

Surrey County ASA 2022 Masters Championships

Competitors Information and pre-event briefing notes

1. Getting there:

The venue is: Surrey Sports Park, Guildford, Surrey GU2 7AD www.surreysportspark.co.uk

With the rail strikes and other events in the area on Saturday, its important to give yourselves plenty of time to negotiate the A3 near Guildford. If you want to get a message to me, please use text or whatsapp rather than a phone call as I usually don't hear the call in the frenzy of the event.

2. Car Parking

Competitors – please park in the lower car park. This has been allocated to us for the day. Number plate recognition will be in operation in the main car parks and parking timing is limited to 3 hours. To avoid a fine, please park in the lower car park but you can come up the hill to drop passengers off. Officials and volunteers only will be allowed to park in the main car parks but they have to leave their car reg and name at reception



3. Spectators

Generally few spectators attend, but for those that do, please access the spectators area via the main pool entrance and please take a seat. Please do not congregate near the timing and admin area.

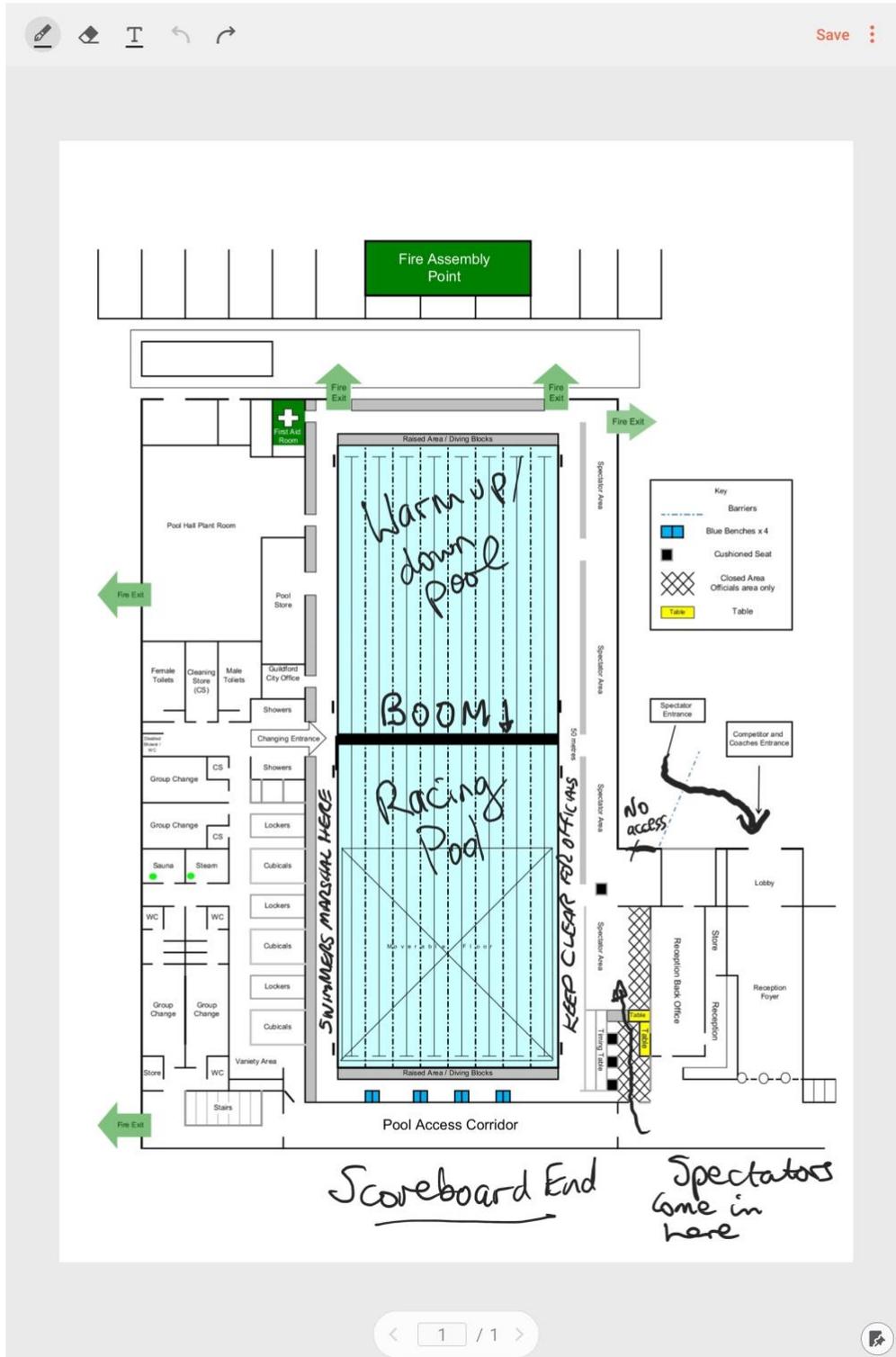
4. Competitor Access

PLEASE NOTE – WE ARE NOT USING THE EMERGENCY DOOR FOR ACCESS DURING THE DAY.

Although the event team will be on site from much earlier, can we all please ensure that competitors do not attempt to be on poolside or in the changing rooms before start of warm up at 1215pm. This is to ensure that SSP staff have unimpeded access in completing the setting up of the venue.

Competitors should enter through the main reception and along the pool corridor into the changing facilities. Outside footwear is not allowed on poolside or in the spectators area where swimmers will sit. Competitors may use the spectators area to sit in. Please try not to bring food and drink on poolside. And no glass at all please.

Swimmers, please shower on your first entrance into the pool. SSP staff can be particular about showering and I want to avoid any hassle with swimmers being asked to shower (again) after they have warmed up.



5. Session Timings have been revised for sessions 2 and 3 due to entry levels.

1ST Warm Up 12:15, 1st session to start 1300.

2nd session start 1540

3rd session start 1805, end 1945

6. Event Programme

The meet programme will be available for download from the website in advance of the meet. We are not printing and selling hard copies. All events are pre-seeded. If we have a no-show we have an empty lane. In the event of an entry having been missed, we can usually work some kind of trick with support of Officials.

Start lists will be taped to the wall on the changing room side of the pool.

The event will be published on the Meet Mobile App.

7. Warm Ups

The 2nd half of the pool is available for warm-up and warm-down while racing is ongoing, but please ensure you respect the need for quiet at the start of events.

8. Marshalling

We do not marshal swimmers as in age groups events. Swimmers "self-marshall". Heat 1 will be at the blocks with next heat behind the timekeepers. Other heats line up at the changing room side keeping access clear for the judges. For the 25m races starting on the boom, please marshal at the changing room side only and can we only have one heat on the beam at once please.

9. Racing Information

All races end at the scoreboard end so 25m races will start on the boom. Starting equipment will be moved as close as possible to the boom for 25m races but we have got by just fine in previous years with it at half way.

Please try to keep clear of the poolside area in front of the timing desk. This is swarming with Officials and Volunteers none of whom want an early bath caused by swimmers pushing past. Please head for the start by walking around via the changing room side.

We will conduct "over the top" starts where possible to maintain flow on what is likely to be a busy day.

Results will be taped on the wall by the admin area.

10. Relays

Relay names should be given to the admin desk by the end of session 1 for session 2 relays, and at the end of session 2 for session 3 relays. We do not worry what order is swum.

Only one heat, ie 2 swimmers per team, should be on the boom at any time.

Ideally there should not be any changes on the day, but if presented early enough we can usually cope with change of swimmer and indeed change of age-group. We do not allow relays to be added on the day.

11. Medals

Medals will be available for collection at a desk beside the timing and admin area from halfway through session 1. Please try to collect medals throughout the day rather than at the end.

12. Victor Ludorum Awards and Team Trophies

We present a small trophy to the winner – on points – in the 18-24 and then all 10 year (eg 25-34, 35-44 etc) age groups. Along with the team trophies these are awarded at the end of session 3. Please stay and cheer the winners!

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Meet Organiser

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