

Brief Meet Information

NAME OF MEET:	BTSC 2026 Aquafest
DATE(s):	October 23, 24 & 25
HOSTED BY:	Barrie Trojan Swim Club
LOCATION:	East Bayfield Community Centre, 80 Livingstone St. E., Barrie, ON L4M 6X9
FACILITY:	25 m, 8 lane pool; Electronic timing and scoreboard; Spectator seating is available outside pool deck and above the pool deck
PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION:	Age Group Meet: 12 and Under - Timed finals, 13 and Over – prelims and finals. The top 16 swimmers advance to finals, with the “A” finals to precede “B” finals. “B” finals will only be swum in events with 20 or more entries at the entry deadline.
COMPETITION CONFIGURATION	Single Ended SCM
MEET PACKAGE:	The only meet package which will be considered as valid must be the most current version found on www.swimming.ca and the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS).
LAST UPDATE:	September 1, 2026 (original)

Competition Organizing Committee

ROLE	NAME	EMAIL	LEVEL
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Safety at Competitions

Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario believes that athletes, coaches, officials, support staff and volunteers have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive sport environment that is free of abuse, harassment and discrimination.

Only Swimming Canada registered active participants (swimmers, officials, certified coaches and support staff for the meet), facility personnel and authorized Swim Ontario personnel are allowed on deck during the competition.

All participants in this event are reminded that they are bound by Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures, including but not limited, to Swimming Canada's General Code of Conduct, their Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Policy, their Harassment Policy and the [Swim Ontario Code of Conduct procedure](#) For more information regarding the [Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures](#) or Safe Sport please visit the Swim Ontario website <https://www.swimontario.com/sport-safety> or www.swimming.ca/safesport

Every club and its participants are responsible for ensuring all facility rules and requirements are followed.

Coaches and athletes are reminded that deck changing is not permitted at Swim Ontario sanctioned competitions. Athletes are asked to use the facility's change rooms, or on-deck changing tents if available. Coaches are asked to discourage deck changing and help keep the sport safe for everyone involved.

The [Swim Ontario Concussion Management](#) & [Swim Ontario Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure](#) will be in effect. For complete details click [HERE](#).

Videography & Photography Permissions

Provided the facility permits, registered club coaches on the compliance list, approved sport science contractors, and support staff may record for coaching purposes without additional authorization.

All other individuals — including club photographers, contracted photographers/videographers, and media — must apply for and receive authorization to access the competition deck before recording in any medium. All recordings must comply with Swim Ontario policies, including the [Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure](#) and the [Screening Requirements Procedures](#). Contact Meet Management for the application process. All Official Photographers and Videographers, as approved by Swim Ontario, will be declared within this Meet Package.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following are approved by Swim Ontario Official Photographers/Videographers for this event:
TBD

Competition Rules

Sanctioned as an Age Group Swimming Invitational by Swim Ontario.

All current [Swimming Canada rules](#) will be followed. Competition Rules and procedures contained in this Meet Information package supersede those found within the Swimming Canada Rulebook. All registered para swimmers are subject to the rules defined by their current sport class and codes of exception. The stroke and turn rules apply as per

Appendix B of the Swimming Canada rulebook. The Sport Class and Exception Codes should be displayed on heat sheets and must be made available to the Session Referee.

All swimmers are permitted to race with the swimwear of their choosing at all competitions sanctioned by Swim Ontario provided the fabric of the swimwear is a permeable open mesh textile and would not reasonably be seen to create a technical advantage in terms of speed, buoyancy, or endurance.

Combined (mixed) gender swimming is permitted for age group swimming competitions. Canadian Age Group records can not be set when heats involve individual mixed genders.

The Starter shall report a swimmer to the Referee for misconduct taking place at the start of a race as per Swimming Canada rule book. The “misconduct” shall include, but is not limited to (C2.5.2.1):

- Deliberate or negligent acts such as spitting, spouting of water, or blowing the nose in the pool or on the pool deck immediately prior to the start may be considered misconduct.
- Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate prior to the start.
- Unsafe or uncontrolled entry into the pool immediately prior to the start of a race. All swimmers must enter the pool with a controlled, feet-first entry.

The Referee may disqualify a swimmer for such misconduct. While warnings have previously been issued for these actions, the rule is now fully enforceable and may result in disqualification.

Please note that [Swimming Canada Competition Warm-Up Safety Procedures](#) and [Swim Ontario warm-up safety rules](#) will be in effect. Details [HERE](#)

It is incumbent on coaches, swimmers, and officials to work together to comply with these procedures during all scheduled warm-up periods. Coaches are requested to encourage swimmers to cooperate with Safety Marshals.

- Warm up rules:
 - No loitering at the end of lane
 - Swimmers must be aware of their surroundings and move over to the lane rope when stopped at the end wall to allow other swimmers to turn
 - Swimmers using sprint and pace lanes must be directly supervised by their coaches
 - Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate during the sprint periods is not permitted.

Swimmers must enter the pool FEET FIRST in a cautious and controlled manner, entering from a start or turn end only and from a standing or sitting position.

Swimmers witnessed by a Safety Marshal diving or entering the water in a dangerous fashion may be removed, by the Referee, without warning from their next individual event following the warm-up period in which the violation occurred. The swimmer’s name and club shall be registered with the Meet Manager.

DIVE STARTS:

As per Swimming Canada Part II C4.1.2 and C4.1.3 swimmers are permitted to start in-water or from a standing position on the deck or bulkhead when Starting Platforms (blocks) are available. As per the Facility Rules for Dive Starts, this competition Starts will be conducted as follows:

	- from Starting Platforms (blocks) as per World Aquatics II.4.1 and II.15.1.4 from - from deep end only and/or - from the Deck or Bulkhead as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C15.1.4.1 - from deep end and/or - In-water starts will be conducted as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C15.1.4.1 - from deep end
BACSTROKE LEDGES:	Ledges will be used and available for all ages and sessions
d/DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING ACCOMMODATION:	This competition can provide the following accommodations for athletes who are d/Deaf and Hard of hearing: - non-verbal instruction provided by a support person from the swimmer's own club, who is registered in the REMS as active as Support Staff, Coach or attending registered Swimmer. - Visual Start Strobe Light options: Facility-Provided Strobe Light: An external strobe light is available at this facility Requesting Accommodations: Clubs requiring accommodations should contact Meet Management by the <u>Change Deadline</u>. The support person must have active REMS registration and be listed in the entry submission. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access. Athletes approved for visual accommodation will have the "HH" designation displayed on heat sheets, which must be made available to the Session Referee, Starter, and officials responsible for the strobe light.
AGE UP DATE:	The competitor's age is as the first day of the competition - October 23, 2026

Eligibility

All athletes must be registered as <u>Competitive</u> swimmers with Swimming Canada and possess a valid Swimming Canada registration number. Athletes may only compete under the club or team they are registered with. Registered Para Swimmers are welcome and their current Sport Class must be included in the entries. Entries submitted without a valid registration number and active status in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) at the time of the competition will be denied entry. It is the responsibility of the athlete's club to provide proof of active registration status in a swimmer category in REMS.	
ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION:	Preference will be given to the host club first.
COACH & SUPPORT STAFF	Coaches and Support Staff must have active REMS registration and be included in the club's event entry submission. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access.

REGISTRATION:	Athletes must have a coach or designated coach (coach representative) in attendance during the meet including warm-up sessions. Meet management will cross reference the list of coaches submitted with entries at this competition with the Swim Ontario Compliance lists. If a coach is not on this list, meet management is obligated to enforce the Swimming Canada policy and not permit that coach to attend the meet. Meet management will forward Swim Ontario a list of coaches who they have found to be in non-compliance. Clubs needing Support Staff for Para or d/Deaf/Hard of Hearing athletes must register them in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) to access the deck at competitions.
FOREIGN TEAMS / COMPETITORS:	The following applies to Teams and their competitors not affiliated with Swimming Canada. Swimmers registered as active with a Swimming Canada ID are considered domestic. Foreign Teams' / competitors' entries will not be accepted by the host club.

Entry Process

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS:	Entries must be submitted through the Swimming Canada Registration and Events System (REMS) and must include all attending coaches and support staff. - Meet management will not accept entries via email. - Meet management will notify clubs within 48 hours of the online entry deadline regarding any rejected entries or required changes to entries. - Meet management will notify clubs of any meet format changes or designated warm-up times at least 5 days (for TIER II sanctions) and 10 days (for TIER III & IV sanctions) prior to the start of the competition Failure to inform meet management of a no-show / withdrawal prior to the deadline for changes to entries will result in loss of entry fees. Meet Management reserves the right to further limit individual swims per session and to limit heats if necessary to keep session times to within 4.5 hours.
ENTRY DEADLINE:	The online entry deadline is Wednesday, October 7, 2026 Changes to entries will be accepted until Wednesday, October 14, 2026
ENTRY FEE:	The following fees will apply for this competition: - Individual Events: \$15 for 400m and below, \$20 for 800m and 1500m - Relay Events: \$20 per team

	Swimmer Fee: \$10 per swimmer Payment Method: E-transfer payment is preferred - payment can be sent to operations@barrieswimming.ca. Cheques will still be accepted and can be made payable to: BARRIE TROJAN SWIM CLUB.
ENTRY LIMITS:	The following limits are in place for this competition: - The maximum number of participants per session is 250 - The maximum number of individual entries per swimmer is 3 per session
RELAY ENTRIES & MIXED RELAYS:	Teams may move up no more than two (2) swimmers from a younger age category to fill a relay. Relay swimmers must be entered in a non-relay event in order to compete.
ENTRY TIMES & CONVERSION:	- Entries can be submitted with No Time (NT). - All entries received shall be unconverted. No converted times will be accepted. The host will convert all times to SCM (or LCM) after validation of entries.

Schedule of Sessions

Session times are currently tentative. Split Warm Ups may be implemented if necessary, and if so, will be communicated 10 days before the start of competition.

Session #	Date	Warm-up period	Start of session	Approx. Finish of session	Time Final/Heats /Finals
Session 1	October 23	4:30 pm - 5:25 pm	5:30 pm	8:30 pm	Time Finals/Heats
Session 2	October 24	7:00 am - 7:55 am	8:00 am	11:30 am	Heats
Session 3	October 24	12:00 pm - 12:55 pm	1:00 pm	5:00 pm	Time Final
Session 4	October 24	5:30 pm - 6:25 pm	6:30 pm	9:00 pm	Finals
Session 5	October 25	7:00 am - 7:55 am	8:00 am	11:30 am	Heats
Session 6	October 25	12:00 pm - 12:55 pm	1:00 pm	5:00 pm	Time Final
Session 7	October 25	5:30 pm - 6:25 pm	6:30 pm	9:00 pm	Finals

Meet Format & Administration

SEEDING:	After all times are converted as pursuant to the conversion process: - Seeding for Timed Final events will be in order of entry times, slowest to fastest. Swimmers entered with NT (no time) will be seeded last. - with the exception of Distance Events which will be seeded fastest to slowest. - Seeding for Preliminary events will be as per Part II 3.2.4 of the Swimming Canada rulebook with fastest 3 heats circle seeded.
DECK ENTRIES:	All accepted Deck Entries are Exhibition Only and are not eligible for awards. The following are the Deck Entry Rules for this competition: - Deck entries are permitted provided Meet Management and Competition Coordinator approve. - Fee: Individual Events: \$20 for 400m and below, \$25 for 800m and 1500m
RELAY NAME SUBMISSION:	- Relay Cards are available at Meet Management Office - Relay Cards or Forms must be returned to the Admin Desk - The Relay Name submission deadline is 60 minutes following the start of the session.
SCRATCHES & POSITIVE CHECK IN RULES:	Prelims & Timed Final sessions: - There is no scratch deadline. Coaches do not need to submit scratches for these sessions. Final sessions: - Scratches are due 30 minutes following the posting of results of the last preliminary event for that final session. The following are the Positive Check-in deadlines for this competition. - There is no positive check-in required at this meet.
PENALTIES:	- For Preliminary or Timed Final events, no penalty shall be imposed for withdrawals or No Shows. - Failure to scratch from a final round, which results in an empty lane during finals that could have been assigned to another athlete or relay team, will result in a \$50 fine to the Club for each offence. - Any fines will be accrued and invoiced to the Club following the meet, with payment due within 2 weeks from end of the meet.
OFFICIAL SPLIT TIMES:	Meet management requires that any coach wishing to rely on a time achieved by the swimmer for an interval shorter than the total distance of the event shall so advise the <u>Admin Desk</u>. Requests for official splits in gendered and mixed relays are not required, however in mixed relays the official time will not be recognized as a Canadian Age Group record.

	- Official Split Forms are available at Admin Desk. - Official Split Forms are to be returned to the Admin Desk at least 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the respective heat. - Not all Official Split requests can be accommodated.
SWIM OFFS:	This competition offers preliminary events. - All swim-offs are to be run during or at the end of the session in which the tie occurred at a time mutually agreed upon by coaches and officials. - Coaches are to report to the Admin Desk when a swim-off is announced.
DISQUALIFICATION & APPEAL PROCEDURE:	- Disqualification will be reported within fifteen (15) minutes after the swimmer's race. The disqualification shall stand providing all reasonable efforts have been made to report the disqualification including public address systems. - A club representative should discuss the disqualification with the Session Referee and can request to view the disqualification slip. - If not resolved after this discussion, a written appeal may be presented to the Session Referee from the club representative. - A written appeal must be presented within 30 minutes after the conclusion of the <u>event</u> in question. - Appeal on Referee Decision forms are available at the Admin Desk. - If not resolved after the decision of the written appeal from the Session Referee the matter may be assigned to a Jury of Appeal. - The decision to go to Jury must be taken within an hour from the moment the decision of the written appeal is communicated to the club representative. - The Appeals & Jury of Appeal Standard Operating Procedure will be followed.
RECORDS:	Swim times achieved at this competition will NOT be used for applications of provincial and national records.
MEET RESULTS:	Official Results will be posted within 48 hours of completion of the meet to www.swimming.ca via REMS. - Unofficial Results will be posted at the meet for preliminary events ONLY - Unofficial mobile applications results will be available.
SCORING & AWARDS:	The following scoring will be applied: - No Scoring The following will be awarded: - Medals: Individual 1st – 3rd place, Relays 1st place – 3rd place - Ribbons: Individual 4th – 8th place (12 & under only) The following age groups will be used for awards: 10&U, 11-12, 13, 14, 15&O

Additional Information	The top 16 swimmers advance to finals, with the “A” finals to precede “B” finals. “B” finals will only be swum in events with 20 or more entries at the <u>entry deadline</u>. Event 700 – 8x50m MIXED FREE RELAY will consist of a single heat of 8 teams. Entries will be limited to 1 per swim club. This event will be OPEN to all ages; however teams must consist of 4 boys & 4 girls. This event will not be scored. Meet Management will present a Prize to the winning team. Hotels and Event Parking: Please see parking map and details of hotels that are offering discounted rates for visiting teams at the end of the meet package
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Schedule of Events

MEET MANAGER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESTRICT NUMBER OF HEATS IN ALL EVENTS

Session 1 (PRELIM/*TIME FINALS) Friday, October 23, 2026 Warm-up: 4:30 PM -- Start: 5:30 PM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
101	13 & Over	200m IM	102
103	13 & Over	50m FREE	104
105 (Mixed)	OPEN	800m FREE *	105 (Mixed)
107 (Mixed)	OPEN	1500m FREE *	107 (Mixed)

* TIMED FINALS - 800m & 1500m EVENTS ARE: OPEN AGE GROUP AND MIXED GENDER, SEEDED FASTEST TO SLOWEST and ALTERNATING

Session 2(PRELIM/*TIME FINALS) Saturday, October 24, 2026 Warm-up: 7:00 AM -- Start: 8:00 AM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
201	13 & Over	100m Freestyle	202
203	13 & Over	50m Breaststroke	204
205	13 & Over	200m Backstroke	206
210 (Mixed)	13 & Over	400m Freestyle**	210 (Mixed)
211	13 & Over	100m Butterfly	212
213	13 & Over	200m Breaststroke	214
215	13 & Over	50m Backstroke	216

** TIMED FINALS 400m EVENTS ARE: MIXED GENDER

Session 3 (TIMED FINALS) Saturday, October 24, 2026 Warm-up: 12:00 PM -- Start: 1:00 PM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
221	12 & Under	100m Freestyle	222
223	12 & Under	200m Backstroke	224
225	12 & Under	50m Breaststroke	226
230 (Mixed)	12 & Under	400m Freestyle**	230 (Mixed)
231	12 & Under	100m Butterfly	232
233	12 & Under	200m Breaststroke	234
235	12 & Under	50m Backstroke	236
237	12 & Under	100m Individual Medley	238
525	10 & Under	200m Freestyle Relay	526
527	11-12	200m Freestyle Relay	528

** EVENTS ARE: MIXED GENDER

Session 4 (FINALS) Saturday, October 24, 2026 Warm-up: 5:30 PM -- Start: 6:30 PM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
201	13	100m Freestyle	202
201	14	100m Freestyle	202
201	15 & Over	100m Freestyle	202
203	13	50m Breaststroke	204
203	14	50m Breaststroke	204
203	15 & Over	50m Breaststroke	204
205	13	200m Backstroke	206
205	14	200m Backstroke	206
205	15 & Over	200m Backstroke	206
211	13	100m Butterfly	212
211	14	100m Butterfly	212
211	15 & Over	100m Butterfly	212
213	13	200m Breaststroke	214
213	14	200m Breaststroke	214
213	15 & Over	200m Breaststroke	214
215	13	50 m Backstroke	216
215	14	50 m Backstroke	216
215	15 & Over	50 m Backstroke	216
101	13	200m IM	102
101	14	200m IM	102
101	15 & Over	200m IM	102
521	13-14	200m Freestyle Relay	522
523	15 & Over	200m Freestyle Relay	524

Session 5 (PRELIM/*TIME FINALS) Sunday, October 25, 2026 Warm-up: 7:00 AM -- Start: 8:00 AM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
301	13 & Over	100m Backstroke	302
303	13 & Over	50m Butterfly	304
305	13 & Over	200m Freestyle	306
310 (Mixed)	13 & Over	400m Individual Medley**	310 (Mixed)
311	13 & Over	100m Breaststroke	312
313	13 & Over	200m Butterfly	314

** TIMED FINALS 400m EVENTS ARE: MIXED GENDER

Session 6 (TIME FINALS) Sunday, October 25, 2026 Warm-up: 12:00 PM -- Start: 1:00 PM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
321	12 & Under	100m Backstroke	322
323	12 & Under	50m Butterfly	324
325	12 & Under	200m Freestyle	326
331	12 & Under	100m Breaststroke	332
333	12 & Under	50m Freestyle	334
335	12 & Under	200m Individual Medley	336
535	10 & Under	200m Medley Relay	536
537	11-12	200m Medley Relay	538

Session 7 (FINALS) Sunday, October 25, 2026 Warm-up: 5:30 PM -- Start: 6:30 PM			
Women	Ages	Event	Men
301	13	100m Backstroke	302
301	14	100m Backstroke	302
301	15 & Over	100m Backstroke	302
303	13	50m Butterfly	304
303	14	50m Butterfly	304
303	15 & Over	50m Butterfly	304
305	13	200m Freestyle	306
305	14	200m Freestyle	306
305	15 & Over	200m Freestyle	306
311	13	100m Breaststroke	312
311	14	100m Breaststroke	312
311	15 & Over	100m Breaststroke	312
313	13	200m Butterfly	314
313	14	200m Butterfly	314
313	15 & Over	200m Butterfly	314
103	13	50 Freestyle	104
103	14	50 Freestyle	104
103	15 & Over	50 Freestyle	104
531	13-14	200m Medley Relay	532
533	15 & Over	200m Medley Relay	534
700	OPEN	8x50m Mixed Free Relay	700

Request for Officials

New for this Season

All Officials from BTSC and visiting clubs will complete a google form to get your interest for Aquafest.

Fill in the form at this [link](#) to join us on deck for the weekend. Submissions are preferred by Wednesday October 7, 2026.

Any questions or changes to your form, contact officials@barrieswimming.ca

Hotels

Please consider that the City of Barrie has 6 hockey rinks at 3 arena's and regularly hosts hockey tournaments. Please book hotel accommodations early if planning on staying over. Both hotels are next door to each other and offer easy access to Highway 400 at Essa Rd on/off ramp. There is a Zehrs Supermarket across the road and a Tim Hortons nearby.

The following two hotels have provided discount rate codes:

Four Points by Sheraton	Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton
60 Bryne Drive, Barrie. 705-733-8989	74 Bryne Drive, Barrie. 705-719-9666
Rate Code: Barrie Trojan	Rate Code: T26
https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1760629972731&key=CORP&dt=true&app=resvlink	https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=ONTBRHX&srpCodes=LHHT26 or https://hil.tn/2jxkth
	Minimum 2 Night Stay Required. Please note when accessing the link a message may appear stating 1 night available which is not correct. Please ensure you add the Rate code to the Special Promotion Rates and select Update. The Rate should indicate "Sports Teams" once applied.

Parking

The map below indicates available parking lots and building entrances. Additional parking is available at the Terry Fox school next door to the Rec Center on Saturday / Sunday.

Address is: 80 Livingston St East, Barrie L4N 7J1

