

Age Group Fall Classic & King of the Hill Challenge

FRIDAY – SUNDAY October 21 – 23, 2011

Hosted by: Reno Aquatic Club & Sparks Piranhas

Enter online at: <http://ome.swimconnection.com/pc/reno2011021>

Sanction Amended 10/4/2011 to address timeline issues by moving or eliminating Saturday AM relay events.

SANCTION: Held under USA/Pacific Swimming Sanction No. **11-096**
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.

LOCATION: Carson Aquatic Facility, 841 N. Roop St. Carson City, NV. 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 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 competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. 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.

TIME: **FRIDAY SESSION (all age groups):** meet begins at 5:00 pm with warm-ups from 4:00 – 4:45 pm.
SATURDAY 11-18 SESSION: meet begins at 8:30 am with warm-ups from 7:00 – 8:15 am.
SATURDAY 10-UNDER SESSION: meet begins no sooner than 12:30 pm with warm-ups no sooner than 11:30 am.
SUNDAY SESSION (all age groups): meet begins at 8:30 am with warm-ups from 7:00 – 8:15 am.

RULES: Current USA/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 except the King-of-the Hill 50 Freestyle Challenge are timed finals. **All swimmers ages 12 and under should complete competition within four (4) hours each day.** Swimmers may enter as many events as they wish, but shall check in for and compete in **no more than 4 individual events per day and 10 individual events total.** **EXCEPTION: King of the Hill participants shall check in for and compete in no more than 3 individual events per day and 8 individual events total.** Entries will be limited to the first 400 swimmers, or when the meet estimated time line exceeds the Four Hour Rule per age group and gender. If local conditions warrant, the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down and an immediate cash refund will be given.

KING-OF-THE-HILL 50 FREESTYLE CHALLENGE: open to swimmers ages 11-18 who **(1) enter the 11-18 50 freestyle plus at least 5 more individual events in the meet** (may compete in no more than 3 per day), **(2) check in for the Challenge** prior to the announced closing time on Saturday morning, and **(3) achieve one of the top 64 times** in the 11-18 50 freestyle, per gender, among those who check in for the Challenge. There is no additional cost for participation. The Challenge is a multiple-round championship elimination swim over 2 days, as shown in the schedule of events, starting with the top 64 times in each gender and continuing with the top 32, 16, 8, 6, 4, and 2 times respectively from each previous round until there is one champion, the King of the Hill, who will receive a special award. The other top 8 finishers will also receive distinctive awards. All heats of all rounds of the Challenge are circle-seeded.

Coaches & Officials: **All coaches and deck officials must wear their USA-S membership cards in a visible manner at all times while on deck.** All coaches are required to sign in and present their 2011 registration card before coaching swimmers at the meet. Except for coaches accompanying athletes participating under the provisions of 202.6 or USA Swimming's "open border" policy, **all persons acting in any coaching capacity must show proof of current USA Swimming coach membership.**

Attending with-

out a Coach: *“Any USAS 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 USAS Club does not attend the meet to serve in said supervisory capacity, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer’s legal guardian to arrange for supervision by a USA Swimming member-coach. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the swimmer in making arrangements for such supervision; however, it is recommended that such arrangements be made in advance of the meet by the athlete’s USAS Club Member-Coach.”*

Racing Start

Certification: Each 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.

RESTRICTIONS: Glass containers of any kind, propane heaters, smoking, and the sale and use of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products are strictly prohibited on the pool deck, in the locker room, in any of the spectator areas, and in all areas used by swimmers during the meet and warm-up periods. Use of cell phones in the locker rooms is strictly prohibited. **NO ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED ON THE PREMISES.** There will be closed areas of the deck. Cooperation of swimmers, families, and coaches will be appreciated.

ELIGIBILITY: Meet is open to all 18-under swimmers who are 2011 or 2012 USA Swimming registered athletes. Swimmers must enter their name and registration number on the meet entry card as they are shown on their registration card. If this is not done, it may be difficult to match the swimmer with the registration and times database. The meet host must check all swimmer 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 fee). Duplicate registrations will be refunded by mail. *Entry times submitted for this meet will be checked against a computer database and may be changed in accordance with Pacific Swimming Time Verification Procedures.* **Disabled swimmers, 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.**

CHECK-IN: The meet will be deck seeded. Swimmers 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 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.

SCRATCHES: Any swimmer who has checked in for an individual event and fails to swim that event will be barred from the next individual event in which the swimmer is entered on that day or the next meet day, whichever is first. The penalty will not apply if the swimmer scratches the event before it is seeded, or if the Referee accepts proof that the failure was caused by illness, injury, or other circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer. There is no penalty for failing to swim any King-of-the-Hill Challenge round.

RELAYS: Relays will be deck entered and will be swum as timed finals. Relay cards will be available at check-in and from the Clerk of Course. Relay swimmers must be entered in the meet (no relay-only swimmers), and must not be Unattached. Order of swimmers must be clearly marked on the relay card and shall not be changed after the start of the heat. **Relay entries will close by 4:45 pm Friday for the Friday pm session, 10:00 am Saturday for the Saturday 11-18 session, and by the announced time for the Saturday 10-under session. Relays Events 17/18 have been eliminated, and Events 21/22 and 27/28 will be swim out of sequence as shown in the amended schedule of events. Entry fees for relays are due by Sunday at 8:30 am. Prepaid entry fees for eliminated relays will be refunded by Sunday at 8:30 am. Participating clubs may enter as many relays as they wish in each event, but only one relay per club (designated “A” on the entry card) may score. The top 8 scoring relays in each event will receive points (40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22), and the 3 clubs with the highest overall relay point totals will receive special team relay awards.**

DISTANCE: Swimmers in the 1000 and 500 freestyle events are required to provide their own counters, and for the 1000 freestyle must provide their own timers. The 1000 freestyle will be swum fastest to slowest alternating girls and boys.

ENTRIES:

TWO OPTIONS FOR MEET ENTRY

Option 1: Online Meet Entries: Enter at <http://ome.swimconnection.com/pc/reno20111021> to receive immediate confirmation of acceptance via email. **The "billing information" email should be brought to the meet as proof of entry.** Online entry requires payment by credit card using our secure site. The cost of using online meet entries is \$1 per swimmer plus 5% of the total entry fee. Please note that the processing fee is a separate fee from the entry fees. Online meet entry fees are paid to SwimConnection LLC. Fees collected by the use of this system are completely voluntary. Online Meet Entry is in no way required or expected of a swimmer by Pacific Swimming. **ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 11:59 PM WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12, 2011**, or until the meet is determined to be full, whichever occurs first.

Option 2: Traditional Postal System Mailed Entries: Fill out the provided Consolidated Entry Form completely for each swimmer in your family, including best short course yards time for each event. Cut out your entry card(s) and mail to the address below. **Entered times must be submitted in YARDS.** "No time" entries **will be accepted.** **ALL PAPER ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MONDAY, October 10, 2011, or HAND-DELIVERED BY 7:00 PM WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12, 2011**, with **check payable to RENO AQUATIC CLUB, TO:**

Kendra Follett
1130 Sentinel Circle
Reno, NV 89509

If you would like confirmation of entry, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope or postcard. IF SENT EXPRESS MAIL OR FEDEX indicate *NO SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY*. No signature will be available for mailed entries.

ENTRY FEES: \$2.75 per event. \$9.00 per relay. Add \$5.00 per swimmer Participation Fee to help cover meet expenses. **NO LATE ENTRIES** will be accepted; **NO DECK ENTRIES** will be allowed. **NO REFUNDS** will be given except in the case of a mandatory scratch-down.

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

AWARDS: **Individual Events:** Ribbons 1st thru 8th in each age group (8-Under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18).
Relays: team relay high-point trophies to the top 3 scoring clubs.
King of the Hill Challenge: The boys' and girls' champion will each receive a King of the Hill Trophy. The other top 8 King-of-the-Hill finishers will receive distinctive awards.
Heat Winners: Heat winners selected on a random basis will receive prizes supplied by TYR.

SNACK BAR: A snack bar will be available each day.

BREAKFAST WILL BE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY.
BBQ lunch will be available Saturday.

HOSPITALITY: Hospitality and lunches will be served to all working officials and coaches.

OFFICIALS: Meet Referee: Jim Morefield Head Starter: Richard Hayes
Head Meet Marshall: Susan Hahl
Meet Director: Kendra Follett kfollettnv@gmail.com or (775) 826-3068

MINIMUM OFFICIALS:

All available USA Swimming member 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 swimmers 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, October 21, 2011 – evening 18-under session
Warm Ups 4:00 p.m. Start Time 5:00 p.m.

Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Age Group	Boys Event #
1	11-18	400 IM	11-18	2
3	18 & under	200 Medley Relay	18 & under	4
5	9-10	500 Free	9-10	6
7	11-18	400 Free Relay	11-18	8
9	11-18	1000 Free	11-18	10
27**	11-18	4 x 100 IM Relay*	11-18	28**

Saturday, October 22, 2011 – morning 11-18 session
Warm Ups 7:00 a.m. Start Time 8:30 a.m.

Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Age Group	Boys Event #
11	11-18	50 Free	11-18	12
13	11-18	200 Fly	11-18	14
15	11-18	100 Back	11-18	16
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 64	11-18	Challenge
17**	11-18	400 Medley Relay	11-18	18**
19	11-18	500 Free	11-18	20
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 32	11-18	Challenge
21**	11-18	200 Free Relay	11-18	22**
23	11-18	200 Breast	11-18	24
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 16	11-18	Challenge
25	11-18	200 Free	11-18	26
21**	11-18	200 Free Relay	11-18	22**

*Not a Nationally recognized event.

** Events 17/18 have been eliminated, and Events 21/22 and 27/28 and will be swum out of sequence as shown.

Saturday, October 22, 2011 – afternoon 10-under session
Start Time not before 12:30 p.m.

Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Age Group	Boys Event #
29	10 & under	200 Medley Relay	10 & under	30
31	9-10	200 Free	9-10	32
33	10 & under	50 Breast	10 & under	34
35	8 & under	25 Back	8 & under	36
37	9-10	200 IM	9-10	38
39	10 & under	50 Fly	10 & under	40
41	8 & under	100 IM	8 & under	42
43	9-10	100 IM	9-10	44
45	8 & under	25 Free	8 & under	46
47	9-10	100 Back	9-10	48
49	10 & under	100 Free	10 & under	50
51	10 & under	200 Free Relay	10 & under	52

Sunday, October 23, 2011 – 18-under session
Warm Ups 7:00 a.m. Start Time 8:30 a.m.

Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Age Group	Boys Event #
53	11-18	100 Breast	11-18	54
55	9-10	100 Breast	9-10	56
57	8 & under	25 Breast	8 & under	58
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 8	11-18	Challenge
59	11-18	200 Back	11-18	60
61	10 & under	50 Back	10 & under	62
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 6	11-18	Challenge
63	11-18	100 Fly	11-18	64
65	9-10	100 Fly	9-10	66
67	8 & under	25 Fly	8 & under	68
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 4	11-18	Challenge
69	11-18	200 IM	11-18	70
71	10 & under	50 Free	10 & under	72
73	11-18	100 Free	11-18	74
Challenge	11-18	50 Free top 2	11-18	Challenge

