

**2022 Bellarine and North Geelong Divisions Primary Schools Swimming Championships**

***Tuesday 22nd March 2022***

***Kardinia Aquatic Centre Park Crescent South Geelong***

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***INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS***

* *To reduce the possibility of getting sunburnt, everyone is expected to follow the Sun Smart guidelines of wearing a broad-brimmed hat, covering up, regularly applying sunscreen and staying under a shaded area as much as possible.*
* *To reduce the possibility of becoming dehydrated, everyone is advised to be drinking water throughout the day.*
* *Students with respiratory problems e.g. asthma must bring their medication and be able to competently self-administer it. If a student has a medical condition that requires specific treatment e.g. anaphylaxis, their medication and treatment plan must be taken to the Kardinia Aquatic Centre and the student’s supervisor must know how to treat the condition and/or administer the medication.*
* ***Students are not permitted to use the ‘non-competition’ pool at any time during the day.***
* ***Photos or recordings may not be taken using any electronic device within the boundary fences of the Kardinia Aquatic Centre. This is a City of Greater Geelong directive.***
* *The starter and judges are qualified Swimming Victoria officials.*

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

**The following information outlines how the day will be organised if the Government and Victorian Education Department imposed COVID-19 restrictions do not change from what they are at present (28/1/22).**

**The conditions and program are subject to change at any time as a consequence of changes to government, Department of Education or CoGG regulations and restrictions.**

**At this stage, it is expected that all attendees who are not competing will register their attendance using the Centre’s QR code and show evidence that they are double vaxxed to enter the** venue**. More information will be emailed to schools closer to the date of the event**

* Students must be supervised by a school staff member or school approved person at all times while at the Kardinia Aquatic Centre. Everyone must enter through the front entrance.
* **The CoGG policy is that no photographs or videos can be taken within the complex.** SSV will have an approved person taking photos at the conclusion of each medal presentation. Through the school, parents will be advised when these photos are available to be downloaded.

NOTE: SSV policy states that “The Information Privacy Act 2000 requires School Sport Victoria to inform you that, in the conduct of school sport, photographs may be taken of participants and results compiled to record student participation, celebrate student success and achievement and to promote SSV and events conducted by SSV. We limit the use and disclosure of any personal information to the purpose of participating in school sport. By accepting the invitation to participate in events under the auspices of SSV, you undertake to abide by the SSV Privacy Policy.” If you do not wish your child to be photographed in the group photo, you must, in writing, advise the Event Manager at least two days prior to the event.

* There are two competition streams – ‘Able Bodied’ students and ‘Multiclass’ (students with a disability). **‘Able Bodied’ students can enter a maximum of two individual events, one age group relay and one Medley relay. ‘Multiclass’ students can enter three individual events (because there is no relay event for them).**
* Students with a disability compete in Multiclass events, following the same format that is used at all levels up to, and including, the Para Olympics. The process is that their time is compared to a designated standard for their classification and assigned a ‘score’. The ‘scores’ are compared to determine the placings. To compete in the Multiclass events, the student must be classified into one of the five categories listed on the SSV website. Students will be able to compete at the Division event with a temporary classification but they must be formally classified prior to competing in the Region event. The classification process may take up to 6 weeks so it is essential the process is started as early as possible. Please note, to be in the Intellectual grouping, the student’s IQ must be <75, not 70 as it is for most Department funding/support programs. Multiclass events will be held in freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke events in 9/10, 11 and 12/13 age groups. The SSV website link for information on Multiclass activities is <http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/para-athletes/>
* **The age is taken at 31/12/2022. Students in ‘mainstream schools’ must be born between 2009 and 2013 to be permitted to compete.** *Mainstream students aged 14 or younger than 9 on 31/12/2022 are not permitted to compete*. Due to the grade structure being different, **students attending ‘alternative schools’ e.g. Nelson Park, must be no older than 12 on 31/12/2022.** Students attending special settings that turn 13 this year compete at the secondary sector event.
* **There are no finals and placings are determined by the times recorded in the heats.**
* The carnival is a combined Bellarine Division and Geelong North Division event and competitors will be seeded into heats according to the submitted times, not which Division they come from.
* 1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters in both Divisions will receive a ribbon and the placings will be determined by the comparative times swum in the heats. The times for all competitors will be displayed as soon as possible after each event, posted on the SSV website and emailed to schools as soon as possible after the event.
* **The swimmers finishing first and second in individual events and the winning relay events from each Division will progress to the Western Metropolitan Region Swimming Championships that will be held at the Kardinia Aquatic Centre on Tuesday 5th April 2022 (9:30 – noon). It is important that students know on the day of the Division Championships if they will be available to compete at the Region event as all invitations to compete at the Region event will be given on the day. Late invitations will be only given in exceptional circumstances**.
* Entries must be submitted, via email, by schools on the official entry form. There is an additional form for Multiclass students as specific information about each competitor is required.
* Individuals should swim in the correct age group for individual events. However, he/she may compete up an age group providing he/she competes in that age group for all events. For the freestyle relays, a student may swim in an older age group if there is no entry for his/her age group. A girl may swim in a Boys/Mixed relay but is not permitted to also swim in a Girls relay team. Students of any age can swim in the Medley relay.
* Swimmers with a disability (Multiclass) must have their classification recorded prior to the day of the carnival. Please note that is a classification for Breaststroke and a different one for the other strokes.
* **After the entry has been submitted by the school, changes to entries in ‘individual’ events cannot be made unless there are exceptional circumstances.** Provided the replacement attends the same school and the other SSV conditions are adhered to, changes to the composition of a relay team can be made on the day.
* **Competitors in all events must be able to perform the strokes correctly throughout the race. *The SSV rules are the same as FINA’s rules for children of the same age.* The correct start, finish and stroke techniques must be used in all events. Students will be disqualified if their technique/action contravenes the rules at any stage of the race.**
* Teachers, parents, supervisors, coaches or spectators are not permitted to be at the starting or finishing ends of the pool.

NOTE: There is discretion to make an exception to this rule for students competing in a Multiclass event if the Event Manager is spoken to before the student reports for the event.

* **The first heat will start at 9:40 am. There will be a break between the individual events and relays and the expected finishing time is 1:30 – 2:00 pm.**
* As a trial this year, we will be publishing a guide of the times the first heats for each of the strokes and relays will commence after the program is finalised. This will be emailed to schools.
* After all the entries have been checked and the heats finalised, schools will be sent an electronic copy of the program to print for their students.
* The pool will be open for students to ‘warm up’ between 8:40 and 9:25. **During the warm-up period, students are not permitted to use the starting blocks and must be supervised by a responsible adult. There are no other ‘warm-up/down’ times during the day. The ‘old pool’ cannot be used by students during the day because it is reserved for the public.**
* Marshalling for the first two events (9/10 freestyle) will commence at 9.30 am. The marshalling area will be at the starting (river) end of the pool. If the conditions are extreme, the marshalling area may be moved to a shaded area. With the exception of Multiclass entrants who may bring a support person with them, only competitors will be allowed in the marshalling area. **Parents, coaches, teachers and friends must remain outside the marshalling area**. Any child who does not go through the marshalling process will not be permitted to participate in the event. Individuals who have not reported will not be individually called via the PA system. It is the responsibility of the supervisor/student to have an awareness of the progress of the competition and listen for when competitors are called, via the PA system, to the marshalling area**.**
* **Order of Events**

 The events will be in the order of:

1. Freestyle (50 metres)
2. Breaststroke (50 metres)
3. Backstroke (50 metres)
4. Butterfly (50 metres)

BREAK

1. 4 x 50 metres Medley Relay
2. 4 x 50 metres Freestyle Relay

For each stroke and the Freestyle relays, the events will be in the order of

1 - Girls 9/10 years 2 - Boys 9/10 years

3 - Girls 11 years 4 - Boys 11 years

5 - Girls 12/13 years 6 - Boys 12/13 years

7 - Girls Multiclass 8 – Boys Multiclass

NOTES:

1. The Medley Relay is a 9 -13 age group event so any child eligible to compete in an individual event can be in a team.
2. There are no Multiclass Butterfly or Relay events.
3. Should there be a small number of entrants in any of the Multiclass events, the student/s may be asked to swim in an able-bodied heat or two or more of the Multiclass Girls and Boys events may be conducted at the same time.
4. The format for the Division event is the same as that for the Region event.

* **Individual and Relay Qualifying Times** *(Entries will not be accepted if the nominated time is slower)*

**Freestyle –**

9/10 Years Boys 0 min 54 sec 9/10 Years Girls 0 min 54 sec

11 Years Boys 0 min 47 sec 11 Years Girls 0 min 47 sec

12/13 Years Boys 0 min 43 sec 12/13 Years Girls 0 min 43 sec

**Backstroke**

9/10 Years Boys1 min 02 sec 9/10 Years Girls 1 min 02 sec

11 Years Boys 0 min 59 sec 11 Years Girls 0 min 59 sec

12/13 Years Boys 0 min 56 sec 12/13 Years Girls 0 min 56 sec

**Breaststroke**

9/10 Years Boys 1 min 13 sec 9/10 Years Girls 1 min 10 sec

11 Years Boys 1 min 06 sec 11 Years Girls 1 min 05 sec

12/13 Years Boys 1 min 04 sec 12/13 Years Girls 1 min 04 sec

**Butterfly**

9/10 Years Boys 1 min 15 sec 9/10 Years Girls 1 min 15 sec

11 Years Boys 1 min 05 sec 11 Years Girls 1 min 05 sec

12/13 Years Boys 1 min 00 sec 12/13 Years Girls 1 min 00 sec

**Freestyle Relays**

9/10 Years Boys 3 min 35 sec 9/10 Years Girls 3 min 35 sec

11 Years Boys 3 min 20 sec 11 Years Girls 3 min 20 sec

12/13 Years Boys 3 min 15 sec 12/13 Years Girls 3 min 15 sec

#### Medley Relays

9 – 13 Years Boys 3 min 25 sec 9 – 13 Years Girls 3 min 25 sec

NOTES:

1. The new standards have been set to ensure we have 420 - 450 students competing on the day. The qualifying times are based on the times of competitors in recent years.
2. This is the equivalent of the third level of competition so it is essential that the times submitted are accurate and every child can competently demonstrate the correct stroke technique for 50 metres without stopping. It is strongly recommended that the times submitted are achieved when the student is involved in a swimming club competition or a school supervised trial.
* Parents can park in neighbouring streets or in the designated area in the park on the Latrobe Terrace side of the pool. Buses dropping off students should enter the precinct by using the driveway at the corner of Moorabool Street and Park Street and have the students disembark in the car parking area.
* **Students transported to the venue by an adult who is not staying must be escorted into the Centre and supervised until their school’s designated supervisor is found.** A student must not be ‘dropped off’ at the front of the Centre and left to enter the KAC to find the supervisor.
* **The Kardinia Aquatic Centre rule is that shade structures must be anchored by ‘weights’, NOT TENT PEGS, brought to the venue by the person setting up the structure.**
* Students wishing to be considered for the State Swimming team must complete the Expression of Interest form found on the SSV website in the Team Vic State Teams section. (<http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic/pages/swimming.aspx>)

If you need further information, you should speak to your school’s Sports Coordinator in the first instance. Should you be unable to have your question answered, you can contact the Event Manager - Doug Ilsley (Telephone: 0439 033647 or send an email to: Doug.Ilsley@education.vic.gov.au)