

WWU MASTERS SWIMMING**VIKING INVITATIONAL****SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026****Warm-up: 8:30 AM; Meet starts at 9:30 AM****Sanctioned by PNA for USMS Inc. # 366-S002**

LOCATION: Arne Hanna Aquatic Center
Aquatic Center & Downer Ball Fields
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COURSE DESCRIPTION: Competition 25 yards, 8 lanes. Temp 79-82°F. The length of the competition course without a bulkhead is in compliance and on file with USMS in accordance with articles 105.1.7 and 106.2.1. Starting end 6' deep, turning end 3.5' deep.

CONTINUOUS WARM-UP: Continuous warm-up in the extra lanes not being used for competition. Up to 2 lanes of the competition pool may be available for continuous warm-up. At the discretion of the meet referee, warm-up/warm-down lanes may be adjusted as needed to avoid interferences.

TIMING SYSTEM: The primary timing system will be manual timing. Times from this competition will be eligible for USMS Top 10 consideration, but not for world or USMS records.

RULES: Current USMS rules will govern the meet. At the meet referee's discretion, breaks may be adjusted or eliminated, and events may be combined by distance and/or stroke.

ELIGIBILITY: All participants must be age 18 or older and be currently registered members of U.S. Masters Swimming or another World Aquatics federation. Swimmers turning 18 during the meet may swim on the days they are 18. Foreign registered swimmers must provide proof of current membership in their country's Masters Swimming governing body.

AGE DETERMINATION DATE: February 15, 2026

AGE GROUPS FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS: 18-24, 25-29, ... in 5-yr increments as high as needed

AGE GROUPS FOR RELAYS: Relay age group is determined by the age of youngest relay member: 18+, 25+, 35+, 45+, and up in 10-year increments as high as needed.

ENTRY PROCEDURE:

- **Online Entry URL:** [WWU Viking Invitational 2026 \(2/15/2026\)](http://WWU Viking Invitational 2026 (2/15/2026))
- **Entry Deadline:** Entries must be submitted online by 11:59 PM (Pacific) Sunday, February 8, 2026.

- **Relay Cards** must be submitted to the clerk of course by 8:30 AM. A swimmer may swim only one relay team (all women, all men, or mixed – 2 women and 2 men) for each relay event. Relay events may be swum together (7-9 or 19-21) or cancelled depending on timeline and constraints.
- **Entry Limits:** Swimmers may enter up to a maximum of 5 individual events and 2 relays.
- **Entry Fees:** \$17 surcharge PLUS \$3 per individual event. No charge for relays, but relay-only swimmers must enter online by the entry deadline. PNA swimmers who need financial assistance for entry fees may request same from the [PNA Wiggin Fund](#).
- **Entry time** required for all events. Estimates are OK.
- **Deck Entries:** No race day deck entries accepted.

ORDER OF EVENTS:

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| 1 | *400 IM (limit 12) | 12 | 100 Free |
| 2 | 50 Breast | 13 | 200 Back |
| 3 | 100 Fly | | ~ BREAK ~ |
| 4 | 200 Free | 14 | 200 Breast |
| 5 | 50 Back | 15 | 200 Fly |
| 6 | 100 IM | 16 | 50 Free |
| | ~ BREAK ~ | 17 | 100 Back |
| 7, 8, 9 | 200 Medley Relay 7 – women 8 – men 9 – mixed | 18 | 200 IM |
| 10 | 100 Breast | 19, 20, 21 | 200 Free Relay 19 – women 20 – men 21 – mixed |
| 11 | 50 Fly | 22 | *500 Free (limit 18) |

* Entry limit may be increased if time allows.

~ BREAK ~ may or may not be included at meet referee's discretion and if time allows.

SEEDING: All events slow to fast, age group and genders mixed. Pre-seeding except for relays, 400 IM, and 500 Free.

CHECK-IN: Positive check-in required for the 400 IM by 8:30 AM and the 500 Free by the conclusion of event #11. Swimmers missing the check-in deadline may be scratched from the event unless an empty lane becomes available.

AWARDS: Available for purchase at meet.

DIRECTIONS: [Link to Google Maps](#). From North Bound I-5: Take Exit 253 for Lakeway Drive in Bellingham. Turn left onto Potter Street. From South Bound I-5: Take Exit 253 for Lakeway Drive in Bellingham. Turn left onto Lakeway Drive. Turn left onto Lincoln Street. Turn right onto Potter Street.