



2009/10 NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meets Club Guidelines



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Overview

NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meets are a quick, fun way of swimming competitively without having to leave your own area. Using official times, swimmers who are 8-13 years old can see how they compare to other swimmers in clubs all over the state.

Any Swimming WA club can host a NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meet. The program will contain 6 events, 50m of all competition strokes and two longer events, with all meets to be held within the one week timeframe set by Swimming WA. This means Regional and Metropolitan areas will be running the same program at the same time, almost as if they were at the same venue. When the program is complete, clubs send their results to Swimming WA where they will be collated on the SWA website for swimmers to view.

These meets should last less than 90 minutes which will make for an enjoyable event. Clubs are encouraged to distribute prizes based on performance, effort and participation. Clubs may like to run other events outside the official races for recreational members and to encourage non-members to participate (E.g. bring a buddy). Clubs may also take this opportunity to raise money for the season by means other than meet entry fees e.g. club B.B.Qs.

Dates on which the meets can be held on are detailed in the calendar attached to this document and on the Swimming WA website.

Information

Swimming WA

Swimming WA will promote the meet, provide guidelines to run the meet and provide an Application Package to all Clubs via the SWA website. A reminder will be sent out to all clubs prior to each month's program.

Registration

Clubs are encouraged to register at least two weeks prior to the event to ease administration, however, registration will be accepted up until the day before the set period. Swimming Clubs will be responsible for targeted promotion of their meet. Recreation centres and swimming pools often give discounted rates to organised meets. Speak with the management at your centre before you host a meet to reduce costs.

Registering for the meet with Swimming WA is free; clubs will need to charge swimmers to cover the costs of running the program. Clubs may not charge swimmers more than \$10 to enter and fully participate in the competition.

Proceedings

Once registered, Host Clubs will be emailed an electronic event file to be used for the running of the meet. Should Club's wish to add 'novelty' events, then these are not to be included on the SWA Electronic Event File. Only results of the SWA scheduled events for competitive members will be recorded on the website. Official times will be recorded once the Application for Recognition of Official Times has been examined and approved. Clubs are welcome to add on their own official events for their competitive members only or unofficial events to attract new members which can include competitive members, recreational members and non-members (e.g. bring a buddy). Official events outside the NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meet events will need to be sanctioned separately.

Running the meet with other clubs

Metropolitan clubs are required to run virtual meets with at least two other clubs. Clubs in regional areas are encouraged to have a similar number of clubs in the meet if possible; if not they can participate alone. Clubs can take turns in being the host club for these events in order to share the workload. Clubs which find it hard to team up with other clubs can contact Swimming WA for assistance. Metropolitan clubs may list a regional club who is running a Junior Virtual Speedster Meet as though they will be present, as well as another metropolitan club, instead of running the meet with two other metropolitan clubs.



SWA Members and JX

Official events will be run for Swimming WA competitive members of 8-13 years of age only. Times made will count towards the JX (Junior Excellence) program.

Note: Times made in either long course or short course pools will count towards the JX program for 9 and 10 year olds. 11 to 13 year olds will need to compete in a long course pool for their times to count towards the JX program. Short course results are still official times for 11- 13 year olds.

Ages Together

Swimmers will not be classified by age. Events will be based on time and gender alone. (E.g. Boys 50 freestyle may have 8, 9, 10, 11,12 and 13 year old starters in the same race).

During the Event

Events are to be conducted in the order as listed on the meet file.

It is a good idea for Host Clubs to produce a program of events for everyone to see so that swimmers are aware of when their event is to be run. A program can also be used to detail rules and to promote the swimming club.

Marshalling needs to be made clear and simple to follow.

Technical officials (referee, starter, check starter and marshals) are encouraged to wear a coloured club uniform rather than the traditional white uniform.

Clubs are encouraged to create a positive and enjoyable atmosphere throughout the meet to make it a great experience for all swimmers involved.

At the end of the meet

Results will be collated and listed on the SWA website with reference to the JX program.

Swimming Clubs must provide Swimming WA with a complete list of results via their meet manager files within one week of the competition concluding. Results received after this time will not be posted on the website. Results not received via meet manager will not be posted.

Clubs found to be running official meets outside the official guidelines will not have the meets' times recorded.

The results will be available to view at www.wa.swimming.org.au within a week of the last results coming in. Rankings will be made for each age group. Event results can be emailed to:

sam@wa.swimming.org.au

Mailed results will not be accepted.

Making it Official

NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meets must comply with all the conditions of an official meet, the times recorded can be used as qualifying times and count towards the JX program and other events. For times to be regarded as 'Official Times', Host Club's must ensure that there is an Official Referee and an Official Starter (holding current accreditation) present to verify that times are a true and accurate record. An Application Form for recognition of official times is attached to this application package, which needs to be returned to SWA prior to the meet. It is recommended that you confirm with SWA as to who are current accredited Referees and Starters within your area prior to holding this swim meet. If you are having trouble complying to the conditions of an official meet please contact Sam at Swimming WA to discuss other options. Most of all it is important that everyone has fun!





NewSat Junior Virtual Speedster Meet Calendar

Please put this on your club notice board

New Sat Junior Virtual Speedster Meets may be held from the first Monday of each month between September and March inclusive. Exact dates for the rest of the season are below.

December:

7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th
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January:

4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
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February:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
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March:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
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HOST CLUB APPLICATION FOR JUNIOR VIRTUAL SPEEDSTER MEETS

HOST CLUB.....

HOST CLUB CONTACT'S NAME AND NUMBER.....

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ALTERNATE CONTACT NAME AND NUMBER.....

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HOST CLUB CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS.....

OTHER CLUBS ATTENDING
 (Metropolitan clubs must hold the meet with two other clubs)

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HOST CLUB ADDRESS

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VENUE (INCLUDING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE).....

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DATE OF MEET

COURSE: Short/Long (Please circle relevant course)



**APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF OFFICIAL TIMES USING
MANUAL TIMING
AT THE JUNIOR VIRTUAL SPEEDSTER MEET**

This form is sent in after the meet has been swum.

CLUB

ADDRESS

NAME OF MEET

VENUE **DATE**

COURSE: Short/Long (Please circle relevant course)

This application is supported by electronic result file taken from Hy-Tek's Meet Manager or Team Manager which will be forwarded to Swimming WA on completion of the Swim Meet.

SIGNATURE **POSITION**

Certificate

We the undersigned certify that the foregoing information is a true and accurate record of the before mentioned swim meet and verify that the performance and relevant rules as set out by Swimming WA have been compiled with, being an Official Referee and an Official Starter being present with 3 timekeepers per lane.

****The Official Referee and Official Starter must have undertaken the relevant course provided by SWA or its training provider, and must hold current accreditation in order for the times to be accepted.***

This application has been examined and is recommended

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Date

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Referee (Signature)

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PRINT NAME

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Starter (Signature)

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PRINT NAME