



SA REGIONAL LEVEL 3 AGE GROUP GALA

All Participating Clubs

Joan Harrison Aquatics Complex, Corner of Frere & Clevedon Road, Selborne East

London

9-12 April 2026

Buffalo City Aquatics would like to welcome you to the above-mentioned championships. We are looking forward to an exciting time of swimming. The Joan Harrison is well known for its spacious grounds and excellent pools.

Please take note of the following information:

MANAGERS MEETING

- The managers' meeting will take place on Thursday 9th April at 14h00.
- The venue will be the Amakhosi Masters Swimming Club room on the right-hand side of the main entrance.
- Only Team Managers are permitted to attend the meeting.
- Managers packs will be handed out at this meeting.
- Ordered Merchandise will be handed to team managers at this meeting.
- Only registered coaches are permitted on the pool deck. SSA registration number might be required.
- All late entries and withdrawals must be submitted at this meeting.
- Only team managers are permitted to withdraw competitors/lodge objections/complaints etc.
- Only team managers are permitted in the records room.
- No video footage or photos will be permitted for the use of a protest.
- Objections/appeals must be lodged immediately with the records room accompanied with R500.00.
- Join the managers group here:



HEATS AND FINALS

- Day 1 The first event will start with Men's 400m Freestyle and will start promptly at 16h00. These are swum as timed finals.
- The events will be swum as open, and finals will be seeded in age groups starting with 11 & 12.
- Heats will commence each day at 08h00 (10th, 11th & 12th) and the finals will commence at 16h00
- Finals on 12th April will start at 15h00.
- The sessions might be adjusted by load shedding, but this will be confirmed at the managers' meeting.

OPENING CEREMONY

- The opening ceremony will take place on the 10th of April @ 15h30 for swimmers.
- Team Managers are requested to ensure that all their Swimmers behave in a respectful manner during the speeches and the playing of the National Anthem.
- Teams are to assemble on the grass behind the water polo pool on the right of the main pool. Please ensure all swimmers are dressed neatly.
- Club flags and banners may be used during the opening ceremony.

ADMISSION TO POOL (STILL AVAILABLE ONLINE)

- Right of admission is reserved.
- Admission to the pool will be from 7am.
- There will be an admission fee of R50.00 per morning session for adults and R10.00 per non swimming child under 14 years old
- The evening session will be R30.00 adults and R10.00 per non swimming child under 14 years old
- Season tickets for the whole gala will be on sale at R180 per ticket.

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OFFICIALS

- Please ensure your officials names are submitted with your entries to SSA.
- Officials need to sign their confirmation of duty on the roster for the relevant session. These will be displayed on the window.
- All officials will receive their accreditation at the managers' meeting. Accreditation cards will be collected from all officials when they are on the pool deck, in order to use for the next session. Team managers and coaches will keep their accreditation for the entire gala.

- All officials need to be dressed correctly in white top and navy pants/skirt. Please note no slops may be worn on the pool deck. Officials need to wear closed shoes.
- Officials on duty will be supplied with snacks.
- Officials must report 1 hour in advance.
- Clubs will be required to provide SSA registered officials for every session according to the number of swimmers entered in the competition.
 - 1 to 5 swimmers 2 officials per session (1 timekeeper and 1 judge)
 - 5 to 10 swimmers 3 officials per session (1 judge and 2 timekeepers)
 - 11 to 20 swimmers 5 officials per session (2 judge and 3 timekeepers)
 - 21 plus swimmers 7 officials per session (3 judge and 4 timekeepers)
- Should there not be enough officials provided for finals, clubs with swimmers in the finals will be required to provide officials at 1 official per swimmer on a pro rata basis.

PROGRAMMES & RESULTS

- Daily programs will be available each day at the pool entrance at a cost of R 30.00 for heats and R 20.00 for finals.
- Results will be published on WhatsApp (meet managers group), displayed on the notice boards inside the Joan Harrison Pool complex and published on Meet Mobile.

GRANDSTAND AND GAZEBOS

- The grandstand at the complex is large but not entirely covered.
- Clubs are encouraged to bring their own gazebos which can be set up in designated areas on the grass slightly away from the swimming pool.

VENDORS

- We will have various vendors in attendance inclusive of food, coffee, swimwear etc..

PARKING

- Parking is limited and we request you observe the traffic rules and regulations when deciding on a parking spot.
- Please do not attempt to park within the pool area or in front of any access gates.
- Buses are requested to park on the Clevedon Road open space, above Selborne Primary School.

TOURNAMENT MERCHANDISE (closed now)

- For Level 3 Tournament Merchandise please place your order on the Google order form.
- While ordering merchandise as a club is preferable, it can be done on a swimmer by swimmer basis.
- Only orders accompanied by proof of payment will be accepted.
- Official Level 3 Tournament T-shirts, towels and personalized level 3 keyrings/bag tags are available on a pre-order basis. Order close 15 March 2026. Please place your order on the Google order form.
 - R280 per T-shirt
 - R250 per Towel
 - R30 Level 3 Personalised Keyring/Bag Tag
 - R180 per Season Ticket
- All orders will be packed and handed out at the managers meeting.
- Bank details are on the Google Form.



ACCOMMODATION

- Please note that there are various types of accommodation near to the Joan Harrison Complex.

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- For any further information please feel free to contact us at bcaswimboard@gmail.com

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