2018 Vorgee Brisbane Open Water Meet
Lake Kawana
22 September 2018
Event Details and Entry Procedure

Location
Lake Kawana
Sportsman Parade, Bokarina, Sunshine Coast

Eligibility
The Vorgee Brisbane Open Water Meet is open to SQ registered swimmers, members of clubs affiliated with other State Swimming Associations and international swimmers who meet clearance criteria.

Age
Age group of competitors for this meet is the age as at the day of competition (i.e. 22 September 2018).

Exemptions:
* 12 year-old swimmers who turn 13 years in 2019 may nominate for the 13 years 5km event (i.e. born in 2006).
* 14 year-old swimmers who turn 15 years in 2019 may nominate for the 15 years 7.5km event (i.e. born in 2004).

Events & Medals
Medals will be awarded to the first three place-getters in the following age categories:

1.25km Event:
10yrs, 11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs

2.5km Event:
11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs & Over

5km Event:
13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, & Open

7.5Km Event
15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, & Open

Entry Information
Entries for this Meet are available via Online Meet Entries.

Entry Fee
Online Meet Entries: $35.00*
Mixed Relay (Team Event) Entries: $45.00*
*Debit/credit card transactions processed through ClubLane incur a 1.5% processing fee

* International swimmers training with clubs in Australia must be nominated under their country name, not the Australian club name. Current International clearances must be obtained before 12 September 2018.
Online Meet Entries (OME)
If you are wishing to enter using Online Meet Entries click [here].
How to enter via OME click [here].
OME closes **Midnight, Tuesday 12 September 2018**.

Photos
In nominating for this Meet, swimmers agree that they may be photographed by Brisbane Swimming’s approved photographer; that the images may be displayed for viewing and purchasing on site during the Meet and on the photographer’s secure website after the Championships; and that they may also be used by Brisbane Swimming at its discretion.

Registration
Competitors’ registration starts from 6:30am until the commencement of the pre-race briefing (20 minutes prior to start).

Pre-Race Briefing
A pre-race briefing for all competitors will be held at the venue 20 minutes prior to each race start time.

Escort Craft
Safety craft will be in attendance. Individual escort craft are not permitted.

Rules
* Swimming Queensland Championship By-Ly-Laws and Open Water Swimming Championship By-Laws apply.
* **No** swapping of distances will be accepted on the day.
* **FINA OWS Rule 6.17** will be applied at this Meet:

  **OWS 6.17**
  In all events, time limits shall apply as follows from the finish time of the first swimmer (meaning first swimmer in each age group): 15min per 5km (or part thereof) up to a maximum time of 120 min.

  **OWS 6.17.1**
  Competitors who do not finish the course within the time limits “shall be removed from the water except that the Referee may allow a competitor outside the time limit to complete the course but not be eligible for any points or prizes.”
* **Swimmers must be capable of completing the distance they nominate to swim.**
* Fingernails and toenails must be trimmed short and **no** body jewelry- including tongue studs and watches – is to be warn. Swimmers will be checked as they enter the water. No wetsuits or floatation devices will be permitted.
* One handler per swimmer in the 7.5km events will have access to the feeding station, located on the eastern foreshore between the start and the first turn buoy. No feeding in 5km, 2.5km and 1.25 km events.
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Transponders

* Transponders will be used at this meet. FINA OWS 7.2.2 will be applied at this meet.

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It is mandatory for all swimmers to wear a microchip transponder on each wrist throughout the race. If a swimmer loses a transponder the Race Judge or other authorized Official, will immediately inform the Referee who will instruct the responsible Official on the water to issue a replacement transponder. Any swimmer who finishes the race without a transponder will be disqualified.

* Competitors must return their transponders to the Clerk of the Course when having their names checked off at the checkpoint at the finish of their event (the checkpoint will be located under the McDonalds marquee on the sand, where the First Aid attendant will be stationed). If a competitor fails to return the transponder/s, they will be liable to reimburse Event Timing at the rate of $75.00 per transponder for replacement of the missing unit/s.

Waiver & Indemnity Form:

Important: Stockland Park no longer requires Brisbane Swimming to collect Waiver & Indemnity Forms on its behalf from all athletes competing at this meet. The reason for this is that Stockland Park’s liability is now covered by the Lake Permit issued to Brisbane Swimming, Schedule 3 – Permit Conditions - Clause 1(n) which states: “Obligations of Hirer- The Hirer (Brisbane Swimming) must: use Lake Kawana at the Hirer’s own risk, including risk of swimming, submerged objects and marine creatures”.

Qualifying Times

There are no Qualifying Times for this event.

Premiership Points

Points will be awarded in all divisions.