

ALBANY ARMADA AQUATICS  
PACIFIC SWIMMING SHORT COURSE C/B/BB+ MEET  
NOVEMBER 2-3, 2024  
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[Zone 2 Priority Clubs for Albany Armada Aquatics Site: AAA, ALGA, EBAT, EBSD, ECG, HILL, MONT, OAPB, ONDA, PST, SAIL](#)

**No Friday night set-up or storage allowed. Canopies cannot be left outside the pool on Saturday night and must be taken home or stored behind the pool. Gates will open each morning at 7:00 AM.**

**SANCTION:** Held under USA/Pacific Swimming Sanction No. **24-118**

*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.*

*An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.*

*USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.*

**BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND PACIFIC SWIMMING AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

**NOTICE:** By entering this meet, the Athlete or his/her guardian consents to the publication, via electronic, print or other media, information and/or imagery related to their participation at this meet. Such information and imagery may include, but is not limited to, photographs, video, web casting, television, psych sheets and live meet results. **The results of this meet may be posted in real time on Meet Mobile.**

**USE OF AUDIO AND VISUAL:** 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 and 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.

**MEET PERSONNEL:**

<b>Meet Referee:</b> David Benjamin	<b>Head Starter:</b> Peter McNamara
<b>Meet Marshal:</b> Amornrit Pukdeedamrongrit	<b>Admin Official:</b> Lisa Kaplan
<b>Meet Director:</b> Filip Filipić   <a href="mailto:armadaswimdirector@gmail.com">armadaswimdirector@gmail.com</a>	

**LOCATION:** Albany Aquatic Center, 1311 Portland Ave., Albany, CA, 94706

**DIRECTIONS:** From Highway 80, take Buchanan exit and head east. Make a left on San Pablo Ave. Make a right on Portland Ave. There is no parking lot at this site and parking in the surrounding neighborhood is very limited. Please be courteous to our neighbors and do not block driveways, park in red zones, or over designated parking markers. Parking tickets will be issued to violators. A limited number of spaces on the block nearest the pool entrance on Portland Avenue will be reserved for officials and coaches.

**COURSE:** Outdoor 25 yard pool with up to 8 lanes available for competition. At least 2 additional lanes will be available in either the indoor or outdoor pool, each day of the meet for warm-up/cool-down. The minimum water depth for the shallow end course, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 7'0" at the start end and 7'0" at the turn end. The meet host will ensure the required course dimensions.

**TIME:** Meet will begin at 9:00 AM each day with warm-ups from 7:30 to 8:45 AM each day. A special warm-up time for 8 and under Athletes only will be held from 8:45-8:55 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.
  - The local facilities guidelines, restrictions and interpretation of the local public health guidelines shall be followed at this meet.
  - Warm-up/cool-down lanes are for active swimming only, not recreational activities.
  - All adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.
  - All athletes 18 and older must have completed the Athlete Protection Training to be allowed to compete.
  - All events are timed finals.
  - All events will swim fast to slow.
  - Athletes may compete in **4 events per day**.
  - All Athletes ages 12 and under should complete competition within four (4) hours.
  - Entries will be accepted until the number of splashes exceeds the estimated timeline, per the “Four-Hour Rule,” based on the Athletes age and gender.
  - If local conditions warrant it the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down.
  - No Refunds shall be given other than mandatory scratch downs
  - **All Coaches and Officials must wear their USA Swimming membership cards in a visible manner.**
  - The Albany Aquatic Center will be staffed with lifeguards on duty and has Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) in place to assist with any medical situations that arise. The pool is fully equipped with backboards and an AED, and all lifeguards are trained to dial 911 as part of the facility EAP.
  - Pacific Swimming has a No-Tech Suit Policy for ALL 12 & Under athletes.
  - All athletes entered in the 500-yard freestyle shall provide their own timers and lap counters.
  - Events 31 and 62 (Girls open 500FR and Boys open 500FR respectively), shall be limited to six heats each, filled in the order in which the entries are received. Athletes entering Events 31 and 62 must have achieved the Pacific Swimming 10 and under B time standard for the event (8:25.39 girls, 8:16.69 boys).

**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 STARTS:** Athletes 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:**
- Smoking and the use of other tobacco products is prohibited on the pool deck, in the locker rooms, in spectator seating, on standing areas and in all areas used by Athletes, during the meet and during warm-up periods.
  - Sale and use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all areas of the meet venue.
  - No glass containers are allowed in the meet venue.
  - No propane heater is permitted except for snack bar/meet operations.
  - All shelters must be properly secured.
  - Deck Changes are 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.

- Set-up allowed in designated areas only. Parties may be asked to relocate at the discretion of the Meet Marshal, in order to maintain compliance with facility site regulations and fire code. There will be coaches seating along the North side of the pool. Coaches seating is first come first serve and not subject to “reserving space” in advance. Coaches are expected to share this space.
- Outside vendors, 3rd party vendors, and other vendors not affiliated with AAA will need a written approval from AAA prior to the meet. Unapproved vendors will not be allowed to operate in areas surrounding the pool.

**ELIGIBILITY:** • Athletes must be current members of USA Swimming and enter their name and registration number on the meet entry card as they are shown on their Registration Card. 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, Athletes shall be required to register online via USA Swimming’s online member registration before being allowed to swim in the meet.

- Athletes in the “BB” Division must have met at least USA Swimming Motivational BB” minimum time standard. Athletes in the “B” Division must have met at least the listed “B” minimum time standard. All entry times slower than the listed “B” time standard will be in the “C” Division. For 8 & Under, athletes in the “A” Division must have met at least the listed “A” time standard.
- Entries with **"NO TIME" will NOT be accepted.**
- Entry times submitted for this meet may be checked against a computer database and may be changed in accordance with Pacific Swimming Entry Time Verification Procedures.
- Athletes with a disability are welcome to attend this meet and should contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee regarding any special accommodations on entry times and seeding per Pacific Swimming policy.
- Athletes 19 years of age and over may compete in the meet for time only, no awards.
- The Athlete’s age will be the age of the Athlete on the first day of the meet.

**ENTRY PRIORITY:** Meet entries will not be accepted any earlier than Monday, **September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. Entries from members of assigned “year-round” Zone 2 clubs in good standing postmarked or entered online by 11:59 PM on **October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, will be given first priority acceptance. Entries from members of all Zone 2 clubs (year-round and seasonal) postmarked or entered online between 12:00 AM **October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, and 11:59 PM **October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, will be given second priority acceptance. All entries from Zone 2, all other Pacific LSC Zones and other LSC’s, either postmarked, entered online, or hand delivered by the entry deadline will be considered in the order they are received. For the Open 500 Free, entries will be limited to the first 48 entrants per event.

**\*\* NOTE: Athletes who falsify their entry form by listing a club to which they are not legitimately associated will be rejected from the meet. Further, entry fees will not be refunded and they may be referred to the Pacific Swimming Review Committee for disciplinary action.**

**ENTRY FEES:** \$4.50 per event plus a \$10.00 participation fee per Athlete. Entries will be rejected if payment is not sent at time of request. No refunds will be made, except mandatory scratch downs.

**ONLINE ENTRIES:** To enter online go to <http://ome.fastswims.com> to receive an immediate entry confirmation. This method requires payment by credit card. FastSwims charges a service fee for this service, 6.5% of the total Entry Fees plus \$0.75 per transaction, regardless of number of Athletes. Please note that the service fee is a separate fee from the Entry Fees. If you do not wish to pay the service 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 be accepted through **Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**, or until the meet reaches capacity under the four-hour rule.

**MAILED OR HAND DELIVERED ENTRIES:** Entries must be on the attached consolidated entry form. Forms must be filled out completely and printed clearly with Athlete’s best time. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, Tuesday, **October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024** or hand delivered by 6:30 PM Wednesday, **October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**. Mailed and hand delivered entries will be accepted through Wednesday, **October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**, or until the meet has reached the capacity and the four-hour rule. No late entries will be accepted. Requests for confirmation of receipt of entries should include a self-addressed envelope.

**Make check payable to: Albany Armada Aquatics**

**Mail entries to: Helen Garcia  
PO Box 5479  
Richmond, CA 94805**

**Hand deliver entries to: Helen Garcia  
On the pool deck at: 1311 Portland Ave Albany, CA 94706  
Between 4:00 PM and 8:15 PM**

**CHECK-IN:** The meet will be deck seeded. Athletes must check-in at the Clerk-of-Course. No event shall be closed more than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the session. Prior to 10:30 AM, close of check-in for each event shall be no more than 60 minutes before the estimated time of the start of the first heat of the event. **Close of check-in for all remaining events for that day shall be at 10:30 AM.** Athletes who do not check in will not be seeded and will not be allowed to compete in that event. Athletes who wish to scratch from an event after the close of check-in are requested to inform the Referee on the starting end of the competition course.

**SCRATCHES:** Any Athletes not reporting for or competing in an individual timed final event that they have checked in for/entered shall not be penalized.

**AWARDS:** First through eighth places in each division (C, B & BB) will be awarded for the 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 age groups. First through eighth place in each division (PC-C, PC-B, and PC-A) will be awarded for the 8 & Under age group. All athletes achieving an A time for the first time will be awarded a standard A medal, regardless of place achieved in the event. No awards will be given for athletes 15 years of age and older. Note: Individual awards must be picked up at the meet. We will not mail or distribute awards after the meet. No awards will be given for Open events.

**ADMISSION:** Free. Programs will be available for coaches and officials only.

**SNACK BAR & HOSPITALITY:** A snack bar will be available throughout the competition. Coaches and working Officials will be provided lunch. Hospitality will serve refreshments to timers and volunteers. All meet participants are encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottle. No plastic water bottles will be for sale at the snack bar.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** No overnight parking is allowed. Facilities will not be provided after meet hours. Any items left outside the facility overnight will not be secure or guarded. Please do not leave anything overnight. Set up will be available starting at 6:30 a.m. on the first day of the meet, no earlier. All participating clubs are expected to provide lane timers based upon the number of athletes registered to swim each day. Club timing lanes for Saturday and Sunday will be assigned and coaches will be notified of assignments the week prior to the meet.

**MINIMUM OFFICIALS:** The Meet Referee shall conduct an inventory of Officials and shall compare the number of athletes entered against the number of Officials that worked representing each club per day of the meet. Those clubs who have not provided sufficient Officials in a day of the meet, in accordance with the table below, will be fined \$100 per missing Official per day.

<b>Number of athletes entered in meet per club per day</b>	<b>Number of trained and carded officials required</b>
1-10	0
11-25	1
26-50	2
51-75	3
76-100	4
Every 20 Athletes over 100	+1

**EVENT SUMMARY**

SATURDAY				SUNDAY			
8 & Under	9-10	11-12	13&Over	8 & Under	9-10	11-12	13&Over
100 IM*	100 IM*	200 IM	200 IM	50 BK	200 FR	200 BK	200 BK
25 BK	100 BK	50 BK	100 BK	50 FL*	50 FL*	200 FL	200 FL
25 FL	100 FL	50 FL	100 FL	25 BR	50 BR	100 BR	100 BR
25 FR	100 FR	100 FR	100 FR	50 FR*	50 FR*	50 FR	50 FR
Girls Open 500 Free**				Boys Open 500 Free**			

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2024			
Girls	Age Group	EVENT	Boys
1	13&O	200 IM	2
3	11-12	200 IM	4
5	10&U*	100 IM	6
7	13&O	100 BK	8
9	11-12	50 BK	10
11	9-10	100 BK	12
13	8&U	25 BK	14
15	13&O	100 FL	16
17	11-12	50 FL	18
19	9-10	100 FL	20
21	8&U	25 FL	22
23	13&O	100 FR	24
25	11-12	100 FR	26
27	9-10	100 FR	28
29	8&U	25 FR	30
31	Open**	500 FR	

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2024			
Girls	Age Group	EVENT	Boys
33	13&O	200 BK	34
35	11-12	200 BK	36
37	9-10	200 FR	38
39	8&U	50 BK	40
41	13&O	200 FL	42
43	11-12	200 FL	44
45	10&U*	50 FL	46
47	13&O	100 BR	48
49	11-12	100 BR	50
51	9-10	50 BR	52
53	8&U	25 BR	54
55	13&O	50 FR	56
57	11-12	50 FR	58
59	10&U*	50 FR	60
	Open**	500 FR	62

\*These events will compete in the 10 & Under category but awarded as 9-10 and 8 & Under Events.

\*\*All athletes entering the 500 Free events must provide their own timers and lap counters. Athletes entering these events must have met the listed time standard (8:25.39 girls, 8:16.69 boys).

Use the following URL to find the USA-S Motivational Time Standards: <http://www.pacswim.org/swim-meet-times/standards>

Pacific Swimming – Hosted by ALBANY ARMADA AQUATICS (AAA) SHORT COURSE C/B/BB+ NOVEMBER 2-3, 2024 Consolidated Entry Form													
Name: Last			First			Middle							
Club Abbr.			UNATT TEAM ABBR			Club Name							
Age			Date of Birth			Sex M   F		LSC – (PC, SN)					
USA-#													
Event #	Distance / Stroke					Entry Time			Circle one				
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# of entries _____ x \$4.50 = \$ _____ Participation Fee        \$ 10.00 Total                        \$ _____													
Coach													
Athlete's Address													
Home Phone							Cell Phone						
Email													