

Hello members and supporters,

This newsletter is to keep you all informed of what is happening around our wonderful region in the world of swimming. It will also provide a link between the Swimming Taranaki Board and our clubs, members and supporters. If there is anything that you would like to share within this newsletter please send your copy to my e-mail address at the bottom of this page.

We are excited about our upcoming Taranaki 12&Under Summer Championship meet, it is always a lot of fun and a great way for our junior swimmers to enter the exciting arena of competitive swimming. Entries for this are now open via the SNZ or Swimming Taranaki website.

This event is also a great time to train to be a technical official, as most of you know it is imperative that we have enough officials at each session to run a meet (of which we require at least 42 technical officials/helpers at each session) if we do not have this the meet can not be authorised as an 'official' meet, this would mean that the times swum would not be able to be used as qualifying times for any other meets. Your assistance at swim meets is vital to the overall success of our region's swimmers.

It has been very pleasing to see all of the fantastic results at the recently held NZ SC Champs and Central North Island Champs, there must be a lot of fantastic parents/caregivers out there giving a lot of there time to their children.

Keep up the great work!

Lisa Cooper

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Upcoming Events

2 - 3 December

Taranaki 12 & Under
Champs

10 December

Aquabladz Club Meet

8 - 17 December

Aquaknights Tour to Qld Age
Group Champs, Brisbane

7-16 December

Aquaknights Tour to
Victorian Age Group
Champs, Melbourne

19 - 23 December

Central Swimming
Tri-Series Tour

14 - 15 January

NZ Open Water Champs in
Taupo

28 January

Hawera LC Club Meet

6 February

Flannagan Cup OW Swim,
Ngamotu Beach

12 February

Aquabladz Club Meet

17 - 19 February

Junior Festival, Rotorua

24 - 26 February

Central Swimming LC,
Hamilton

4 March

Stratford Club Meet

5 - 8 March

DIV II Competition,
Rotorua

11 March

Taranaki Club Relays,
Hawera

Taranaki 12 & Under Summer Champs

Friday 2nd December & Saturday 3rd December 2016

TSB Pool, Stratford

Entries close Tuesday 22nd November

Make sure you get your entries in on time! If you or anyone you know is keen to assist in any way on the day please let us know, it is a great way to meet people and stay involved in this wonderful sport of swimming. The theme this year is 'Aspiring Olympians' which I'm sure we will have many of said athletes competing over the weekend.

We look forward to seeing you there



Congratulations!

Zarhn Collins, Josh Gilbert & Chris Johnson for being selected on the Aquaknights Tour to the Australian Age Group Champs, travelling to Brisbane, 8th December.

Also to Lucy North & Eleanor Gilbert touring to Melbourne for the Victorian Age Group Champs,
7th December

We wish you all the best!



**Sports Person of the Year Awards
Night**

Friday 25th November 2016

Swimming Taranaki wishes all of our nominees the best for the awards evening.

We are very proud of you!

BEHIND THE SCENES...

Rowan Williams and Alison Gadsby have been welcomed onto the Board and have got stuck in to assisting with the many tasks that are required of them. Every month the Board assesses the finances of Swimming Taranaki, provide, read and move reports from our Records Officer (George Sibtsen), Registrars Report, Recorders Report and Technical Report from Robbie Low. They are also required to discuss and deal with any issues that come from Taranaki events, National events, general business, strategic planning and policy reviewing.

The current topics for discussion are based around the 12 & Under Summer Champs, initial planning of the Club Relays in March, funding for Junior Festival and DIV II, co-ordinating the trip to Rotorua for DIV II, Central Swimming events and other housekeeping issues such as policies, uniforms, communication, Sport Taranaki Awards nominations and technical issues. We would love to see more reports from clubs so that we can keep informed of all the wonderful things that are happening around the region.

If you are interested to take a look at the Board Meeting Minutes they are put up on our website

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TRI SERIES 2016

WAIKATO 18th – 21st December 2016

Well done Tori Cox, Sasha Reid, Lauree Collins, Erin Metcalfe, Claudia Taylor, Sophia Taylor, Steven Wereta and Matthew Meuli who have been selected for the Aquaknights Tri-Series Tour for 2016.

This is for our top 13-15 year olds throughout the 4 regions that make up the Aquaknights Zone (Hawkes Bay Poverty Bay, Waikato, Taranaki and Bay of Plenty) and involves 4 days of activities with all 48 swimmers divided into 3 teams who compete against each other over a series of mini swim meets for overall team glory.



NZ SC Champs was a very successful event for our talented Taranaki swimmers bringing home;

5 x Open Medals

13 x Gold Age Group Medals

7 x Silver Age Group Medals

8 x Bronze Age Group Medals

1 x NZ Age Group Record

16 x Taranaki Records!

A HUGE thank you to THE SOUTHERN TRUST for their financial support which was greatly appreciated by all swimmers, families and supporters.

Ngamotu Beach, New Plymouth, 6 February 2016

Flannagan Cup

*Open Water Swim
2017*

