

# Aquathon Championships Entry Information 2024

**Date** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 **Venue** Saint Kentigern College

Age Groups Junior U14, Intermediate U16, Senior U19 as at 1st January 2024

**Grades** Boys & Girls Individual, Boys/Girls Teams

#### **Entries**

- Entries must be submitted via EnterNOW by 11.59pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Entries received after the entry closing date may be accepted at the discretion of College Sport.
- Each participating school is required to provide one (or more depending on the number of participants) marshal.
- Students can only participate in one event on the day (i.e. as an individual or in a team, they can't do both).

**Note**: It is the responsibility of each athlete to be familiar with and understand the athlete guide for the race.

## **Team Management**

All teams must have a teacher or adult with them on the day. This person is to sign in the school's participants and attend a manager briefing before the races start. They need to be aware of any medical problems of their school's participants, implement the rules of the competition, and supervise their students. Teams without supervision may not be able to participate.

# Officials/Volunteer Marshals

Every school shall provide an adult volunteer to act as a marshal for the day. Marshal responsibilities will be allocated proportionality to School entry numbers\* – so some schools may require additional support and those with minimal numbers may be consolidated to help ease the load fairly.

Thank you for helping to ensure that our events are run safely and fairly – and we can continue to provide access to the sport for all.

\*Marshal ratios: 1-10 competitors = 1 marshal, 11-20 = 2 marshals, 21+ 3 marshals.

## **Para Athletes Grade**

As part of College Sport Auckland's ongoing commitment to inclusion, this year there is a Para category for the Aquathon for the first time for both individuals and teams as part of the College Sport Auckland Triathlon Series.

Participants in the **Para-teams** section may be from the same or different schools. If the participants are from different schools, they may enter a composite team as per the College Sport application form for any sports.

It is recommended that, Para Aquathon participants must:

- Have a provisional classification
- Train and compete regularly in their chosen discipline(s) for this event

Forms to apply for a Provisional classification can be found here:

http://www.paralympics.org.nz/Pathway/Classification/Classification-Forms

If you have any questions, please contact the Paralympics New Zealand Classification Manager at <a href="mailto:classification@paralympics.org.nz">classification@paralympics.org.nz</a>

Para participants will compete in their age category (Junior, Intermediate, Senior)

#### **Fees**

- As per EnterNOW
- College Sport will invoice schools once the entries have closed.
- Withdrawals after the entry closing date will still be liable for the entry fee.

## **Parking**

Schools are to find parking in the streets highlighted (Manor Park) and walk into the school grounds through the back entrance. **There is no parking on the College Grounds**. Please advise all parents/spectators of these instructions. There will be parking wardens out and those attempting to park inside the College grounds will be directed back out of the school and around to Manor Park.



## Registration

- On arrival, the TIC for the day must report to the registration desk to receive their registration pack. This includes all the race tags and 2 waiver forms. Please sign one waiver form and if any details are incorrect make the necessary changes and return to the registration desk.
- Hand out the race tags, record any scratchings, incorrect spelling etc. and return the signed waiver form, any unused race tags back to the registration desk before the manager and race briefings.
- Social/NCEA competitors can only compete over the junior race distances. Social/NCEA competitors will not be placed by age group i.e., they will race together as an open grade.

• A compulsory race briefing will be held for each age group 20 minutes prior to each race time.

#### **Race Tags**

Please give the correct numbered tag to the corresponding person. The tags are Velcro and are to be worn on the competitor's ankle. Runners to wear the correct corresponding number race bib. For teams – The swimmer will remove the tag in the transition area and hand to the runner, who must secure it on their ankle before leaving transition.

#### **Start Times**

07.15am Pack in and set up of event onsite

08.30am Transition open. Registration open

**9.00am** Compulsory Managers and Volunteers meeting (by race registration tent)

**9.05am** Race Briefings for all competitors

**9.20am** U19 Males followed by Female start +2 min gap (Teams race with their gender)

**9.45am** U16 Males followed by Female start +2 min gap (Teams race with their gender)

**10.10am** U14 Males followed by Female start +2 min gap (Teams race with their gender)

11.00am Prize Giving

#### **Course Distances**

Swim CourseRun CourseJunior/NCEA – 400mJunior/NCEA – 4kmIntermediate – 500mIntermediate – 4kmSeniors – 750mSeniors – 6km

<sup>\*</sup>Times are subject to change