

MARKET HARBOROUGH SWIMMING CLUB

MHSC Club Championship Rules

- There will be 12 Club Championship galas held during the calendar year (February to December)
- Rules:** The Championships will be swum under A.S.A. Laws & A.S.A. Technical Rules of Swimming
- Swimmers:** Entrants must be fully paid-up, first claim, members of Market Harborough Swimming Club for:
 - Fourteen days prior to the closing date of the 200m Championship
 - Fourteen days prior to the closing date of the 400m, 800m & 1500m Championships
 - Twenty-eight days prior to the closing date of the Annual Club Championship

Members joining after this date will unfortunately be unable to enter.

- Ages:** Ages are as of the end of year
- Age Groups:** 8/Under; 9 years; 10 years; 11/12 years; 13/14 years; 15/Over & Open (10+ years)
- Entry Fees:** Swimmer's gala entry fee are £0.50 for the long distance championships (200m, 400m, 800m & 1500m), and £1.50 for the annual club championships, per event entered. The correct entry fees must be paid when the entry form is submitted. Spectators entry is paid at the annual club galas only; on the day of the gala – adults £2.00; children (2-16) and senior citizens £1.00; children under 2 are free and families £5.00
- Raffle:** There will be a raffle held at the annual club galas only. The price for these will be £1.00 per strip of 5 tickets. Prizes will be on display on the Spectators Entry Desk.
- Events:** As detailed below. All swims will be swum as separate gender events and are (HDW) Heat Declared Winner (there will be no finals)

Gala	8/Under	9 years	10 years	11/12 years	13/14 years	15/Over	Open (10+years)
1	200m Ind.Medley #	200m Ind.Medley #	200m Ind.Medley	200m Ind.Medley	200m Ind.Medley	200m Ind.Medley	
2			200m Butterfly	200m Butterfly	200m Butterfly	200m Butterfly	
3	200m Backstroke #	200m Backstroke #	200m Backstroke	200m Backstroke	200m Backstroke	200m Backstroke	
4	200m Breaststroke #	200m Breaststroke #	200m Breaststroke	200m Breaststroke	200m Breaststroke	200m Breaststroke	
5	200m Freestyle #	200m Freestyle #	200m Freestyle	200m Freestyle	200m Freestyle	200m Freestyle	
6			400m Freestyle	400m Freestyle	400m Freestyle	400m Freestyle	
7			800m Freestyle	800m Freestyle	800m Freestyle	800m Freestyle	
8			1500m Freestyle	1500m Freestyle	1500m Freestyle	1500m Freestyle	
9				400m Ind. Medley	400m Ind. Medley	400m Ind. Medley	
10	25m Backstroke 25m Butterfly	50m Backstroke 50m Butterfly 100m Ind. Medley (Girls)	50m Backstroke 50m Butterfly 100m Ind. Medley (Girls)	50m Backstroke 50m Butterfly 100m Ind. Medley (Girls)	50m Backstroke 50m Butterfly 100m Ind. Medley (Girls)	50m Backstroke 50m Butterfly 100m Ind. Medley (Girls)	100m Freestyle 100m Breaststroke
11	25m Freestyle 25m Breaststroke	50m Freestyle 50m Breaststroke 100m Ind. Medley (Boys)	50m Freestyle 50m Breaststroke 100m Ind. Medley (Boys)	50m Freestyle 50m Breaststroke 100m Ind. Medley (Boys)	50m Freestyle 50m Breaststroke 100m Ind. Medley (Boys)	50m Freestyle 50m Breaststroke 100m Ind. Medley (Boys)	100m Backstroke 100m Butterfly
12		All listed Events ##	All listed Events ##	All listed Events ##	All listed Events ##	All listed Events ##	All listed Events ##

for 8/9 under marked events can only be entered with prior approval from the head coach.

Last Chance Club Meet for age group (licenced meet no. 12) will aim to offer all events to club swimmers that are without official age group qualifying times.

9. **Results:** These will be shown, where possible, during the annual club galas only.
10. **Entry Times:** Tour PB at the closing date for the respective championship will be used for entry. Swimmers who have previously been unable to achieve times relating to the events entered and therefore do not have entry times, will have a nominal times set by the head coach.
11. **Seeding:** In all events, all age groups will swim together in lanes cyclically seeded by entry times, except for the final heat of each event which will be seeded and spearheaded.
12. **Closing Dates:** Please note that it is the parents/guardians/swimmers responsibility to collect, complete and return the entry form to the Secretary by the closing date on the entry form.
13. **Championship Records:** Any times bettered are recorded as Club Championship Records in these events only

Point Score, Events and Trophies

1. **Points:** Points are awarded for the 6 fastest times in each age group event as follows: 1st place = 6 points; 2nd place = 5 points; 3rd place = 4 points; 4th place = 3 points; 5th place = 2 points; 6th place = 1 point. Note – No points are awarded for the open events.
2. **Age groups:** for 200m events age groups are 10/U, 11/12, 13/14, 15+ awards will be given for these categories only.
3. **Trophies and Medals for Championship Events:** Trophies will be presented for each long distance event to the 1st place swimmer (Note: For the 200m events, this will be the highest points accumulated over all five events, (i.e Fly,Back,Breast,Free & I.M). Medals will be presented to the 1st three placed swimmers in each Annual Gala event. Note: There will be no awards for the Last chance annual championships as this event is for time only.
4. **Overall Age Group and Open Winners:** Trophies are awarded at the end of each year to the swimmer in each age group who has accumulated the highest total points from all Championship events held for their age group during the year.
5. **Cups and Trophies:** All trophies are the property of Market Harborough Swimming Club and must be returned to the club **IMMEDIATELY** on cessation of membership. Trophies will not be presented to swimmers who have left Market Harborough Swimming Club but their names will be engraved on the trophy.
6. **Previous Winners:** Cups and trophies must be returned to any committee member when requested, in order to allow time for them to be engraved for next winner, prior to the presentation afternoon.