

**STINGRAYS SWIM CLUB**

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**STINGRAYS SWIM CLUB LONG COURSE CHAMPS 2026****FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2026****SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2026****VENUE: Arboretum Swimming Pool, Waterberry Road, Arboretum, Richards Bay****Gate Opens: Friday 15:30****Warm Up: 16:00****Officials Meeting: 16:30****Gala Start: 17:00****Gate Opens: Saturday 07:00****Warm Up from: 07:30****Officials Meeting: 08:30****Gala Start: 09:00****Late entries & scratching Close: 08:15 on 14 November 2026****Swimmers to be called heat by heat to report to the marshalling area.****Gala Sessions: Session 1 - Friday Afternoon to start at 17:00****Session 2 - Saturday Morning to start at 09:00****Session 3 – Saturday Afternoon to start 45 min after the
morning session****CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

- Swimmers wanting to participate in this meet must be registered through their Clubs, with KZN Aquatics and SSA, 2 weeks prior to the competition date, which is **23 October 2026**.
- The Championship will be swum in accordance with SSA & World Aquatics rules and regulations.
- All events will be conducted as timed finals.
- The age of the swimmer will be the age on the day of the Championship.
- Swimmers may only enter events in their own age group as well as Open events.
- Age Groups are as follows: 10 & under, 11 - 12, 13 – 14, 15 & over.
- Medals will be awarded to the athletes placing first, second, and third in each event.
- Objections must be submitted in writing by the respective club's Team Manager, with a R 500.00 fee, up to 30 minutes after the event in question.
- Any decision made by the Referee is final.
- No Club entries will be captured if a list for the Club's Officials is not submitted with the gala entries.

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Michelle van der Westhuizen & Allan Froneman**

- All times will be captured on the SSA & KZNA database.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- A. All swimmers swim at their own risk.
- B. Only registered timekeepers will be allowed to time the swimmers.
- C. All public liability and indemnity rules apply.
- D. Should it be impossible to hold the event beyond the control of the CHAMPIONSHIP ORGANISERS, no refunds of the entry fee will be made.
- E. The event will be run over 6 - 8 lanes with 2 timekeepers per lane.
- F. The ORGANIZING COMMITTEE will not take responsibility for any participant who did not familiarise himself/herself with the SSA Code of Conduct, SSA National Competition Rules and the Championship rules.
- G. Entries are to be submitted in a Team Manager Zip File and PDF Format to bezu@mweb.co.za along with the proof of payment and Officials List.
- H. **Closing date for entries: 30 OCTOBER 2026. Late entries will be accepted on the day of the competition depending on lane availability.**

OFFICIALS

- All technical officials to be correctly attired. A white shirt, navy blue longs/shorts, and predominantly white closed shoes. No Crocs allowed.
- The officials' roster will be forwarded to all clubs for this event.
- It is the responsibility of the CLUB to ensure that the required number of officials submitted, reports for duty.
- CLUBS are accountable for finding a replacement if a given official does not report for duty.
- CLUBS will be fined **R 250-00** if the required number of officials do not report for duty on the day.
- Unregistered/Unqualified Officials: fine of **R 200-00**.
- Officials are classified as Referees, Starters, Judges, and Timekeepers.

OFFICIALS

Volunteers are always welcome.

1 - 4 swimmers - one timekeeper for every session.

5 – 10 swimmers - one judge and two timekeepers for every session.

11 and over swimmers - a minimum of four officials, two judges and two timekeepers for every session.

ENTRY FEES

- R 100.00 Gala Entry Fee
- R 40.00 Per Event
- R 100.00 Per Relay

LATE ENTRIES ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT ONLY

- Late entries will only be accepted for swimmers who have entered the gala.
- Late entries will be accepted up to 30 minutes before the start of the gala.
- Late entries will only be accepted **if lanes are available.**
- Late entry Fee for Individual: R 60.00
- Late entry Fee for Relay Team: R 150.00

WITHDRAWALS AND SCRATCHINGS

- Only the accredited Team Manager may:
 - Scratch a competitor from events.
 - Only a signed scratching form will be accepted.
 - Scratching from events **TO BE DONE 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF THE GALA.**
 - Swimmers that have **NOT SCRATCHED** and are a **NO SHOW** will be fined R 50.00 per event.

RELAYS

- Relay teams of 13 and under and 14 and over.
- The names of the relay teams must be submitted before the closing date of the entries.
- Only swimmers entered into the meet may be entered into relays.

PROGRAMMES

We will forward the programme to your club for distribution. Should you require a hard copy, please note that it will be your responsibility to print it.

Coaches and Team Managers will be handed a "Welcome Pack" with the documentation & forms.

FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS

Food and refreshments will be available for purchase from a variety of vendors throughout the event.

ENTRANCE FEE TO THE SWIMMING POOL

An entrance fee will apply to all swimmers and spectators (Municipal Rules) unless you hold a valid season ticket issued by the City of uMhlathuze.

Adult: R 22-00

Child: R 17-00

Pensioner: R 18-00

CONCESSION SWIMMERS

Concession swimmer entries are available for local clubs. Entries for these swimmers will be limited to a maximum of 2 events. Any additional events swum will require payment.

DISABLED SWIMMERS

Swimmers with disabilities will receive medals in the designated disability category.

PAYMENT DETAILS

Kindly pay the total entry fees via EFT **to your club**, which will make a bulk payment as per the account details, with your **CLUB NAME** as the reference.

Account Name: Stingrays Swim Club
Bank: FNB
Branch Number: 220830
Account Number: 62855919117
Type of Account: Cheque Account

Please upload POP with your entries.

No proof of payment = No Registration, No Participation.

*Swim with your heart,
race with courage,
and let your hard work shine!*

