Affiliated to Swim England East Midlands Region and Derbyshire Swimming

**PRESENT OUR 41st Level 3 OPEN MEET (Licence number 3EM251472)**

**“The Ghoul in the Pool”**

(Held under Swim England Regulations, the Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming

and to the Swim England Open Meet Licensing Criteria)

At

**The ARC LEISURE CENTRE, Matlock, Derbyshire**

**On Sunday 26th OCTOBER 2025**

**MEET RULES AND INFORMATION**

1. The Age groups and events are:

9 yrs, 10yrs and 11yrs - 50m all four strokes, 200m freestyle and 4x25m Individual Medley.

12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs and over - 100m all four strokes, 4x25m Individual Medley and 50m freestyle sprint. (Swimmers must enter at least one other event in order to enter the 50m Sprint.)

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| **Morning Session**  **8:00 warm-up**  **9:00 first event** | | |  | **Afternoon Session**  **TBC warm-up**  **TBC first event** | | |
| 101 | Female | 9 to 11 yrs 200m Freestyle |  | 201 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 100m Individual Medley |
| 102 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 200m Freestyle |  | 202 | Female | 9 to 11 yrs 100m Individual Medley |
| 103 | Female | 12 yrs and over 100m Breaststroke |  | 203 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 100m Individual Medley |
| 104 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 100m Breaststroke |  | 204 | Female | 12 yrs and over 100m Individual Medley |
| 105 | Female | 9 to 11 years 50m Freestyle |  | 205 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Backstroke |
| 106 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Freestyle |  | 206 | Female | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Backstroke |
| 107 | Female | 12 yrs and over 100m Backstroke |  | 207 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 100m Butterfly |
| 108 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 100m Backstroke |  | 208 | Female | 12 yrs and over 100m Butterfly |
| 109 | Female | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Butterfly |  | 209 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Breaststroke |
| 110 | Open/Male | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Butterfly |  | 210 | Female | 9 to 11 yrs 50m Breaststroke |
| 111 | Female | 12 yrs and over 50m Freestyle |  | 211 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 100m freestyle |
| 112 | Open/Male | 12 yrs and over 50m Freestyle |  | 212 | Female | 12 yrs and over 100m freestyle |
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1. Swim England’s Transgender and Non-binary Competition policy has been updated to ensure there are entry-level competitive opportunities for transgender people to participate in the majority of our disciplines within their gender identity.

Female – 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.

Open/Male – athletes with a birth sex of Male, Trans or Non-binary competitors and any competitor not eligible for the Female category. Further information can be found at –

# <https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/swim-england-transgender-non-binary-competition-policy/>

1. The meet will be run in accordance with and held under Swim England Regulations, Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming, and the conditions outlined below.
2. All events are heat declared winners; awards will be presented to the first six in each event. In the event of a tie equal awards will be made, there will be no swim offs.
3. There will be a trophy awarded to the top visiting club, top open/male swimmer and top female swimmer. Points will be awarded in each event; 6 points for a win, 5 points for second down to 1 point for sixth place, with the highest number of points being the winner. In the event of a tie, the number of first places will decide the outcome, then the number of second places etc.
4. Ages are as at the day of the meet, 26th October 2025.
5. The pool is eight lanes wide, 25m long with anti-turbulence lane ropes and full automatic officiating equipment. There is no secondary strobe available. Over the top starts may be used at the promoter’s discretion.
6. Closing date for entries is Saturday 4th October 2025.
7. Entries will be accepted on a **first come first served basis**. The promoters reserve the right to limit entries at their discretion, including imposing an early cut-off date for entries if the meet capacity is reached.
8. The entry fee per event is £7.50 for club entry via Sportsystems electronic entry and £8.50 for individual entries. The electronic entry file is available on the event website.
9. Electronic entries must be returned with the entry file, the entry summary file and the cash summary form.
10. Entries will not be considered as accepted until payment has been received, by bank transfer **Sort Code: 09-01-29 Account No: 22970866** Reference – [Club Code] BMSC Open Meet – payment MUST have been received BEFORE the gala, there are no exceptions to this.
11. No late entries will be accepted unless they are due to promoter’s error.
12. Coach and team manager passes (maximum three per club) are £15.00 for both sessions. Please note this includes a full set of result sheets but does not include refreshments or lunch. There will be a £5.00 discount for each pool pass per official supplied by the club for the full day.
13. On request, we will ask clubs to confirm that their team managers and coaches have valid DBS and safeguarding qualifications. We require that the adult to swimmer ratio be 1:10 with a minimum of 2 adults per team in line with the recent updated Wavepower guidance.
14. Belper Marlin will work with the operators of the Arc to ensure that our event can operate safely and in compliance with any infection control guidance in place at the time of the event. Details of such guidance will be posted to our website prior to the event. It is the responsibility of the individuals attending to ensure that they have seen any such guidance.
15. If the meet has to be cancelled for any reason, a refund of entry fees only will be sent by bank transfer to each club.
16. If spectator numbers exceed the capacity available, we will operate a system to allow all supporters an equal chance to view their swimmers and then vacate the gallery.
17. Spectators will be charged an entrance fee, amount to be confirmed. There will be no printed programmes, a link will be provided to download a copy.
18. All documentation (accepted entries, rejected entries, day of meet info etc) will be posted on the event website. This will be communicated to clubs via e-mail to the club entry coordinator only. Individual entries will not be communicated to directly.
19. An accepted entry list will be posted as soon as possible after the closing date on the Belper Marlin website [www.belpermarlin.co.uk](http://www.belpermarlin.co.uk). Any errors or omissions must be reported to [fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk](mailto:fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk) as soon as possible and in any case not later than midday on Saturday 20th October. No further changes will be made to the programme after this date.
20. Withdrawals are allowed up to 16:00 hours on the day before the meet, by email to [fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk](mailto:fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk). Refunds will not be given for withdrawal of accepted entries.
21. Start lists will be published on the website once available. Once the start lists have been produced, no further withdrawals will be allowed. Should any swimmer fail to turn up then the heat will be swum with that lane empty. There will be no check-in on the day.
22. There is limited space available on poolside for swimmers and so there will be access to the sports hall for teams to congregate. The sports hall is for swimmers, team managers, coaches and volunteers. Any parents wishing to meet their children should do so upstairs.
23. There will be NO bags allowed on poolside, lockers will be available.
24. Swimmers MUST be wearing appropriate footwear and be dry before leaving the pool area to return to the sports hall. The sports hall will be monitored but we ask that Team Managers ensure that swimmers behave appropriately throughout the meet. Food is not allowed on poolside and should only be eaten in the sports hall. There are strictly no ball games in the sports hall.
25. In current times, it is very difficult for one club to provide enough officials to meet the licensing conditions. Therefore, we kindly ask that all clubs provide as many officials and helpers as possible to help this meet go ahead, run smoothly and aid any mentoring of trainees If you are able to help, please get in touch with one of the contacts below. Trainee officials will also be accommodated where possible.
26. Contacts for Belper Marlin Open Meet 2025 – Charlotte Boot and Wanda Zablocki [promoter@belpermarlin.co.uk](mailto:promoter@belpermarlin.co.uk) or Caroline Burke [fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk](mailto:fixtures@belpermarlin.co.uk)
27. **Entries must be not faster than the upper limits (ULT)**, published below. All entry times will be checked against the British Swimming on-line databases and will be rejected if they have already achieved times faster than the ULT. Speeding tickets will not be issued.
28. Please note that as a condition of entry, you accept that swimmers’ details (name, age, club and swim times) will be published on the Belper Marlin club website and results will be published on the British Swimming results website.
29. Any condition not covered in this information will be at the discretion of the promoters, Charlotte Boot and Wanda Zablocki of Belper Marlin Swimming Club [promoter@belpermarlin.co.uk](mailto:promoter@belpermarlin.co.uk)

**Upper Limit Times**

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| **Open/Male** | | | |  | | | | | |
| **Events** | **9yr** | **10yr** | **11yr** | | | **12yr** | **13yr** | **14yr** | **15/0ver** |
| **50m Free** | **33.5** | **31.5** | **29.5** | | | **29.0** | **27.0** | **26.2** | **25.0** |
| **100m Free** |  |  |  | | | **1.02.0** | **59.0** | **56.0** | **54.0** |
| **200m Free** | **2.42.0** | **2.28.0** | **2.20.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **50m Breast** | **43.0** | **40.0** | **37.5** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Breast** |  |  |  | | | **1.19.0** | **1.15.0** | **1.12.0** | **1.09.0** |
| **50m Fly** | **37.0** | **35.5** | **32.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Fly** |  |  |  | | | **1.09.0** | **1.05.5** | **1.02.5** | **1.00.0** |
| **50m Back** | **38.5** | **37.0** | **33.5** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Back** |  |  |  | | | **1.10.5** | **1.06.0** | **1.04.0** | **59.5** |
| **100m IM** | **1.27.0** | **1.20.0** | **1.15.0** | | | **1.11.0** | **1.06.5** | **1.04.0** | **1.00.0** |
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| **Female** | | | | |  | | | | |
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| **50m Free** | **34.0** | **33.0** | **31.0** | | | **29.5** | **28.0** | **27.0** | **26.0** |
| **100m Free** |  |  |  | | | **1.05.5** | **1.03.5** | **1.02.0** | **59.5** |
| **200m Free** | **2.42.0** | **2.25.5** | **2.20.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **50m Breast** | **42.0** | **40.0** | **38.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Breast** |  |  |  | | | **1.20.0** | **1.18.5** | **1.16.0** | **1.14.0** |
| **50m Fly** | **37.0** | **35.5** | **32.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Fly** |  |  |  | | | **1.11.5** | **1.08.5** | **1.07.0** | **1.05.0** |
| **50m Back** | **38.0** | **37.0** | **35.0** | | |  |  |  |  |
| **100m Back** |  |  |  | | | **1.11.5** | **1.08.0** | **1.07.0** | **1.05.5** |
| **100m IM** | **1.27.0** | **1.20.0** | **1.15.0** | | | **1.12.0** | **1.09.0** | **1.08.0** | **1.07.0** |