

2026 WYW Firecracker Finale

June 29-30, 2026

404 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT 06897

Held under sanction of USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. #L26-43. In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

	Team Code WYW
Meet Director	Jo Ann McCaffrey Jmccaffrey@riverbrookymca.org 203-762-8384 x 249
Entry Chair	Jo Ann McCaffrey Jmccaffrey@riverbrookymca.org 203-762-8384 x 249
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Safety Chair	Eric Holden eholden@riverbrookymca.org 203-762-8384
Official's Contact	Bruce Van Velzor wywofficials@gmail.com
FACILITY INFORMATION	
Location	Riverbrook /Wilton YMCA 404 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT
Facilities	6-lane, 50 meter pool. Daktronic Timing. The Wilton YMCA pool is a 6 lane by 50 meter facility with a dividing bulkhead and Daktronics electronic timing. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. The pool is 50 meters x 15 yards with a north end pool depth of 6 ½ ft and south end pool depth of 4 ft. * Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
Course	LCM
Emergency Phone	203-762-8384
Website	www.wywohoos.org
Wifi Access	Wifi is available. Some meets it will not be because of meet use
Medical Supervision	Lifeguards the entire meet, AED available
Safe Sport	Spectators are allowed. Meet will be live streamed
Handicapped/Disabled Access	Handicapped parking, handicapped entrances locker rooms and spectator areas are accessible. Contact meet director for special arrangements.
Parking	Meet parking is at the High School across the street, WHEN school is not in session. During those times, there will be limited parking at the YMCA
ENTRY INFORMATION	
Entry Open Date	Entries will be accepted no earlier than April 24 at 7:00p
CT ONLY Deadline	There are no CT ONLY deadlines for any meet at any time this LC season
Entry Deadline	Deadline is 6/8/26 Entry will be determined by the date an entry is received. “Place holder” entries will be responsible for entry fees as of this date!
Entry Fees	Individual: \$15.00

	Manual Entry Fees: \$20.00 will be added to the amounts above ** No refunds will be given for entries that are accepted, or for entries that are rejected due to improper entry.
Swimmer Surcharge	NO Teams that are charged pool rental for running a regularly scheduled non CSI Championship meet during the LC season (4/1-8/31), can charge a per swimmer facility fee not to exceed \$10. This charge will NOT be subject to CSI surcharges.
Send Payment to	Wilton Y Wahoos Jo Ann McCaffrey 404 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897 Payment must be received by 6/1/26
Makes checks payable to	Wilton Y Wahoos
MEET INFORMATION	
Meet Format	Timed Finals All events 12 under/ 13 over (400 FR time your own)
Entry Limitations	6 events 3 per day
Meet Duration	Full meet with time limits as defined by CT/USA Swimming.
Sanction Type	Sanctioned
Rules	Current USA Swimming rules will govern all competition.
Relays	NO
Time Trials	no
SCHEDULE	
Monday/Tuesday	Session 1 and Session 2 Warmup: 4:00 pm Start: 5:15 pm (subject to change)
CT Swimming Warm-Up Procedures will be in effect.	
MISCELLANEOUS	
Adapted Swimming	Any current athlete members of USA Swimming with a disability as defined by USA Swimming Rules and Regulations may enter this meet. If modifications to USA Swimming rules are necessary then the coach or athlete must notify the meet referee of any disability <u>prior</u> to competition. Adapted athletes may direct questions to the Connecticut Swimming office .
Outreach	Participating clubs will submit payment in full to the meet host for all Outreach athlete entry fees (splash fees). These fees will be reimbursed by CSI to the participating CSI club after completion of the meet. Scratches and 'No Swims' will not be reimbursed. For more information and to submit a reimbursement visit the Outreach Athlete page on ctswim.org.
Adult Athletes	All adult athletes, or parents of minor athletes, who enter without club affiliation will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy .
Hospitality	Yes
Concession	Yes (if Y concession stand is open)
Awards	12 under only
Work Assignments	Teams will be assigned timers prior to the start of the meet 400 FREE is TIME YOUR OWN All volunteers will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy .
Registration Reporting	The Meet or Entry Director MUST run a meet verification report and give said report to the Meet Referee. This is to ensure that no swimmer without their APT credentials or unregistered swimmers participate in a sanction USA/CT Swimming meet.
Deck Access	Parents on deck are restricted to areas marked below scoreboard. Chairs will be provide Only athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staff actively participating in the meet are permitted on the pool deck.
Meet Changes	Once the meet has begun, the Meet Referee may make adjustments to the

	conduct of competition in accordance with USA Swimming Rule 102.11. Any pre-meet changes to the provisions of this meet announcement may only be made with approval of CT Swim Program Operations, unless specifically authorized by CT Swim policy.
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SCRATCH PROCEDURES: Scratches are due within 30 minutes of the start of the 1st warmup to the computer table. Teams failing to comply with scratch procedures will be barred from swimming in that session.

ELIGIBILITY: All USA Swimming clubs and individuals; Athletes with Flex memberships must not have swum in more than one USA Swimming meet prior to this meet in order to be eligible.

For Sanctioned Meets: All athletes must be current athlete members of [USA Swimming](#). Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the swimmer's age and age group for the meet.. Any swimmer, who is entered and is unregistered, will be scratched from the meet until registration is completed. See CT Swimming athlete [registration procedures](#). Registrations will not be processed at the meet. All coaches must present a valid USA Swimming coach card to the Meet Director prior to the commencement of any sanctioned swim meet, and must have this card with them while on deck. Clubs are reminded that participation of unregistered swimmers and/or coaches will result in a **\$100 fine** per instance, as described in CT Swimming meet policies:

<https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/Membership/Registration-Policy-for-Athletes.pdf>

and

https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/policies_admin/RegistrationPolicyforMeetHosts.pdf

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water **without the use of the backstroke ledge**. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

ELECTRONIC ENTRIES: Electronic entries (such as from Hy-Tek Team Manager or other team management software) that are in CL2 or SD3/SDIF format may be emailed as an attachment to the entry chair at jmccaffrey@riverbrookymca.org. Please check that your team name, address, and contact information are listed correctly in this file. **Payment is expected by 5/28/26 and entry is considered "in" the meet by date of entry receipt. Email confirmation will be sent ASAP.**

ENTRIES FROM ATHLETES WITH NO CLUB AFFILIATION: Athletes entering this meet independent of a USA Swimming club or coach shall: 1.) be under the supervision of a USA Swimming coach for the duration of the meet. It is the swimmer's responsibility to make arrangements with a USA Swimming member coach prior to the meet. Athletes unaccompanied by a USA Swimming coach will not be permitted on deck. Please contact the Meet Director for assistance. 2) be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. The name of the USA Swimming member coach supervising the athlete and racing certification should be submitted to the Meet Director with the entry.

CUT PROTOCOL:

If the session is oversubscribed the following protocol will be instituted IN THE ORDER PRESENTED to reduce the timeline to the required length or participation number:

1. Athletes aged 7 and Under will be cut from the meet.
2. The maximum number of events allowed per day may be reduced by one (1).
3. teams may be cut based on the date/time of the receipt of the final paid entry. If teams are cut, the host reserves the right to offer the available partial entry to the cut teams in the order that entries were received in order to fill the meet.

The host reserves the right to seek approval from Program Operations for additional changes, which may reasonably maximize participation opportunities.

Notification of any cuts or requests for changes must be made to Program Operations as soon as possible by the host. Attending teams will be notified no later than the Monday before the meet.

NOTE: If the host is required to institute the published cut protocol above. All accepted entries at the time that the cut protocol is instituted may be considered final by the host for the purposes of financial responsibility. (i.e. Teams submitting "placeholder"

entries will be required to pay for the entries if the cut protocol is required).

SAFETY:

1. Diving will be prohibited during warm-ups except in specifically announced one-way sprint lanes. There will be no diving in the warm-up and warm-down areas at any time
2. No shaving is permitted at the competition site.
3. No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
4. Swimmers must be under the supervision of a coach. If a swimmer arrives at the meet without a coach, the swimmer should notify the referee before he/she warms up. The referee will assign the swimmer to a registered coach for warm-ups.
5. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING:

Meet Management has the full authority to restrict any and all photography, audio and visual recording using cameras, video cameras, tablets, cell phones or other electronic devices at a meet.

Photography or video recording from the deck is prohibited by all individuals, other than participating Coaches, unless prior authorization from the Meet Referee or meet referee has been granted.

Under no circumstances is photography or video recording permitted by anyone in the area adjacent to or behind the starting blocks, including spectator stands at deck level, while they are in use for race starting purposes during competition and warm-ups. Flash photography is prohibited during the start of any heat, including whenever any swimmer is stepping up or standing on a block for the purpose of the start of a heat.

Photography or video recording and the use of audio, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Additional "No Camera Zones" may be designated by Meet Management or the meet referee.

If individuals are properly credentialed, not obstructing movement on the deck and abiding by these rules, the following individuals may be allowed by Meet Management and the meet referee with prior authorization if they possess the following:

- Professional photographers with current, official media credentials that are promoting the sport of swimming
- Official team and professional meet photographers that are USA Swimming members, background checked, have signed off on MAAPP and completed Athlete Protection Training
- A participating athlete directly assisting a Coach, for instructional purposes, during an event using the Coach's electronic device

Any individual failing to abide by these rules may be ejected from the facility and be subject to a Code of Conduct violation at the discretion of Meet Management.

If individuals are properly credentialed, not obstructing movement on the deck and abiding by these rules, the following individuals may be allowed by Meet Management and the meet referee with prior authorization if they possess the following:

- Professional photographers with current, official media credentials that are promoting the sport of swimming
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DRONES: Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by USA Swimming Vice President of Program Operations.

NOTE: THIS MEET IS OUTSIDE!

- **SWIMMERS MAY BRING CHAIRS**
- **BRING EXTRA CLOTHING AS WEATHER CAN CHANGE**
- **SUNSCREEN**

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Session: 1 Monday

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 05:15 PM Heat Interval: 20 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	1 Mixed 12 & Under 200 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	2 Mixed 13 & Over 200 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	3 Mixed 12 & Under 50 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	4 Mixed 13 & Over 50 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	5 Mixed 12 & Under 100 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	6 Mixed 13 & Over 100 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	7 Mixed 12 & Under 200 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	8 Mixed 13 & Over 200 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	9 Mixed 12 & Under 50 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	10 Mixed 13 & Over 50 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	11 Mixed 12 & Under 100 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	12 Mixed 13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	13 Mixed 12 & Under 200 IM	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	14 Mixed 13 & Over 200 IM	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
	Finish Time			05:15 PM	_____

Session: 2 Tuesday

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 05:15 PM Heat Interval: 20 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	15 Mixed 12 & Under 200 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	16 Mixed 13 & Over 200 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	17 Mixed 12 & Under 50 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	18 Mixed 13 & Over 50 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	19 Mixed 12 & Under 100 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	20 Mixed 13 & Over 100 Backstroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	21 Mixed 12 & Under 100 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	22 Mixed 13 & Over 100 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	23 Mixed 12 & Under 50 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	24 Mixed 13 & Over 50 Butterfly	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	25 Mixed 12 & Under 200 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	26 Mixed 13 & Over 200 Breaststroke	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	27 Mixed 12 & Under 400 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
Finals	28 Mixed 13 & Over 400 Freestyle	0	0	05:15 PM	_____
	Finish Time			05:15 PM	_____