



# YORK CITY BATHS CLUB

Presents their

## NATIONAL QUALIFIER 2026

(Held under Swim England laws and Technical Rules)

Long Course Level 1 Meet, License Number

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2026 and**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026**



**at THE AQUATICS CENTRE, JOHN CHARLES CENTRE FOR SPORT  
LEEDS, LS11 5DJ**

- Venue:** The meet is to be held at The Aquatics Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport. The pool will be **50 metres**, 10 lanes, anti-wave ropes, and a separate swim down facility is available subject to proper use. Electronic timing will be used.
- Ages:** Age as at 31<sup>th</sup> December 2026.
- Age Groups:** Open and Girls: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and over  
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.
- Events** 50m all strokes, 100m all Strokes, 200m all Strokes, 200 IM  
400 Freestyle, 400 IM, 800 Freestyle, 1500 Freestyle
- Entries:** Entries will only be accepted online at [www.openmeets.co.uk/entry\\_sys](http://www.openmeets.co.uk/entry_sys) before the entry closing date, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Entries have to be faster or equal than the qualifying times published for the meet. After the closing date, if the meet is over capacity, each entry time will be lowered by the same proportion and the slowest entries rejected until the numbers reach the allowed capacity. There will be 30 swimmers allowed for the 800 freestyle, and 20 swimmers for the 1500 freestyle with the slowest entries rejected as described above.
- Rejections:** Any rejections will be communicated to the clubs by email from the on-line entry system.
- Fees:** £8.50 per event with exception of the 800m and 1500m freestyle, for which the charge will be £12 per event. Coaches pass £25 for the weekend to include start sheets, lunch and refreshments. Please pay only once rejections are communicated. Payment by BACS: Account Name - York City Baths Club; Sort Code - 05-05-27; Account Number - 41635200.
- Refunds:** No refunds will be given, unless medical evidence is presented for an injury or illness.

- Seeding:** Heats will be seeded/spearheaded according to entry times. All events will be Heat Declared Winner.
- Results:** Full results will be available to view and download shortly after each session is complete.
- Awards:** Medals will be awarded for each heat declared winner event to the first three in each age group. The collection of medals and awards will be arranged in-line with current coronavirus guidelines.
- Referee:** The referee's decision is final.
- Starts:** Over the top starts may be used at the discretion of the meet promoter. A starting strobe will be available to assist hearing impaired swimmers.
- Finishes:** Swimmers are requested to remain in the water until asked to leave the pool.
- Withdrawals:** Withdrawals must be given to the recorder at the start of each session warm up relevant to the event entered.
- Poolside:** York City Baths Club will not be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on Poolside. The responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer, who should appoint an individual to be on poolside, i.e. a DBS checked adult with a coach's pass.
- Drinks on poolside must be in plastic drinks bottles only.
- No outdoor shoes to be worn on the poolside.
- Swimmers are respectfully reminded to remain on poolside and must not gain admittance to the spectator area.
- Spectators:** Spectators will be admitted and payment of an admission fee at the door (under 10s free of charge).
- Photography:** The use of video or photographic equipment within the pool area shall be in compliance with the relevant Swim England policy in effect at the time of the meet.
- Swim Shop:** A swim shop may be in operation throughout the meet.
- General:** There is a café at the venue.
- A professional photographer may be operating throughout the gala.
- Any point not covered in the above will be at the discretion of the meet promoter and lead referee.

**Closing date: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

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