



3rd BARBADOS OPEN INVITATIONAL WATER POLO TOURNAMENT

AUGUST 11th- 15th, 2016



All Water Polo Clubs are invited to participate in this Tournament, in accordance with the following guidelines and requirements. The Barbados Amateur Swimming Association (BASA), the National Federation, sanctions this tournament.

1. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

There can be a maximum of 12 teams in each category from the United Kingdom, Europe, North America, South America, Central America and the Caribbean. This is an Open Tournament. Participation in this tournament is open to all Senior Male, Junior Male and Open Female clubs or teams that satisfy the guidelines set out below.

2. COMPETITION PROGRAM

The schedule of activities for this Tournament: Aug 11th-15th, 2016

- Arrival of teams: Aug 11th, 2016
- Technical Meeting: Aug 11th, 2016
- First Game: Aug 11th, 2016



- Opening Ceremony: Aug 12th, 2016
- Final Games & Awards Ceremony: Aug 14th, 2016
- **“Best of the Best Beach Game:** Aug 14th, 2016
- Departure of teams: Aug 15th, 2016

The final competition schedule for both categories, men and women, shall be determined by the final number of participating teams that register and will be presented at the Technical Meeting at 3pm, Aug 11th, 2016 in the Conference Room, the Aquatic Centre. All teams’ delegates and referees are requested to be present at the Technical Meeting.

3. TEAM DELEGATION

Each delegation may have a **maximum of fifteen players and two supporting personnel, one of which maybe a referee.**

4. REGISTRATION

Teams must register their numerical entries by category (male/female) by fax or email to the Barbados Water Polo Club’s Organizing Committee. Preliminary registration deadline is April 10th, 2016. Final entries must be in by June 10th, 2016.

Registration Fee is **US\$500 per team.**

Individual players coming to make up a team will pay **US\$50.**

Information should be sent to Lady Cheryl Forde- President, Barbados Water Polo Club at email:

barbadoswaterpoloclub@gmail.com or FAX 246 423 3949.

Banking information for wire transfer is:

Name of Bank: CIBC First Caribbean International Bank (Barbados) Ltd.

Name of Account: Barbados Water Polo Club

Account No: 1063202

Swift Code: FCIBBBBB.



5. REFEREES

All teams are encouraged to send one referee to officiate in this tournament. The referees should be included on the FINA list.

6. VENUE

The Tournament will be held at the **Aquatic Centre**, Wildey, Christ Church, Barbados. There is a 50m pool, which will be set up to the International Standard for water polo.





The Beach Games will be held at the **beautiful Pebbles Beach** in front of the Barbados Cruising Club & Radisson Hotel, overlooking the Hilton Barbados Resort.





7. Highlights from the 1st & 2nd BOIWT





2nd Barbados Open Invitational Water Polo Tournament

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6NXzxn4pNHk&feature=youtu.be>





8. PAST WINNERS OF BOIWT

Year	1st	2nd	3rd
2015	Royhil Seals WPC- Trinidad & Tobago	Flying Fish Barbados WPC	Asphalt Green Masters WPC- NYC
2014	Combined Team: Dynamo NYC & Friends	Flying Fish Barbados WPC	Old Mission Bay- San Diego California

9. ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORTATION

There are several hotels located in the general area but transportation will be required for trips to the pool. Teams should contact the hotels directly for reservations. Please refer to appendix 1 and appendix 2.

10. TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

An electronic timing system will be used. The official playing ball shall comply with FINA regulations.

Teams must travel with their own playing caps and warm-up balls. The Barbados Water Polo Club will provide all official game balls.



11. COMPETITION FORMAT

Teams will compete within the **3 divisions**: **Ladies, High-School Boys, Open Male**

All teams will play a minimum of 5 games, and the final tournament format will be decided after the final entries are submitted.

There also will be a special beach water polo session of games after the final game.

12. RULES

The tournament will be governed by the current Rules of the International Swimming Federation (FINA). A separate committee will be set up to adjudicate in the event there is a dispute. Each team Manager/Team Captain will be responsible for their members' safety during and out of competition.

13. Awards

- a. During the closing ceremony a Challenge Trophy will be presented to the winning teams of each division.
- b. Awards will be given to second and third place winners.
- c. Special awards will be given to individual players based on their demonstrated proficiencies.



14. BWPC Blog Posts:

Richard Lau - HOPS Water Polo (Houston, TX) 2014 said:

Incredible tropical paradise with delicious food, friendly locals, and tons of rum punch! Scenic aquatics venue for water polo, and the hosts went above and beyond to plan social gatherings that highlighted the island experience while creating a festive atmosphere for the competitors to interact!

Emma James, of UK said:

The friendliest club in the world. They train hard, play hard, have an amazing pool, and will make you feel welcome if you train with them on holiday or take a team to play against them in a tournament. They have a thriving junior scene and are really investing in the future of the sport on the island. We have made some great friends here, so go along if you're on the island, to train or just say hello. You won't regret it! (You'll also get great local tips on bars, restaurants, dive boats, and surf breaks!)

Kelly Stater, of California USA said:

I played in April 2013 tournament, the first one held. It was great! Barbados is an amazing island with beautiful beaches, friendly people and wonderful food. The water polo tournament was well run and the games were competitive. I plan to come back next year. Kelly

Mark Valance, of California, USA said:

I had the most wonderful time at the Eastmond memorial Water Polo tournament! The pool was great but my favorite time was when we played at the ocean venue! A small swell made it challenging to score when it rolled through! I was amazed at how hospitable everyone was and how beautiful the Island is. The team Social was one to experience with good music, food and dancing the night away! Count me in next year!

Kelly Perry, of Chicago, USA said:

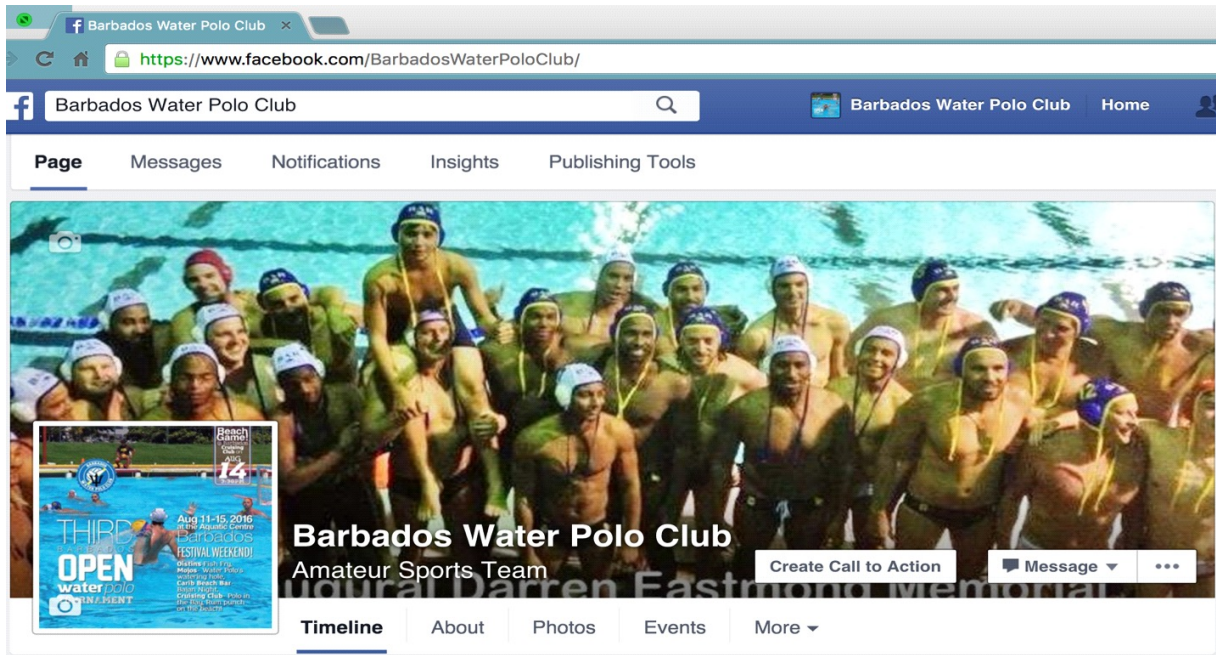
I am from Chicago and was visiting Barbados in March. I randomly found out about the Barbados water polo team when I was visiting and got to scrimmage and practice with the team. They were very welcoming and fun to play with. I hope to play water polo with them again when I come visit in November.



15. Website & Social Media:

Please visit our website: www.Barbadoswaterpolo.org

BWPC on Facebook: [Barbados Water Polo Club](https://www.facebook.com/BarbadosWaterPoloClub/)



For general information on Barbados: www.visitbarbados.org

The Barbados Water Polo Club is pleased to present this Festival Summons and we look forward to welcoming you to Barbados.



Appendix I

ACCOMMODATION

This is a list of hotels that are located within five miles of the Aquatic Centre. Please contact the hotels directly for reservations.

Bougainvillea Beach Resort- Tel: 246 418 0990
Email: res@bougainvillearesort.com

Coconut Court Beach Hotel –Tel: 246 427 1655
Email: reservations@coconut-court.com

Hilton Barbados Resort – Tel: 246 426 0200
Email: reservations.barbados@hilton.com

Pom Marine Hotel-Tel: 246 228 0900
Email: bcchi@bcc.edu.bb

Radisson Aquatica Resort Barbados-Tel: 246 426 4000
Email: rhi_bbds@radisson.com

Rostrevor Apartment Hotel-Tel: 246 628 9298
Email: reservations@rostrevorbarbados.com.bb

Please contact the tournament organizers if you have special requests relating to accommodation or large groups for group rates.



Appendix II

TRANSPORTATION

Drive-A-Matic Car Rental is a leading car rental company and it has 4 subsidiary car rental agencies under its umbrella. They have offered the following rates for a 4-day tournament.

Four days rental for a 7 Passenger Van: US \$374.82

Contact: reservationbgi@carhire.tv

Tel: 1-246 422 3000

If individuals or supporters want to rent personal vehicles, please use the same contact.

Sun Tours Barbados is a leading Bus/Van Rental Company and they have agreed to a special rate for the tournament

Please contact Sun Tours for Bus Transportation

Allan.banfield@suntoursbarbados.com

Telephone: 1 246 434 8430

Fax: 1 246 434 8439

14 Passenger Van to and from the airport to hotel: US \$20 per person

14 Passenger Van to and from the hotel to pool: US \$75 per van per round trip.

When reserving your transportation, please mention that you are competing or that you are a visiting supporter of a team for the tournament and request the special rates that were organized for the Barbados Open Invitational Water Polo Tournament. Please use the contact e-mails above.



Appendix 3

Barbados Water Polo Festival Schedule

In keeping with club water polo tournaments in the world and in line with our Bajan culture & hospitality, we have created a Festival Schedule where our foreign guests will be introduced to our culture by the finest of Bajan food, beverages and music on a nightly basis.

Welcome Night Thursday 11th August:

Mojo Bar & Chopping Board Kitchen – the After-Game Home of the Barbados Water Polo Club, serving the best burgers in town the ‘Bajan’ way.

Bajan Night Friday 12th August:

Carib Beach Bar with live music and traditional Bajan dishes.

A Taste of Bajan life Saturday 13th August:

Oistins Town for an experience at Barbados’s world famous fish town

Goodbye to Paradise Sunday 14th August:

Barbados Cruising Club, the “Beauty of a Punch”. Home of BWPC’s beach water polo games and chill spot on Pebbles Beach serving up the best beach dishes and beverages with water sports and local music.