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Speedo Festive Meet

Level 3

Sat 19th Dec & Sun 20th Dec 2026

Dover District Leisure Centre

Entry Fee:
£6 morning entry (covers all day), £4 afternoon entry

Programme included free
(under 12s admitted free of charge)

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Thanet Swim Club are seeking partnerships with local companies

Please contact us* if you are interested in working with us to support childrens' swimming in Thanet

(*thanetsc@live.co.uk)

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Conditions

Licence:
The event will be licenced to Level 3

Facilities:
This gala will take place at Dover District Leisure Centre, Whitecliffs Business Park, Fitness Fields, Whitfield, Dover, Kent, CT16 3FZ, in a 25-metre pool with electronic timing, wedge blocks and anti-wave ropes.

Rules:
The meet will be run in accordance with Swim England Laws and Technical Rules and the conditions of this competition. The one start rule will be in operation throughout the meet with over the top starts. All swimmers must be registered with Swim England and be members of a club affiliated to Swim England. The gala promoter has the right to amend the programme to ensure the smooth running and fairness of the event.

Clubs are expected to provide sufficient poolside staff to manage their swimmers on poolside and comply with Swim England Team manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy, (SE1048 -16/05/23) which can be found by following this link: https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/swim-england-relases-supervision-ratios-policy/

Coaches and TMs must wear club branded kit, so they are clearly identifiable..

Age Groups, awards and additional prizes:
Individual age groups are 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15+.
Ages as of midnight on 20th December 2026

The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non Binary Competition Policy. By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female

Medals will be awarded to the first 3 placed competitors in each age group for each event.
Additional prizes: 'Hot Heats' will be selected at random throughout the event, winners of these heats will be presented with Speedo goodies.

Qualifying Times:
This gala is aimed at all competitive swimmers with Upper qualifying times. There are no minimum entry times but if the gala becomes over-subscribed the slowest swimmers will be rejected from each age group so that session times can be adhered to.

There are no qualifying times for the 400m events. To enter swimmers must have a time that is verifiable on the rankings database.

Events:
All events will be 'heat declared winner'. All events will be swum with all age groups combined, all events will be seeded by entry times, slowest to fastest. The last heat in each event may be spearheaded.

Entries:
This will be a **FIRST COME FIRST SERVED GALA – OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES Tuesday 1st December 2026** closing date for entries is midnight 4th December 2026 or once the gala is full if that is sooner. No late entries will be accepted. The entry fee is £6.00 per individual event. Late/incomplete/illegible entries or those without the correct entry fees will not be accepted. Please e-mail lynngates@live.co.uk for the Entry File and complete the Consolidated Entry Form attached. BACS payment is preferred (Sort code: 30-96-93, Account: 01365850) please state Club name as a reference. Independent entries should use the BACS information above with the reference being the swimmer's name. Cheques are only accepted in exceptional circumstances, made payable to 'Thanet Swim Club'.

Withdrawals:
This will be a 'sign-out' gala - Coaches must inform the steward's desk of any swimmer not competing before the start of the warm-up for each session.

Results:
Every effort will be made to provide full electronic results as the meet progresses via the club website: www.thanetsc.org. However, in the event of technical failure, this may not always be possible.

Coaches Passes:

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Coaches passes will be issued at a cost of £30.00 per weekend pass and this will entitle them to admission to all sessions, a programme and poolside refreshments. Entry to poolside will not be permitted without a pass; poolside coaches need to be Swim England registered and hold a valid DBS check.
One **free coach pass can be claimed by any club** providing two officials for each session – these should be named on the consolidated entry form.

Officials:
The event needs a minimum of 20 officials for each session. All clubs with 8 or more swimmers attending are requested to help with the running of the meet by supplying details of any licensed officials who are willing to assist at this gala. We note that if we are unable to fulfil the required number of licenced and qualified officials to ensure the competition meets the licence requirements, the meet may be downgraded to a lower licence level and the times recorded by swimmers would not be allowed into 'rankings' as at that date/level. If visiting clubs cannot assist with the provision of licenced officials, then Thanet Swim Club cannot guarantee the licence level required by the Swim England SER Licensing Board.

Spectators:
Adult spectator admission will be: £6 per person per day (£4 for afternoon session only). The entry price includes a free programme. Children aged 12 and under will be admitted free. The venue's cafeteria should be open all weekend. The venue has car parking, which is free, please be sure to park in marked bays only, as parking wardens visit the site regularly.

Photography:
Anyone wishing to carry out video, zoom or close-range photography must be in accordance with Swim England 'Wavepower' guidelines.
It is likely that we will have our own club photographer present; s/he will take photos that focus on Thanet Swim club swimmers and prize winners, these may be used online and in promotional material. If there are any issues regarding this matter, please contact our Gala Manager, Sarah Hawkins (email below).

Mobile Phones/Item with photographic Capability:

Their use at the event is as outlined in Wave Power. This has further restricted all mobile use and other devices and now specifically prohibits the use of mobile phones in the changing area. This means:

- No Taking photos or videos
- No texting
- No making or receiving phone calls.
- No browsing the internet
- No browsing or posting on social media.

Data Privacy:
Entries may be held on a computer solely for the purposes of this competition and consent, as required by the General Data Protection Regulations 2018, to the holding of personal information on computer will be deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Personal Data will be available for inspection during the gala on application to the Promoter.

Your privacy is important to us. The reason we need your data is to be able to administer your competition entry. We will publish accepted entries, the event programme and results on our website and will pass such information to the governing body or any affiliated organisation for the purpose of licences or for publishing results either for the event alone or combined with or compared to other events. Results may include (but not be limited to) name, any club affiliation, race times, and age category.

All data files and paper entries containing personal information in relation to the gala held by Thanet Swim Club will be deleted or securely shredded within 30 days of the last day of the gala. Results from this gala will be posted on the Thanet Swim Club website and retained for two years from the last date of the gala.

Further Information:
If you have any event related queries or require further information please email Sarah Hawkins (bowden308@hotmail.co.uk) or visit the 'Hosted Events' page on web-site: www.thanetsc.com

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Safety and Security Guidelines

for Swimmers, Coaches, Officials and Spectators

Starts: It is the responsibility of the competitors, coaches and clubs, to ensure that all swimmers are competent to the standard of the Swim England competitive start award, to perform a shallow racing dive into the water. In the event of a false start, swimmers should perform a safe entry with a shallow racing dive and not fall into the water. Swimmers are reminded that they are permitted to start in the water for all events, but must advise the referee of this prior to the start of their heat.

Warm up: During the warm-up, swimmers and coaches must ensure that they (and swimmers in their charge) take no action that would endanger themselves or others.
The instructions of Pool Lifeguards or others in authority must be obeyed immediately.

Safety: Everyone attending the event must familiarise themselves with the location of the emergency exits, which must be kept clear at all times. Due to limited space poolside everyone is asked to observe all normal precautions in the pool area and when moving around the sports centre, to ensure their own safety and that of others. Anyone observing anything they consider to be a safety hazard must report it to the Gala Promoter.

Attire: All swimmers must wear suitable footwear and tops when in the stewarding area or when leaving poolside.

Behaviour: The organisers and the pool management reserve the right to remove any swimmer or spectator from the pool area whose behaviour is either against the pool rules or the efficient running of the gala. Stewards will be patrolling the sports centre and anyone found causing damage or seriously misbehaving, will be banned from the gala and refused entry to the building.

Security: Competitors are advised not to leave their belongings unattended and to ensure valuables are placed in a locked locker or deposited with someone for safekeeping. Neither Thanet Swim Club nor the Pool Management will be held responsible for property that is lost.

Litter: Competitors and spectators are asked to place all litter in the receptacles provided and not to leave it on the floor, particularly in the spectator gallery, where it may become a safety hazard.

Any situation not covered by the meet rules and information, will be at the discretion of the Gala Promoter, who also reserves the right to make any changes that may be considered necessary for the smooth running and discipline of the gala.

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Programme and Upper Qualifying Times

These are short course upper QTs

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SESSION 1 Saturday 19th December 2026					Warm-up time 1:00pm / Start time 2:15pm
EVENT		9/10	11/12	13/14	15+
101	Mixed 400m Freestyle	04:14.00/04:20.00	04:08.00/04:14.00	04:02.00/04:08.00	03:52.00/04:02.00
102	Female 50m Breaststroke	00:36.00	00:34.00	00:32.00	00:30.00
103	Open/Male 50m Backstroke	00:31.50	00:30.00	00:28.50	00:25.00
104	Female 200m Backstroke	02:22.00	02:16.00	02:10.00	02:04.00
105	Open/Male 200m Breaststroke	02:34.00	02:28.00	02:22.00	02:16.00
106	Female 100m Butterfly	01:12.00	01:08.00	01:04.00	01:00.00
107	Open/Male 100m Freestyle	01:04.00	01:00.00	00:56.00	00:50.00
SESSION 2					Warm-up time tbc / Start time tbc
EVENT		9/10	11/12	13/14	15+
201	Mixed 400m Individual Medley	04:34.00/04:40.00	04:28.00/04:34.00	04:22.00/04:28.00	04:16.00/04:22.00
202	Open/Male 50m Breaststroke	00:35.00	00:33.00	00:31:00	00:29.00
203	Female 50m Backstroke	00:32.50	00:31.00	00:29.50	00:28.00
204	Open/Male 200m Backstroke	02:18.00	02:12.00	02:06.00	01.56.00
205	Female 200m Breaststroke	02:36.00	02:30.00	02:24.00	02:18.00
206	Open/Male 100m Butterfly	01:09.00	01:05.00	01:01.00	00:55.00
207	Female 100m Freestyle	01:08.00	01:04.00	01:00.00	00:56.00
SESSION 3 Sunday 20th December 2026					Warm-up time 9:00am / Start time 10:15am
EVENT		9/10	11/12	13/14	15+
301	Open/Male 200m Butterfly	02:28.00	02:22.00	02:16.00	01.58.00
302	Female 200m Freestyle	02:16.00	02:10.00	02:04.00	01:58.00
303	Open/Male 50m Freestyle	00:28.00	00:26.50	00:25.00	00:23.50
304	Female 50m Butterfly	00:32.50	00:31.00	00:29.50	00:28.00
305	Open/Male 100m Backstroke	01:03.00	01:01.00	00:59.00	00:53.00
306	Female 100m Breaststroke	01:22.00	01:18.00	01:14.00	01:10.00
307	Open/Male200mIndividual Medley	02:24.00	02:18.00	02:12.00	01.58.00
SESSION 4					Est Warm-up time tbc / Start time tbc
EVENT		9/10	11/12	13/14	15+
401	Female 200m Butterfly	02:34.00	02:28.00	02:22.00	02:16.00
402	Open/Male 200m Freestyle	02:10.00	02:04.00	01:58.00	01:50.00
403	Female 50m Freestyle	00:30.50	00:29.00	00:27.50	00:26.00
404	Open/Male 50m Butterfly	00:30.50	00:29.00	00:27.50	00:24.00
405	Female 100m Backstroke	01:11.00	01:07.00	01:03.00	00:59.00
406	Open/Male 100m Breaststroke	01:19.00	01:15.00	01:11.00	01:04.00
407	Female 200m Individual Medley	02:30.00	02:24.00	02:18.00	02:12.00

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Individual Entry Form

Name: _____ Open/Male / Female: _____

Swim England Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Club: _____ Age on 20th December 2026: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Event	Saturday	Entry Time		Event	Sunday	Entry Time
101	Mixed 400m Freestyle			301	Open/Male 200m Butterfly	
102	Female 50m Breaststroke			302	Female 200m Freestyle	
103	Open/Male 50m Backstroke			303	Open/Male 50m Freestyle	
104	Female 200m Backstroke			304	Female 50m Butterfly	
105	Open/Male 200m Breaststroke			305	Open/Male 100m Backstroke	
106	Female 100m Butterfly			306	Female 100m Breaststroke	
107	Open/Male 100m Freestyle			307	Open/Male 200m Individual Medley	
201	Mixed 400m Individual Medley			401	Female 200m Butterfly	
202	Open/Male 50m Breaststroke			402	Open/Male 200m Freestyle	
203	Female 50m Backstroke			403	Female 50m Freestyle	
204	Open/Male 200m Backstroke			404	Open/Male 50m Butterfly	
205	Female 200m Breaststroke			405	Female 100m Backstroke	
206	Open/Male 100m Butterfly			406	Open/Male 100m Breaststroke	
207	Female 100m Freestyle			407	Female 200m Individual Medley	

Number of entries _____ at £6.00 each Total: £_____

This will be a **FIRST COME FIRST SERVED GALA – OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES Tuesday 1st DECEMBER 2026** closing date for entries is midnight 4th December 2026 or once the gala is full if that is sooner. **INDEPENDENT ENTRIES MUST COMPLY WITH SWIM ENGLAND MINIMUM SUPERVISION RATIOS AS IN CONDITIONS** and should be emailed to lynngates@live.co.uk

Independent entries should be paid via bank transfer to: Sort code: 30 96 93, Acct Nr: 01365850.

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Consolidated Entry Form

Club:_____

Number of entries @ £6.00 No:_____ £_____

Number of Coaches Pass @ £30.00 No:_____ £_____

Total Value of Entry Fees £_____

Signature:_____
Club Coach/Official

Contact Details – Club Coach / Official:

Name: _____

Tel: _____ **Mob:** _____

Email: _____

This is a '**sign-out**' gala; coaches are to advise of any swimmers not competing **before the start of the warm-up** for each session.

This will be a **FIRST COME FIRST SERVED GALA – OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES TUESDAY 1ST 2026** closing date for entries is midnight 4th December 2026 or once the gala is full if that is sooner. The completed Summary form are to be emailed to lynngates@live.co.uk before the closing date. Fees must also be paid by this time to 'Thanet Swim Club' via BACS:
Sort Code 30 96 93 and Account number 01365850.

Data Privacy: Please refer to the Data Privacy statement in the Event Conditions

Officials Contact Details:

Name: _____ **Name:** _____

Tel: _____ **Tel:** _____

Email: **Email:**