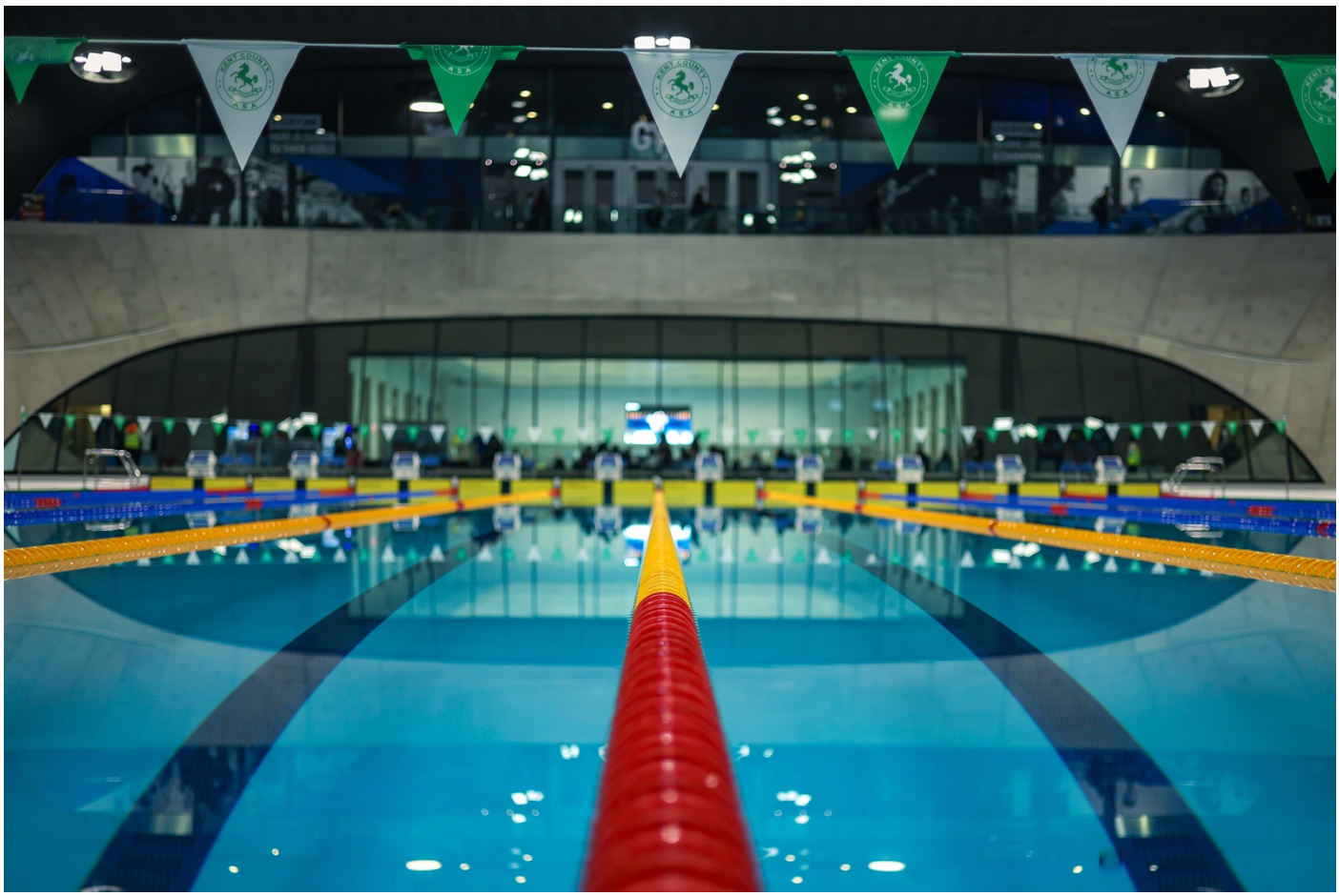
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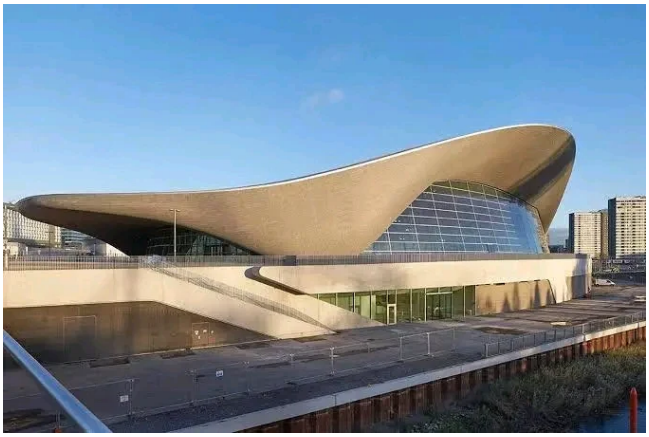
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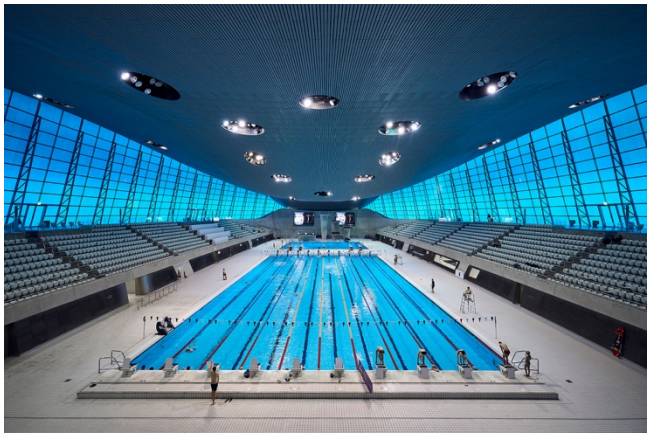
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V1.0	28th October 2026	Initial release

Venues

London Aquatics Centre – 23rd/24th & 30th/31st January





Address – London Aquatics Centre, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Stratford Cross, London, E20 2ZQ
Venue Phone Number – 020 8536 3150
Venue Website - https://www.londonaquaticscentre.org/

Venue Accessibility Information (incl. pictures, facilities info, etc.)	https://www.accessable.co.uk/london-borough-of-newham/access-guides/london-aquatics-centre
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park Accessibility Information	https://www.queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/plan-your-visit/access-and-safety/access
Info on getting to London Aquatics Centre	https://londonaquaticscentre.org/about/find-us/
National Highways – Traffic England	https://www.trafficengland.com/
Southeastern Railway Service Status	https://www.southeasternrailway.co.uk/travel-information/service-updates/service-disruption
Transport for London Status Page	https://tfl.gov.uk/tube-dlr-overground/status/

K2 Crawley – 16th January & 6th March





Address – K2 Crawley Leisure Centre, Pease Pottage Hill, Crawley RH11 9BQ
Venue Phone Number – 01293 585300
Venue Website - https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/k2-crawley/

Venue Accessibility Information (incl. pictures, facilities info, etc.)	https://www.accessable.co.uk/crawley-borough-council/access-guides/k2-crawley
Info on getting to K2 Crawley	https://crawley.gov.uk/culture/sport-and-leisure/leisure-facilities/k2-crawley
National Highways – Traffic England	https://www.trafficengland.com/
Southern Railway Service Status	https://www.southernrailway.com/service-updates/service-updates

Key Dates for Competition

Date	Event
Entries Open	Week commencing 2nd November 2026
800m Freestyle Entries Close	Wednesday 23rd December 2026 @ 23:59
800m Freestyle Accepted Entries Released	By Monday 4th January 2027
LAC & 1500m Freestyle Entries Close	Wednesday 13th January 2027 @ 23:59
LAC & 1500m Freestyle Accepted Entries Released	Saturday 16th January 2027
800m Freestyle @ K2 Crawley	Saturday 16th January 2027
LAC Weekend 1	Saturday 23rd/Sunday 24th January 2027
Coach and Team Manager Briefing	Saturday 23rd January 2027, Time TBC
LAC Weekend 2	Saturday 30th/Sunday 31st January 2027
1500m Freestyle @ K2 Crawley	Saturday 6th March 2027

Entry Information

Entry Fees

Entry fees are set at £11 for the 50/100/200/400m events, and £15 for the 800m and 1500m Freestyle. An entry summary sheet with the correct information must be sent to the Meet Entries Manager at the time of entry.

Clubs should not pay at the time of entry. An invoice will be issued to clubs once accepted entries have been released. Clubs should use the following payment details:

- Business Name - Kent County ASA
- Sort Code - 60-21-10
- Account Number - 77774108
- Reference - CLUBCODE-Champs26

Entry fees will be due by 12th January 2027 for 800m Freestyle, and 19th January 2027 for all other events. Incorrect entries will not be refunded.

Entry Confirmation

Club gala secretaries will be emailed directly with confirmation of their entries once these have been accepted or rejected by the Meet Entries Manager. A separate confirmation pack for the LAC events will be produced by the Event Manager and communicated to all club gala secretaries as soon as possible after Accepted Entries have been published.

Entry Method & Closing Date

Entries will be processed electronically using Sportsystems. The entry file is available on the Kent Swimming website. One copy should be used for the 800m Freestyle, and another copy for all remaining events. Para swimmers should use a manual entry form to ensure their classifications are correctly applied to their entry.

There are two closing dates for entries:

- 23rd December 2026 for 800m Freestyle at K2 Crawley
- 13th January 2027 for 50/100/200/400m events at LAC, and 1500m Freestyle at K2 Crawley

No entries beyond the closing time and date will be accepted.

Accreditation

Coaches, Team Managers and Chaperones must purchase accreditation from the Swim England Member Options site. Previous accreditation from 2026 Kent Swimming events is no longer valid. Please ensure a recent photo is uploaded and any other specific qualifications are present on the Swim England membership database.

Accredited individuals must use the Kent Championships pass available for purchase – **the generic free accreditation will not be accepted at this event.** Accredited individuals will receive a pouch and lanyard for their pass, however we advise those who have these from a previous event to use them again to prevent unnecessary waste.

Technical Officials supporting the event do not need to purchase accreditation but must show their British Swimming/Aquatics GB Officials Card at all times. Event volunteers will be issued their own accreditation for collection on the day.

Coaches

Coaches must have the following on their Swim England Member profile in order to download accreditation:

- A Discipline Specific Coaching Qualification (e.g. Assistant Coach, Swimming Coach, Senior Swimming Coach, Level 2 Coach, etc.)
- An up-to-date Safeguarding Qualification
- An up-to-date DBS with Barred List check

Team Managers

Team Managers must have the following on their Swim England Member profile in order to download accreditation:

- A Team Manager Module One or Module Two certificate
- An up-to-date Safeguarding Qualification
- An up-to-date DBS with Barred List check

Chaperones

Chaperones must have the following on their Swim England Member profile in order to download accreditation:

- A Chaperone attribute – contact Swim England Support (support@kentswimming.org), asking for this to be added to your profile for the Kent County Championships 2027
- An up-to-date Safeguarding Qualification
- An up-to-date DBS with Barred List check

Personal Care Attendants

Personal care attendants must contact John King (john.king@kentswimming.org) for their accreditation.

Coach & Team Manager Briefing

At least one coach and one team manager from each competing club must attend the briefing before the first day of competition at the London Aquatics Centre. This is an opportunity for important information and reminders to be given to clubs, and for any questions to be asked to the organising team.

Location – Officials Room (Studio next to Timing Suite)
Date & Time – TBC in Confirmation Pack

Competitor Information

The detailed schedule and conditions for the Kent County Championships can be found on the Kent Swimming website. In the event of discrepancies between this entry pack and the conditions, the conditions take precedence. Queries regarding these should be directed to the Event Manager in the first instance.

Session Times

Session	Date	Warm Up Time	Start Time	End Time (estimated)
1	Saturday 16th January	17:30	18:00	21:00
2	Saturday 23rd January	08:15	09:20	TBC
3	Saturday 23rd January	TBC in Confirmation Pack		18:00
4	Sunday 24th January	08:15	09:20	TBC
5	Sunday 24th January	TBC in Confirmation Pack		18:00
6	Saturday 30th January	08:15	09:20	TBC
7	Saturday 30th January	TBC in Confirmation Pack		18:00
8	Sunday 31st January	08:15	09:20	TBC
9	Sunday 31st January	TBC in Confirmation Pack		18:00
10	Saturday 6th March	17:30	18:00	21:00

There will be a presentation to the Kent County Team Championships squad before the start of session 7 after warm up. There will be a brief pause before the start of session 9 after warm up to say thank you to our volunteers, officials and the team who make the Championships possible.

Warm Up & Swim Down

Warm Up sessions will take place before each session, with a specific schedule to be sent out once entries have closed. Clubs should expect to have roughly 15 minutes to warm up their swimmers, with each session broken down by age group and gender, although this is subject to change. Coaches must supervise their lanes, ensuring that directions from the Warm Up Marshall are followed.

The Warm Up Marshall may introduce sprint lanes towards the end of each Warm Up session. This is at their discretion, and they will announce when sprint lanes are active.

Swim down arrangements for the LAC will be confirmed in the Confirmation Pack. There will be no swim down facility available at K2 Crawley.

Certificates of Exemption

Swimmers and/or Team Managers must present any exemption certificates to the referee or technical director before the start of the race, and ideally before the start of the session. If a swimmer has any other needs or conditions that may affect them before, during or after a race, that are not covered by an exemption certificate, it is advisable that this is brought to the attention of the referee before the start of the session, including taping or a need for the strobe to be blocked due to photosensitivity.

Safeguarding

Swimmers are reminded of the Wavepower guidelines on changing rooms. **Usage of a mobile phone or electronic device in the changing rooms is prohibited.**

X **No Taking Photos or Videos**
X **No Texting**
X **No Making Phone Calls**
X **No Browsing The Internet**

Kent Swimming reserve the right to remove swimmers from the Championships if they are found to be using mobile phones or other devices, such as glasses capable of capturing photos and videos, in the changing rooms. Swimmers may listen to music in the changing rooms or call room, but devices must remain at the bottom of bags/in pockets and must not be touched (e.g. music can only be controlled by built-in controls on headphones).

Swimmers must also be wearing an item of clothing which identifies them to their club when not on poolside. This can be a club t-shirt or hoodie and must clearly show the logo and/or name of the club that they are swimming for. Security staff and event volunteers reserve the right not to let swimmers into the changing rooms, or out of the swimmer/club seating area if swimmers do not have identifiable clothing on. **Kent Swimming reserve the right to remove swimmers from the Championships if there are repeated violations of this rule.**

Spectator Information

Note – this information is subject to change. Refer to the Confirmation Pack once Accepted Entries have been released.

Tickets

Tickets are available will be available to purchase on the Kent Swimming website. Tickets will only be available online (no cash sales on the door), and spectators must present their ticket confirmation email on arrival to be admitted to the venue.

Travelling To The LAC

Public transport is the best and easiest way to get to and from the London Aquatics Centre. The Elizabeth Line, Central and Jubilee lines, London Overground and DLR stop at Stratford Station, which is a ten minute walk away from the LAC. The London Overground also stops at Hackney Wick, which is a fifteen minute walk away.

Spectators must not park in the LAC car park – this is now prohibited under the rules set by the LAC for events. We advise parking in the Westfield car park.

Other Events in the Olympic Park

Event	Date and Time	Park Area	Advice to Spectators
West Ham United Home Game against Blackburn Rovers	Saturday 30th January @ 15:00	London Stadium / Concourse from Westfield	Crowd management measures in place across the Olympic Park – those arriving for Session 7 should leave additional time to account for increased traffic

Final list of events TBC in the Confirmation Pack

Food

The 'No Food' policy at LAC preventing bringing in food from outside remains in force except for competitors, accredited club staff and event volunteers. Bags will be checked at the entry point by security staff. There is a café by the reception area – previous events have shown that queues can be long and slow moving, especially during the break so please be patient.

Retail

Swimpath will be selling event merchandise and swim gear at both LAC weekends. **Please ensure you have purchased your merchandise at least 10 days before the weekend you are attending to be able to collect your order.**

Safety & Security

All attendees, including competitors, club team members, spectators and volunteers are asked to be vigilant and not to leave their belongings unattended. Concerns should be reported to event staff or our event security staff present around the spectator and competitor seating areas. Bag checks will take place before entering the building. Spectators are advised not to bring large bags or suitcases. Event security staff may confiscate items deemed to pose a risk to the smooth running of the event (regardless of illegality). Spectators should advise security at the time of bag searches for any items required for medical purposes.

Event Photography

Kent ASA are delighted to have secured the services of Jason Shepherd Photography again this year. Full details and pre-booking information will be available in the Confirmation Pack.