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Local Club to host Provincial competition.

LETHBRIDGE – The inaugural ‘Swim Alberta Cup’ will take place at the Max Bell Aquatic center this weekend, hosted by the Lethbridge Amateur Swim Club. This three day racing event will feature the fastest swimmers from across the Province.

The invite list includes; Alberta’s top 32 swimmers in Olympic eligible events, Provincial athletes who received a Championship Time Standard after March 1, 2016 in the 15 & over female or 16 & over male categories, as well as Para Swimmers meeting the Provincial Para Swimming time standard.

Nine Lethbridge Amateur Swim Club members will be among the nearly 200 swimmers competing for the coveted Cup. Naomi Leam (20), Sarah Little (17), Emma Morter (14), Meaghan Morter (17), Christopher Alexander (16), Raine Arden (16), Joshua Freund (16), Bryan Mills (21), and Lyndon Yee (20). As well as local athletes from the University of Lethbridge Pronghorns team. All eyes will be on Morter (Meaghan) this weekend as she heads into three events with a first place ranking. The 17-year-old, distance swimmer, will race the 400m, 800m and 1500m Freestyle events.

The Swim Alberta Cup will be the Special Olympics selection competition for the 2017 Canada Summer Games. Two (2) Male and Two (2) Female positions are to be selected. Selection events are 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, 50 backstroke, 100 backstroke and 50 breaststroke.

Preliminary events will take place each day Friday-Sunday beginning at 9:00am. Friday and Saturday finals races will take place from 4:00pm-6:00pm with Sundays finals set to start at 2:00pm.

Medals will be awarded to the top three individual swimmers in each event, as well as the top three teams in relays. The team with the highest medal tally will win the Swim Alberta Cup. The medal tally will be based on the highest number of Gold medals with the highest number of Silver or Bronze medals respectively to break a tie.

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