



7th March 2025

Dear Club Secretary,

We are pleased and excited to extend an invitation to your Club to participate in Glenalbyn Swimming Club's May Gala which will take place in Tallaght Sports Complex on **Monday 5th May 2025**.

This year, we are accepting entries from all swimmers aged 8 to 14 years as at 31st Dec 2025 with Swim Ireland numbers. This is a level 1 novice swimmer gala and is limited to three races per swimmer.

This is a 'Progression Gala' which allows swimmers, parents and coaches to view swimmer's progression and improvement over the season, since the GSC Gala in October 2024.

If you do **not** intend sending a team to this event it would be appreciated if you could let us know by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025**.

The closing date for receipt of entries will be **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025**. If the event is over-subscribed, we will contact clubs individually with any changes that need to be made.

The Hytek files for electronic entries will be e-mailed shortly.

Should you have any questions please contact us at [swimmingclubglenalbyn@gmail.com](mailto:swimmingclubglenalbyn@gmail.com)

Looking forward to seeing you on the day!

Yours in swimming,

Derval O'Dwyer & David Clarke  
Glenalbyn Swimming Club Chairpersons  
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- Host** Glenalbyn Swimming Club
- Venue** Tallaght Sports Complex, Balrothery
- Date** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- Warm-up** Warm-up times will be allocated once the entry deadline has passed.
- Age Groups** 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13/14yr old Girls and Open novice swimmers as at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025. All swimmers must have an in-date Swim Ireland number.
- Events** 50m and 100m in all strokes and 200m Ind. Medley. All events are HDW (heat declared winner) for each age group.
- Cut Off Times** There are no cut-off times as this is a beginner's gala and there will be no timing pads in use. The organising committee do reserve the right to limit heats in any or all events to control the duration of sessions. Clubs will be notified of any entries which it has not been possible to accept. The times from this Level 1 gala cannot be used to qualify for a national event.
- Seeding** Please ensure you include previous / estimated entry times, as this helps the efficient running of the gala
- Relays** There will be U10, 11-12 and 13-14 Freestyle and Medley Relays. Swimmers may swim in ONE age group ONLY in relay events. Only swimmers competing in individual events may compete on relays. All relays are HDW.
- Age** Age as 31/12/2025 determines your age group for this meet.
- Facilities** Ample free parking. Coffee shop and Gear shop available in the sports hall on the day.
- Transgender Policy** Please note that this competition will be run under the stipulations of the Swim Ireland Transgender and Non-Binary Participation and Competition Policy.  
Female Category – athletes with a birth sex of female  
Open Category – athletes with a birth sex of male, trans or non-binary competitors and any competitor not eligible for the Female category



**Entry Fees** €8 per individual event, €20 per relay event.

**Payments** Payments by bank transfer for your Club's entries to GSC Account (preferred method):

IBAN: IE56 AIBK 9335 7044 5330 75

BIC: AIBKIE2D.

Please reference your Club name on bank transfers

**Date for Fees** Fees must be paid by Clubs by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Fee Queries to** [treasurerglenalbynsc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerglenalbynsc@gmail.com)

**Scratches** Scratches received before Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025 will not be charged. Payment will be due for any scratches received after that date.

**Entry Deadline** Entries must be received on or before Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025. Glenalbyn Swim Club reserves the right to include a limited number of additional swimmers in certain events where time and space permits.

**Entries to** [galasec@glenalbynsc.com](mailto:galasec@glenalbynsc.com)

**Gala Queries to** [galasec@glenalbynsc.com](mailto:galasec@glenalbynsc.com)

**Gala Changes** Glenalbyn Swimming Club reserves the right to limit the number of swimmers in each event, and/or change the order of events and warmup times. This is to ensure the gala runs to schedule. Clubs will be notified of any changes to their entries or schedule.

**Licence** Gala will be operated under a Swim Ireland licence

**Data Protection** Glenalbyn Swim Club uses a computer to manage entries and results. By submitting and accepting entries to the meet consent is hereby given, as required by the Data Protection Act, to the holding of personal information on computer. Personal data such as name, age, club, entered/achieved times may be made public prior to, during or after the meet (e.g. programs, results, Meet Mobile, etc). Any points not covered by the above will be at the discretion of the Gala Organisers. The decision of the Gala Organisers will be final.

## Session 1 for Open and Girls aged 8-10

Start time 9:00 am

There will be a warmup before this session, details to be announced

Event			Event		
1	Open 8-10	100m Freestyle	9	Open 8-10	50m Freestyle
2	Girls 8-10	100m Freestyle	10	Girls 8-10	50m Freestyle
3	Open 8-10	50m Butterfly	11	Open 8-10	100m IM
4	Girls 8-10	50m Butterfly	12	Girls 8-10	100m IM
5	Open 8-10	50m Breaststroke	13	Open 8-10	200m Medley Relay
6	Girls 8-10	50m Breaststroke	14	Girls 8-10	200m Medley Relay
7	Open 8-10	50m Backstroke	15	Open 8-10	200m Freestyle Relay
8	Girls 8-10	50m Backstroke	16	Girls 8-10	200m Freestyle Relay

## Session 2 for Open and Girls ages 11-14

Start time 1:30 pm

There will be a warmup before this session, details to be announced

Event			Event		
17	Girls 11-14	200m IM	22	Open 11-14	100m Butterfly
18	Open 11-14	200m IM	23	Girls 11-12	200m Medley Relay
19	Girls 11-14	100m Breaststroke	24	Open 11-12	200m Medley Relay
20	Open 11-14	100m Breaststroke	25	Girls 13-14	200m Medley Relay
21	Girls 11-14	100m Butterfly	26	Open 13-14	200m Medley Relay

## Session 3 for Open and Girls ages 11-14

Start time 4:30 pm

Event			Event		
27	Open 11-14	100m Freestyle	31	Open 11-12	200m Freestyle Relay
28	Girls 11-14	100m Freestyle	32	Girls 11-12	200m Freestyle Relay
29	Open 11-14	100m Backstroke	33	Open 13-14	200m Freestyle Relay
30	Girls 11-14	100m Backstroke	34	Girls 13-14	200m Freestyle Relay