

# AUSTIN SWIM CLUB

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Bob Thompson Invitational A Short Course Yards Championship Meet October 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Sanction:** ST-19-84  
Held under the sanction of USA Swimming

### IMPORTANT MEET FACTS

<b>Venue:</b>	Austin Aquatics & Sports Academy - 5513 Southwest Parkway, Austin, TX 78735   (512)276-2324
<b>Parking:</b>	Parking for athletes and spectators is in the parking garage behind our facility, the address is 5707 Southwest Parkway, Austin, TX 78735. After you park in the parking garage, you can walk to our facility and enter through the back gate, see map <a href="#">HERE</a> . Parking for officials, coaches, and staff is located at Austin Aquatics & Sports Academy.
<b>Entries Open:</b>	Monday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 at 1pm
<b>Entries Close:</b>	Entries will close on October 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 at midnight, once the 600-swimmer cap is reached, or to stay within the four-hour rule, whichever comes first.
<b>Entry Email:</b>	<a href="mailto:jeanie@aasa-atx.com">jeanie@aasa-atx.com</a>
<b>Entry Fees:</b>	\$11.25 per individual event and \$16.25 per relay, (this includes the \$1.25 South Texas Swimming splash fee). There will be an additional athlete surcharge of \$5.00 per swimmer. Refunds will not be given for any reason.
<b>Qualifying Times:</b>	There are no qualifying time standards. In the effort of good racing, please estimate a time for your swimmer, NTs <b>will not</b> be accepted.
<b>Age Restrictions:</b>	This meet is open to all competitors that are USA Swimming registered.
<b>Deck Entry Fees:</b>	\$20.00 per event. This includes the \$1.25 South Texas Swimming splash fee and \$2.00 athlete surcharge fee.

**Welcome:** Austin Swim Club invites your team to join us at the Austin Aquatics & Sports Academy to compete in our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Bob Thompson Invitational meet. This meet is open to all USA Swimming registered swimmers and will be capped at 600 swimmers.

**Facility:** Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy is a twenty-lane, short course yards pool. With the fastest racing lanes in the state of Texas, ASC invites you to race with us! Our 6-inch Competitor lane lines will squelch any waves, allowing each swimmer to get their hand(s) onto the Colorado Timing System touchpads. Times will be recorded via Hy-Tek's Meet Manager software. Swimmers will begin their races off of a Spectrum Xcellerator Starting Platform or a Colorado Timing Systems Backstroke Start Device.

There are shade structures on two sides of the pool deck for coaches, officials, and athletes. Spectators will not have access to these sides of the pool. We highly encourage sunscreen. Partially shaded bleacher seating is available for 150 spectators on a first come, first serve basis. Grass area will be available to accommodate the athletes and overflow of spectators. Chairs are welcome in this area. Tents may be placed behind the pool, outside the fenced area. You can view a map of our facility [HERE](#).

The meet will be held in the ten lanes furthest from the building (south side). The two lanes next to these will be buffer lanes and will be blocked off during the competition. Warm-up and warm-down throughout the duration of the meet will be available in the eight lanes nearest the building (north side).

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**Water Depth:** The minimum water depth, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 7 feet 1 inch at the start end and the turn end is 7 feet 1 inch measured for a distance of 1.0 meter to 5.0 meters from both end walls.

## **Course**

**Certification:** The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4).

## **Sanction:**

Held under the sanction of USA Swimming. This meet has been sanctioned by South Texas Swimming and current USA Swimming rules, including minor athlete abuse prevention policy, "MAAPP", and any relevant sections of the South Texas Policies & Procedures Manual will govern this meet. All swimmers must be registered as athletes for 2019 or 2020 with USA Swimming by the meet start date. Athletes who register with USA Swimming after the meet entry deadline may deck enter the meet only if they can present their 2019 or 2020 USA Swimming registration card or proof of membership using the USA Swimming Deck Pass app (or a coach may present the club's official, watermarked roster from the USA Swimming club portal). South Texas Swimming does not allow on-deck USA Swimming registrations. Conduct of the sanctioned event shall conform in every respect to all technical and administrative rules of USA Swimming.

## **Liability:**

In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Inc., South Texas Swimming, Inc. (STSI), the Austin Swim Club, the Austin Aquatics & Sports Academy, and all meet officials shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer, if unattached, or the offending swimmer's club, if attached, to be held accountable for repairs.

## **USA Swimming**

**Registration:** All swimmers, coaches, and officials participating in this competition must be currently (2019 or 2020) registered with USA Swimming. No swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member as provided in Article 302. All should also be prepared to present their USA Swimming ID Card as proof of their registration to the Meet Director or designee at any time. Swimmers who 1) late enter when possible; 2) need to be late-entered because of clerical errors by the entering team or the Meet Host; or 3) are not entered in this meet and choose to enter time trials, if offered, will be required to present their USA Swimming ID card or proof of membership using the USA Swimming Deck Pass app (or a coach may present the club's official, watermarked roster from the USA Swimming club portal). Current national and LSC regulations do not allow for exceptions to these policies.

**Meet Format:** This meet is an open meet to all athletes. Number of athletes will be capped at 600 and entered as entries are received. Preliminary heats will be seeded slowest to fastest, with the last three heats circle seeded. Prelims will swim combined ages, but finals will be separated into age groups: 11-12, 13-14, and 15 & over. 11 & overs will swim A and B final. All 10 & under events will be timed finals.

The meet director reserves the right to combine heats or events as needed and the right to conduct flyover starts or change warm-up/session start times depending on meet size. Any changes will be acknowledged by all coaches.

## **Qualifying**

**Times:** There are no qualifying times.

**Age up Date:** The age of the swimmer will be his/her age on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

## **Entry**

**Restrictions:** Athletes may enter a maximum of 3 individual events per session, and 1 relay per day. There are no qualifying times. In the effort of good racing, please estimate a time for your swimmer, NTs **will not** be accepted. Please convert all times to Short Course Yards.

## **Entry**

**Deadline:** Entries will close on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at midnight, once the 600 swimmer cap is reached, or to stay within the four-hour rule. Whichever comes first.

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## Entry

**Procedures:** All teams must submit entries using the latest version of Team Unify or Hy-Tek Team Manager software to the Entries Chair, Jeanie Joseph ([jeanie@aasa-atx.com](mailto:jeanie@aasa-atx.com)). Please include a Meet Entry Report of your entries, listing the swimmer, USA Swimming ID, entries by swimmer name, and total fees due along with your entry file.

When submitting files to the Entries Chair, please include the name, email address, and phone number of the person submitting the entries. If you do not receive email confirmation, your entries were not received.

**Entry Fees:** \$11.25 per individual event and \$16.25 per relay, (this includes the \$1.25 South Texas Swimming splash fee). There will be an additional athlete surcharge of \$5.00 per swimmer. There is not a penalty for failing to scratch an event; this is simply a courtesy to the other swimmers to eliminate the empty lane, you will still be charged for events entered.

Please include the Meet Entry Fee Report with your payments. Entry fees must be postmarked by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 or your entries will be removed from the meet. Please send only one check per team location. Refunds will not be given for any reason.

### **Make checks payable to:**

Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy

### **Send checks to:**

Austin Aquatics and Sports Academy  
5707 Southwest Parkway  
Building 2, Suite 260  
Austin, Texas 78735

**Deck Entries:** \$20.00 per event (this includes the \$1.25 South Texas Swimming splash fee). Swimmers may deck enter beginning at the start of warm-ups. Deck entries will close 30 minutes prior to the start of each session. Deck entries will only be accepted to fill empty lanes, no new heats will be created.

Swimmers not previously entered in the meet must present their USA Swimming ID card or proof of membership using the USA Swimming Deck Pass app (or a coach may present the club's official, watermarked roster from the USA Swimming club portal) to the Clerk of Course to deck enter. *No exceptions.*

**Meet Staff:** **Entries Chair:** Jeanie Joseph/ (512) 276-2324/ [jeanie@aasa-atx.com](mailto:jeanie@aasa-atx.com)  
**Meet Director:** Chris Coghill/ (512)276-2324/ [chris@austinswimclub.org](mailto:chris@austinswimclub.org)  
**Meet Referee:** Tim Byerly/ [timbyerly1985@gmail.com](mailto:timbyerly1985@gmail.com)  
**Admin Official:** Didi Byerly/ [dbyerly@wbhq.com](mailto:dbyerly@wbhq.com)

## Cell Phone

**Restrictions:** Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. There are no exceptions to this policy. Violators are subject to disqualification from the meet, disbarment from the facility, and arrest.

## Unaccompanied

**Swimmers:** Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water without the use of a backstroke ledge. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. All unaccompanied swimmers will be temporarily assigned to a registered USA coach for warm up, warm down, and competition purposes in order to comply with USA Swimming Rule 202.5.2.

## Swimmer

### Photographs

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**and Videos:** There may be one or more photographers and/or videographers on deck at this meet. In the event such personnel are present, parents or guardians of swimmers under the age of 18 who do not wish to have photos or videos of their athletes made are required to contact the Meet Director prior to the beginning of warm-ups. Photographers and videographers are strongly encouraged to stay out of the area immediately behind the starting blocks, but if present are specifically prohibited from making shots during the start phase of any race.

## **Deck**

**Changing:** Deck changes are prohibited.

## **Special**

### **Needs:**

Please notify Meet Director Nate Chessey, (512)276-2324 in advance of this event with the name and age of any member on your team who needs assistance to enter the building. The facility staff will make reasonable accommodations for swimmers, coaches, or spectators who wish to enter and use our facility. In any meet sanctioned or approved by South Texas Swimming, Inc., which may include one or more swimmers with visual, hearing, mental, or physical disabilities; the judging of such competitors shall be in strict accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, i.e., Article 105. A disability is defined as a PERMANENT physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Coaches and/or athletes must notify the Meet Referee before the event begins if they are to be considered to be judged under Article 105.

### **Officials:**

All currently (2019 or 2020) certified and in-training USA Swimming officials are cordially invited to participate. All deck officials must be registered with USA Swimming for 2019 or 2020 and have a current Background Check and Athlete Protection Course acknowledged by USA Swimming. Please email the Meet Referee prior to the meet with your availability and current certifications. Please report to the Meet Referee at least one hour prior to the scheduled start time of any session to receive your assignments. The wearing of name tags is strongly encouraged.

### **Drones:**

Per USA Swimming Rule 103.13, the 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. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by the Program and Events Committee Chair or designee.

### **Timers:**

Teams will be assigned timing responsibility based upon meet entries.

### **Relays:**

Each team will be permitted to enter a maximum of 2 relays per event. Relays will be swum 10 & Under, 11-12, 13-14, and 15-18. Relay cards must be submitted 30 minutes prior to session start time. Relays are restricted to swimmers 18 & under only.

### **Scoring:**

Individual- 20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1  
Relays- 40, 34, 32, 30, 28, 26, 24, 22, 18, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2

### **Awards:**

No awards will be given at this meet.

### **Results:**

Results can be found on Meet Mobile.

## **Scratch**

### **Policy:**

Swimmers will have 30 minutes to declare their intentions to swim in finals after the announcement of prelim results. Swimmers who fail to scratch and do not show up for their finals swim, will be barred from the meet or pay a \$50 fine. If the swim is the last event for the swimmer, then a \$50 fine will be issued. There is no penalty for not scratching from a pre-seeded, preliminary event, although forewarning is appreciated.

## **Positive**

### **Check In:**

All events on Friday will be positive check in - deadline of 5:30pm for events 1 & 2, and 5:50pm for events 3-10. The 11 & Over 500 Free will be positive check in by 8am on Saturday. The fastest 10 swimmers in each age group will race the 500 free during Saturday finals. Swimmers must provide their own timer and counter. Penalty for no show for a positive check in will be the same as for a non-scratched finals swim.

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**Warm-up:** Each team will have warm-up lanes assigned for all preliminary sessions. All final's sessions will be open warm-up. There will be warm-up/down lanes available throughout the duration of the meet.

**Daily Schedule:** Warm-ups will be conducted in accordance with the current STSI Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures attached to this meet announcement.

Friday PM (Finals)	Warm Up: Clear Pool: Pos Check-in: Start:	5:30 pm 5:50 pm 5:50 pm (closes) 6:00 pm
Saturday AM	Warm Up: Start/Pace: Clear Pool: Start:	6:30 am 7:00 am 7:20 am 7:30 am
Saturday PM	Warm Up: Clear Pool: Start:	Immediately upon completion of the AM Session Pool will be cleared approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the AM Session Approximately 40 mins after the conclusion of the AM session
Saturday Finals	Warm Up: Start/Pace: Clear Pool: Start:	4:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:20 pm 5:30 pm
Sunday AM	Warm Up: Start/Pace: Clear Pool: Start:	6:30 am 7:00 am 7:20 am 7:30 am
Sunday PM	Warm Up: Clear Pool: Start:	Immediately upon completion of the AM Session Pool will be cleared approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the AM Session Approximately 40 mins after the conclusion of the AM session
Sunday Finals	Warm Up: Start/Pace: Clear Pool: Start:	4:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:20 pm 5:30 pm

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## Order of Events 2019 Bob Thompson Open All events will be swum in SCY

### Friday PM Timed Finals Start at 6:00pm

Women's Event	EVENT	Men's Event
1	12 & Under 200 IM*	2
3	13-14 1000 Freestyle*	4
5	15 & Over 1000 Freestyle*	6
7	13-14 400 IM*	8
9	15 & Over 400 IM*	10

\*Positive check in required by 5:30pm for events 1 & 2, 5:50pm for events 3-10.  
Swimmers must provide their own timer and counter (if applicable).

### Saturday AM 11 & Over Prelims Start at 7:30 am

Women's (11-12, 13-14,15 & Over)	EVENT	Men's (11-12, 13-14,15 & Over)
11	100 Back	12
13	13 & Over 200 IM	14
15	100 Free	16
17	100 Breast	18
19	11-12 50 Fly	20
21	13 & Over 200 Fly	22
23	13 & Over 500 Free*	24

\*Positive check in required by 8am. Swimmers must provide their own timer and counter. This will be swum as timed finals, alternating girls and boys, fastest to slowest, with the top 10 fastest seed times in each age group, racing with finals.

*Preliminary events will be swum combined 11 & over, and Top 20 for each age group (11-12, 13-14, 15 & over) will advance to finals for each event.*

### Saturday PM 10 & Timed Finals

Start time approx. 40 mins after the conclusion of the 13 & Over session

Girls 10&U	EVENT	Boys 10&U
101	10 & U 200 Freestyle Relay**	102
25	50 Fly	26
27	100 IM	28
29	100 Breast	30
31	100 Free	32
33	50 Back	34

\*\* Relay cards due 30 minutes prior to session start time.  
*All 10 & Under events are timed finals.*

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## Saturday 11 & Over Finals Start at 5:30pm

Women's (11-12, 13-14, 15 & Over)	EVENT	Men's (11-12, 13-14, 15 & Over)
103	11-12 200 Free Mixed Relay**	103
104	13-14 200 Free Mixed Relay**	104
105	15-18 200 Free Mixed Relay**	105
	<b>10 minute break</b>	
11	100 Back	12
13	13 & Over 200 IM	14
15	100 Free	16
17	100 Breast	18
19	12 & Under 50 Fly	20
21	13 & Over 200 Fly	22
23	13 & Over 500 Free*	24

\*Swimmers must provide their own timer and counter. Top 10 from each age group only.

\*\* Relay cards due 30 minutes prior to session start time.

## Sunday AM 11 & Over Prelims Start at 7:30 am

Women's (11-12, 13-14,15 & Over)	EVENT	Men's (11-12, 13-14,15 & Over)
106	11-12 400 Medley Relay**	107
108	13-14 400 Medley Relay**	109
110	15-18 400 Medley Relay**	111
	<b>10 minute break</b>	
35	50 Free	36
37	11-12 50 Breast	38
39	13 & Over 200 Breast	40
41	11-12 50 Back	42
43	13 & Over 200 Back	44
45	100 Fly	46
47	11-12 100 IM	48
49	200 Free	50

\*\* Relay cards due 30 minutes prior to session start time.

*Preliminary events will be swum combined 11 & over, and Top 20 for each age group (11-12, 13-14, 15 & over) will advance to finals for each event.*

## Sunday PM 10 & Under Timed Finals

Start approx. 40 mins after the conclusion of the 13 & Over session

Girls 10&U	EVENT	Boys 10&U
112	10 & U 200 Medley Relay**	113
51	50 Free	52
53	50 Breast	54
55	100 Fly	56
57	100 Back	58
59	200 Free	60

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\*\* Relay cards due 30 minutes prior to session start time.  
*All 10 & Under events are timed finals.*

## Sunday Finals Start at 5:30pm

<b>Women's (11-12, 13-14, 15 &amp; Over)</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>Men's (11-12, 13-14, 15 &amp; Over)</b>
35	50 Free	36
37	11-12 50 Breast	38
39	13 & Over 200 Breast	40
41	11-12 50 Back	42
43	13 & Over 200 Back	44
45	100 Fly	46
47	11-12 100 IM	48
49	200 Free	50

### **Hotel Information:**

La Quinta Inn & Suites Austin Southwest at Mopac  
4424 South Mopac Expwy  
Austin, TX 78735  
(512) 899-3000

Extended Stay America Austin - Southwest  
5100 US Hwy. 290 W  
Austin, TX 78735  
(512) 892-4272

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Austin SW - Sunset Valley  
4892 Hwy 290  
Sunset Valley, TX 78735  
(512) 891-9500

Hampton Inn Austin/Oak Hill  
6401 Hwy 290  
Austin, TX 78735  
(512) 891-7474



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## SOUTH TEXAS SWIMMING, Inc. Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

### A. WARM-UP PROCEDURES

#### I. Assigned Warm-up Procedures

- a. Warm-up lanes and times will be assigned to competing teams based on number of entrants.
- b. All warm-up activities will be coordinated by the coach(es) supervising that lane.
- c. Dive sprints shall occur from only the designated end of the pool, swimmers must exit on the opposite end of the pool, and may be done only under the direct supervision of the coach.

#### II. Open Warm-up Procedures

### LANE USE

POOL	PUSH/PACE	DIVES/SPRINTS	GENERAL WARMUP
8 Lanes	1 and 8	2 and 7	3 through 6
6 Lanes	1 and 6	2 and 5	3 and 4

- a. The first half of the assigned warm-up time shall be general warm-up for all lanes.
- b. Push/Pace lanes will push off one or two lengths from starting end.
- c. Sprint lanes are for diving from blocks or for backstroke starts in specified lanes at designated times and from the designated end. Swimmers must exit the pool on the opposite end.
- d. There will be no diving in the general warm-up lanes—circle swimming only.
- e. No kickboards, pull buoys, or hand paddles may be used.

### III. Safety Guidelines

#### a. Coaches are responsible for the following:

1. Instructing swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices.
2. Actively supervising their swimmers throughout the warm-up sessions, at meets, and all practices.
3. Maintaining as much contact with their swimmers AS POSSIBLE, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.

#### b. The host team will be responsible for the following:

1. A minimum of four marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Director shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session(s).
2. Marshals will have the authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of a warm-up session, any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of these procedures.
3. The host team shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool, indicating their designated use during warm-ups.
4. Warm-up times and lane assignments will be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area and the following statement will appear in the meet information: "South Texas Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
5. An announcer will be on duty for the entire warm-up session to announce lane and/or time changes and to assist with the conduct of the warm-up.
6. Hazards in locker rooms, on deck, or in areas used by coaches, swimmers, or officials will be either removed or clearly marked.

### B. MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- I. Backstrokers will ensure that they are not starting at the same time as a swimmer on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step up on the blocks if there is a backstroke waiting to start.
- II. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
- III. Swimmers are required to exit the pool on completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time. The pool is not for visiting or playing during the warm-up session.
- IV. Warm-up procedures will be enforced for any breaks scheduled during the competition.
- V. No hand paddles, fins, or kickboards may be used at any time during general, specific, or between warm-ups unless approved by the Meet Referee.

**NOTE: Host Clubs, with the consent of the Meet Referee, may modify the time schedule or recommended lane assignments depending on pool configuration, number of swimmers, or other considerations; so long as safety considerations are not compromised. Any such changes will be announced and/or prominently posted in the pool area.**