

## **Kevin Townsend Memorial Gala 2025**

### **Hosted by Oadby and Wigston Swimming Club**

**Venue:** Wigston Pool and Fitness Centre

**Date:** Saturday 13th September 2025

**Warm-Up:** 6:30 pm    **Start:** 7:00 pm

**Licence:** 4EM252261

This gala will be held under **Swim England Regulations & Technical Rules.**

**Age will be taken on the day of the gala.**

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### **Conditions of Entry**

#### **1. Age Groups**

- 11 yrs & under, 13 yrs/U, 15 yrs/U, and Open.

#### **2. Event Eligibility**

- Swimmers aged **9–15 years** may enter up to **two individual events** in their own age group, plus **one additional event** in a higher age group.
- Swimmers aged **16 years & over** may enter up to **three individual events**.
- There is **no limit** to the number of relay swims per swimmer.

#### **3. Starts**

- Swimmers diving must have achieved the standard of the **Swim England Preliminary Competitive Start Award**.
- Swimmers who have not achieved this standard must start in the water.
- **Over-the-top starts** may be used.

#### **4. Points**

- Points will be awarded according to the number of teams entered, with a **maximum of 5 points for 1st place**, descending to 1 point.

#### **5. Team & Officials**

- Each team must provide **1 Judge** and **2 Timekeepers**.
- Clubs must submit full **entry files and team lists** to **Oadby and Wigston Swimming Club** by **Thursday 18th September 2025**.
- Any **late changes** must be handed to the recorders before the start of the warm-up.

## 6. Gender Categories

- The **Female** category is open to birth sex females, in line with **Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy**.
- By entering the Female category, swimmers confirm their eligibility under this rule.

## 7. Relays

- **Mixed Relays**: teams consist of **2 boys and 2 girls**, swum in any order.
- **Cannon Relay (Event 53 – 16 × 1L Freestyle Relay)**: teams consist of **2 boys and 2 girls from each age group**, swum in **ascending age order**, with **girls starting**.
- **Free Kick Relay**: performed using a **kickboard provided by the organisers**; the board must **touch the wall before the next swimmer can start**.
- **Relay Starts**:
  - **Kick Relays** and relays with swimmers at the **shallow end** must start in the water.
  - **Relays in the deep end (excluding Kick Relays)** may **dive in**.

## 8. General

- Any matter not specifically covered in these conditions will be at the **discretion of the Promoter (Oadby and Wigston Swimming Club)**.
- The Meet Promoter is Josh Simpson on behalf of Oadby and Wigston Swimming Club.
- Please note: **spectator seating is limited** at this venue.