



Invitational Swim Meet

June 15 & 16, 2024

The Merritt Otters Swim Club extends a warm invitation to join our Swim Meet on Saturday June 15 and Sunday June 16, 2024.

Location:

- Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre, Merritt, BC

Facility:

- 25 meter, 6 lane indoor pool
- There is green space to the left of the facility for team tents.
- Self contained RV camping will be permitted in the parking lot east of the Arena. See Accommodation section below for fees and restrictions.
- Restaurants nearby
- *Concession hopefully on site for breakfast and lunch Saturday and Sunday.*

Schedule:

| | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Scratch meeting | 7:45 am | 7:45am |
| Warm-ups – Jrs | 7:30 am | 7:50 am |
| Warm-ups – Srs | 7:50 am | 7:30 am |
| Officials meeting | 8:00 am | 8:00 am |
| Coaches meeting | 8:15 am | 8:15 am |
| Marshalling starts | 8:20 am | 8:20 am |
| Start of meet | 8:30 am | 8:30 am |
| Finish of meet | 2:00 pm | 2:00pm |

Please Note: All these times are estimates and may be revised by the meet manager and meet referee at any time

Format:

- All events will swim as timed finals
- BCSSA rules apply or as the Meet Manager deems fit and fair
- Hytek Meet Manager software will be used to 'crash' times
- Races will be seeded by time within each category on the schedule
- Maximum 3 individual events and 1 relay per swimmer per day.
- With the extra events, this is an opportunity for swimmers to participate in races in which they may not normally swim.
- All relays will be gender specific by division – no mixed relays
- This will be a cardless meet; swimmers must attend to marshalling calls and marshalling will commence at 8:20 daily

- Turtle races are open to swimmers 6 and under who are NOT entered in any other individual events. All turtles are to be registered in the meet package.
- There will be NO exhibition events

Entries:

- Entries must be received **NO LATER** than **Tuesday June 11th, 8 pm**
- All entries received past the deadline will be considered late entries
- Late entries cannot be guaranteed to be seeded.
- Best times should be submitted, but only times achieved in competition. If no time is available submit 'no time' (NT). Heats will be seeded according to times submitted.
- Seeding is done by the Hy-Tek MM and a minimum of changes to seeding will be done at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course for efficiency
- No switching of events once a swimmers is entered
- No Deck entries
- E-mail entries in Hy-tek format file and validation list to Jenn Reid at jennhodson@hotmail.com
- Relay entries must be submitted on proper entry forms to the Clerk of the Course prior to 10:00 am each day.

Scratches:

- E-mail scratches by 8:00 pm Wednesday June 12th to Jenn Reid at jennhodson@hotmail.com

Officials:

- We rely on volunteers to work as deck officials along with their current official standing with BCSSA. Plenty of officials ensure a smooth-running event and reasonable shifts on deck for everyone. New parents/officials are encouraged to step up and be mentored in this role during this meet.
- Clubs will be assigned lanes for timers and recorders.

Calling of Events:

- The meet will follow BCSSA policy regarding marshaling calls. The Clerk will announce the marshaling of the event two (2) times with two (2) minutes between each announcement.
- All swimmers from Division 1- 4 must go to marshalling for each event.
- Swimmers From Div 5-8 need only check in with marshalling once at the beginning of the day. There will be no calling of these events, the swimmers are responsible for ensuring they are behind the blocks and ready to swim when the referee calls the race. Swimmers may still come through the marshalling area to congregate and organize themselves prior to going out on deck. Swimmers will check in with the land timers to ensure they are in the right heat.

Awards:

- Ribbons will be awarded for: 1st - 6th place finishes for individual events in Divisions 1-4.
- Ribbons will be awarded for 1st - 6th place finishes for relays in Divisions 1-8.
- Aggregate awards will be awarded for Divisions 1-8. Aggregates for Category O1 and O2 will only be awarded if there are a minimum of 4 swimmers who compete in a minimum of 4 events of each gender in each Category O1 and/or O2 over the weekend.
- Point scores of 7-5-4-3-2-1 awarded in each individual "S" and "O" event.
- Points double for Relay events. These points count toward club points.
- Ribbons and Aggregates will be presented at the end of competition on Day 2.

"Achievement Draw"

- Tickets will be provided to swimmers for best times and may be entered into the draw provided.

Fees:

- Flat fee of \$30.00 per swimmer (no charge for turtles);
- Late Entries: \$45.00 (no exceptions). Late entries only accepted until Wednesday June 12, 9 PM.
- There will be no refunds for scratched swimmers.
- Please bring club cheques to the meet payable to Merritt Otters Swim Club.

Meet Managers and Referee:

- Meet Manager: Jenn Reid 250-315-7638 / jennhodson@hotmail.com
- Meet Referee: TBA

Schedule of Events:

Saturday

100 IM - Div 1-3 girls (and Ocat 1)
100 IM - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat 1)
200 IM - Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
200 IM - Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
50 Free - Div 1-3 girls (and Ocat 1)
50 Free - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat 1)
50 Free - Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
50 Free - Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
25 Free – Turtles
50 Fly - Div 1-4 girls (and Ocat 1)
50 Fly - Div 1-4 boys (and Ocat 1)
100 Fly - Div 5-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
100 Fly - Div 5-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
25 Fly – Turtle
100 Back - Div 1-3 girls (and Ocat 1)

100 Back - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat 1)
200 Free – Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
200 Free – Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
200 Medley relays - all divisions

Sunday

50 Fly - Div 5-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
50 Fly - Div 5-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
50 Back - Div 1-3 girls (and Ocat 1)
50 Back - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat 1)
100 Back - Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat2)
100 Back - Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat2)
25 Back - Turtles
50 Breast - Div 1-3 girls (and Ocat 1)
50 Breast - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat 1)
100 Breast - Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
100 Breast - Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat 2)
25 Breast - Turtles
100 Free - Div 1-3 boys (and Ocat1)
100 Free - Div 4-8 girls (and Ocat 2)
100 Free - Div 4-8 boys (and Ocat 2)

200 Free Relay – all divisions

Scheduled lunch breaks may or may not occur. Details will be announced throughout the day.

Accommodation Suggestions:

Best Western Plus – Merritt – 3969 Crawford Avenue Merritt, 1-800-780-7234; 250-378-0700

Camping:

Moon Shadows RV and Campground

- Located along the beautiful Coldwater River, 1 mile from the City of Merritt
- Reservations recommended, 250-315-2267, 1-888-344-2267, info@moonshadows.ca

City of Merritt

- The City of Merritt allows camping in self-contained RVs in the parking lot to the east of the Arena. There will be a fee of \$10 per RV per night, and is payable to the Meet Manager.
- There is limited space for camping and is based on first to reserve basis. Reservations can be made by e-mail to Jenn Reid at jennhodson@hotmail.com Please include the RV length in the message.
- Camping is only available for Friday and Saturday nights. The following rules MUST be adhered to:
 - No liquor to be consumed publicly. Liquor must be kept or consumed in the camping units only.
 - Noise to be kept to a minimum between the hours of 10:00 pm. to 7:00am as per City bylaws.
 - The campers can utilize the dumpster behind the arena for their own garbage. All clean-up of the parking lot and the dumpster area is the responsibility of those camping.
 - Barricades must be kept in place to ensure the camping area is kept safe and clear from vehicles going in and out of the lot.
 - Neither the City of Merritt nor the Merritt Otters Swim Club are responsible for any damages, or loss to any vehicles or persons who are utilizing the parking lot.

Recreation:

If time and weather permit, join friends, family, team-mates and other teams at Monck Park. The park has 2 acres of grass, and over 200 m of beach on Nicola Lake. The park is located approximately 20 minutes from town. Perfect for an after-meet picnic, swim, water-fight...or just to relax. Or bring your bike and check out our amazing bike trails.