

BISHOP STINGRAYS SWIM TEAM  
BISHOP INVITATIONAL  
PACIFIC SWIMMING SHORT COURSE AGE GROUP OPEN  
Friday, June 16 – Sunday, June 18, 2017  
ENTER ONLINE: <https://ome.swimconnection.com/pc/bst20170616>



**SANCTION:** Held under USA/Pacific Swimming Sanction No.: **17-070**

*In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.*

**NOTICE:** By entering this meet, the athlete or his/her guardian consents to the publication, via electronic, print or other media, of information and/or imagery related to their participation at this meet, which may include, but is not limited to, photographs, video, web casting, television, psych sheets and live meet results.

**USE OF AUDIO AND VIDEO:** Photography and video recording from behind the blocks or starting areas is prohibited unless prior permission is granted by the Meet Referee. Use of any audio or visual recording devices, including but not limited to film and digital cameras, cell phones, tablets, and Google Glass, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Violation of this recording prohibition may result in ejection from the swimming pool facility by the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

**OFFICIALS:** *Meet Referee:* Jim Morefield      *Administrative Officials:* Veronica Harmon & Marie Kissinger  
*Head Starter:* Kendra Follett      *Chief Judges:* Valerie Rudd & Ron Harmon      *Meet Marshal:* Kevin Switzer  
*Meet Director:* Niki Lowden (phone: 760.937.4806 or email: [niki.lowden@hotmail.com](mailto:niki.lowden@hotmail.com))

**LOCATION:** Bishop City Park Pool, 688 North Main St., Bishop, CA. Altitude 4150 ft.

**DIRECTIONS:** **From South of Bishop:** US Highway 395 north to Bishop, at third traffic light turn right into Bishop City Park.  
**From North of Bishop:** US Highway 395 south to Bishop, at fourth traffic light turn left into Bishop City Park.

**COURSE:** Outdoor heated 25 yard pool, eight Kiefer competition lanes with electronic timing system. Up to seven lanes will be used for competition, and the eighth lane will be used for warm-up and warm-down only, with Marshal on duty. The minimum water depth in the competition course, as measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 11'-0" at the start end and 3'-6" at the turn end. All events with out-of-water starts will start at a depth of 11'-0". The competition course has not been certified in accordance with Article 104.2.2C(4).

**TIME: Friday Session:** Meet begins Friday at 5:00 pm with warm-up from 3:30 to 4:45 pm.

**Saturday & Sunday Session:** Meet begins each day on Saturday and Sunday at 8:30 am for 10 and under athletes with warm-up from 7:30 – 8:15 am. The afternoon 11 and over sessions will **not start before** 12:00 pm with warm-up **not before** 11:00 am.

- RULES:**
- Current USA and Pacific Swimming rules and warm-up procedures will govern the meet. A copy of these procedures will be posted at the Clerk of Course.
  - All events are timed finals and all heats will be seeded from fastest to slowest.
  - Athletes may compete in up to 6 individual events per day, plus one relay. (Note that there will be minimal rest time between some events.)
  - All athletes ages 12 and under should complete competition within four (4) hours per session.
  - Entries will be accepted until the session estimated time line exceeds the "Four Hour Rule" for ages 12 & under.
  - If local conditions warrant it the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down. Immediate cash refunds will be made for any mandatory scratches.
  - **DISTANCE:** The 500 yard freestyle and the 1000 yard freestyle will be swum **alternating women's and men's heats**. All athletes in the 500 yard freestyle must check in by 4:45 pm Friday, and must provide their own lap counters. All athletes in the 1000 yard freestyle must check in by 5:00 pm Friday, and must provide their own timers and lap counters.
  - **All coaches and deck officials must wear their USA Swimming membership cards in a visible manner at all times while on deck.** All coaches are required to sign in and present their valid 2017 membership before coaching athletes at the meet. Except for coaches accompanying athletes participating under the provisions of 202.8 or USA Swimming's

“open border” policy, all persons acting in any coaching capacity must show proof of current USA Swimming coach membership.

#### **RELAYS:**

- Relays will be deck entered at the Clerk of Course, where entry cards will be available.
- Relay entries are due by 9:00 am for the morning session, and by 30 minutes after the start of the afternoon session.
- Entry Fees of \$9 per relay are due with the entries or by Sunday at 8:30 am.
- Clubs may enter as many relays as they wish. Relay athletes must be entered in the meet (no relay-only athletes), and must not be Unattached.
- Order of athletes must be clearly marked on the relay card and shall not be changed after the lead athlete is called to the blocks.
- Within the stated ages, all relays are "open gender" - any gender combination of athletes may participate.

**UNACCOMPANIED ATHLETES:** Any USA Swimming athlete-member competing at the meet must be accompanied by a USA Swimming member-coach for the purposes of athlete supervision during warm-up, competition and warm-down. If a coach-member of the athlete’s USA Swimming Club does not attend the meet to serve in said supervisory capacity, it is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete’s legal guardian to arrange for supervision by a USA Swimming member-coach. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the athlete in making arrangements for such supervision; however, it is recommended that such arrangements be made in advance of the meet by the athlete’s USA Swimming Club Member-Coach.

**RACING START CERTIFICATION:** Each athlete must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start, or must start the race in the water. It is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete’s legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**RESTRICTIONS: the following prohibitions apply to all areas of the meet venue including the pool deck, locker rooms, spectator seating, standing areas, and all areas used by athletes during the meet and during warm-up periods.**

- No smoking or use of tobacco products.
- No sale or use of alcoholic beverages.
- No glass containers.
- No use of cell phones in the locker rooms or behind the starting blocks.
- No animals except working service animals are permitted.
- Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
- Destructive devices, to include but not limited to, explosive devices and equipment, firearms (open or concealed), blades, knives, mace, stun guns and blunt objects are strictly prohibited in the swimming facility and its surrounding areas. If observed, the Meet Referee or his/her designee may ask that these devices be stored safely away from the public or removed from the facility. Noncompliance may result in the reporting to law enforcement authorities and ejection from the facility. Law enforcement officers (LEO) are exempt per applicable laws.
- Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.
- There will be closed areas of the deck – cooperation of athletes, families and coaches will be appreciated.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Athletes must be current athlete members of USA Swimming and enter their name and registration number exactly as they are shown in their USA Swimming registration. If this is not done, it may be difficult to match the athlete with the registration and times database. The meet host will check all athlete registrations against the SWIMS database and if not found to be registered, the Meet Director shall accept the registration at the meet (a \$10 surcharge will be added to the regular registration fee). Duplicate registrations will be refunded by mail.
- Entries with **“NO TIME” (NT) will be ACCEPTED.**
- Disabled athletes, attached or unattached, are welcome to attend this meet and should contact the Meet Referee regarding special accommodations on entry times and seeding per Pacific Swimming policy.
- Any deck entries, and any athletes 19 years of age and older, shall swim for time only, and shall not receive awards or score points.
- The athlete’s age will be the age of the athlete on the first day of the meet.

**ENTRY TIMES:** Entries must be submitted using the athlete's best short-course yards time for each event (converted times allowed). All entry times must be in yards. Entries with **"NO TIME" (NT) will be accepted.** Relay entry times may be coach-estimated.

**ENTRY FEES:** \$4.00 per event plus a \$9.00 per athlete participation fee, and \$9.00 per relay team. **NO REFUNDS** will be given except in the case of mandatory scratch-down. Entries will be rejected if not accompanied by the required fees.

**ENTRY DEADLINES:** Entries will be accepted by mail or online until the applicable deadline listed below, **or when a session becomes full and is closed early per the rules section above, whichever is first.** NO ENTRY CHANGES WILL BE ALLOWED. Check <https://ome.swimconnection.com/pc/bst20170616> for session open or closed status. Any late entries received will be held for possible conversion to **deck entries** at the meet.

**DECK ENTRIES:** deck entries **may** be accepted at the meet, for time only and subject to proof of USA Swimming registration, on a first-come first-served basis until the event is closed for seeding or the session is full. Proof of registration shall only be via Deck Pass, USA Swimming Team Portal roster, presentation of paper registration card, or prior entry in the meet by the regular entry deadline. **Any Deck entries must be submitted at the meet, or by Wednesday, June 14, 2017 to [niki.lowden@hotmail.com](mailto:niki.lowden@hotmail.com).**

**SWIMCONNECTION ENTRIES:** enter at <https://ome.swimconnection.com/pc/bst20170616> to receive an immediate entry confirmation. Online entry requires payment by credit card using their secure site. The "billing information" email should be brought to the meet as proof of entry. Swim Connection, LLC charges a processing fee for this service, equal to \$1 per athlete plus 5% of the total Entry Fees. Please note that the processing fee is a separate fee from the Entry Fees. If you do not wish to pay the processing fee, enter the meet using a mail entry. **Entering online is a convenience, is completely voluntary, and is in no way required or expected of an athlete by Pacific Swimming.** Online entries will not be accepted after **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017 at 11:59 PM.**

**TEAMUNIFY ENTRIES:** ALL entries submitted via TeamUnify must first be both committed and approved by the submitting club by 11:59 pm Wednesday, June 7, 2017, or when a session is closed early, whichever occurs first. Entries that are not committed and approved in TeamUnify are incomplete and will not be accepted after a session closes.

**MAILED OR HAND DELIVERED ENTRIES:** Entries must be on the attached consolidated entry form. Forms must be filled out completely and printed clearly. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, **MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2017** or hand delivered by **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017.** Requests for confirmation of receipt of entries should include a self-addressed envelope.

**Make check payable to:** BST

**Mail entries to:** Bishop Swim Team  
P.O. Box 1  
Bishop, CA 93515

**Hand deliver entries to:** Bishop City Park Pool (5:00 PM – 6:30 PM)  
Attention: Niki Lowden  
688 North Main Street  
Bishop, CA 93514

**CHECK IN:** The meet will be deck seeded. Athletes must check in at the Clerk-of-Course. Except for Friday distance events, the first four events of each session will close **30 minutes BEFORE** the start of the session. The remaining events shall be closed for seeding **30 minutes prior** to the estimated start of the first heat of the event. **Please see distance rules for special rules regarding the distance events.** Athletes who do not check in will not be allowed to compete in the event.

**SCRATCHES:** Athletes who must withdraw from an event after they have been seeded are requested to inform the referee immediately. Any athletes not reporting for or competing in an individual timed final event **shall not** be penalized.

**AWARDS:** High Point Awards: Individual high point, runner up high point, and third place high point will be awarded to boys and girls for 6&Under, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 ages. Individual Events: Ribbons for 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> place will be awarded to 6&Under, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 ages. Athletes 19 years of age and older will not receive awards. **Note: High Point awards will be presented Sunday after each session. Individual awards and High Point awards not claimed must be picked up at the end of the meet. Each club is asked to designate a club representative to claim awards. NO AWARDS WILL BE MAILED.**

**ADMISSION:** Free. A three-day meet program will be available for a fee.

**SNACK BAR:** A snack bar will be available throughout the competition on Saturday and Sunday serving hot breakfast, hot lunches, snow cones, and other nutritious items and beverages.

**HOSPITALITY:** Coaches and working deck officials will be provided lunch. Hospitality will serve refreshments to coaches, working deck officials, timers and volunteers.

**TIMERS:** Clubs will be assigned lanes based on the number of club athletes entered (host club will not be expected to time). All athletes in the 1000 yard freestyle must provide their own timers.

**MINIMUM OFFICIALS:** All available USA Swimming certified officials are welcomed and encouraged to work at this meet. As the number of certified officials allows, interested parents/trainees are also welcome to shadow working officials for education and/or mentoring. Participating clubs are **requested** to provide at least the following number of certified and carded officials for each session:

Club athletes entered in session	Trained and carded officials requested
1-10	0
11-25	1
26-50	2
51-75	3
76-100	4
101 or more	5

#### EVENT SUMMARY

	8 & Under	9-10	11-12	13 & Over
<b>Friday</b>	400 IM ( <b>8 only</b> ) 500 Free ( <b>8 only</b> ) 1000 Free ( <b>8 only</b> )	400 IM 500 Free 1000 Free	400 IM 500 Free 1000 Free	400 IM 500 Free 1000 Free
<b>Saturday</b>	100 IM 50 Free 25 Fly 50 Breast 25 Back 200 Free Relay 100 Free Relay	100 IM 100 Free 50 Fly 100 Back 50 Breast 200 Free Relay 100 Free Relay	200 IM 100 IM 100 Free 200 Back 100 Back 200 Fly 50 Fly 50 Breast 200 Medley Relay	200 IM  100 Free 200 Back  200 Fly  100 Breast 200 Medley Relay
<b>Sunday</b>	50 Fly 25 Breast 25 Free 50 Back 100 Free	100 Fly 50 Back 200 Free 100 Breast 50 Free	100 Fly 50 Back 200 Free 200 Breast 100 Breast 50 Free	100 Fly 100 Back 200 Free 200 Breast  50 Free

Friday, June 16, 2017 – PM Session			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
1	8 & Over	400 IM	2
3	8 & Over	500 Freestyle	4
5	8 & Over	1000 Freestyle	6

Saturday, June 17, 2017 – AM Session			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
7	9 – 10	100 IM	8
9	8 & Under	100 IM	10
11	9 - 10	100 Freestyle	12
13	8 & Under	50 Freestyle	14
15	9 – 10	50 Butterfly	16
17	8 & Under	25 Butterfly	18
19	9 - 10	100 Backstroke	20
21	8 & Under	50 Breaststroke	22
23	9 – 10	50 Breaststroke	24
25	8 & Under	25 Backstroke	26
27	10 & Under open gender	200 Free Relay	27
28	10 & Under open gender	100 Free Relay	28

Sunday, June 18, 2017 – AM Session			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
51	9 – 10	100 Butterfly	52
53	8 & Under	50 Butterfly	54
55	9 – 10	50 Backstroke	56
57	8 & Under	25 Breaststroke	58
59	9 – 10	200 Freestyle	60
61	8 & Under	25 Freestyle	62
63	9 – 10	100 Breaststroke	64
65	8 & Under	50 Backstroke	66
67	9 – 10	50 Freestyle	68
69	8 & Under	100 Freestyle	70

Saturday, June 17, 2017 – PM Session			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
29	11 & Over	200 IM	30
31	11 - 12	100 IM	32
33	13 & Over	100 Freestyle	34
35	11 - 12	100 Freestyle	36
37	11 & Over	200 Backstroke	38
39	11 - 12	100 Backstroke	40
41	11 & Over	200 Butterfly	42
43	11 - 12	50 Butterfly	44
45	13 & Over	100 Breaststroke	46
47	11 - 12	50 Breaststroke	48
49	11 & Over open gender	200 Medley Relay	49

Sunday, June 18, 2017 – PM Session			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
71	13 & Over	100 Butterfly	72
73	11 -12	100 Butterfly	74
75	13 & Over	100 Backstroke	76
77	11 -12	50 Backstroke	78
79	13 & Over	200 Freestyle	80
81	11 -12	200 Freestyle	82
83	11 & Over	200 Breaststroke	84
85	11 -12	100 Breaststroke	86
87	13 & Over	50 Freestyle	88
89	11 -12	50 Freestyle	90

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Consolidated Entry Card			
NAME:		LAST	FIRST INITIAL
CLUB ABBR.	IF UNATTACHED TEAM NAME	LSC (mandatory) (PC, SN, etc.)	
CLUB NAME:			
AGE	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE GROUP	
USA-S REG #			
GENDER (circle one):		MALE	FEMALE
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(payable to BISHOP SWIM TEAM)			
COACH:			
ATHLETE'S ADDRESS: _____			
EMAIL: _____			
PHONE #: _____			
TEAM EMAIL: _____			

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