

2019 GRPA 4th District Meet
July 6, 2019

HOST TEAM: Clayton County Parks and Rec

MEET DIRECTOR: Donna Lawrence donna.lawrence81@yahoo.com

FACILITY: **Steve Lundquist Aquatic Center**
9045 Tara Blvd
Jonesboro, GA 30236 (678) 479-5153

The meet will take place in the Steve Lundquist Aquatic Center's state-of-the-art 50 meter by 25 yard competition pool. One ten-lane 50-meter course will be used for competition during the meet. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of this certification is on file with USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming. The pool depths at the starting end and at the turning end are 12.5 feet and 7.6 feet, respectively. A separate 4-lane 25-yard warm-up/warm-down pool will be available throughout the meet. A Colorado System automatic timing system equipped with non-slip touch pads, non-turbulent lane lines, and a five-line scoreboard display will be used.

There is ample space available for swimmers on the pool deck. However, all deck spaces in the competition pool area are reserved for swimmers, coaches, officials, and meet volunteers. Parents are asked to remain in the stands during the meet.

RULES: Current USAS rules and regulations will govern the conduct of the meet unless otherwise stated herein or in the 2019 GRPA Athletic Manual.

All events will be swum according to the age group designations as listed in the order of events. Swimmers are responsible for swimming in their assigned heat and lane.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. The practice of deck changing is prohibited at all USA-Swimming sanctioned events. Swimmers participating in deck changing would be in violation of the USA Swimming Rule 202.2.9I and could be subject to removal from further competition in the meet.

All teams must sign the waiver on the Summary Sheet.

Swimmers are responsible for **swimming** in their assigned heats and lanes.

“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. 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.”

Dive-over starts may be utilized at the discretion of meet management and officials

Deck Pass is acceptable proof of USA Swimming membership.

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Photos and videos may be taken of swimmers during the meet by parents or a professional photographer retained by the host club. All participants agree to be filmed or photographed by photographers designated by the meet host and to allow the meet host the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during, or after the period of participation in Georgia Swimming competitions to promote swimming and meets hosted by the meet organizer. If you do not wish to have your child(ren) photographed, you may withdraw your consent by informing the Meet Director before the start of the first day of the meet.

Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coaches’ 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 Operations Vice Chair, Program & Events Chair or designee.

If a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, the host LSC may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against the individual, member coach or member club submitting the entry.

ELIGIBILITY: This meet is only open to the following teams within the IV GRPA District; Carrollton, Clayton County, Griffin, Peachtree City, Spalding County, Troup County,
We will also play host to Harris County, whom will be taking part in the B/C State meet in Tifton.

EXCEPTION: GRPA Rule IX, Article I, Section A 1.1: To allow a participant to compete for the same team in GRPA that they do year round, as long as it is a GRPA agency team. The participant must have a USA Swim membership card presented at the time of participant check-in. A 120 day turnover period would be required for USA swimming membership as outlined in USA Swimming guidelines.

AGE CONTROL DATE: The age control date is prior to June 1, 2019. All participants must have attained the age of 7 *prior* to June 1.

ENTRIES: Hy-Tek Meet Manager software will be used so please submit entries via Hy-Tek Entry File. Entries must include each swimmer's first and last name, age, seed times for each event entered, and their USA Swimming registration number. Additionally, a completed and signed 'Entry Summary and Liability Release Form' and a signed copy of the entries must be received before the entries are considered complete. Swimmers and Teams cannot participate until their entries are complete. Entries will be processed when complete, on a first-come/first-served basis.

Email entries should include an attachment representing the Hy-Tek Entry File; an attachment in Word format of those same Hy-Tek entries; and, in the body of the email, a list of all attending coaches with their and the team's contact information for confirmation of receipt and any and all additional correspondence and meet announcements. Errors in entries submitted electronically are the responsibility of the applicant.

Email entries may be submitted to donna.lawrence81@yahoo.com

Payment and Disk/Hardcopy entries may be sent to:

TARA TARPONS Meet Entries

c/o Nelson Camilo

P.O. Box 833

Jonesboro, Georgia 30273

*Please waive all signatures for delivery

A confirmation email will be sent to all teams.

ENTRY LIMIT: Swimmers may enter a maximum of three (3) Individual Events and two (2) Relays. Each agency may have an unlimited number of participants per event. Participants may compete in one individual age division throughout all swimming competition. A participant may compete in an older age division for Relay Events.
Clarification: This GRPA rule change allows swimmers to compete in their age group for individual events and swim up for relay events. The top 3 finishers in each class (Class A & Class B/C) must go to their respective State Meet.

MIXED GENDER RELAYS: Per GRPA Rule IX, Article II, Section C 5: “Mixed gender relays must consist of two (2) male and two (2) females.”

ENTRY FEES: Entry fees will be \$7.00 each for individual events and \$15.00 per relay event. A \$1 per swimmer timing fee will also be assessed. Meet fees will be determined after all Hy-Tek entries have been submitted and GRPA rosters have been verified. **FEES ARE DUE BY THE BEGINNING OF THE MEET.** Results will be held and not forwarded to the State host for any agencies who have not paid their fees. **Make check payable to: TARA TARPONS**

ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries must be received by 6:00 pm on Thursday June 27th.

LATE ENTRIES: In fairness to all participants, no late entries will be accepted.

ROSTERS: ROSTERS WILL BE CHECKED TUESDAY, July 2 AT 12:00PM AT THE STEVE LUNDQUIST AQUATIC CENTER, 9045 TARA BLVD, JONESBORO, GA 30236.

All agencies must enter swimmers on the Official GRPA Roster form. Entries must be made together in an Agency’s name and not entered by associations, leagues, individual teams or individual participants.

Rosters will be by sex/age groups, listed on separate sheets (ex: 7-8 boys on one roster, 7-8 girls on another roster—the same for 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 & 15-18 age groups). Girls or boys of a given age group will be written in alphabetical order with swimmers’ last name listed first. These rosters shall be completed in accordance with the appropriated information requested on the Official Roster, shall be certified by the Agency Director and other special persons required, and shall be presented with acceptable birth records to Nelson Camilo of Clayton County for verification (see ELIGIBILITY) above. Any agency whose rosters are not verified

prior to the first race must forfeit all entries. Any individual swimmer not appearing on a roster is ineligible to compete. **No changes can be made once rosters are officially accepted and submitted.** The Documentation Statement must be complete, must be signed by the Agency Director and must accompany the Official Rosters.

COACHES MEETING: A coaches meeting will be held on Saturday, July 6 at 9:45AM.

WARM-UP: All teams will receive their warm-up time by e-mail by Wednesday, July 3 at 10:00am.

Heat Sheets:

Each team will receive one heat sheet for every coach listed on their proof of entry form provided they check in at the Clerk of Course.

Supervision:

A current coach or a coach member of USA Swimming must supervise each swimmer participating in a USA Swimming sanctioned meet during warm-up and competition. An unattached athlete or an athlete not escorted by a current coach member must check in with the Meet Referee upon arrival at the meet. Such athletes will be assigned a member coach who will supervise him/her during warm-up and competition.

Officials:

Tara Tarpons (TARA) welcomes visiting officials and appreciates their help in conducting this event. Officials and apprentices must sign in with the Meet Referee (or designee) and show their current USA Swimming registration card and LSC certification card prior to the officials' meeting, which will be held no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the session. Officials or apprentices requesting certain positions may contact the Meet Referee as early as possible prior to the meet.

All officials planning to be on the pool deck must have a valid official's card from their LSC. Any official not having current certification will be barred from the pool deck; no exceptions will be made. Copies of the certification, faxes, or letters stating certifications are up to date, will not be considered. The uniform for all officials is white collared shirt, navy blue slacks or shorts (or skirts for women), and white tennis/deck shoes. Officials are encouraged to bring their own radio and headset.

Officials must display their credentials while on the pool deck.

Parents and Spectators:

Parents and spectators should not be on the pool deck in areas designated for coaches and officials. Persons serving in a volunteer capacity may be in these areas. **Flash photography is prohibited at the beginning of each heat of competition. Coaches, please help ensure that your parents are aware of these provisions.**

Awards:

Ribbons will be given in each individual event for places 1st through 8th.

Concessions:

There will be basic concessions for purchase.

Hospitality:

For coaches, officials and volunteers there will be basic provisions of beverages and snacks in the hospitality area.

Attachments:

The Order of Events and the Entry Summary and Liability Release Form are attached below.

Meet Management:

Meet Management shall consist of the Meet Referee and the Meet Director.

Event #	Event			Event #
Girls				Boys
1	7-8	50	Free	2
3	9-10	50	Free	4
5	11-12	100	Free	6
7	13-14	100	Free	8
9	15-18	100	Free	10
11	7-8	100	Medley Relay	12
13	7-8	100	Mixed Medley Relay	
14	10 & Under	100	Medley Relay	15
16	10 & Under	100	Mixed Medley Relay	
17	12 & Under	200	Medley Relay	18
19	12 & Under	200	Mixed Medley Relay	
20	14 & Under	200	Medley Relay	21
22	14 & Under	200	Mixed Medley Relay	
23	18 & Under	200	Medley Relay	24
25	18 & Under	200	Mixed Medley Relay	
26	7-8	25	Free	27
28	9-10	25	Free	29
30	11-12	50	Free	31
32	13-14	50	Free	33
34	15-18	50	Free	35
36	7-8	25	Breast	37
38	9-10	25	Breast	39
40	11-12	50	Breast	41
42	13-14	50	Breast	43
44	15-18	50	Breast	45

Event #	Event			Event #
Girls				Boys
46	7-8	100	IM	47
48	9-10	100	IM	49
50	11-12	100	IM	51
52	13-14	100	IM	53
54	15-18	100	IM	55
56	7-8	25	Back	57
58	9-10	25	Back	59
60	11-12	50	Back	61
62	13-14	50	Back	63
64	15-18	50	Back	65
66	7-8	25	Fly	67
68	9-10	25	Fly	69
70	11-12	50	Fly	71
72	13-14	50	Fly	73
74	15-18	50	Fly	75
76	7-8	100	Free Relay	77
78	7-8	100	Mixed Free Relay	
79	10 & Under	100	Free Relay	80
81	10 & Under	100	Mixed Free Relay	
82	12 & Under	200	Free Relay	83
84	12 & Under	200	Mixed Free Relay	
85	14 & Under	200	Free Relay	86
87	14 & Under	200	Mixed Free Relay	
88	18 & Under	200	Free Relay	89
90	18 & Under	200	Mixed Free Relay	

Team _____ Team Abbreviation _____

Coach _____ Email _____

Team Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

TOTAL INDIVIDUAL EVENTS _____ X \$7.00= _____

TOTAL RELAY TEAMS _____ X \$15.00= _____

TOTAL # ATHLETES _____ X \$1.00= _____

Grand Total _____

Submit one check payable to TARA TARPONS

Entries must be received on or before June 27, 2019. Mail entries to:

Nelson Camilo

nfcamilo@msn.com

PO Box 833

Jonesboro, Ga 30237

WAIVER, ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE

I, the undersigned coach or team representative verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming or the program they represent.

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming regarding warm-up procedures and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet.

Tara Tarpons, Clayton County Recreation Department, Georgia Swimming, INC, United States Swimming, INC, and Georgia Recreation and Parks Association, its agents, employees and coaches shall be free from any liability or claim for damages rising by reason of illness or injury to anyone during the conduct of this meet.

Signature/Title

Date