

A stylized yellow swimmer with arms and legs outstretched, positioned above a series of blue and yellow wavy lines representing water.

SWIMMING WIDE BAY

2025

SHORT COURSE
CHAMPS

ST ANDREW'S AQUATIC CENTRE

40 Peregrine Springs Dr, Peregrine Springs QLD 4573

Sat 19th – Sun 20th
JULY 2025



KEY EVENT INFORMATION

Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These Championships will be conducted under the rules as documented within: "Swimming Queensland General Rules", "SQ Championship By-Laws", "World Aquatics" and "SAL" rules. Self-marshalling rules will apply. Ensure swimmers know their event, heat and lanes when attending marshalling.
Open, Warm-up & Start Times*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gates open 6:30am. Saturday (Session 1): 7am – 7.45am Warm-up for 8.00am start. Sunday (Session 2): 7am – 7.45am Warm-up for 8.00am start. *Times are subject to change.
Ticketing / Entry & Program Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venue Entry is FREE for Swimmers, Coaches and Spectators. Entry costs are covered under the swimmers' meet fee. The Program will be emailed to Clubs prior to the meet. Please ensure that the Club, Coach and personal copies of the program are printed, as no programs will be available to spectators at the gate.
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$12.50 per individual event. No refunds will be given for withdrawal from the meet unless it is for medical reasons. If withdrawing due to a medical reason, a medical certificate must be provided. Please note: No refunds are applicable if the Meet is cancelled due to inclement weather on the scheduled days.
Nominations Close	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11.59pm, Tuesday, 8th July 2025. No coach's times will be accepted. No late nominations will be accepted.
Age Determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age as of Saturday, 19th July 2025. Athletes cannot swim 'up' an age. The minimum age to compete at this championship is 9 years. The minimum age for the 1500m Free is 12 years. Minimum age for 800m Free, 400m Free, 400m IM, 200m Back, 200m Breast and 200 Fly is 11 years. Minimum age for 100m Free, 100m Back, 100m Breast, 100m Fly, 100m IM, 200m IM, and 200m Free is 10 years.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Championship is open to all registered 'Competitive' members of Swimming Wide Bay affiliated clubs. 'Recreational' swimmers are ineligible to enter.
Qualifying Times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualifying times must have been achieved at an approved meet between 1st January 2023 and 4th July 2025. Qualifying times can be found at: https://swimmingwidebay.org.au/short-course-championships/

Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All events in the Program of Events will be swum as timed finals. • Events will be swum on a seed-entry basis and not in age groups, i.e., competitors will be grouped by time rather than age group. • Seeding will be fastest to slowest. • The Meet Director, in consultation with the Chief Referee, may amalgamate or reseed heats at their discretion. • Protests must be submitted in writing to the Referee by a responsible team leader, together with a deposit of \$100, within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the respective event.
Meet Records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet records will be announced during the event, and recipients will receive a Swimming Wide Bay digital certificate (PDF) in the following weeks after the Championships. • Meet Record Holders will be published on the SWB Website in a PDF format in the weeks following the Championships.
Age Champions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Champion events are: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & Over. • Points will be awarded for all events. • A swimmer must have completed 4 swims to be eligible to become Swimming Wide Bay Age Champion. An individual's total will be determined from their 5 highest point-scoring events. • In the event of a tie, we will work backwards in points score totals until a winner has been determined. • Points to be awarded: 1st - 6, 2nd - 3 and 3rd - 1. • The Multi-class Champion will be determined from the 50m events. • Multi-class swimmers are not required to compete in all 4 x 50m events to be eligible for the Age Champion. In the event of a tie, the swimmer with the highest aggregate points as calculated by the Swimming Australia Multi-class Point Score system will receive Age Champion. • Age Champions will be announced at the end of the Championships and will receive a Swimming Wide Bay digital certificate (PDF) in the following weeks after the Championships. • Age Champions will be published on the SWB Website in PDF format in the weeks following the Championships.
Swimmers of the Meet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The "Swimmers of the Meet" award will be presented to the male and female swimmers who accumulate the most points: • Swimmers who break a record are awarded 2x the points awarded for an individual first-place finish. • Swimmers of the meet will be announced at the end of the Championships and will receive a Swimming Wide Bay digital certificate (PDF) in the following weeks after the Championships. • Swimmers of the Meet will be recorded on the SWB Website in a PDF format in the following weeks after the Championships.
Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Group Events: Medals for all age group events will be awarded to the top three placegetters – Gold for 1st, Silver for 2nd, and Bronze for 3rd. • Age Champions: Each Age Champion will receive a Championship-branded towel to recognise their achievement. • Swimmers of the Meet: Top-performing male and female swimmers will be awarded the \$100 prize each.

<h2>Multi-Class Swimmers Participation Guide</h2>	<p>The following events will be open to all 9 years & over multi-class swimmers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50m – All events • 100m – All events • 200m – Freestyle • 200m – Individual Medley <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awards will be presented to both males and females in two age categories: 13 years and under, and 14 years and over. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Medals (1st to 3rd) will be awarded in the above events in these two categories to the fastest three swimmers. ◦ Age Champions will also be awarded in these two categories ◦ Age Champions will be the highest point scorer in these two categories • Swimmers who have achieved MC National Championship qualifying times for events not listed above will be permitted to compete with the able-bodied. • Swimmers must have competed in these events on or after 1 January 2024 <p>Swimming Wide Bay and Swimming Queensland are committed to a 'swimming-for-all' philosophy, creating opportunities for all Queenslanders to participate in our sport. We encourage clubs to provide a safe, fun and inclusive environment. Multi-class swimming refers to the international structure of classifying competitors according to their ability, thereby providing a fair and even structure for swimmers with disabilities.</p> <p>Link: https://qld.swimming.org.au/multi-class-competition</p>
<h2>Respect for Technical Officials</h2>	<p>Technical officials play a vital role in ensuring fair competition and swimmer safety. All coaches, swimmers, and spectators must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comply with all directions and decisions of Technical Officials at all times • Respect the 1-meter clear-zone on both lengths of the pool reserved for officials • Avoid any interference with officials performing their duties • Any concerns must be raised calmly and respectfully with the Meet Director or Head Referee. <p>We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining a respectful environment for everyone involved in our swimming competitions.</p>
<h2>Self Marshalling</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-marshalling, as it implies, is a system of marshalling whereby swimmers are responsible for being in position behind their lane in time for the Referee's whistle to start a heat. • Before entering the self-marshalling area it is necessary to know which event, heat and lane you are entered in. Swimmers will often have their event numbers, heat numbers and lane numbers written on their arm or leg. At the Help Desk, or near the marshalling area there will be a programme displayed for you to check when you are to race. The Help Desk officials can answer your questions and help you find the details of your event. The Check Starters all have programmes you can check as well. • To avoid congestion in the marshalling area it is requested that swimmers assemble: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 8 heats prior for 50m events, ◦ 3 heats prior for 100m and 200m events, ◦ 2 heats prior for 400m events, ◦ 1 heat prior for 800m and 1500m events. • If you are entered in the first few heats of the session you need to be in the marshalling area 10 minutes before racing is to commence to ensure a prompt start to the session.

Self Marshalling continued	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Announcer will announce every heat after the swimmers have entered the water. • There may be a marshalling board indicating which event is currently in the water, if the pool does not have a scoreboard showing the current event and heat. • To help you know when to make your way to the marshalling area it may be helpful to mark in your programme when you need to make your way there. • It is your responsibility to be aware of what heat is behind the starting blocks, and to listen to the Check Starter in the marshalling area who will indicate when to move onto the pool deck. Check Starters on pool deck will observe the swimmers moving to their positions at the blocks but will only interact with them if they appear to be in the incorrect lane, are not wearing their club cap or other unusual situations occur. The exception to this is for swimmers in Multi-Class events, when the Check Starters will offer more assistance. • If you miss your heat you need to immediately notify the Help Desk or a Check Starter who will let the Referee know. If possible a place will be found in a spare lane in the last heat of the event. It is the Referee's decision as to whether the swimmer will swim. • Events of 400m and over require swimmers (or their Coach/Team Manager) to confirm their intent to swim. This must be completed at the Help Desk, a minimum of one hour prior to the published start time of the relevant event. Failure to confirm their intention to swim will be taken as a withdrawal. Confirmed swimmers must then follow the self-marshalling procedures. If the number of withdrawals causes the event to be reseeded, swimmers will be notified by the Announcer, after the reseeding has been done, to go to the Help Desk to check their new heat and lane allocations. The Check Starters will have the new allocations as well. • A Check Starter will guide the swimmers onto the pool deck.
Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors will have (V) next to their names. • They cannot set or break records in the Wide Bay area. • They can win medals, but they are not eligible for Age Champion or Swimming Wide Bay rankings. • If placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, a medal will be awarded. Furthermore, in the event that a swimmer from Wide Bay finishes after a visitor, they will still be placed in the higher rankings.
Event Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results will be viewable on Meet Mobile.
Merchandise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide Bay merchandise will be on sale by Miklin & Co • Order at: https://miklin.com.au/collections/wide-bay-short-course-champs • Preorders will close 11.59pm, Tuesday, 8th July 2025, unless sold out prior. • You may be able to arrange a special order to include your name. These will be mailed out after the event, but they are not available on the day.
Timekeepers / Officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timekeepers / Officials will be required to be provided by each Club. A timekeeping schedule will be provided at a ratio dependent on the number of swimmers attending. • For clubs with swimmers participating in the 800m and 1500m Freestyle events, you must provide two timekeepers for each swimmer entered.

Seating / Tent Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each Club will have a seating or tent area allocated for swimmers and spectators.
Photography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As the event will be held at St. Andrew's College, it is important to adhere to the college's child protection policy, which strictly prohibits photography. Swimming Wide Bay will have 1-2 authorised photographers to capture the event. Guardian/Parent permission: By nominating for this Meet, swimmers and their guardians/parents grant permission to Swimming Queensland and Swimming Wide Bay. Responsible use of images: We will strive to use the photos responsibly and ethically, adhering to the Information Privacy Act 2009.
Food and Drinks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Lanes Café, located on the premises, will be open. Delicious food, drinks and coffee served both days.
Enquiries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enquiries to hello@widebayswimming.org.au
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Championship updates will be posted and uploaded to: Facebook & Instagram: swimmingwidebay https://swimmingwidebay.org.au/short-course-championships/ https://swimcentral.swimming.org.au/

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

SESSION 1 – SATURDAY 19TH JULY

EVENTS		AGE	DISTANCE	STROKE
BOYS	GIRLS			
1	2	11 & Over	50m	Breaststroke
3	4	9 & Over	50m	Breaststroke MC
5	6	12 & Over	1500m	Freestyle
7	8	11 & Over	400m	Individual Medley
9	10	9-10	50m	Breaststroke
11	12	10 & Over	100m	Butterfly
13	14	9 & Over	100m	Butterfly MC
15	16	9-10	50m	Backstroke
17	18	10 & Over	100m	Breaststroke
19	20	9 & Over	100m	Breaststroke MC
21	22	11 & Over	400m	Freestyle
23	24	9-10	50m	Butterfly
25	26	11 & Over	200m	Backstroke
27	28	10 & Over	100m	Individual Medley
29	30	9 & Over	100m	Individual Medley MC
31	32	9-10	50m	Freestyle
33	34	10 & Over	100m	Freestyle
35	36	9 & Over	100m	Freestyle MC

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SESSION 2 – SUNDAY 20TH JULY

EVENTS		AGE	DISTANCE	STROKE
BOYS	GIRLS			
37	38	11 & Over	50m	Backstroke
39	40	9 & Over	50m	Backstroke MC
41	42	11 & Over	800m	Freestyle
43	44	10 & Over	200m	Individual Medley
45	46	9 & Over	200m	Individual Medley MC
47	48	11 & Over	200m	Butterfly
49	50	10 & Over	25m	Freestyle
51	52	11 & Over	200m	Breaststroke
53	54	10 & Over	100m	Backstroke
55	56	9 & Over	100m	Backstroke MC
57	58	11	50m	Freestyle
59	60	12	50m	Freestyle
61	62	13	50m	Freestyle
63	64	14	50m	Freestyle
65	66	15	50m	Freestyle
67	68	16	50m	Freestyle
69	70	17	50m	Freestyle
71	72	9 & Over	50m	Freestyle MC
73	74	11 & Over	50m	Butterfly
75	76	9 & Over	50m	Butterfly MC
77	78	10 & Over	200m	Freestyle
79	80	9 & Over	200m	Freestyle MC