be seeded. For prelims there is a courtesy scratch. By 5:30 PM please scratch events that you will not swim the next day. There is not a penalty for failing to scratch a prelim event; this is a courtesy to the other swimmers by eliminating an empty lane in prelims. Swimmers that check-in for the 400 IM, 500 free or 1650 and do not swim will be subject to a penalty of \$30.

Finals -- The top qualifiers in each preliminary event will be posted and announced after the final heat. All swimmers, including the top qualifiers, have 30 minutes to decide whether they will swim in finals. If they don't want to swim in finals, they must scratch, or declare intent to scratch, at clerk of course within 30 minutes following the announcement. Parents are not allowed on deck for this purpose.

As top qualifiers scratch, other swimmers become eligible for finals. So if a swimmer does NOT want to swim in finals, they should scratch their name on the list at clerk of course **no matter how far down the list their name appears**. The athletes swimming in finals will be posted as soon as possible after the 30 minute scratch period.

Any swimmer included in finals who does not swim will be subject to a penalty of \$30. Swimmers will be barred from competition at the Swim Center until fines are paid.

Check-in: Positive check-in is required for the 1650 free, 400 IM, and 500 free. Positive check-in will be available as athletes enter the pool deck and will close approximately 1 hour before the event is scheduled to swim. Exact times will be posted at Clerk of Course on the day of the event.

Swimmers that check-in for an event and fail to swim will be fined \$30 payable to the University of Texas. These swimmers, and their team, will be barred from competition at subsequent TXLA meets at the Swim Center until the fines are paid.

Entry Dates: Entries will open for all teams at **11 AM** on Thursday, December 16. Entries will not be accepted before these times. Updates to entry times will not be accepted. You should **not** make nonrefundable travel arrangements before you know your entries are accepted – entries will be processed in the order received. Entries will close the earlier of:

- a) Monday, December 27th, 2010 at 3 PM or
- b) When a session reaches an estimated 4 hours in length. Individual sessions may close before the entire meet closes. If we have to close a session early, this will be posted on our website.

Entries: Swimmers may enter a maximum of 3 individual events per day. The age of the swimmer will be his/her age on January 7, 2011. Enter all events with previous best times achieved in short course yards. Entries with NT will not be accepted.

All teams with five or more swimmers entered in the meet must submit their entries using Version 4 or 5 of Hy-Tek Team Manager or Team Unify software.

Email entries to Bridgette Rhoades, sunsandsurfgirl@yahoo.com. When you email the entries, also attach a report of the entries by swimmer. **Entries/emails with only a zip file (i.e. without the entry report) will not be accepted.** If you don't receive an email confirmation, your entries were not received.

Teams with fewer than five swimmers may send an email including the team, team abbreviation, LSC, the swimmers full name (as registered with USA Swimming), USA ID, event numbers, event description, and entry times for each swimmer.

Entry fees must be postmarked by Tuesday, December 28th, 2010. Please include the meet entry fees report with your check. Please do NOT send a copy of the entries you emailed earlier.

No paper, phone or fax entries will be accepted. Entries received without accurate USA Swimming registration numbers will **NOT** be accepted or processed.

Entry Fees: \$10.00 per individual event, \$20 for relays. This includes the South Texas Swimming splash fee of \$1.25 per splash. Please send only one check per team location please. Refunds will not be given for any reason.

Make checks payable to The University of Texas at Austin and
Mail to: New Years Classic
Longhorn Aquatics
The University of Texas at Austin
1 University Station D 4050
Austin, TX 78712-0364
512-471-7703

Deck Entries: Deck entries will be accepted only for open lanes. No new heats will be created. You may deck enter the current session beginning at the start of warm-up. Deck entries will close 30 minutes before the start of each session. You may deck enter events for later sessions after the start of the current session. Deck entries for the next day's session will be seeded if they are received before the 1650 Freestyle on Friday or the 400 IM on Saturday.

The deck entry fee is \$20.00 per event, \$30 per relay. **Swimmers not previously entered in the meet must present their 2011 USA Swimming registration card** at Clerk of Course to be able to deck enter.

Unaccompanied Swimmers: 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.

Awards: Ribbons, first through eighth place will be awarded according to the following age groupings: boys and girls

10 and under, 11–12, 13-14, and 15 and over. No other awards will be given.

Meet Referee: Ron Zolno
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rzolno@brsgroup.com

Head Coach: Doug Rusk
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**Meet Director:
& Entry Chair** Bridgette Rhoades
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Officials: Help from visiting officials is always welcome. All officials must be currently registered with USA Swimming. Please email the Meet Referee with your certification level and availability so he can plan accordingly. Nametags are very helpful; please bring and wear yours if you have one.

Special Needs: Please notify the Jamail Texas Swimming Center Staff (512-471-7703) in advance of this event with the name and age of any member on your team who needs assistance to enter the building. TSC staff will make reasonable accommodations for swimmers, coaches, or spectators who wish to enter and use our facility.

In any meet sanctioned or approved by this LSC that may include one or more swimmers with visual, hearing, mental, or physical disabilities, the judging of such competitors shall be in strict accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, i.e., Article 105. A disability is defined as a PERMANENT physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Deck Access: Only currently registered coaches and officials will be allowed access beyond the front desk of the Texas Swimming Center. Coaches and officials will be required to show their current USA Swimming registration card at the front desk in order to be on deck. Volunteers will be given a pass to access the deck and help for that specific purpose.

Please be aware that swimmers will not be allowed on the deck until one of their team coaches has checked in and is on deck.

Any non-registered individuals not respecting these rules will be removed from that area or from the facility at the discretion of the meet director, Longhorn Aquatics Program Director or Texas Swimming Center staff.

Cell Phones: The presence and / or use of cell phones, and any other equipment capable of producing photographic or video images, in locker rooms is strictly and specifically prohibited at all times.

There are no exceptions to this prohibition. Violators are subject to disqualification from the meet and disbarment from the facility.

TSC Rules: As guests of The University of Texas, all must adhere to the Texas Swim Center (TSC) rules. Coaches must supervise their swimmers. Chewing gum and glass containers are not permitted in the building. Locks may not be left on lockers overnight. Wet swimmers cannot leave pool deck. Children must be supervised at all times.

Spectators and athletes may not bring food or drink into the Texas Swim Center from outside sources. Teams ARE permitted to bring two (2) coolers on to the deck.

Parking: [The University of Texas requires a UT permit for parking along Trinity and San Jacinto AT ALL TIMES.](#)

We are exploring other parking options, hoping to find free or at least cheaper parking close to the Swim Center. Please go to our website, www.utexas.edu/longhornaquatics as we get closer to the meet for more information on parking.

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Order of Events

Friday, January 7th

	Event	
1	100 Fly	2
3	11 and Older 200 Breast	4
5	12& Under 50 Back	6
7	100 Free	8
9	11& Older 400 Medley Relay	10
11	11& Older 1650 Free* **	12

* Timed final

**Swimmers must provide their own counter & timer

Saturday, January 8th

	Event	
13	200 Free	14
15	100 Breast	16
17	12& Under 50 Fly	18
19	11& Older 200 back	20
21	12& Under 100 IM	22
23	11& Older 400 IM	24
25	400 Free Relay	26

Sunday, January 9th

	Event	
27	200 IM	28
29	50 Free	30
31	11& Older 200 Fly	32
33	12& Under 50 Breast	34
35	100 Back	36
37	11 & Older 500 free*	38
39	200 Free Relay	40

*swimmers must provide own counters

SOUTH TEXAS SWIMMING, Inc.
Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

A. WARM-UP PROCEDURES

- I. Assigned warm-up Procedures.
 - a. Warm-up lanes and times will be assigned to competing teams based on number of entrants.
 - b. All warm-up activities will be coordinated by the coach(es) supervising that lane
 - c. Dive sprints may be done only under the direct supervision of the coach
- II. Open warm-up procedures.

LANE USE

POOL	PUSH/PACE	DIVES/SPRINTS	GENERAL WARMUP
8 Lanes	1 and 8	2 and 7	3 through 6
6 Lanes	1 and 6	2 and 5	3 and 4

- a. The first ½ of the assigned warm-up time shall be general warm-up for all lanes.
- b. Push/Pace Lanes will push off one or two lengths from starting end.
- c. Sprint lanes are for diving from blocks or for backstroke starts in specified lanes at designated times. One way only! Dive sprints may only be done under the direct supervision of the coach.
- d. There will be no diving in the general warm-up lanes. Circle swimming only.
- e. No kick boards pull buoys, or hand paddles may be used.

3. Safety Guidelines

- a. Coaches are responsible for the following:
 1. Instructing swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices
 2. Actively supervising their swimmers throughout the warm-up sessions, at meets, and all practices.
 3. Maintaining as much contact with their swimmers AS POSSIBLE, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.
- b. The host team will be responsible for the following.
 - 1) A minimum of four (4) marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Director shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session(s).
 - 2) Marshals must be members of United States Swimming.
 - 3) Marshals will have authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of a warm-up session, any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of these Procedures.
 - 4) The host team shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool, indicating their designated use during warm-ups.
 - 5) Warm-up times and lane assignments will be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area. The following statement will appear in the meet information: "South Texas Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
 - 6) An announcer will be on duty for the entire warm-up session to announce lane and/or time changes and to assist with the conduct of the warm-up.
 - 7) Hazards in locker rooms, on deck, or areas used by coaches, swimmers, or officials will be either removed or clearly marked.

B. MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

1. Backstrokers will ensure that they are not starting at the same time as a swimmer on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step up on the blocks if there is a backstroker waiting to start.
2. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
3. Swimmers are required to exit the pool on completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time. The pool is not for visiting or playing during the warm-up session.
4. Warm-up procedures will be enforced for any breaks scheduled during the competition.
5. No hand paddles, fins, or kickboards may be used at any time during general, specific, or between warm-ups unless approved by the Referee.

NOTE: Host Clubs, with the consent of the Meet Referee, may modify the time schedule or recommended lane assignments depending on pool configuration, number of swimmers, or other considerations; so long as safety considerations are not compromised. Any such changes will be announced and/or prominently posted in the pool area.

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