

DARTFORD DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The DDSC Club championships are run throughout each calendar year on Friday evenings. They are run under A.S.A Law and A.S.A Technical Rules of Swimming. Each event is run on a heat declared winner basis and each heat is seeded slowest to fastest using the latest swimming times held for every competitor on the club database. All club championship dates are to be found on the DDSC website and DDSC notice board with the relevant closing date.

All swimming members in Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Junior Top & Top squad are expected to enter all of the categories listed for their age group subject to ability. Younger swimmers should liaise with their coach if in any doubt.

ELIGIBILITY

Swimmers must be a fully paid up member of Dartford District Swimming Club. Entries must be received prior to the advertised closing date.

AGE GROUPS

Qualifying ages are as at 31st December.

Boys 9 years & under	Girls 9 years & under
Boys 10 & 11 years	Girls 10 & 11 years
Boys 12 & 13 years	Girls 12 & 13 years
Boys 14 & 15 years	Girls 14 & 15 years
Boys 16 & 17 years	Girls 16 & 17 Years
Mens OPEN	Ladies OPEN

QUALIFYING EVENTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Boys & Girls 9 years and under

25m All four strokes
50m All four strokes
100m Individual Medley

** NB: Younger swimmers are permitted to enter the longer distance events on a 'time only'. However these entries must be validated by your coach.*

Boys & Girls 10 & 11 years

50m All four strokes
100m Individual Medley
200m All four strokes plus 200m Individual Medley

** NB Younger swimmers are permitted to enter the longer distance events on a 'time only' basis. However, these entries must be validated by your coach.*

Boys & Girls 12 & 13 years

50m All four strokes

100m All four strokes plus 100m Individual Medley

200m All four strokes plus 200m Individual Medley

400m Freestyle

400m Individual Medley

800m Freestyle (Girls)

1500m Freestyle (Boys)

Boys & Girls 14 & 15 years, 16 & 17 years & OPEN

50m All four strokes

100m All four strokes

200m All four strokes plus 200m Individual Medley

400m Freestyle

400m Individual Medley

800m Freestyle (Girls)

1500m Freestyle (Boys)

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Points are awarded per qualifying event in each age group. Six points are awarded for first place, five points for second place, four points for third place, three points for fourth place, two points for fifth place and one point for sixth place.

All swimmers are automatically entered for the 'OPEN' age group and points are awarded as above irrespective of the swimmers age. However, points are not allocated until after the final championship as events are swum by age groups on different dates.

The points accumulated throughout the year by each swimmer are added together in order to establish each age group winner, runner up and third place finisher.

MEDALS & RIBBONS

Medals are awarded to the first three swimmers in every event for each qualifying age group.

Ribbons are awarded to fourth, fifth and sixth place in all 9/u age group events.

These medals and ribbons for all age groups except the 'Open' age group are awarded on the night. .

TROPHIES

Trophies are presented at the 'Presentation Disco' as follows:

AGE GROUP AWARDS

A trophy is awarded to each age group winner, including the OPEN age group, with their name suitably engraved on it. These trophies are retained by each winner until the following November when they are returned to the club for engraving and presentation to the next recipient. In addition smaller trophies are awarded to the winner, second and third in each age group for them to keep.

INDIVIDUAL STROKE AWARDS

A trophy is awarded to the overall fastest 100m boy and girl in each swimming stroke at the club championships irrespective of their age. These trophies are suitably engraved and retained by each winner until the following November when they are returned to the club for engraving and presentation to the next recipient.

200 METRE AWARDS

A trophy is awarded to the fastest 200m boy and girl in each swimming stroke and Individual Medley at the club championships irrespective of their age. These trophies are suitably engraved and retained by each winner until the following November when they are returned to the club for engraving and presentation to the next recipient.

400 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY & 400, 800 and 1500 METRE FREESTYLE AWARDS.

A trophy is awarded to the fastest 400m boy and girl, the fastest 800m girl and the fastest 1500m boy at the club championships irrespective of age. These trophies are suitably engraved and retained by each winner until the following November when it is returned to the club for engraving and presentation to the next recipient.

LYNDA PINKESS AWARDS

Trophies are awarded to the boy and girl who have gained the most 4th to 6th place finishes during the entire club championships. These trophies were kindly donated by Lynda Pinkess to recognise those swimmers who regularly participate in each club championships but finish just outside the medals. These trophies are suitably engraved and retained by each winner until the following November when it is returned to the club for engraving and presentation to the next recipient.