

KING OF THE HILL CHALLENGE

Hosted by: Reno Aquatic Club

Friday October 14 – Sunday October 16, 2016

Enter online at: <http://ome.swimconnection.com/PC/reno20161014>



SANCTION: Held under USA Pacific Swimming Sanction No.: **16-120**

In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

NOTICE: By entering this meet, the athlete or his/her guardian consents to the publication, via electronic, print or other media, information and/or imagery related to their participation at this meet. Such information and imagery may include, but is not limited to, photographs, video, web casting, television, psych sheets and live meet results.

USE OF AUDIO AND VISUAL: Photography and video recording from behind the blocks or starting areas is prohibited unless prior permission is granted by the Meet Referee. Use of any audio or visual recording devices, including but not limited to film and digital cameras, cell phones and tablets, and Google Glass is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Violation of this recording prohibition may result in ejection from the swimming pool facility by the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

OFFICIALS:

<i>Meet Referee:</i> Jim Morefield	<i>Head Starter:</i> Kendra Follett	<i>Chief Judge:</i> Valerie Rudd
<i>Meet Marshal:</i> Damon McAlister	<i>Administrative Officials:</i> Veronica Harmon & Marie Kissinger	
<i>Meet Director:</i> Teri Galvin	775-848-9487	terigalvin1@gmail.com

LOCATION: Carson City Aquatic Facility, 841 N. Roop St. Carson City, NV

DIRECTIONS: From Business Hwy. 395 go two traffic lights East on Hwy. 50 (E. Williams St.). Turn right on Roop St. and go one block south. Turn left behind the Carson City Community Center. From Reno on Hwy. 395 take exit 39. Turn right and travel West for 0.9 mile. Turn left into Mills Park and the Carson City Community Center. Additional parking is available at the Bank of America at the northwest corner of Roop St. and Hwy. 50 (E. Williams St.).

COURSE: 25 yard by 50 meter indoor pool with up to 8 short-course lanes for competition and 8 lanes for warm-up and warm down. Colorado Timing system with touch pads and scoreboards will be used. The minimum water depth in the competition course as measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 5 feet at the start end and 5 feet at the turn end. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming.

TIME:

- **FRIDAY 9-18 SESSION:** meet begins at 5:00 pm with warm-ups from 4:00 – 4:45 pm.
- **SATURDAY 13-18 SESSION:** meet begins at 8:30 am with warm-ups from 7:00 – 8:15 am.
- **SATURDAY 12 & UNDER SESSION:** meet begins no sooner than 12:30 pm with warm-ups no sooner than 11:30 am.
- **SUNDAY 18 & UNDER SESSION:** meet begins at 8:30 am with warm-ups from 7:00 – 8:15 am.

RULES:

- Current USA and Pacific Swimming rules will govern the meet.
- Pacific Swimming warm-up procedures will be in effect. A copy of these procedures will be posted at the Clerk of Course.
- All events will be seeded fastest to slowest, and all heats of King-of-the-Hill 50 Freestyle Challenge will also be circle seeded.
- All events except the King-of-the-Hill 50 Freestyle Challenge are timed finals.
- Athletes 13 and over may compete in no more than 3 individual events per day and 8 individual events total. Any and all King-of-the-Hill Challenge rounds count as a single Saturday event.
- Athletes 12 and under may compete in no more than 4 individual events per day and 10 individual events total.
- Entries for the Saturday Morning 13-18 session will close before the entry deadline if and when the estimated session timeline reaches 5 hours, or when the combined Saturday session timelines reach 8.5 hours, whichever occurs first.
- Entries for the Saturday Afternoon 12-under session will close before the entry deadline if and when the estimated session timeline reaches 4 hours, or when the combined Saturday session timelines reach 8.5 hours, whichever occurs first.
- Entries for the Friday and Sunday sessions of the meet will close before the entry deadline if and when the estimated session timeline reaches 4 hours.
- If local conditions warrant, the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down. Immediate cash refunds will be given for any mandatory scratch downs.
- **All coaches and deck officials must wear their valid USA Swimming membership cards in a visible manner at all times while on deck. All coaches are required to sign in and present their valid 2016 or 2017 registration card before coaching**

athletes at the meet. Except for coaches accompanying athletes participating under the provisions of 202.8 or USA Swimming's "open border" policy, all persons acting in any coaching capacity must show proof of current USA Swimming coach membership.

KING-OF-THE-HILL 50 FREESTYLE CHALLENGE:

- Open to athletes ages 13-18 who **enter the King of the Hill Challenge (event 9 for girls or event 10 for boys).**
- The Challenge is a multiple-round championship elimination swum over 2 days, as shown in the schedule of events, starting with the top 64 times in each gender from Events 9 and 10, and continuing with the top 32, 16, 8, 6, 4, and 2 times respectively from each previous round until there is one champion for each gender, the King of the Hill, who will receive a distinctive award.
- The 2nd through 8th finishers in each gender will also receive distinctive awards.
- All heats of all rounds of the King of the Hill 50-free Challenge will be circle-seeded.
- King of the Hill participants who wish to scratch their remaining rounds are requested to notify the Referee ASAP.

DISTANCE:

- **Per Zone-4 policy, to be eligible to enter the 1000 freestyle and 1650 freestyle, an athlete must have previously established an official time in an event of 400y/400m or longer.**
- All athletes entered in the 500 Free, 1000 Free and 1650 Free on Friday must be **checked in by 5:00 pm on Friday otherwise they will be considered scratched from the event.**
- The 500 Free, 1000 Free and 1650 Free will be swum alternating women's and men's heats.
- All athletes in the 500 Free must provide their own lap counters. All athletes in the 1000 Free and 1650 Free must provide their own timers and lap counters.
- If local conditions warrant, the Meet Referee may combine women's and men's heats.

UNACCOMPANIED ATHLETES: Any USA Swimming athlete-member competing at the meet must be accompanied by a USA Swimming member-coach for the purposes of athlete supervision during warm-up, competition and warm-down. If a coach-member of the athlete's USA Swimming Club does not attend the meet to serve in said supervisory capacity, it is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete's legal guardian to arrange for supervision by a USA Swimming member-coach. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the athlete in making arrangements for such supervision; however, it is recommended that such arrangements be made in advance of the meet by the athlete's USA Swimming Club Member-Coach.

RACING STARTS: Each athlete must be certified by a USA Swimming Member-Coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start the race in the water. It is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

RESTRICTIONS: the following restrictions apply to all areas of the meet venue including the pool deck, locker rooms, spectator seating or standing areas, and all areas used by athletes during the meet and during warm-up periods.

- No smoking or use of tobacco products.
- No sale or use of alcoholic beverages.
- No glass containers.
- No propane heaters.
- No animals except working service animals.
- Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
- **IMPORTANT:** All floor and wall vents must be kept clear at all times to ensure proper air circulation in the facility.
- There will be closed areas of the deck. Cooperation of athletes, families, and coaches will be appreciated.
- Destructive devices, to include but not limited to, explosive devices and equipment, firearms (open or concealed), blades, knives, mace, stun guns and blunt objects are strictly prohibited in the swimming facility and its surrounding areas. If observed, the Meet Referee or his/her designee may ask that these devices be stored safely away from the public or removed from the facility. Noncompliance may result in the reporting to law enforcement authorities and ejection from the facility. Law enforcement officers (LEO) are exempt per applicable laws.

ELIGIBILITY:

- **The meet is open to all 18-under athletes** who are current athlete members of USA-Swimming.
- Athletes must enter their name and registration number exactly as they are shown on their USA Swimming Registration. If this is not done, it may be difficult to match the athlete with the registration and times database. The meet host must check all athlete registrations against the SWIMS database and if not found to be registered, the Meet Director shall accept the registration at the meet (a \$10 surcharge will be added to the regular registration fee). Duplicate registrations will be refunded by mail.

- Entries with "NO TIME" WILL be accepted (**exception: see Distance eligibility rules**).
- **Disabled athletes, attached or unattached, are welcome to attend this meet and should contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee regarding special accommodations on entry times and seeding per Pacific Swimming policy.**
- **The athlete's age will be the age of the athlete on the first day of the meet.**

CHECK-IN: This meet is deck seeded. Athletes must check in at the Clerk of Course. Close of check in for the first 4 events each day shall be 30 minutes before the start of the session. Close of check-in for all events (EXCEPTION: see distance rules) shall be no more than 60 minutes before the estimated time of the start of the first heat of the event. No event shall be closed more than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the meet session. **Athletes who do not check in for an event will be automatically scratched and may not compete in that event.**

SCRATCHES & NO-SHOWS: Any athlete not reporting for or competing in an individual event shall not be penalized. Athletes who must withdraw from an event after it is seeded are requested to inform the referee immediately. King of the Hill participants who scratch or no-show a King of the Hill round become ineligible for all subsequent rounds, and are still subject to the daily event limits.

ENTRY TIMES: Entries must be submitted using the athlete's best short-course yards time for each event. All entry times must be submitted in yards.

ENTRY FEES: \$4.00 per event plus a \$9.00 participation fee per athlete to help cover meet expenses. Entries will be rejected if payment is not sent at time of request. NO REFUNDS will be given except in the case of a mandatory scratch-down.

ENTRY DEADLINES: entries for each session will close by the applicable deadline listed below, **or when a session becomes full and is closed early per the rules section above, whichever is first.** NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO DECK ENTRIES OR ENTRY CHANGES WILL BE ALLOWED. Check <http://ome.swimconnection.com/PC/reno20161014> for session open or closed status.

ONLINE ENTRIES: Enter on-line at <http://ome.swimconnection.com/PC/reno20161014> to receive immediate confirmation. The "billing information" email should be brought to the meet as proof of entry. This method requires payment by credit card. Swim Connection, LLC charges a processing fee for this service, equal to \$1 per athlete plus 5% of the total Entry Fees. Please note that the processing fee is a separate fee from the Entry Fees. **Entering online is a convenience, is completely voluntary, and is in no way required or expected of an athlete by Pacific Swimming.** If you do not wish to pay the processing fee, enter the meet using a mail entry. **Online entries will not be accepted after 11:59 pm, Wednesday, October 5, 2016.**

MAILED ENTRIES: Fill out the provided Consolidated Entry Form completely for each athlete in your family, including best yards time for each event. Cut out your entry card(s) and mail to the address below. **Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 11:59 pm Monday, October 3, 2016.**

- **Make check payable to: Reno Aquatic Club**
- **Mail Entries to: Meet Director, Reno Aquatic Club, PO Box 7064, Reno, NV 89510**

If you would like confirmation of entry, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope or postcard. If Sent by Express Mail or FEDEX indicate *NO SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY*. No signature will be available for mailed entries.

AWARDS:

- **Individual events:** Ribbons 1st thru 8th place in each age group (8-Under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16 and 17-18).
- **King of the Hill Challenge:** The boys' and girls' champion will each receive a King of the Hill Trophy. The 2nd through 8th King of the Hill finishers will receive distinctive awards.

ADMISSION: Free. A three day program will be available for \$5.00.

SNACK BAR & HOSPITALITY: A snack bar will be available each day. BREAKFAST WILL BE AVAILABLE EACH DAY. Hospitality and lunches will be served to all working officials and coaches.

TIMERS: Clubs will be assigned lanes based on the number of athletes from each club (host club will not be expected to time). All athletes in the 1000 Free and 1650 Free must provide their own timers.

MINIMUM OFFICIALS: All available USA Swimming members certified officials are welcomed and encouraged to work at this meet. As the number of certified officials allows, interested parents/trainees are also welcome to shadow working officials for education and/or mentoring. **Participating clubs are requested to provide at least the following number of certified and carded officials for each session:**

Club athletes entered in session	Trained and carded officials needed
1-10	0
11-25	1
26-50	2
51-75	3
76-100	4
101 or more	5

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday Evening 9-18 Session

Girls Event#	Age Group	Event	Boys Event#
1	11-18	400 IM	2
3	9-12	500 Free	4
5	11-18	1000 Free*	6
7	11-18	1650 Free*	8

*Per Zone -4 policy, to be eligible to enter the 1000 freestyle and 1650 freestyle, an athlete must have previously established an official time in an event of 400y/400m or longer.

Saturday Morning 13-18 Session

Girls Event#	Age Group	Event	Boys Event#
9	13-18	50 Free	10
King of the Hill Challenge (KOH)			
11	13-18	200 Fly	12
13	13-18	100 Breast	14
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 64	KOH
15	13-18	500 Free	16
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 32	KOH
17	13-18	100 Back	18
19	13-18	100 Fly	20
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 16	KOH
21	13-18	200 Free	22

Saturday Afternoon 12-under Session

Girls Event#	Age Group	Event	Boys Event#
23	9-12	200 Free	24
25	12 & under	50 Breast	26
27	8 & under	25 Back	28
29	11-12	200 Fly	30
31	12 & under	50 Fly	32
33	9-12	100 Breast	34
35	12 & under	100 IM	36
37	8 & under	25 Free	38
39	11-12	100 Fly	40
41	12 & under	100 Back	42
43	10 & under	100 Free	44
45	11-12	50 Free	46

Sunday 18-under Session

Girls Event#	Age Group	Event	Boys Event#
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 8	KOH
47	11-18	200 Back	48
49	12 & under	50 Back	50
51	8 & under	25 Breast	52
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 6	KOH
53	11-18	200 Breast	54
55	9-10	100 Fly	56
57	8 & under	25 Fly	58
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 4	KOH
59	11-18	100 Free	60
61	9-18	200 IM	62
63	10 & Under	50 Free	64
KOH	13-18	50 Free top 2	KOH

