

2023/24 Taranaki Awards

12 & Under Awards

Fergie and Barbara Strange Cup	12/U 400M	Billie Smith
Darbyshire Cup	12/U 100m Breaststroke - Female	Tayla Sturgeon
David Wright Trophy	12/U 100m Freestyle - Male	Harrison Soffe
Highlands Cup	9/U Female Individual Points	Edison Coster
Highlands Cup	9/U Male Individual Points	Sam Rust
Stratford Swimming Club Cup	10 yrs Female Individual Points	Izzy Walsh
Ray Hepworth Cup	10 yrs Male Individual Points	Luke Mottern
Okato Swimming Club Cup	11 yrs Female Individual Points	Elise Jansma
NP Aquatics Swimming Club Cup	11 yrs Male Individual Points	Toby Wales
Aquabladz Taranaki Cup	12 yrs Female Individual Points	Billie Smith
John Blanchard Memorial Trophy	12 yrs Male Individual Points	Reeve Wasley
Swimming Taranaki (Judith Armstong)	12/U Medley Relay - Male <i>(Harrison Soffe, Mason Coster, Reeve Coster, Toby Wales)</i>	Aquabladz
Swimming Taranaki	12/U Medley Relay - Female <i>(Bella Gordge, Paige Phillips, Tayla Sturgeon, Kayla Warmenhove)</i>	Hawera
Robbie & Beth Low Trophy	12/U Freestyle - Male <i>(Harrison Soffe, Mason Coster, Reeve Coster, Toby Wales)</i>	Aquabladz
Robbie & Beth Low Trophy	12/U Freestyle - Female <i>(Bella Gordge, Kaia Prince, Tayla Sturgeon, Kayla Warmenhove)</i>	Hawera
Swimming Taranaki	Family Relay	Rust Family
Clive Wheeler Trophy	Overall 12/U Club Points	Stratford

13 & Over Awards

Criterion Cup	Women's 800m Freestyle	Emma Icton
Truman Cup	100m Freestyle - Male 14 yrs	Jack Rust
Belk Memorial Cup	100m Freestyle - Female 14 yrs	Lexi Hancock
Bennett Cup	Men's 400m Freestyle	Jack Rust
Ray Lovett Cup	13 yrs Female - Individual Points	Amber Whitehead
Hawera Swimming Club Cup	13 yrs Male - Individual Points	Jaiah Otene
NP Aquatics Swimming Club Cup	14 yrs Female - Individual Points	Shyla Kennard
Ian Russell Cup	14 yrs Male - Individual Points	Jack Rust
Junior Nicholls Memorial Cup	15 yrs Female - Individual Points	Meila Gwiazdzinski
Inglewood Swimming Club Cup	15 yrs Male - Individual Points	Monte Woodward
Aquabladz Taranaki Cup	16/O Male - Individual Points	Oscar Rust
RH Nicholls Memorial Trophy	16/O Female - Individual Points	Anahera Martin

Knofflock Trophy	Overall Club Points	Aquabladz
Petrie Cup	Winter Champs Overall Points	Aquabladz
Interclub Challenge	Summer Series Give it a Go	Inglewood

TARANAKI CLUB RELAY AWARDS

Spragg Cup (Boys Open)	6 x 100m Freestyle Jack Rust, Nathan Whitehead, Monte Woodward, Jackson Rowlands, Nico Jordan, Max Cave	Aquabladz
Aquabladz Cup (Girls Open)	6 x 100m Freestyle Olive Smith, Lexi Hancock, Marnie Smith, Camryn Austin, Rylee McClung, Meila Gwiazdzinski	Stratford
Cottam Family Cup (Boys 10 & Under)	4 x 50m Freestyle Joel Rust, Henry Haszard, Sam Rust, Reeve Coster	Aquabladz
Okato Club Cup (Girls 10 & Under)	4 x 50m Freestyle Sarah Venables, Olivia Davis, Emma Davis, Edison Coster	Aquabladz
Scott Family Cup (Boys 11-12 Years)	4 x 50m Freestyle Mason Coster, Dylan Venables, Darius Haszard, Toby Wales	Aquabladz
Hawera Swim Club Cup (Girls 11-12 Years)	4 x 50m Freestyle Georgia Myers, Blakey Stewart-McDonald, Lani Johnstone, Devon Perkins	Aquabladz
Owen Family Cup (Boys 13-14 Years)	4 x 50m Freestyle James Wilson, Jaiah Otene, Kobey Agent, Quin Bishop	Stratford
Lacey Family Cup (Girls 13-14 Years)	4 x 50m Freestyle Marnie Smith, Billie Smith, Daisy Marshall-Kirkwood, Olive Smith	Stratford
Grey Cup (Boys Open)	4 x 50m Freestyle Jack Rust, Nathan Whitehead, Monte Woodward, Max Cave	Aquabladz
D S Thompson Cup (Girls Open)	4 x 50m Freestyle Meila Gwiazdzinski, Lexi Hancock, Camryn Austin, Olive Smith	Stratford
Julian Weir Cup (Boys 10 & Under)	4 x 50m Medley Joel Rust, Sam Rust, Reeve Coster, Henry Haszard	Aquabladz
Highlands Club Cup (Girls 10 & Under)	4 x 50m Medley Emma Davis, Olivia Davis, Sarah Venables, Edison Coster	Aquabladz
Flyers Swim School Cup (Boys 11-12 Years)	4 x 50m Medley Toby Wales, Mason Coster, Dylan Venables, Darius Haszard	Aquabladz
Wood Family Cup (Girls 11-12 Years)	4 x 50m Medley Izzy Walsh, Lani Johnstone, Georgia Myers, Blakey Stewart-McDonald	Aquabladz
Ryan Cooper Cup (Boys 13-14 Years)	4 x 50m Medley James Wilson, Jaiah Otene, Quin Bishop, Kobey Agent	Stratford
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Sarah Cooper Cup	4 x 50m Medley Jade Smiley, Amber Whitehead, Lilly Hill, Emma Icton	Aquabladz
Doug Gayton Cup (Boys Open)	4 x 50m Medley Max Cave, Jacob Parker, Jack Rust, Nathan Whitehead	Aquabladz

Lorna Gayton Cup (Girls Open)	4 x 50m Medley Lexi Hancock, Jayda Hancock, Rylee McClung, Meila Gwiazdzinski	Stratford
Durning Trophy (Mixed Open)	8 x 50m Medley Henry Haszard, Edison Coster, Toby Wales, Blakey Stewart-McDonald, Jackson Rowlands, Amber Whitehead, Max Cave, Talen Hickford	Aquabladz
George Sibtsen Trophy	Club Relay Championship	Aquabladz

Taranaki Awards

Taranaki Club Coach of the Year

Hine Beard

Hine has been coaching with The Stratford Flyers 'Learn to Swim' and Stratford Flyers Swimming Club 'Development Squads'. She is looking forward to expanding her coaching with the Stratford Flyers Head Coach in a more competitive level over the next year.

Hine has been through development training under the old coach Aimee over the years. She is always willing to learn more to be able to assist young swimmers and is eager to move through training, thriving on the knowledge that coaching brings.

As Hine moves forward into the 'Competitive Squad Assistant Coach' role, she will be assisting with championship events, carnivals and other competitive meets.

Taranaki Volunteer of the Year

Nicola McClung

8+ years at Stratford Flyers Swimming Club

Nicola has been an active volunteer at Stratford Flyers Club since her daughter became a swimmer in the competitive squad approximately 8-9 years ago. Nicola is one of the parents who always helps with anything poolside and she is also one of the club's chief timekeepers and club recorders. Nicola can be found poolside at club nights, carnivals and local school and away meets. She always puts her hand up to assist in one way or the other. Nicola is also the Social Media person for the club. She is behind the scenes updating posts and is always prompt at putting up information to keep swimmers connected and informed which is extremely important.

Taranaki Official of the Year

Fiona Jansma

Stratford Flyers Swimming Club

Fiona's involvement started in Club Night timekeeping. She has been involved in local club and school meets as well as local carnivals. Her confidence and willingness to be involved has allowed her to progress through the Stratford Flyers Club. She put herself forward to learn the official role of IOT. She then went into learning the role of JOS and has been a great help. Fiona has also helped at away meets such as AIMS games as an IOT and JOS. She started out helping with The Stratford Flyers committee and is now the newly appointed Club President. Fiona has the grit to put swimmers first, make sure they are treated fairly and have every opportunity to progress in the sport of swimming.

Stacey Kennard

Aquabladz Swimming Club

Learning to become a JOS, Stacey has always put herself forward to help at meets, not only as an official but also a parent help, timekeeper and team manager. She is an IOT each time there is a meet and is willing to help in other roles such as fundraising, meets and transporting swimmers around venues. She has an extensive technical knowledge of swimming and shares invaluable information and support to all - particularly new members of the club.

Taranaki Development Swimmer of the Year	Reeve Coster
Taranaki Development Coach of the Year	Carol Powell
Taranaki Age Group Swimmer of the Year	Max Cave
Taranaki Age Group Coach of the Year	Mariano Garcia Nani
Taranaki Swimmer of the Year	Max Cave
Taranaki Coach of the Year	Mariano Garcia Nani

Service Awards

Raeleen Hancock

13+ years involvement with Stratford Flyers Swimming Club

Raeleen started out (over 13 years ago) as a parent helper with club nights and local events. She then took on the role of the Flyers Learn to Swim Administration for more than 5 years. Raeleen has been the face of the Stratford Flyers Club for years and is one of the amazing veteran parents. She has assisted with countless camps, carnivals, trips (school & club) and meets. Raeleen has travelled the country with swimmers helping with marshaling, timekeeping and organizing. She was also involved with the Sacred Heart Girls Collage Team as Trip Manager for recent NZ Secondary Schools Competition.

At Swimming Taranaki, in both interclub and regional meets, her positions have included Announcer, Chief Timekeeper, Assistant Recorder, Timekeeping and Marshaling.

Sonia O'Connell

12+ years with Aquabladz Swimming Club

Sonia was a Pool Society Delegate in 2012, and 2013 and has been a recorder for Aquabladz since 2013. Many will know Sonia's name from emails and psych sheets but is invaluable to not only Aquabladz but to the entire Taranaki Swimming Community. Recorders, coaches, board members and administrators around the region defer to her for advice. She regularly gives up her free time after finishing her day job to assist at meets and goes the extra mile to help anyone. Sonia is friendly and approachable and provides cohesion and continuity to swimming in the region. Her dedication to a sport that she no longer has children involved in is truly extraordinary.

Gayton Award

Tracey Knofflock

Tracey Knofflock has been involved with swimming in Taranaki for over 15 years. She stepped down from the role of Chairperson last year but has spent the past 12 months assisting the new Administrator in learning her role, working as an official at carnivals, attending and helping at the Summer Series also as an official and storing clothing and transporting equipment for events. Tracey is currently the Records Officer for Swimming Taranaki and has helped this year with the points for this year's trophies. She is always smiling and approachable, willing to help and share her broad knowledge of not only the sport of swimming but also the mechanics of ensuring events run smoothly. We are extremely fortunate to have Tracey actively involved with swimming and are pleased to show our appreciation for all that she does in our community.