

**GILROY GATORS SWIM TEAM**  
**GGST SPOOKTACULAR SHORT COURSE C/B/A+ MEET**  
**OCTOBER 25-27, 2024**  
Enter Online: <http://ome.fastswims.com>



**SANCTION:** Held under USA/Pacific Swimming Sanction No. **24-125**

*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.*

*An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.*

*USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.*

**BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND PACIFIC SWIMMING AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

**NOTICE:** By entering this meet, the Athlete or his/her guardian consents to the publication, via electronic, print or other media, information and/or imagery related to their participation at this meet. Such information and imagery may include, but is not limited to, photographs, video, web casting, television, psych sheets and live meet results. The results of this meet may be posted in real time on the Internet or on Meet Mobile.

**USE OF AUDIO AND VISUAL:** Photography and video recording from behind the blocks or starting areas is prohibited unless prior permission is granted by the Meet Referee. Use of any audio or visual recording devices, including but not limited to film and digital cameras, cell phones and tablets, and Google Glass is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Violation of this recording prohibition may result in ejection from the swimming pool facility by the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

**MEET PERSONNEL:**  
**Meet Referee:** Mike Piccardo      **Head Starter:** Trevor Gillis  
**Meet Marshal:** Victor Ramirez      **Admin Officials:** Liz Tanaka, Sachi Itow  
**Meet Director:** Cynthia Van Laar [GGSTmeetdirector@gmail.com](mailto:GGSTmeetdirector@gmail.com)

**LOCATION:** Morgan Hill Aquatic Center, 16200 Condit Rd, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**PARKING:** Park in the main paved lot of the facility, the EAST side of Conduit Road, and the main large lot on the south side of the facility (side with the solar panels). Do not park at the House of Thunder Harley Davidson Dealership or Patio World. Those lots are for their patrons only and vehicles will be towed at your expense. Please secure vehicles and contents as the Gilroy Gators Swim Team, City of Morgan Hill, the Morgan Hill Aquatics Center, or Pacific Swimming will NOT take ANY responsibility to damage or theft to any vehicles or personal belongings.

**COURSE:** Outdoor 25 yard pool with up to 16 lanes available for competition. An additional 4 lanes will be available for warmup/cool down throughout the competition. The minimum water depth for the shallow end course, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 7'0" at the shallow end and 13'0" at the deep end. The Meet Host shall ensure the required course dimensions.

**TIME:** Meet will begin on Friday at 5:00 PM with warmups from 3:30 until 4:45 PM. Saturday & Sunday meet will begin at 9:00 AM each day with warm-ups from 7:30 to 8:45 AM each day. A special warm-up time for 8 and under Athletes only will be held from 8:00 to 8:45 AM.

- RULES:**
- Current USA and Pacific Swimming rules and warm-up procedures will govern the meet. A copy of these procedures will be posted at the Clerk-of-Course.
  - The local facilities guidelines, restrictions and interpretation of the local public health guidelines shall be followed at this meet.
  - All adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.
  - All events are timed finals.
  - All events will swim fast to slow.
  - Athletes may compete in 3 events per day.
  - Entries will be accepted until the number of splashes exceeds the estimated timeline of 4 hours.
  - If local conditions warrant it the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down. Immediate refunds will be made for any mandatory scratches.
  - All Coaches and Officials must wear their USA Swimming membership cards in a visible manner.
  - Lifeguards will be provided by MHAC throughout the meet.

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

**RACING STARTS:** Athletes must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start the race in the water. It is the responsibility of the Athlete or the Athlete’s legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

- RESTRICTIONS:**
- Smoking and the use of other tobacco products is prohibited on the pool deck, in the locker rooms, in spectator seating, on standing areas and in all areas used by Athletes, during the meet and during warm-up periods.
  - Sale and use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all areas of the meet venue.
  - No glass containers are allowed in the meet venue.
  - No propane heater is permitted except for snack bar/meet operations.
  - All shelters must be properly secured.
  - Deck Changes are prohibited.
  - Destructive devices, to include but not limited to, explosive devices and equipment, firearms (open or concealed), blades, knives, mace, stun guns and blunt objects are strictly prohibited in the swimming facility and its surrounding areas. If observed, the Meet Referee or his/her designee may ask that these devices be stored safely away from the public or removed from the facility. Noncompliance may result in the reporting to law enforcement authorities and ejection from the facility. Law enforcement officers (LEO) are exempt per applicable laws.
  - Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, Athlete/Coach areas, Spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time Athletes, Coaches, Officials and/or Spectators are present.
  - City of Morgan Hill Aquatic Center structures are off limits.
  - No stakes are allowed in grass, buckets only

- ELIGIBILITY:**
- Athletes must be current members of USA Swimming and 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 Athlete with the registration and times database. The meet host will check all Athlete registrations against the SWIMS database and if not found to be registered, Athletes shall be required to register online via USA Swimming’s online member registration before being allowed to swim in the meet.
  - Athletes in the “A” Division must have met at least USA Swimming Motivational “A” minimum time standard. Athletes in the “B” Division must have met at least the listed “B” minimum time standard. All entry times slower than the listed “B” time standard will be in the “C” Division.
  - Entries with "NO TIME" will be accepted.
  - Entry times submitted for this meet may be checked against a computer database and may be changed in accordance with Pacific Swimming Entry Time Verification Procedures.

- Athletes with a disability are welcome to attend this meet and should contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee regarding any special accommodations on entry times and seeding per Pacific Swimming policy.
- Athletes 19 years of age and over may compete in the meet for time only, no awards. Such Athletes must have met standards for the 17-18 age group.
- The Athlete's age will be the age of the Athlete on the first day of the meet.

**ENTRY FEES:** \$4.50 per event plus a \$10.00 participation fee per Athlete. Entries will be rejected if payment is not sent at time of request. No refunds will be made, except mandatory scratch downs.

**ONLINE ENTRIES:** To enter online go to <http://ome.fastswims.com> to receive an immediate entry confirmation. This method requires payment by credit card. FastSwims charges a service fee for this service, 6.5% of the total Entry Fees plus \$0.75 per transaction, regardless of number of Athletes. Please note that the service fee is a separate fee from the Entry Fees. If you do not wish to pay the service fee, enter the meet using a mail entry. Entering online is a convenience, is completely voluntary, and is in no way required or expected of an Athlete by Pacific Swimming. Online entries will be accepted through Monday, October 14.

**MAILED ENTRIES:** Entries must be on the attached consolidated entry form. Forms must be filled out completely and printed clearly with Athlete's best time. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, Monday, October 14. No late entries will be accepted. Requests for confirmation of receipt of entries should include a self-addressed envelope.

**Make check payable to:** Gilroy Gators Swim Team

**Mail entries to:** Cynthia Van Laar, 8549 Silvia Street, Gilroy, CA 95020

**CHECK-IN:** The meet will be deck seeded. Athletes must check-in at the Clerk-of-Course. No event shall be closed more than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the session. Close of check-in for remaining events shall be no more than 60 minutes before the estimated time of the start of the first heat of the event. Athletes who do not check in will not be seeded in the event.

**SCRATCHES:** Any Athletes not reporting for or competing in an individual timed final event that they have checked in for/entered shall not be penalized.

**AWARDS:** Individual awards will be awarded in the A and B Division. Ribbons for the first through eighth place will be given to the following age groups: 8 & Under, 9-10. No awards will be given for athletes 11 years of age and older. No awards will be given for Open events. A Medals shall be given to new A times. Awards will not be mailed.

**ADMISSION:** Free.

**SNACK BAR & HOSPITALITY:** A Food Truck will be available throughout the competition. Coaches and working Officials will be provided lunch. Hospitality will serve refreshments to timers and volunteers.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** No overnight parking is allowed. Facilities will not be provided after meet hours.

**ORDER OF EVENTS**

<b>Friday, October 25, 2024</b>		
<b>1</b>	10 - U 200 IM**	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	11 - Over 400 IM **	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	9 - Over 500 Free**	<b>6</b>
<b>Saturday, October 26, 2024</b>		
<b>7</b>	13 - Over 100 Fly	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	11- 12 50 Fly	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	9 - 10 50 Fly	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	8 & Under 25 Fly	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	13 & Over 100 Back	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	11-12 50 Back	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	9 - 10 50 Back	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	8 & Under 25 Back	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	13 & Over 100 Breast	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	11-12 50 Breast	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	9-10 50 Breast	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	8 & Under 25 Breast	<b>30</b>

<b>Sunday, October 27, 2024</b>		
<b>31</b>	13 & Over 100 Free	<b>32</b>
<b>33</b>	11-12 100 Free	<b>34</b>
<b>35</b>	9-10 100 Free	<b>36</b>
<b>37</b>	8 & Under 50 Free	<b>38</b>
<b>39</b>	13 & Over 200 IM	<b>40</b>
<b>41</b>	11-12 100 IM	<b>42</b>
<b>43</b>	9-10 100 IM	<b>44</b>
<b>45</b>	8 & Under 100 IM	<b>46</b>
<b>47</b>	13 & Over 50 Free	<b>48</b>
<b>49</b>	11-12 50 Free	<b>50</b>
<b>51</b>	9-10 50 Free	<b>52</b>
<b>53</b>	8 & Under 25 Free	<b>54</b>

\*\*Athletes entered in the 200 IM, 400 IM and 500 Free shall provide their own timers and lap counters  
 Use the following URL to find the time standards: <http://www.pacswim.org/swim-meet-times/standards>

Pacific Swimming – Hosted by GGST Short Course October 25-27, 2024 Consolidated Entry Form														
Name: Last				First				Middle						
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USA-#														
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# of entries _____ x \$4.50 = \$ _____ Participation Fee            \$ 10.00 Total                                \$ _____														
Coach														
Athlete's Address														
Home Phone							Cell Phone							
Email														