

## Officials Report

Event	7Oaks Youth Aquathlon	Date	7 <sup>th</sup> July 2013
Official	Nina Foord		

### 1. Competitors Information

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: Comments: All the information was to be found on line and all competitors were sent an email called '20 ways to have a great day at the aquathlon' with lot's of helpful advice. I was sent a copy of instructions regarding their duties which were sent to all the volunteers on race day.

### 2. Registration Process

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: This was in a sports hall and was well signposted. A list of competitors in age groups was posted with separate tables for the different ages. There was a sign-in desk for casual photographers where bands were issued also a separate chip table. This allowed the competitors to register without a long wait. Roving club members were on hand to help with advice etc.

Run maps were also posted at registration.

### 3. Swim Organisation and Safety

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: The children were assembled poolside starting with the youngest age groups. An excellent swim brief was given along with a demonstration of how to do a snake swim. 2 Tonbridge pool lifeguards were on duty along with a 7Oaks lifeguard. The exit to the swim was very close to transition exit and this helped to stop the children running.

**4. Transition Area (including security)**

Excellent		Good	x	Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: I think that this needs some changes for next year as one child exited transition with no top on, so gave him mine as he was out on the field, also parents were accessing transition to remove there children's kit.

**5. Design and Signage of Courses**

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: The run route was available on the web site and a hard copy was to be found at registration. There were marshals at all the key points.

**6. Drafting Situation**

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: I could see no evidence of drafting, just needed to remind a couple of parents not to run or give water to there child.

**7. Marshals**

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: Most were members of the tri club and relatives and were helpful and all knew there tasks, with a team leader for each section.

**8. Overall Safety of Event**

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Comments: Only one area that could have been a problem was the downhill run to the fields, but the sports centre cleared the path prior to race starting. The rest of the run was on grass and finished on the running track.

**9. Response from Competitors**

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: All the children I saw after the race said how much they had enjoyed themselves.

**10. Treatment of Officials and Marshals**

Excellent	x	Good		Adequate		Poor		Very Poor	
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Comments: We were all supplied with the correct information and food and drinks.

**Further Comments:**

This was a great event and a lot of hard work had gone in to making it a great day for all. There were 6 children who did not complete the right run course but these were still able to get there splits but were put at the end of the results.

**Please list any penalties, including details:**

Number	Reason

**Number of officials in attendance (including m/c officials): 1**

**Number of competitors in the event (including DSQ and DNF): 264**

**Distance travelled to officiate the event: 33 Miles**

To make further comments, please use a separate sheet and attach to the report.

Signed	N G Foord	Date	9 <sup>th</sup> July 2013
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Copies to Triathlon England HQ, the appropriate Regional Official's Coordinator and the Event Organiser (within seven days of the event).

## Report Checklist

This checklist is designed to act as a template to provide you with guidance when completing your race report. The use of this list is not mandatory but you may find it helpful to refer to.

<b>Competitor Information</b>		
Was the competitors information accessible before the event?	Yes	No
Were there maps provided on the information board for:		
• Transition	Yes	No
• Swim Course	Yes	No
• Cycle Course	Yes	No
• Run Course	Yes	No
Was the course explained to competitors?	Yes	No
Was the briefing content appropriate?	Yes	No

<b>Registration</b>		
Was there any delay processing competitors?	Yes	No
Were course maps displayed for competitor information?	Yes	No
Were course maps good quality and accurate?	Yes	No
Did registration open and close at the advertised times?	Yes	No

<b>Swim Course</b>		
Were there any impediments to competitor flow?	Yes	No
Were all swim buoys visible to competitors at all times?	Yes	No
Was there sufficient water safety craft and personnel?	Yes	No
Were wetsuits permitted? Add water temperature to Yes/No column	Yes	No
Did the race start at the advertised time?	Yes	No
Did the race have multiple waves?	Yes	No
• If yes, did all waves start at the advertised time?	Yes	No

<b>Transition</b>		
Did transition open and close at the advertised times?	Yes	No
Were competitors bikes and helmets checked before entering transition?	Yes	No
Was transition secure?	Yes	No
Did the design/size present a fair transition for all competitors?	Yes	No
Were the entry and exit points visible through signage?	Yes	No
Were marshal present to direct competitors and secure the area?	Yes	No
Were there cycle racks for all competitors?	Yes	No
Was each competitor allocated a numbered rack position?	Yes	No
Were there any impediments to the competitor flow?	Yes	No
Was a secure baggage area provided for competitors?	Yes	No
Was a change area provided for competitors?	Yes	No

<b>Design and Signage of Courses</b>		
Were there any impediments to the competitors flow?	Yes	No
Was there sufficient signage on the course?	Yes	No
Was the Traffic Management Plan appropriate for the course?	Yes	No
Were there sufficient marshals/police on the course?	Yes	No
Were there any unsafe areas on the course?	Yes	No
Was there a sweep/emergency vehicle on the course?	Yes	No
Was there sufficient crowd control, where needed?	Yes	No
Was the cycle course shared with the run course?	Yes	No

<b>Drafting</b>		
Were motorcycle officials present?	Yes	No
Was the feedback from competitors regarding drafting positive?	Yes	No

<b>Marshals</b>		
Were the marshals knowledgeable and effective?	Yes	No
Were the marshals effectively deployed?	Yes	No
Were there enough marshals for the size of the event?	Yes	No

<b>Overall Safety of Event</b>		
Was the safety of competitors maintained throughout?	Yes	No
Were there any elements of the courses/transition/the event area that gave cause for concern or are there any examples of good practice?	Yes	No
Was the safety of the spectators maintained throughout?	Yes	No

<b>Response from Competitors</b>		
Was the response from competitors positive?	Yes	No
Were there any common areas of praise or concern from competitors?	Yes	No

<b>Treatment of Officials and Marshals</b>		
How did the event organiser treat the race officials and volunteers?	Yes	No