

Americus Rotary Invitational

October 3-4, 2009

Hosted by Americus Blue Tide

Approved by Georgia Swimming, Inc. (# GA09-97A)

- MEET DIRECTOR: Tim DeMott
144 Columbia Ave.
Americus, GA 31709
- e-mail: coach@americusbluetide.com
phone: (229) 924-3863
- FACILITY: Deriso Pool, Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus, GA.
This is a 6 lane, 25 yard pool with a two lane adjacent warmup area. A Colorado timing system with a single line scoreboard will be used. There is limited seating on deck. Spectators may bring their lounge chairs and tents. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4) . The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming & Georgia Swimming.
- CONCESSIONS: A variety of food and drink will be available.
- RULES: The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations will govern the conduct of the meet. Swimmers are responsible for swimming in assigned heat and lane.
- ENTRY FEES: \$3.00 per individual event; \$6.00 per relay. A Georgia Swimming surcharge of \$2.00 per swimmer will be assessed to each out of state swimmer. Make check payable to Americus Blue Tide.
- ELIGIBILITY: Open to all summer recreation swimmers and invited USA Swimming athletes. USA-S coaches and officials will be required to show current certification.
- ENTRY LIMIT: Swimmers may enter a maximum of five (5) individual events and two (2) relays per day. Entries will be limited to the first 200 athletes.
- ENTRIES: Send Hy-Tek (or SDIF) file to: Tim DeMott
Americus Blue Tide
144 Columbia Ave.
Americus, GA 31709
or e-mail to: coach@americusbluetide.com
- Visit www.americusbluetide.com for a Hy-Tek events file for TeamManager
- DEADLINE: All entries must be received no later than Monday, September 28, 2009. Please make check payable to Americus Blue Tide.
- LATE ENTRIES: Late entries will continue to be accepted through the day of the meet for any open lanes at double the normal entry fee.

- SEEDING:** The 400 IM and the 500 free will be deck seeded events. Swimmers must check in according to the following schedule:
400 IM check in by 12:00 noon, Saturday.
500 free check in by 12:00 noon, Sunday.
Failure to check in will be considered a scratch. All other events will be pre-seeded.
- FORMAT:** All events will be timed finals.
- Saturday & Sunday: Warmup 8:30 a.m.
Meet 10:00 a.m.
- CLERK OF COURSE** Deck entries and scratches will be taken care of at the clerk of course table which will be closed 30 minutes prior to the start of each session, except as noted above for the 400 IM and 500 free.
- AGE CONTROL DATE:** The age control date shall be October 3, 2009.
- WARMUP:** The Georgia Swimming, Inc. approved warmup guidelines will be followed.
- SCORING:** Scoring will be according the USAS rule book. Scoring will be for the top 6 places with the following points awarded: 7-5-4-3-2-1. Relay points will be double the above.
- AWARDS:** Ribbons: 1st - 6th place for individual events. 1st - 3rd place for relays.
Trophies: Individual High Point awards for the top finisher in each age group and the top three teams.
- OFFICIALS:** The meet Referee will be Robert Schreer, (h2oref@bellsouth.net). The Meet Safety Chairman will be Anna DeMott. All certified officials are welcome to work at the meet. Please contact the meet Referee 10 days prior to the meet if a specific assignment is requested, otherwise report to the meet Referee one hour prior to the session.
- LIABILITY:** The Americus Blue Tide Swim Team, Georgia Swimming, Inc., and United States Swimming, Inc. shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event.
- COACH MEETING:** A mandatory coaches meeting will be held at 8:15 a.m. on Saturday.
- ATTACHMENTS:** Order of Events/Meet Schedule, Entry Form Summary, Directions.

ORDER OF EVENTS: AMERICUS ROTARY INVITATIONAL

Visit www.americusbluetide.com to download an events file for Hy-Tek TeamManager

Saturday: Warmups = 8:30 a.m.
Competition = 10:00 a.m.

*Age Groups will be compete in combined heats, but will be scored separately.

Girls Event #	Event	Age Groups	Boys Event #
1	25 free	8&U	2
3	50 free	9-10, 11-12, 13-14, Senior	4
5	25 breast	8&U	6
7	50 breast	9-10, 11-12	8
9	100 breast	13-14, Senior	10
11	50 back	8&U	12
13	100 back	9-10, 11-12	14
15	200 back	13-14, Senior	16
17	25 fly	8&U	18
19	50 fly	9-10, 11-12	20
21	100 fly	13-14, Senior	22
23	100 free	8&U	24
25	200 free	9-10, 11-12, 13-14, Senior	26
27	100 medley relay	8&U	28
29	200 medley relay	10&U, 12&U, 14&U, Senior	30
31	200 IM	9-10, 11-12	32
33	400 IM	13-14, Senior	34

Sunday: Warmups = 8:30 a.m.
 Competition = 10:00 a.m.

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Girls Event #	Event	Age Groups	Boys Event #
35	50 free	8&U	36
37	100 free	9-10, 11-12, 13-14, Senior	38
39	50 breast	8&U	40
41	100 breast	9-10, 11-12	42
43	200 breast	13-14, Senior	44
45	25 back	8&U	46
47	50 back	9-10, 11-12	48
49	100 back	13-14, Senior	50
51	50 fly	8&U	52
53	100 fly	9-10, 11-12	54
55	200 fly	13-14, Senior	56
57	100 IM	8&U, 9-10, 11-12	58
59	200 IM	13-14, Senior	60
61	100 free relay	8&U	62
63	200 free relay	10&U, 12&U, 14&U, Senior	64
65	500 free	9-10, 11-12, 13-14, Senior	66

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Team Name: _____ Abbrev : _____

Total number of individual entries: _____ x \$3.00 = \$ _____

Total number of relay entries: _____ x \$6.00 = \$ _____

Total number of **non-GA** swimmers: _____ x \$2.00 = \$ _____

Total team entry fees: _____ = \$ _____

Make check payable to: Americus Blue Tide

Mail entries to: Americus Blue Tide
 144 Columbia Ave.
 Americus, GA 31709-4424
 e-mail: coach@americusbluetide.com

Head Coach: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Team Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Team Address: _____

e-mail: _____

Please list all other coaches who plan to attend the meet: _

*****MEET WAIVER*****

Please acknowledge the following waiver by execution of proper signature of a team official:

In consideration for your acceptance of our team entry, we hereby waive and release all rights and claims for damages that we may have against Americus Blue Tide Swim Team or Georgia Southwestern State University, and their representatives or successors, and assume responsibility for all injuries suffered by us while traveling to and from the activity, and also during the swim meet to be held in Americus, GA on October 3-4, 2009. I have read and explained the above statement to team members and their parents.

Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Directions to GSW University Deriso Pool:

From Hwy 280 in Americus, turn south onto South **Lee St.** . .

Turn toward Georgia Southwestern Univ. onto **Glessner St.**

On campus, turn left onto **Perimeter Rd.**

Follow fork to right onto **Simmons Dr**

Pool parking lot will be to the right. (See map for additional parking)

A sign opposite the parking lot points to Deriso Swimming Pool which is located next to the tennis courts.

Visit www.americusbluetide.com for a map of Americus and the pool.

Parking for Deriso Pool (building #33) is available in three lots, designated by the red **P**s.



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SCRATCH RULE

The Scratch Rule used in all meets in Georgia where the meet format has preliminary heats, consolation finals, and finals is the same "Scratch Rule" as that found in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. Certain LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well.

“D. Scratching from finals:

1. Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet. A declared false start or deliberate delay of meet is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
2. In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition the Referee shall fill the C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final, when possible, with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
3. Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall re-seed the C, B, or A (bonus final, consolation final or) final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
4. If the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the companion final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

E. Exceptions for failure to compete – No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if:

1. The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
2. A swimmer qualifying for a C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.
3. It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.”

LSC ADDITIONS:

1. Swimmers that qualify for any additional heats beyond the above mentioned “C, B and A” final races will also be subject to the above rules concerning scratching from finals.

2. In deck seeded events, a swimmer who has checked in, been seeded and fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in section E above. ***This rule also applies in timed finals meets where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number of individual entries to be accepted for deck-seeded events, unless otherwise stated in the Meet Information.***

3. There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.

4. ***Qualifiers for all finals heats*** and first and second alternates are ***those as*** identified on the original results of the preliminary heat.

5. The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.

6. On the final day of LSC Championship competition, any swimmer who has checked in for finals and fails to show will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.

7. “Positive check-in” , (for deck seeding), designating a swimmer’s intent to swim a race, shall be denoted by the swimmer’s or coach’s initials next to the swimmer’s name on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course.

Adopted by the HOD
September 23, 2006