

PONDEROSA INVITATIONAL

CHAMPIONSHIP MEET since 1971

Proudly hosted by the Ponderosa Westador Swim Team

GENERAL INFORMATION

MEET INFORMATION

LOCATION

•The Cypress Natatorium is located at 12550 Windfern Rd., Houston, TX 77064.
Map available at ponderosainvitational.org

MEET FORMAT

Championship Meet format with events on Saturday and Sunday. Preliminary heats in the morning and finals each night. All relays are swum as finals. Seeding is done using the pyramid format for prelims, and finals is fastest to slowest within each finals heat. **(See PI website for pyramid format detail/example)**

ENTRIES

- Individual swimmers qualify by attaining a time for each event listed on the official Qualifying Times found at the end of this invitation.
- **ONLY entries from Swimtopia will be accepted.** Entry times will be converted to proper course by Swimtopia software using the default conversions and meet template.
- Qualifiers must have swum the qualifying time during a sanctioned NWAL meet.
- **Relay Entrants** need **not** have attained a PI qualifying time during the NWAL season. Accordingly, all teams are encouraged to include your relays to compete for your Group Championship.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM on Sunday, June 23, 2019 at the Ponderosa Fire Department Meeting Facility, 17061 Rolling Creek, Houston, TX 77090. Map can be found on PI website. All teams are required to submit their swimmer's information electronically on a flash drive.

A hard copy of the "Meet Entry Report" with proof of times must be included with the flash drive along with the enclosed "team summary sheet". Please include the name and telephone number of an available computer/team representative for questions on the 23rd. Any entries received after 5:00pm on June 23rd will be considered late.

Registration form can be found on the PI website and is included in this document.

FEES

\$ 7.00 per Individual Event
\$12.00 per Relay Event

Fees are due at registration except for teams from College Station, Bryan, Navasota, Huntsville, and Livingston. These teams may submit entries via email and pay registration fees on deck on Saturday before 8:00am.

Note: Each team's entries must be made with one check, teams cannot bring multiple forms of payment for team entries.

LATE ENTRIES

Late entries will be \$14.00 per Individual Event and \$24.00 per Relay Event.
See the rules section regarding late entries under Entries, Events and Seeding.

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GENERAL INFORMATION (continued)

SWIM MEET

The meet starts promptly at 9:00 a.m. Saturday the 29th of June, and 9:00 a.m. Sunday the 30th of June. Finals begin at 5:30 p.m. on each day. However, please check with the announcers' table for any changes. Remember to be on time!

WARM-UPS

Warm-up lanes will be available before the start of each session. Dive-only lanes will be assigned as needed. The pool will be closed 30 minutes prior to the start of the preliminary heats and 15 minutes prior to the start of finals.

Saturday	Prelims	7:00am
	Finals	4:30pm
Sunday	Prelims	7:00am
	Finals	4:30pm

Split warm-ups will be in effect, with team and lane assignments posted on the NWAL and PI website, at least 3 days prior to the start of the meet.

POOL AND FACILITIES

LANES

PI will be swum in yards. The Cypress Natatorium is configured for eight (8) lanes with non-turbulent lane lines.

SPECTATOR SEATING

The stands in the pool area will be for observation only and **NO SETUP IS ALLOWED IN SPECTATOR AREA.** Spectator seating is NOT allowed poolside. Please allow others to watch their child after yours has swum. There is no flash photography at the start of a race.

POOL DECK RESTRICTION—STRICTLY ENFORCED, NO EXCEPTIONS, NO EXCUSES

Due to safety and insurance guidelines and restrictions, the swimming pool deck is closed to all persons except swimmers, coaches, marshals, officials, meet personnel, and timers. If you are asked to leave the deck by any meet personnel, please do so. It is for your safety.

To better ensure safety on deck, **each team will be limited to having only ONE (1) COACH per THIRTY (30) SWIMMERS (not 30 entries) entered with a MAXIMUM of TWO(2) COACHES on DECK. Each coach must be NWAL certified and must have a printed badge to be allowed on deck - NO EXCEPTIONS, NO EXCUSES.** Each coach may have a chair. Setup on deck will only be allowed on the day of the meet. Any chairs set up on Friday will be removed and PI committee will not be responsible for any items lost.

TEAM SET-UP

All team set-up will be OUTDOORS in designated areas. **We reserve the right to consolidate or move team areas at our discretion.** Large items such as inflatable mattresses, oversized lawn chairs and coolers will not be allowed in the facility.

VOLUNTEERS

Two watches per lane will be used as back-up. Teams will be requested to furnish timers based on their percentage of swims at the meet. Timing assignments will be published in the Ponderosa Invitational website as well as on the NWAL website.

OFFICIALS

Officials interested in working at the Invitational should email Todd Johnson. Please include a short description of your experience and the times of availability.

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MEET PERSONNEL

MEET REFEREE	Todd Johnson toddajohnson15@hotmail.com Matt Waindel
MEET DIRECTOR	Jason Ellington ponderosainvitational@gmail.com
MEET COORDINATOR	Erika Ellington gopiranhas.org@gmail.com
REGISTRATION	Ponderosa Fire Station Meeting Facility 17061 Rolling Creek, Houston, TX 77090 Only Bryan, College Station, Navasota, Livingston, Huntsville, and Lee County may submit entries via email to piranhasclerk@yahoo.com
SAFETY DIRECTOR/ FACILITY DIRECTOR	Amanda Westfall EMS will be onsite during the meet
MERCHANDISE: SHIRTS, IRON-ON DECALS, TOWELS	PRE-ORDER SHIRTS WITH "PI QUALIFIER" PATCHES All pre-order merchandise will be sold online only. See website more details at ponderosainvitational.org PI store to open June 15th after 6pm
WEB SITE	www.ponderosainvitational.org Visit the Ponderosa Invitational web site for information, forms, directions, updates, results, vendors, etc.

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P.I. RULES and APPROVED NWAL VARIANCES

NWAL Rule Waivers

- Please review the **2019 Ponderosa Invitational Rules** below. **There have been changes.** The Ponderosa Invitational is an NWAL Sanctioned Meet. All swimmers must abide by the NWAL rules, the Ponderosa Invitational rules, and NWAL code of conduct. All swimmers must be in good standing with NWAL to participate.
- The Ponderosa Invitational Committee reserves the right to be the final authority to resolve any protest arising from the competition itself.
- The Ponderosa Invitational Committee (including Meet Referee) in conjunction with CyFair ISD personal reserve the right to determine what course will be taken in case of unfavorable climatic conditions and emergencies as outlined in the Safety and Emergency Plan.
- All references to "Divisional Meets" will either be deleted and Ponderosa Invitational Meet inserted where and when appropriate to maintain consistency of intent and rules contained herein.

Appendix A Additions:

- **Progressive Medley Relay:** Swam in the following order - 11-12 (50Y Back); 13-14 (50Y Breast); 15-18 (50Y Fly); 9-10 (25Y Free) and 8 and under (25Y Free)
- **Progressive Free Relay:** 8 and under (25Y); 9-10 (25Y); 11-12 (50Y); 13-14 (50Y) and 15-18 (50Y) **(Please visit website for detail on how to enter relays with the 5th swimmer in Swimtopia)**
- The order of events is as stated in the attached "Ponderosa Invitational Qualifying Times".

Entries, Events, and Seeding

- **All entries need to come from Swimtopia.**
- Events and order of events are as shown on the qualifying times supplement.
- Contestants may enter any individual event in which they meet the published qualifying time. There is no limit to the number of events, including relays, in which a participant may enter. Moving up in age group categories is not permitted. Younger swimmers cannot swim up in relays.
- A team may enter only one relay team per relay event. Relay participants need not be named, but a seed time is required.
- The entry list is the official entry. The list is turned in at the Ponderosa Fire Station Meeting Facility, located at 17061 Rolling Creek Drive, on Sunday June 23, 2019 between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Each team must submit an entry form electronically, so long as entry fees are paid by the same time on Sunday June 23. Entries submitted after this time will be "late entries" which will swim in either heat one or two, if a vacancy exists therein or otherwise in heat zero, which may contain less than three swimmers. Late entries will not be accepted after 8:30 a.m. on Saturday for events 1-44 nor after 8:30 a.m. on Sunday for events 45-84.
- All entry lists must have times submitted with proof of times. There are no qualifying times for relays but seed times are required on entry lists. Individual events will be seeded per pyramidal rules. Relay events will be seeded by times (last heat-fastest times).
- **Official NWAL times will be used for seeding.** An official time is a time that was achieved in an NWAL Sanctioned Meet without **disqualification**. Official times cannot be achieved at Time Trials or Mock Meets.

SCRATCH POSITION

- In preliminary sessions swimmers are considered scratched when they fail to show up at the blocks when their heat is called to step up. In finals, swimmers are considered scratched or "no show" when they fail to appear at the Ready Bench prior to the finalists being paraded from the Ready Bench to the pool deck.

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PONDEROSA FINALS PROTOCOL

- In both preliminary and final heats, a system will be used to call swimmers to the Ready Bench for each of their events. The system will be clearly audible or visible in the designated swimmer and parent set-up areas.
- The Ready Bench will place finalists in their seeded positions without alternates. Finalists whose absence has been communicated to and approved by the Meet Ref for valid emergency reasons and in advance of being called to the Ready Bench are considered to have scratched, alternates will move into the consolation final.
- If the finals are filled with qualifying finalists, the alternates will be released and at the appropriate time the finalists will be paraded to the blocks.
- If after placing finalists in their seeded positions there are open lanes in either final:
 1. The Meet Referee or delegate will call the missing finalist(s) by name and instruct the missing finalist(s) to immediately present themselves.
 2. If the missing finalist(s) presents himself or herself before the finalists are paraded to the blocks from the designated ready bench area, the finals will proceed with the qualifying finalists.
 3. If the finalist(s) does not appear prior to the finalists being paraded to the blocks from the designated ready bench area, the Meet Ref or his delegate will fill the finals without reseeding. The fastest swimmer(s) in the consolation final will be inserted into open lanes in the Championship Final. Alternates will be inserted into empty lanes in the Consolation Final.
 4. Missing finalists will be disqualified from all remaining events. The Meet Referee in consultation with the Meet Director may waive this disqualification for rare extraordinary circumstances.

Electronic Timing

- The Colorado Timing System with semi-automatic back up buttons and touch pads will be used in conjunction with an 8 lane time display.

Timers and Order of Finish

- The timing devices used during the meet will determine the order of finish of any heat. In the event of a lane or heat malfunction, the Automatic Timing – Malfunction-guide posted on the NWAL website will be used to determine official time and resulting order of finish. Time adjustments (delta calculations) presented as optional in the guide will be used. The Meet Referee may use observed order of finish to validate time adjustments and resulting order of finish.

Scoring

- Ponderosa Invitational Scoring: Individual Events: 16 places score: 19-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
- Relay Events: 16 places score: 38-34-32-30-28-26-24-22-18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
- There will be consolation finals and championship finals in all events except relays. Relays will be timed finals as they are swum.
- For individual preliminary events, all ties for placement in finals (including alternates) will require a swim-off unless swimmers, coaches and referee otherwise determine place. Swim-off will be scheduled within a reasonable time.
- Swimmers qualifying and swimming in the consolation finals, swim only to score the points awarded for places ninth through sixteenth. They cannot score championship finals points, regardless of their times.
- Team Scores for Saturday's events will be posted at the conclusion of Saturday's finals and on Sunday morning. We may also post the results of each session on the P.I. website.
- Questions concerning Saturday's point totals must be raised to the Meet Director by 8:30 a.m. on Sunday. After the last event on Sunday, final scores will be announced during the presentation of awards. Any questions concerning these totals must be addressed to the Meet Director immediately.

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Medals, Ribbons, & Trophies

- Medals – will be awarded to the first eight places in individual events and first 3 places in relays events.
- Ribbons - will be awarded to the ninth through sixteenth place winners in individual events and fourth to eighth place for relays.
- High Point Trophy—1st and 2nd place trophies will be awarded to individual scoring the highest total number of points within each of their eligible age groups broken down as follows: 6 & under, 7/8, 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18.(6 & under age groups are eligible to score points in 8 & under and 10 & under events)
- Team Trophies – Team trophies will be awarded to the top 3 teams in each Group. Groups will be established based on total team entries for the 2019 PI.

Disqualification

- Any scratches from the consolation, championship finals, and first two alternates (17th and 18th place) must be made to the clerk of course/scorer within 30 minutes following the announcement of the posting of the preliminary results. A swimmer's Undeclared "no show" for the consolation or championship finals will result in being scratched from the balance of the meet. The clerk of course/scorer is located on deck at pool side.

Duties of Referee - Disqualification

- Other than swimming infractions or conduct of an official, the referee will consult with the Meet Director before the enforcement of rules pertaining to the conduct of any swimmer, spectator, or coach. The Meet Director will have the final authority in such occurrences.

Attire - Insignia

- Officials and Meet Referees may wear the insignia of the Ponderosa Invitational Meet.

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TEAM INFORMATION

Team Name _____ NWAL Abbreviation _____

Pool Address _____

Team Rep & Phone Number _____

Entry Person & Phone # _____

Email _____

UNCLAIMED AWARDS WILL NOT BE MAILED AFTER P.I.

Please list a person to contact for any unclaimed awards.

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

OFFICIALS VOLUNTEERS

Officials interested in working at the P.I. should send a short description of your experience and the times of availability to: Todd Johnson at toddajohnson15@hotmail.com@gmail.com.

**GOOD LUCK
TO YOUR
SWIMMERS!**

INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES -- # of Entries _____ @ \$7.00 = \$ _____

RELAY ENTRIES -- # of Relays _____ @ \$12.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE ----->
Checks payable to: PWST

ONLY PWST OFFICE USE BELOW

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Payment Received \$ _____ Cash or Check # _____ (circle one) PF Official _____

Entry List Checked by PF Official: _____

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PRE-ORDERING ONLINE ONLY (no orders will be accepted via US Mail)

The shirts are \$16* each, each event iron-on is \$3.25*, and towels are \$32*. Pre-ordering your spirit items mean your uniquely created shirt will be the size you want, your towel will be the color you want, while also avoid the long ordering lines. Online orders will be taken from Saturday, June 15th at 6pm through Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 10:00pm, at which time the online order form will be removed from our website.

If you expect your swimmer to final please check the please hold for finals box when ordering online. This will prevent possible damage to the shirt during the ironing process.

All spirit items will also be available on both days of the Ponderosa Invitational, as supplies last.

*Price includes credit card convenience fee.

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Team Name: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

TOWELS \$30 EACH

TOWEL with 2019 PONDEROSA INVITATIONAL LOGO (embroidered)

Indicate Quantity of each Color: Red _____ White _____ Navy Blue _____ Royal Blue _____ Black _____

SHIRTS \$15 each & IRON-ON PATCHES \$3.00 each

SHIRT SIZES -- \$15 each

QUALIFIER PATCHES IRON-ON DECALS -- \$3.00 each

CHILD

ADULT

(Finalist Patches are sold at the meet on a separate order form)

Max. 3 shirts per order form	CHILD		ADULT					QUALIFIER PATCHES IRON-ON DECALS -- \$3.00 each								
	M	L	Sm	M	L	XL	2X	Free	100 Free	Back	Breast	Fly	I.M.	Free Relay	Medley Relay	Progressive Relay
Shirt 1																
Shirt 2																
Shirt 3																
Total Quantities																

TOTAL TOWELS -- Qty _____ x \$30 -----> \$ _____
 TOTAL SHIRTS -- Qty _____ x \$15 -----> \$ _____
 TOTAL PATCHES -- Qty _____ x \$3.00 -----> \$ _____

TOTAL ORDER >>>>>> \$ _____

Checks payable to: PWST

49th Annual Ponderosa Inviational

Qualifying Times - Yards

Saturday, June 29, 2019

Girls Event	Yard			Yard	Boys Event
Number	Qualifying	Age Group	Event	Qualifying	Number
	Time			Time	
1	None	All	Progressive Free Relay	None	2
3	22.83	6 & Under	25 Yard Freestyle	22.63	4
5	17.31	7 - 8	25 Yard Freestyle	16.95	6
7	14.77	9 - 10	25 Yard Freestyle	14.75	8
9	29.49	11 - 12	50 Yard Freestyle	29.24	10
11	28.53	13 - 14	50 Yard Freestyle	26.21	12
13	27.79	15 - 18	50 Yard Freestyle	23.86	14
15	27.22	6 & Under	25 Yard Backstroke	27.75	16
17	21.60	7 - 8	25 Yard Backstroke	21.57	18
19	18.48	9 - 10	25 Yard Backstroke	18.45	20
21	35.49	11 - 12	50 Yard Backstroke	35.78	22
23	34.02	13 - 14	50 Yard Backstroke	32.15	24
25	32.92	15 - 18	50 Yard Backstroke	28.92	26
27	33.25	10 & Under	50 Yard Freestyle	33.14	28
29	1.02.63	11 - 14	100 Yard Freestyle	58.84	30
31	1.01.36	15 - 18	100 Yard Freestyle	53.29	32
33	None	6 & Under	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	34
35	None	7 - 8	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	36
37	None	9 - 10	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	38
39	None	11 - 12	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	40
41	None	13 - 14	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	42
43	None	15 - 18	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	44

Sunday, June 30, 2019

Girls Event	Yard			Yard	Boys Event
Number	Qualifying	Age Group	Event	Qualifying	Number
	Time			Time	
45	None	All	Progressive Medley Relay	None	46
47	20.23	8 & Under	25 Yard Butterfly	20.74	48
49	16.5	9 - 10	25 Yard Butterfly	16.82	50
51	33.49	11 - 12	50 Yard Butterfly	33.85	52
53	32.05	13 - 14	50 Yard Butterfly	29.72	54
55	30.71	15 - 18	50 Yard Butterfly	26.49	56
57	24.06	8 & Under	25 Yard Breast Stroke	24.15	58
59	19.92	9 - 10	25 Yard Breast Stroke	20.2	60
61	39.4	11 - 12	50 Yard Breast Stroke	39.43	62
63	37.89	13 - 14	50 Yard Breast Stroke	35.06	64
65	37.08	15 - 18	50 Yard Breast Stroke	31.53	66
67	1.25.49	10 & Under	Individual Medley	1.27.23	68
69	1.16.56	11 - 12	Individual Medley	1.16.53	70
71	1.13.53	13 - 14	Individual Medley	1.08.82	72
73	1.11.78	15 - 18	Individual Medley	1.01.79	74
75	None	8 & Under	100 Yard Medley Relay	None	76
77	None	9 - 10	100 Yard Medley Relay	None	78
79	None	11 - 12	200 Yard Medley Relay	None	80
81	None	13 - 14	200 Yard Medley Relay	None	82
83	None	15 - 18	200 Yard Medley Relay	None	84

Note: Qualifying times are for 25 yard pools.

Appendix A - Yards

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Saturday, June 29, 2019

Girls Event Number	Meter Qualifying Time	Age Group	Event	Meter Qualifying Time	Boys Event Number
1	None	All	Progressive Free Relay	None	2
3	25.34	6 & Under	25 Yard Freestyle	25.12	4
5	19.21	7 - 8	25 Yard Freestyle	18.81	6
7	16.39	9 - 10	25 Yard Freestyle	16.37	8
9	32.73	11 - 12	50 Yard Freestyle	32.46	10
11	31.67	13 - 14	50 Yard Freestyle	29.09	12
13	30.85	15 - 18	50 Yard Freestyle	26.48	14
15	30.21	6 & Under	25 Yard Backstroke	30.80	16
17	23.98	7 - 8	25 Yard Backstroke	23.94	18
19	20.51	9 - 10	25 Yard Backstroke	20.48	20
21	39.39	11 - 12	50 Yard Backstroke	39.72	22
23	37.76	13 - 14	50 Yard Backstroke	35.69	24
25	36.54	15 - 18	50 Yard Backstroke	32.10	26
27	36.91	10 & Under	50 Yard Freestyle	36.79	28
29	1.09.52	11 - 14	100 Yard Freestyle	1.05.31	30
31	1.08.11	15 - 18	100 Yard Freestyle	59.15	32
33	None	6 & Under	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	34
35	None	7 - 8	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	36
37	None	9 - 10	100 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	38
39	None	11 - 12	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	40
41	None	13 - 14	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	42
43	None	15 - 18	200 Yard Freestyle Relay	None	44

Sunday, June 30, 2019

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45	None	All	Progressive Medley Relay	None	46
47	22.46	8 & Under	25 Yard Butterfly	23.02	48
49	18.32	9 - 10	25 Yard Butterfly	18.67	50
51	37.17	11 - 12	50 Yard Butterfly	37.57	52
53	35.58	13 - 14	50 Yard Butterfly	32.99	54
55	34.09	15 - 18	50 Yard Butterfly	29.40	56
57	26.71	8 & Under	25 Yard Breast Stroke	26.81	58
59	22.11	9 - 10	25 Yard Breast Stroke	22.42	60
61	43.73	11 - 12	50 Yard Breast Stroke	43.77	62
63	42.06	13 - 14	50 Yard Breast Stroke	38.92	64
65	41.16	15 - 18	50 Yard Breast Stroke	35.00	66
67	1.34.89	10 & Under	Individual Medley	1.36.82	68
69	1.24.98	11 - 12	Individual Medley	1.24.95	70
71	1.21.62	13 - 14	Individual Medley	1.16.39	72
73	1.19.67	15 - 18	Individual Medley	1.08.58	74
75	None	8 & Under	100 Yard Medley Relay	None	76
77	None	9 - 10	100 Yard Medley Relay	None	78
79	None	11 - 12	200 Yard Medley Relay	None	80
81	None	13 - 14	200 Yard Medley Relay	None	82
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