Leander Advent Gala 2026

Sunday 29th November 2026

Lisnasharragh Leisure Centre

The Gala will be run under World Aquatics / Swim Ireland rules
Session 1: Level 1 Meet Licence Number: 1S-26/27-U013
Sessions 2 & 3: Level 3: Meet Licence Number: 3S-26/27-U014



Event Information

Date

Sunday 29th November 2026

Venue

Lisnasharragh Leisure Centre, Montgomery Road, Belfast BT6 9HS

6 lane 25m Format

Session 1: Dolphin System Semi-Electronic timing will be in use

Session 2 & 3: Full Electronic Timing

Age Groups

8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years – Only these age groups will swim in Session 1.

11-12 years, 13-14 years, 15-16 years, 17 years & over – these age groups will swim in Sessions 2 & 3

Age Up Date

31st December 2026

Events

Session 1

8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years – 25m all four strokes

All events will be Heat Declared Winner

Sessions 2 & 3

11-12 years, 13-14 years, 15-16 years, 17 years & over – 50m & 100m all four strokes, 200m Backstroke and 200m / 400m Free

All events will be Heat Declared Winner

The 200m Freestyle & Backstroke events will be limited to 3 heats per gender. Heats will be populated based on fastest times.

The 400m Freestyle events will be limited to 2 heats per gender. The Gala Organiser reserves the right to have mixed heats for the 200m/ 400m events.

All swimmers must report to the Marshalling area at least one event before their event.

Entries

Swimmers entering the Leander Advent Gala 2026 must be a member of a Swim Ulster affiliated club or a club from outside Ireland registered with their National Federation. The Swim Ireland Registration number or equivalent for each swimmer must be included in the file.

Entries must be submitted electronically to **leandergalaentries@gmail.com** using Hytek Team Manager.

The Closing Date for entries is Thursday 13th November 2026. Entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Should the meet become oversubscribed the organising committee will notify clubs in advance of the meet and may have to limit the number of swims per athlete. **There will be no entries accepted on the day of the Meet.**

Warm Up Times (Sessions 2 & 3) and Session Times will be confirmed after all entries have been received.

Please note that there will be no warm-up / cooldown pool available at this Meet as this is in use by members of the public at this time.

Awards

Medals will be awarded to the first three places in each event in:

AM Session 1: 8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years

PM Session 2 & 3: 11-12 years,13-14 years,15-16 years,17 years & over

Awards will be given to the Top Female and Open Swimmer in each age group in Session 1.

Meet Results

The Gala results will be posted on a WhatsApp group during the gala and where possible, on Meet Mobile. A full list of results will be forwarded to individual clubs when the Meet is finished.

Entry Fees

Session 1 - £5 or €5 per event £20 / €20 per swimmer for all 4 (25m) events–

This fee entitles the swimmer to enter all events in that age group (i.e. all 4 x 25m events in that age group)

Session 2 & 3 - £7 or €7 per event

Entry Fees should be transferred electronically to the Leander ASC Bank Account by the closing date.

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Account Name: Leander ASC

Sort Code: 95 01 32

Account No: 22788381

Please put your Club Name as the reference. Fees should be paid by 20th November 2026. No refunds after this date.

Meet Safety Protocols

All accidents, however minor must be reported to the organising Club and / or the Leisure Centre Manager and the appropriate forms completed.

The Meet Manager's or Gala Referee's decision will be final.

Cameras/Mobile Phones

Anyone wishing to take photographs or videos must register their device at the Leander Advent Gala Desk in the Reception Area – you will need photographic ID to register your device. NO PHOTOGRAPHS CAN BE TAKEN ON POOLSIDE UNLESS PRIOR PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED.

All devices capable of taking photographs or videos must be switched off when using toilet or changing facilities at Lisnasharragh Leisure Centre.

Refreshments

There will be refreshments available to purchase at 'Little Bistro' in Lisnasharragh Leisure Centre. There is also a Lidl a 5-minute walk away from the Centre.

Spectator Seating

Please note that seating for spectators is limited and on a first come, first served basis. Please ensure that swimmers dispose of any litter in the bins provided.



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Order of Events

Warm Up Times & Session Times will be confirmed once all entries have been received.

Session 1 – TBC* No Warm-Up	Session 2 – TBC*	Session 3 – TBC*
Female 8-11 25m Backstroke	Female 11&O 100m Backstroke	Female 13&O 400m Freestyle (2 heats)
Open 8-11 25m Backstroke	Open 11&O 100m Backstroke	Open 13&O 400m Freestyle (2 heats)
Female 8-11 25m Breaststroke	Female 11&O 50m Freestyle	Female 11&O 100m Butterfly
Open 8-11 25m Breaststroke	Open 11&O 50m Freestyle	Open 11&O 100m Butterfly
Female 8-11 25m Butterfly	Female 11&O 100m Breaststroke	Female 11&O 50m Backstroke
Open 8-11 25m Butterfly	Open 11&O 100m Breaststroke	Open 11&O 50m Backstroke
Female 8-11 25m Freestyle	Female 11&O 50m Butterfly	Female 11&O 100m Freestyle
Open 8-11 25m Freestyle	Open 11&O 50m Butterfly	Open 11&O 100m Freestyle
	Female 11&O 100m IM	Female 11&O 50m Breaststroke
	Open 11&O 100m IM	Open 11&O 50m Breaststroke
	Female 11&O 200m Freestyle (3 heats)	Female 11&O 200m Backstroke (3 heats)
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