



## **Future Stars National Qualifier 2026**

**SE Licence No. 2NW262169**

**Wigan Life Centre, College Ave, Wigan, WN1 1NJ**

**20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> November 2026**

### **FACILITIES**

8 Lane (2 ½ m wide) 25m Pool, using Electronic timing and SportSystems software. The spectator balcony holds 250 people.

### **MEET INFORMATION**

The meet is a level 2 meet, run with entry times, the qualifying window for entry times is from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025.

Ages – as at 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2026

Age Groups – Open/Male: 11/UN, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/OV Years

Female\*: 11/UN, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/OV Years

\*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, 100m, 200m, all strokes, 100m, 200m and 400m Individual Medley, 400m, 800m and 1500m freestyle. The 800m and 1500m events will be ran with mixed heats.

Swimmers will need to be 12 or over to take part in the 800m, 1500m Freestyle and the 400m IM. Age is as of 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2026.

All events will be heat Declared Winners (HDW) within each age group.

However the 100m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke, 100m Breaststroke and the 100m Butterfly will also have finals for the fastest top 8 finishers from the 14 and under age group and the 15 and over age group in both the Open/Male and Female categories.

A 14/UN swimmer will only compete within their age group final even if they record a time that would put them in the 15/OV age group final.

Once each event has been complete, we will announce the finalists. A Wigan BEST volunteer will head around to teams with finalists to see if the place is going to be accepted.

If there is, the need we will try to backfill the finals using up to the 16<sup>th</sup> fastest swimmer in each age bracket in each event.

## **AWARDS**

Medals will be awarded to the first three placed swimmers in all events and for the following age groups:

- Female: 11/UN, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15years, 16 year & Over
- Male/Open: 11/UN, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years & Over

No formal presentations will be made for the events, all awards can be collected from the designated medals/trophy table.

An extra award will be given to the winner of each 100m final.



### **ENTRY INFORMATION**

£7.00 per event for 50m, 100m, 200m, & 400m.

£10.00 per event for 800m & 1500m.

### **\*NO LATE ENTRIES OR POOLSIDE ENTRIES ALLOWED\***

Entries should be made via your club using the Sportsystems Entry File. The entry file can be downloaded from the Wigan BEST website. An individual entry form can also be found on the Wigan BEST website which may be used and returned to your club's competition secretary for inclusion in the club entry file.

All completed entry files should be emailed to [WBfuturestars@gmail.com](mailto:WBfuturestars@gmail.com) along with a club summary entry form detailing payment.

### **OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES –**

**1st September 2026** any entries sent before this date will not be accepted.

### **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:-**

**11:59pm 9<sup>th</sup> November 2026**

A list of accepted entries will be published as soon as possible after the meet is closed. Competitors are requested to check their entries carefully and inform [WBfuturestars@gmail.com](mailto:WBfuturestars@gmail.com) immediately of any errors.



## MEET CONDITIONS

1. This meet is held under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules include World Aquatics Rules.
2. All competitors must be registered with the Swim England or their own national association as appropriate.
3. Age as at 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2026.
4. This meet will be run using the Sportsystems software, the entry file of which is available on the Wigan Best website. Entry times can be achieved in either a 25m pool or converted 50m times. Entry times are to be taken from a Licenced Level 1, 2, 3 or 4 meet achieved from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025. Entry times to be based on short course pool times. Long course times will be converted using Swim England/Sport Systems conversion method.
5. The promoter reserves the right to limit entries to meet gala license timing restrictions. Where this rule is invoked, Where this rule is invoked the swimmer with the fastest submitted times in each Age Group would take precedence. Rejections will be made in each event rather than by club to ensure the smooth running of the competition. Events chosen for restrictions will be at the meet organisers' discretion.
6. All accepted entries and rejected entries will be posted on the Wigan BEST Swimming Club Website.
7. All entries received after the closing date will not be accepted.
8. BACS Payments should be made using the appropriate club code. For this Meet it is NOV26(Your Club Code) Your club code is something we will use to identify your payment e.g Wigan = WBEN (NOV26WBEN).
9. Bank Details for BACS payments are Sort Code:  
Account name: Wigan Best  
Sort code: 60-01-24  
Account number: 48518972
10. Withdrawals – Heats – Must notify via email or at the timing desk at least 60 mins before the start of the session. Email: [WBfuturestars@gmail.com](mailto:WBfuturestars@gmail.com)
11. All events will have two categories – Female and Open/Male. 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.



12. Swimmers with a disability shall swim under IPC Rules.
13. Qualifying times for disability competitors are not required. However, entry times shall be submitted for the purpose of seeding the heats.
14. Personal Care Attendants/Coaches: Personal care attendants will only be permitted for swimmers in the following classes: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 and S11. A swimmer in any of these classes may have both a coach and a personal care attendant present. No charge will be applied for personal care attendant. Poolside passes; coaches' passes shall attract the advertised fee. All coaches, chaperones and personal care attendants must conform to the Swim England child protection procedures and hold a current DBS certificate.
15. The competition format will be based on disability inclusion within the able-bodied programme i.e. there will be no separate events for swimmers with disabilities. All swimmers will be seeded in the heats according to their entry times. Disability competitors will be included within the results for their age group.
16. A mobile strobe will be available throughout the competition. Any competitor who needs to use it should notify the event referee prior to the start of the session.
17. All competitors must go through marshalling. If a competitor does not report to marshalling in time the event will proceed without the competitor.
18. Strictly no diving in or climbing over pads is permitted during warm up in the competition pool.
19. If cancellation of the event is necessary, then entry fees and poolside passes paid will be refunded.
20. Refunds will not be given for withdrawn swimmers, for entry errors or omissions attributable to the individual or their club. Only to individuals who can prove they are not fit to compete through evidence of a medical note may be given a refund.
21. A draft programme will be posted on the web site. All rejected swim refunds will be returned via the your club, or through BACS if requested.
22. Wigan BEST Swimming Club accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to competitors personal belongings, how so ever caused, unless such damage is caused by the negligence of the Wigan BEST Swimming Club.
23. Wigan BEST Swimming Club and the Meet Organisers are not responsible for individual swimmers on poolside. All swimmers on poolside should be accompanied by a person with a coaches pass and who has had a DBS check.
24. "Over the top" starts will be used in the heats at the discretion of the promoter.



25. Backstroke ledges will be available.
26. No swimmers are allowed up to the balcony.
27. Swimmers must wear footwear when leaving the pool area.
28. The promoter reserves the right to refuse admission to any competitor or spectator.
29. Any point not covered by these rules will be at the discretion of the Meet organisers
30. A photographer will be capturing the event throughout the weekend, details as to how these pictures can be purchased will be shared in due course.
31. The meet organisers may organise live streaming of the event, as such all parents/guardians/coaches and all swim clubs attending must agree to allow all their swimmers to appear be filmed during the event. Details of the live stream, including your data protection rights, will be available on our website [www.wiganbest.com](http://www.wiganbest.com). If anyone wishes to oppose to their swimmers being filmed during racing, we advise to opt out of entering the meet. We will not be able to edit the livestream once it has been uploaded online. There will be no refunds for withdrawals for this reason once entries have been submitted.

### **POOLSIDE PASSES**

In compliance with the new Swim England policy concerning the supervision ratio, Wigan BEST is committed to alleviating the financial burden on participating clubs. Therefore, there will be a flat fee of £30.00 per club, regardless of the number of coaches and/or team managers present poolside.

All team staff must be DBS checked and have undertaken a relevant safeguarding course (e.g., Swim England Safeguarding course) to gain a coaches/team manager pass and access to the poolside.

Any parent of a swimmer attending without their club wishing to chaperone their child must also be DBS checked to gain a pass. Coaches and team staff **MUST** wear the wristbands provided.

Wigan BEST will **NOT** be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on the poolside. The responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer.

We advise all clubs and swimmers to follow the Swim England wave power team manager, coach and chaperone policy.



### **SPECTATORS**

Access to the spectator gallery will be on a first come, first served basis and come at a cost of £5 per session, per person. Payments can be made at the payment desk on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor lobby area by cash or card.

### **WARM UP TIMES**

Details of warmups will be posted on the website before the meet.

The small pool will be available for continuous warm up and cool down, however, in the event of misuse of this facility, Wigan Life Centre reserve the right to close it at any time, without warning.



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### Event Schedule

| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup><br>November | Warm Up:<br>tbc | Start:<br>tbc   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Session 1                           | Category        | Event           |
| Event 101                           | Mixed           | 800m Freestyle  |
| Event 102                           | Mixed           | 1500m Freestyle |

| Sat 21 <sup>st</sup><br>November | Warm Up:<br>tbc | Start:<br>tbc        |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Session 2                        | Category        | Event                |
| Event 201                        | Female          | 200m IM              |
| Event 202                        | Open/Male       | 400m IM              |
| Event 203                        | Female          | 50m Backstroke       |
| Event 204                        | Open/Male       | 100m Butterfly       |
| Event 205                        | Female          | 100m Freestyle       |
| Event 206                        | Open/Male       | 50m Breaststroke     |
| Event 207                        | Female          | 200m Breaststroke    |
| Event 208                        | Open/Male       | 200m Freestyle       |
| Event 209                        | Female 14/un    | 100m Freestyle final |
| Event 210                        | Female 15/ov    | 100m Freestyle final |
| Event 211                        | Open/Male 14/ov | 100m Butterfly final |
| Event 212                        | Open/Male 15/ov | 100m Butterfly final |

| Sat 21 <sup>st</sup><br>November | Warm Up:<br>tbc | Start:<br>tbc     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Session 3                        | Category        | Event             |
| Event 301                        | Open/Male       | 100m IM           |
| Event 302                        | Female          | 400m Freestyle    |
| Event 303                        | Open/Male       | 50m Freestyle     |
| Event 304                        | Female          | 100m Breaststroke |
| Event 305                        | Open/Male       | 100m Backstroke   |
| Event 306                        | Female          | 50m Butterfly     |
| Event 307                        | Open/Male       | 200m Butterfly    |
| Event 308                        | Female          | 200m Backstroke   |
| Event 309                        | Open/Male 14/un | 100m Back final   |
| Event 310                        | Open/Male 15/ov | 100m Back final   |
| Event 311                        | Female 14/un    | 100m Breast final |
| Event 312                        | Female 15/ov    | 100m Breast final |





| Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>November | Warm Up:<br>tbc | Start:<br>tbc        |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Session 4                           | Category        | Event                |
| Event 401                           | Open/Male       | 200m IM              |
| Event 402                           | Female          | 400m IM              |
| Event 403                           | Open/Male       | 50m Backstroke       |
| Event 404                           | Female          | 100m Butterfly       |
| Event 405                           | Open/Male       | 100m Freestyle       |
| Event 406                           | Female          | 50m Breaststroke     |
| Event 407                           | Open/Male       | 200m Breaststroke    |
| Event 408                           | Female          | 200m Freestyle       |
| Event 409                           | Open/Male 14/un | 100m Free final      |
| Event 410                           | Open/Male 15/ov | 100m Free final      |
| Event 411                           | Female 14/un    | 100m Butterfly final |
| Event 412                           | Female 15/ov    | 100m Butterfly final |

| Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>November | Warm Up:<br>tbc | Start:<br>tbc     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Session 5                           | Category        | Event             |
| Event 501                           | Female          | 100m IM           |
| Event 502                           | Open/Male       | 400m Freestyle    |
| Event 503                           | Female          | 50m Freestyle     |
| Event 504                           | Open/Male       | 100m Breaststroke |
| Event 505                           | Female          | 100m Backstroke   |
| Event 506                           | Open/Male       | 50m Butterfly     |
| Event 507                           | Female          | 200m Butterfly    |
| Event 508                           | Open/Male       | 200m Backstroke   |
| Event 509                           | Female 14/un    | 100m Back final   |
| Event 510                           | Female 15/ov    | 100m Back final   |
| Event 511                           | Open/Male 14/un | 100m Breast final |
| Event 512                           | Open/Male 15/ov | 100m Breast final |



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20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
2026

### 2026 Club Entry Form:

| Contact Details       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Name of Club          |  |
| Competition Secretary |  |
| Email                 |  |
| Tel No                |  |

| Entry Details     | Number | Fee                | Cost   |
|-------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
| Open/Male Entries |        | @ £7.00 per event  | £      |
| Female Entries    |        | @ £7.00 per event  | £      |
| Distance Entries  |        | @ £10.00 per event | £      |
| Coaches' Passes   |        | @ £30 per Club     | £30.00 |
| Total             |        |                    | £      |

Email the sports systems file (.sef) together with this club entry form to  
[WBfuturestars@gmail.com](mailto:WBfuturestars@gmail.com)

### Officials:

Do you have any qualified officials who would be available to help please let us know!

| Name | J1, J2, J2(S)<br>Referee | Session<br>1 | Session<br>2 | Session<br>3 | Session<br>4 | Session<br>5 |
|------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
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|      |                          |              |              |              |              |              |



| Event             | Distance | Female Consideration Times (25m Short Course) |          |          |          |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                   |          | 11/UN                                         | 12       | 13       | 14       | 15       | 16/OV    |
| Freestyle         | 50m      | 38.70                                         | 35.00    | 32.90    | 31.90    | 31.50    | 29.90    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.23.10                                       | 1.18.80  | 1.12.10  | 1.09.60  | 1.07.90  | 1.05.90  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.01.90                                       | 2.49.50  | 2.38.20  | 2.32.00  | 2.27.90  | 2.24.20  |
|                   | 400m     | 6.26.80                                       | 5.55.90  | 5.36.30  | 5.21.90  | 5.13.50  | 5.05.50  |
|                   | 800m     |                                               | 12.07.70 | 11.25.10 | 10.53.00 | 10.28.50 | 10.18.00 |
|                   | 1500m    |                                               | 22.27.30 | 21.41.20 | 20.40.20 | 20.05.20 | 19.18.50 |
| Backstroke        | 50m      | 43.80                                         | 40.20    | 38.10    | 36.60    | 35.10    | 34.50    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.35.90                                       | 1.27.10  | 1.23.10  | 1.19.90  | 1.17.80  | 1.15.80  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.23.00                                       | 3.07.50  | 2.56.20  | 2.51.60  | 2.47.50  | 2.42.20  |
| Breaststroke      | 50m      | 51.70                                         | 48.90    | 42.80    | 40.70    | 39.70    | 38.80    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.50.80                                       | 1.40.50  | 1.34.30  | 1.31.20  | 1.29.50  | 1.27.10  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.55.90                                       | 3.33.80  | 3.22.50  | 3.16.30  | 3.13.70  | 3.10.00  |
| Butterfly         | 50m      | 43.80                                         | 40.30    | 36.20    | 35.10    | 34.10    | 32.50    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.41.10                                       | 1.31.70  | 1.24.50  | 1.20.40  | 1.16.80  | 1.14.50  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.36.40                                       | 3.27.60  | 3.14.30  | 3.00.80  | 2.51.50  | 2.47.50  |
| Individual Medley | 100m     | 1.19.00                                       | 1.18.00  | 1.17.00  | 1.16.00  | 1.14.50  | 1.13.50  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.25.60                                       | 3.10.60  | 2.57.70  | 2.53.60  | 2.49.50  | 2.44.20  |
|                   | 400m     |                                               | 6.41.80  | 6.21.20  | 6.08.80  | 6.00.50  | 5.56.90  |



| Event             | Distance | <u>Open/Male Consideration Times (25m Short Course)</u> |          |          |          |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                   |          | 11/UN                                                   | 12       | 13       | 14       | 15       | 16/OV    |
| Freestyle         | 50m      | 39.10                                                   | 35.60    | 32.90    | 30.90    | 29.90    | 27.90    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.24.00                                                 | 1.17.40  | 1.12.00  | 1.08.10  | 1.03.90  | 1.01.00  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.01.80                                                 | 2.53.10  | 2.39.70  | 2.29.40  | 2.21.50  | 2.13.50  |
|                   | 400m     | 6.26.70                                                 | 5.55.90  | 5.35.30  | 5.14.70  | 4.59.50  | 4.37.50  |
|                   | 800m     |                                                         | 12.07.50 | 11.16.10 | 10.37.10 | 10.11.00 | 9.50.20  |
|                   | 1500m    |                                                         | 22.17.50 | 21.20.90 | 20.08.80 | 19.24.50 | 18.48.00 |
| Backstroke        | 50m      | 43.90                                                   | 40.70    | 37.70    | 35.60    | 33.50    | 30.80    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.34.80                                                 | 1.28.70  | 1.21.90  | 1.16.80  | 1.12.20  | 1.10.50  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.23.00                                                 | 3.08.60  | 2.54.20  | 2.44.90  | 2.37.00  | 2.33.50  |
| Breaststroke      | 50m      | 51.60                                                   | 49.50    | 42.30    | 40.20    | 37.70    | 35.60    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.53.40                                                 | 1.47.20  | 1.34.80  | 1.28.70  | 1.23.50  | 1.18.50  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.59.60                                                 | 3.41.00  | 3.22.40  | 3.09.10  | 3.00.80  | 2.53.50  |
| Butterfly         | 50m      | 42.80                                                   | 41.70    | 36.70    | 35.50    | 32.50    | 30.00    |
|                   | 100m     | 1.41.10                                                 | 1.38.90  | 1.25.60  | 1.16.30  | 1.12.20  | 1.07.10  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.36.90                                                 | 3.27.60  | 3.14.30  | 2.57.70  | 2.44.50  | 2.34.50  |
| Individual Medley | 100m     | 1.18.00                                                 | 1.16.50  | 1.14.00  | 1.13.00  | 1.10.00  | 1.10.00  |
|                   | 200m     | 3.25.60                                                 | 3.12.20  | 2.56.70  | 2.46.40  | 2.39.50  | 2.33.50  |
|                   | 400m     |                                                         | 6.41.80  | 6.21.20  | 5.55.50  | 5.43.00  | 5.38.00  |