



2012 EAST ZONE SR. CHAMPIONSHIPS
MARCH 9-11
TOWN OF TONAWANDA, NY

Facility: Town of Tonawanda Aquatic and Fitness Center
1 Pool Plaza
Kenmore, NY 14223

Meet Manager: Patti Melber Home: 716-838-2402
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Sponsored by: Town of Tonawanda Aquettes and The Town of Tonawanda Youth, Parks,
And Recreation Department.

Sanctioned by: United States Synchronized Swimming, Niagara Association

Rules to Govern: United States Synchronized Swimming 2012 Official Rules
Current East Zone Synchronized Swimming Handbook

*** Please see weather policy in East Zone Handbook in case of inclement weather***

Eligibility: All athletes must be registered USSS Regular Athletes for 2012.
Age 13 & over by birth year (athlete's birth year 1999 or before)

Qualifying: **Preliminaries minimum score: Semi-finals seeded score**
Solo 66.00 Solo 75.00
Duet 65.00 Duet 75.00
Trio 64.00 Trio 75.00
Team Open

SEEDING TO SEMIFINALS:

- 1.. Solo, Duet and Trio finalists (1-8) from the 2011 East Zone Championships
2. Solo, Duet and Trio Winner (1st place) from the 2011 and 2012 East Zone Junior Championships.
3. All solos, duets, and trios with the above semi-final seeded score.

***IMPORTANT** Please note that **ANY** routine that has 13 and/or 14-year-old members will NOT be eligible to qualify for U.S. Nationals.

Preliminary scores may be earned at a Senior Association meet or Regional, Zone or National Championship. Semi-final seed scores must be earned at Regional, Zone or National Championships. Scores from Association Championships may not be used for seeding. Scores earned are valid for the next 2 competitive years. (Ex. 2010 scores can be used at 2011 and 2012 competitions)



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ENTRY FORMS: Please see attached.

Form A Club Entry Form – indicate **S** for Seeded
Form B Entry Fee Summary
Form C Host Fee summary
Form D Housing and Transportation
Form E Officials Availability Form

ENTRY DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 24, 2012

Use postal form # 3817 to verify mailing

No entries will be accepted after this date.

**Mail all fees, Entry Forms A-E, to Meet Manager: Patti Melber – address on page one
Email or mail proof of USSS Registration and qualifying scores to Meet Manager**

*******E-mail one copy of Entry Form A to Head Scorer: Bob Weigand AND One Copy of
Form A to: Pete McGeoch*****
pete@sculpins.org AND bobwiegs@yahoo.com**

Mail one copy of entry Form E to Officials Chair:

Joanne Wright

emailjow@yahoo.com

484 Glenalby Road

(716) 835-1874 Tonawanda, NY 14150

OFFICIALS: Please **Return** forms D and E by entry deadline

Officials should wear white tops with black bottoms for each event.

Please be aware that we are using the “new” scoring system. 3 scores will be awarded by each judge (technical and artistic)

CLUB BANNERS: Hung by Meet Host, Please provide at time of registration

ENTRY FEES: Routines: \$10 / person / event; Sponsor fee: \$15 per person

EVENTS: Prelim, Semi-Final and Final Events in Solo, Duet and Trio. Semi-Finals and Finals in Team.

FIGURES: Junior Compulsory and selection Group: 1

313 Kip, Split, Closing 180 2.5	336	Gaviata Open 180	2.8
112f Ibis, Continuous Spin (720) 2.8	436	Cyclone	2.7



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Athletes who place 21st in solo, 16th duet and 11th in trio/team will be invited to be pre-swimmers for the figure competition if they are not otherwise qualified for figures.

AWARDS: Medals 1st – 3rd, Ribbons 4th – 8th

ALL STAR TEAM SELECTION:

The top sixteen athletes from the East Zone Championships figure results, **including split test bonus**, shall comprise the East Zone Senior All Star Team.

Athletes will participate in a right land split test, and a passing score will give the athlete a .25 point bonus added to her figure score.

HOST HOTEL INFORMATION:

Holiday Inn Buffalo- Amherst

1881 Niagara Falls Blvd.
Amherst, NY 14228
1-888-465-4329
Rate: \$104/night +tax
Group: East Zone Synchro by 2/8/12
(Saturday Meetings at this hotel)

Ramada Hotel & Conference Center

2402 N. Forest Rd.
Amherst, NY 14226
716-636-7500
Rate: \$81.00/night +tax
Group: East Zone Championship by 2/25
Includes Complimentary Breakfast

COMPETITIVE POOL DESCRIPTION:

Length: 25 meters (moveable bulkhead)

Width: 8 Lanes

Depth: 13 ft. Deep end (All Deep)

Distance of water from deck level: 6 inches

Type of Pool; Entry: Deep end,

Practice Pool: On other side of bulkhead (quiet lap swimming and synchro Only) NO Throws and/or lifts

VENUE RULES: Teams may use both Boys and Girls Locker Rooms
You may De-Gel in Showers ONLY if you clean up afterwards.
NO FOOD ON DECK...NO GLASS CONTAINERS

FOOD CONCESSION: Available in Exercise Room past main desk

MERCHANDISE: For Sale in Main Lobby

OFFICIALS & COACHES HOSPITALITY: Available in Exercise Room...more seating available in Upstairs Scoring Room.

AIRPORT CLOSEST TO COMPETITION: Buffalo/Niagara International Airport

PARKING: Free parking right outside Aquatic Center



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***** TENTATIVE MEET SCHEDULE *****

Friday, March 9

3:00 pm Registration at pool - Main lobby
3:30 Coaches & Officials Meeting – on Deck
3:30 Lap Swimming
3:30-3:45 Warm-up **Prelim Solos**
3:45-5:45 **SOLO PRELIMINARY COMPETITION**
5:45-6:00 Warm-up **Prelim Duets**
6:00-8:00 **DUET PRELIMINARY COMPETITION**

Saturday, March 10

8:00 am Lap Swimming
8:15-8:30 Warm up **Prelim Trios**
8:30-9:45 **TRIO PRELIMINARY COMPETITION**
9:45-10:00 Warm-up **Semi-final Solos**
10:00-11:30 **SOLO SEMI-FINAL COMPETITION**
11:30-11:45 Warm up **Duet Semi final Event**
11:45-1:15 **DUET SEMI FINAL COMPETITION**
1:15-2:15 **Parade of athletes and Zone awards**
2:15-3:00 Warm up **Team Semi Final Event**
3:00-4:45 **TEAM SEMI FINAL COMPETITION**
4:45-5:00 Warm up **Trio Semi Final Event**
5:00-7:00 **TRIO SEMI FINAL COMPETITION**
7:30 **Zone meetings at Holiday Inn Amherst, Niagara Falls Blvd..**

Sunday, March 11

8:00 am Lap Swimming
8:00- 9:00 Figure Warm up
9:00-11:00 **Figure Competition and Split test**
11:00-12:00 Team Spacing
12:15-1:00 Trio, Duet, Solo Warm-up
1:00-3:30 **FINAL EVENTS: TRIO, DUET, SOLO, TEAM**
3:45 **AWARDS and ANNOUNCEMENT OF EZ ALL-STARS**

***Quiet** Lap swimming will be allowed in the shallow end, except during figure competition.

*** In recent years we have not needed to have some Preliminary Events. Based on meet entries, the Meet Host, in consultation with the Tech Chair, may adjust the schedule, including changing the day of scheduled events. We will adjust the schedule as soon as we get the entries counted and will notify you.

*** **Schedule subject to change based on final meet entries.**