



14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Head of PE / Swimming Co-ordinator / Parent

Swim Ulster will run the **Swim Ulster Schools Cup & Championships 2017** on 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at Aurora Aquatic & Leisure Complex in Bangor. Last year's event was extremely successful and we are confident that this year's event will be no different.

The gala will be fully insured and run in accordance with Swim Ireland licencing rules. It will be the **only** pathway through which swimmers can qualify for the Irish Minor Schools Gala 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018 and the Irish Senior Interprovincial Gala 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

Swim Ulster Ltd (originally founded in 1893 as the Ulster Branch of the Irish Amateur Swimming Association) was founded in 2005 and has a long history of promoting both participation and competitive swimming in the Region. We are a sub region of Swim Ireland and as such are recognised as the governing body for all aquatic sports in Ulster. Swim Ulster exists to promote and develop the Aquatic Sports in Ulster in line with the Swim Ireland National Plan. Swim Ulster will organise the team for the Irish Senior Interprovincial Gala in 2018. The selection criteria for this team is included in the Meet Conditions attached.

The gala will be split into 2 sections

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017 – Groups 1 - 4 : (age up date 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018)**

Group 1 – Age 9 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September to 2008 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009

Group 2 – Age 10 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008

Group 3 – Age 11 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2007

Group 4 – Age 12 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2005 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015 – Groups 5 – 7 : (age up date 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018)**

Group 5 - Junior Age 12-14 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2003 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006

Group 6 - Intermediate Age 15-16 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2001 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2003

Group 7 – Senior Age 17-19 – Born 1<sup>st</sup> September 1998 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2001

Please find attached Meet Conditions for the Gala. Entry forms and payment should be received by the Swim Ulster office by 5pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017. If you have any queries about these Championships please email [admin@swimulster.net](mailto:admin@swimulster.net) or telephone 02891 877581.

Many thanks

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Cuddy".

**Stephen Cuddy**  
Operations Manager