Swimming Wellington Incorporated

120th Annual Report 2020-21



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Our Team



CHAIR	Chris Birkinshaw
DEPUTY CHAIR	Brigid Borlase
TREASURER	Murray Pugh
BOARD MEMBERS	Mark Watson Istvan Csorogi
	Kate McDonald
OPERATIONAL TEAM	Martyn Newman-Hall (to April 2021) Angus Pashley Sharon Pippos
SELECTORS	Colin Sasse Robyn Prior
AWARDS COMMITTEE	Lynne Keatley Pam Edwards Viv Morton

Our Supporters



Mark Berge

On Saturday 6th February, Mark Berge, at the age of 62, passed away suddenly.

Mark was someone who was synonymous with Swimming Wellington for longer than most of our swimmers have been swimming. His demeanour, whether at the pool or outside in support of the community, was caring and considerate. Those who met Mark through the sport will remember his bold ideas and visions for the long-term future of swimming. This symbolised his love for the sport, something he embodied throughout his life.

Beginning with TSW Dolphins and then with Capital after the merger, Mark brought his commercial expertise to the governance and leadership of swimming.

In addition to Swimming Wellington, Mark was also a director and deputy chair of Swimming New Zealand for 5 years and was instrumental in trying to modernise the organisational structure of our sport. Many of the initiatives developed at that time have helped shape our sport today.

For Swimming Wellington, he led the development of governance and strategic direction for the region. He initiated the establishment of the regional office, chaired the review of the competition calendar, initiated the annual awards events, and was heavily involved in presenting the region's case for support from the local, regional and national bodies - Sport Wellington, Wellington City Council, Sport NZ and Swimming New Zealand.

Mark was recognised for his contribution and achievements having received many awards. It was always a pleasure to work with Mark and enjoy his fun-loving nature.

Rest In Peace, Mark.



Swimming Wellington Club Abbreviations

Abbreviations	Club Name
AQA	Aquajets Swimming Club
BRK	Breakers Swim Club
CTN	Carterton Swimming Club
CAP	Capital Swim Club
FST	Featherston Swimming Club
GRT	Greytown Swimming Club
HAT	Hataitai Swimming Club
HUT	Hutt Swimming Club
MAR	Maranui Swimming Club
MAS	Masterton Swimming Club
OTT	Otaki Titans Swimming Club
PIR	Pirates Swim Club
PCA	Porirua City Aquatics
RAU	Raumati Swimming Club
SZR	SwimZone Racing
TWA	Tawa Swimming Club
UHT	Upper Hutt Swimming Club



Life Members

Wellington

1957	Fred JS Adam	НАТ
	G Hill	
	W Cowie	
	Vic Allen	
1961	Jack D Hassall	WN
	Norm Oldershaw	HUT
1964	John Penman	KAR
1965	Arthur Haley	PET
1971	Roger Robins QSM	HUT
1975	D (Billie) Fitzsimmons MBE	WN
1984	Major W H (Bill) Dyson MBE	MAR
1986	R (Bob) Stobbs	PET
1993	Daphne McLay	MAR
1995	Carol Hawke	UHT
	Ashley Hawke	UHT
	Max Mitchell	UHT
1999	Ron Gridgeman	NAE
2000	Joan Matson	RAU
	W (Bill) Matson ONZM	RAU
2001	Jim Drummond QSM	HAT
	Pam Edwards	CAP
2007	Lynne Keatley	WOA
2010	Vivien Morton	PCA
2011	Catherine (Kay) Hudson	SZR
2015	Robyn Prior	MAS
2018	Henrietta Latham	RAU
	Mark Berge	CAP
2020	Ian McDonald	HAT

* Denotes deceased

Wairarapa

Mr L J Fairbrother	GRT
Mr T H Warburton	GRT
Mr D Pauling	MAS
Miss M Keltie	GRT
Mr William (Bill) J Cooper	MAS
Mr Ian McPhee	CTN
Mrs Gaye Salter	MAS
Mrs Phil Murphy QSM	FST
Mrs Merle Sowry	MAS
Mr Jack McLean	MAS
Mr Ken Wilton ONZM	MAS
Mr Russell Geange	CTN
Mr Stuart McGregor	CTN
Mr G Hosnell	FST
Mr Robert (Bob) R Eagle	CTN
Mrs Margaret McGregor	CTN
Mrs Lyndsay Wright QSM	GRT

Honours Awards

Wellington

1977	Les Martlew	HUT
1978	R (Bob) Stobbs	PET
1981	Connor McBride	VAR
1983	Doug Thomas	UHT
1984	Ron Clark	TWA
1985	W Cameron White	HUT
1986	Jean Price	WN
	Ken Mark	MAR
	lan Frew	MAR
	Fred Woodford	MAR
	Ron Gridgeman	NAE
1989	Ethel Dighton	BI
	W (Bill) Matson ONZM	RAU
	Max Mitchell	UHT
	Ashley Hawke	UHT
1991	Adrienne Frost	MAR
1992	Carol Hawke	UHT
	Adrian Doig	RAU
1993	Ross Petherick	MAR
1997	Pam Edwards	CAP
2001	Ian McDonald QSM	HAT
	Barbara Neish	UHT
2002	Eileen Adams	MSC
2003	Lynne Keatley	WOA
	Ted Hazel	CAP
2006	Vivien Morton	MSC
2008	Kay Hudson	SZR
2011	Henrietta Latham	RAU
	Heather Newall	RAU
	Deidre (Dee) Papps	SZR
2015	Ruth Bucknell	CTN
2016	Paul Matson	RAU
	Veronica Gould	TWA
2017	Rhonda Graham	PCA
2018	Graham Seagull	PCA
	Greg Forsythe	CAP
2019	Jacqui Forsythe	PIR
2020	Sandy Turner	RAU

* Denotes deceased

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Wairarapa

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Mr H G Hughan	CTN
Mr Doug G Finlayson	MAS
Mr Robert (Bob) R Eagle *	CTN
Mr Ian B McPhee	CTN
Mr William (Bill) J Cooper	MAS
Mr Ken M Wilton ONZM	MAS
Mrs Gaye Salter	MAS
Mr Graham Hinton	MAS
Mrs F Banks	CTN
Mr T Young	CTN
Mr Mitch Tait	MAS
Mr T Nelson	GRT
Mrs J Pinfold	MAS
Mrs Heather Mason	MAS
Mrs Merle Sowry	MAS
Mrs Phil Murphy QSM	FST
Mr Russell Geange	CTN
Mrs Lyndsay Wright QSM	GRT
Mr Jack McLean	MAS
Mrs J Connon	
Mr D Daily	MAS
Mr P Ray	CTN
Mrs Bev Regnault	GRT
Mrs Robyn Prior	MAS

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Service Awards

WELLINGTON

				WLLLING I ON			* Denotes deceased	
1960	Don K Garrett	UHT	1987	Ian McDonald	HAT	2005	Graham Seagull	MSC
	Tom Lister *	HUT		Jack Simes *	HAT		Lynn Sherborne	RAU
	Z (Harry) Purchase *	HUT		John Watt *	HAT		Rick Stonnell	HAT
	R (Bob) Stobbs *	PET		G Coleman *	HAT	2006	George Canales	CAP
	Vern Lister *	PET		Jim Drummond QSM *	HAT		Raylee Harley	САР
	John Plunkett	WN		Corrie van Dooren	NAE		Heather Newall	RAU
	Pat Cheeseman *	PAE		Barbara Emmens	NAE		Francis Wevers	TSW
1969	Doug Thomas *	UHT	1988	Eileen Adams	CC	2007	Helen Giacon	RAU
	W (Bill) McCarroll	HUT		Tom Berryman	CC		Christopher Gatfield *	SCA
	Kath Martlew *	HUT		Chris Crawford	HUT		Linda Pye	SCA
	Mrs C Thornton			Con Abbot	HUT		Andrew Palmer	SCA
	F M Thornton			Marie Doig	RAU	2009	Linda George	MSC
	Lyn A Randerson	KAR		Joan Matson	RAU		Ngaire Huggins	TWA
	Harry Schlatter	KAR		Roy Walker *	TWA	2010		CAP
	l Croft			Pat James *	WOA		Greg Forsythe	CAP/KRI
	George Miller *	BI	1989	Anne Torrance *	UHT		Nevill Sutton	PCA
	F (Digger) Eadie *	NAE		Elizabeth Goulder	UHT	2011		CAP
	Peter Stephens *	BI		Ron Abraas *	MAR		Steve Hind	CAP
	W (Bill) Bol *	UHT		Noel Tock	TWA		Gary Hurring	CAP
	Leicester Frater *	UHT		Pam Edwards	BI		Robert Loo	CAP
	E (Ted) J Hazeal	BI		Margaret Grant	TWA		Yvonne Mansell	RAU
	Eddy B Quirke *	UHT		Daphne McLay *	MAR		Matt Meehan	PCA
	Ron Gridgeman *	NAE		Dave Morgan	MAR		Jill Roberts	RAU
	Mrs N Robertson			Leslie Nash	HUT		Robina Scahill	SZR
1973	Connor McBride *	VAR		Pam Solomon	BI	2012	Jacqui Forsythe	KRI
	P Field *			Linda Percy	HUT		Lynda Kamstra	KRI
	L (Pip) Piper	VAR		Mrs K Warren	11117		Nigel Lucie-Smith	KRI
	Lloyd Ridley *	PET		Chris Keeping	HUT		Philippa Lucie-Smith	KRI
1074	Joan Scadden *	BI HUT		Maurie Bognuda	HUT		Gregg McCarthy	TWA
1974	W Cameron White * C S Charles *	HUT		Alan McLay Robin Semmens	MAR TWA		Sue Smart	KRI KRI
		HUT		Pat Semmens			Greg Szakats Sarah Tait	
1975	Sid Shirley *	MAR			TWA TWA	2012		PCA TWA
1975	W (Bill) H Dyson *	HUT	1992	R (Dick) Wilson	UHT	2013	Hugh Allan Rachel Allan	TWA
1976	Gary Martlew Ken Mark	MAR	1992	Sue Costley Ian Whitta	HUT		Sandra Bednarek	TWA
1970	lan Frew *	MAR		Dave Barnes	TWA		Jane Bertschinger	HAT
	Fred Woodford	MAR		Lynne Keatley	WOA		Max Marshall	HAT
	Jean Price *	WN		Eve Olsson	TWA		Sandra Turner	CAP
	Bev Shirley *	HUT		Susan Graham	CAP	2014	Catherine Barnes	CAP
1977	Tay Wilson *	MAR		Ron Graham	CAP	2014	Terence Burns	CAP
	Eric Strachan	WN		Chris McIlraith	CAP		Catherine Cartys Squires	HAT
1978	Enid Staples	RAU		Paul Matson	RAU		Lily Chapman	CAP
	John Law	CC		lan Luttrell	UHT		Roger Chapman	CAP
	R (Dick) James *	WOA	1995	Barbara Neish *	UHT		David Clareburt	CAP
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		WN		Paul Oliver	MAR		Debug Claraburt	CAP
4070	Peter Fitzsimmons	UHT		Paul Oliver	MAR		Robyn Clareburt	CAP
1979	Max Mitchell * Ashley Hawke *	UHT		Veronica Simonsen Fiona Pampalone	MAR		Sally Kean Jillian Kennemore	CAP
1979	A (Dick) Perham *	HUT	1996	Wayne Fisher	HAT		Stephanie Kozyniak	CAP
	Taeo Verhoeven *	VAR	1990	Vivien Morton	MSC		Angel Lin	CAP
	John Underhill	WN		John Neish *	UHT		Jan Robinson	CAP
1980	Ethel Dighton *	BI		Donald Coley	WOA		Barbara Ryan	CAP
	Leslie Parkin	HAT		Stephen Keatley	WOA		Gavin Sinclair	CAP
1981	Mrs M Mason			Maxine Raitt	NAE		Penny Sinclair	CAP
	Vera Dyson	MAR		Colleen Win	NAE		Karen Thomas	CAP
1982	Carol Hawke *	UHT	2000	Danny Garrick	WOA		Timon Wilkinson	CAP
	Pat Harris	MAR	2001	Jenny Garrick	WOA	2015	Stacey Faith	KSC
	Josie Brown	TWA		Veronica Gould	TWA		Anna Kitching	MAS
	W (Bill) Matson *	RAU		Carol McDonald	HAT		Onolata Little	PCA
	Adrian Doig *	RAU		Margaret Smith	WOA		Trin Peterson	CTN
	J Brown			Stan Smith	WOA		John Ross	SZR
1983	Ross Petherick *	MAR	2002	Anne Eastwood	CAP		Noel Stevens	SZR
	Joan Goulder *	UHT		Sonja Braddock	CAP	2016	Gillian Kalafetalis	PCA
1984	Adrienne Frost *	MAR		Murray Coulter	CAP		Brent Harris	PCA
	Shirley Barrett	HUT		Graeme Foote	CAP		Chris Dyhrberg	RAU
	Evelyn Jackson *	UHT		Janet Voss	CAP		Terry Laws	PCA
	Clive Hesketh	MAR		Marianne Emmens	UHT		Robert Gibb	HUT
	Stephen Perrott	MAR		Karen Stent	UHT		Dougal Dunlop	MAR
	Buck Hazelett		2003	Linda Clifford	HAT		Robin Tapp	MAR
	John Avison *	UHT		Kay Hudson	WSC		Alison Lane	SZR
	Gary Grant	TWA		Robert Mills	WSC	2017	Andy Wilkinson	PCA
1985	Robert Borgers	MAR		Dave Mulligan	UHT		Angelique Gordon- Stables	UHT
	Paul Dyson	MAR		Deirdre Papps	WSC		Ronald Watt	MAR
1986	Joan McNamara *	TWA	2004	Rhonda Graham	TASS	2018	Craig Marsters	SZR
	Petra Burr	HUT		Siegmund Wieser	MSC		Mike Heath	SZR
	Peter Matthews	CC	2005	Fiona Clark	RA		Seuga Frost	KAP
				Karen Fugle	MSC	2019	Andrew McFarlane	CAP
				Ross Harvey	RAU	2020	Jacqueline Ollivier	RAU
				Henrietta Latham	RAU	2020	Kirsten Johnson	RAU
							Marco Cecioni Murray Pugh	RAU PCA
							Sharon Pippos	CAP
							Sharon rippos	CAF
				WAIRARAPA				
1961	Mr P Hammond *	CTN	1968	Mr D Terry	GRT	1980	Mr Barry Styles	MAS
	Mr H Wolland	CTN		Mr K Gates	GRT	1981	Mr Russell Geange	CTN
	G Colguhoun *	MAS	1969	Mr William Cooper*	MAS		Mrs W Prendiville	GRT
	Mr W Booth	MAS		Mr Ken M Wilton *	MAS		Mrs Lyndsay Wright QSM	GRT
	Mr H G Hughan *	CTN	1971	Mrs Gaye Salter *	MAS	1982	Mr J Paterson	MAS
	Mr L Maguire *	MAS		Mr A Noble	MAS		Mrs M O'Brien	CNT
	Mr Doug Finlayson *	MAS		Mr W Scholfield *	MAS	1984	Mr Jack McLean *	MAS
	Mrs M Ashford *	MAS		Mr D O'Neale	GRT		Mrs M Wilkinson	MAS
	Mr J A B Lawrence*	CTN	1973	Mr Graham Hinton *	MAS	1985	Mr C Robinson	FTN
	Mr G Compton *	CTN	1974	Mrs F Banks *	CTN	1987	Mrs J Connon	

Service Awards

WAIRARAPA

* Denotes deceased

MAS FTN
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National Service Awards

1931	P Coira *	1972
1931 1935	N McCartney *	
	N McCartney * Norm N Oldershaw *	1973
1938	I II loblin *	
1938 1940		1975
1940	V LAllan * V L Allan * V L Allan *	1976
10.11		1970
1941		
	V L Allan *	
	D T Woodfield *	
1942	J/Blakeley *	
1943 1945	A Blakerey * Fred JS Adam * N A Ingram * C E Claridge *	
1945	N A Ingram *	1978
	C E Claridge *	
	Sid J Guppy *	1981
1946	A S Laurie *	1983
	J D Hassall *	
1947	Penman*	1990
	J Penman * C Jones *	
1948	L J Fairbrother *	1992
1740	H S Brooks *	1993
		1773
10.40	Fred Workman *	
1949	R Pelham *	
	D Pauling *	
	E B Hughes *	
1950	Eric Kershaw *	
	Arthur Haley *	
1951		1994
1952	W H Trapp *	
	Dr E M Stammers *	
1953	R (Dick)J Tuppen *	
	Keith Spry *	
	F Stains *	
1954	M R Fitchett *	
	R E Barnes *	1995
	K Neill	1997
1955	EGT Emerson	
	V J Gotlieb *	1998
	Mrs E M Wells	2001
	E C Coleman *	2004
1956	D B O'Neill	2006
1930		2008
		2008
1057	T H Warburton *	2011
1957 1958		
1958	B J Grigg	0015
		2015
	H G Hughan *	
1960	Mrs D Fitzsimmons *	
	Mrs P Murphy *	
1962	Miss M Keltie *	
1964	Len Smith *	
1968	L J Fair	2016
1969	Doug G Finlayson *	

Peter F Stephens *

Pon E Stobbs *
Ron E Stobbs * Roger J Robins * Les Martlew * Ian B McPhee * Mrs P Cheesman *
Les Martlew ^
Ian B McPhee *
Mrs P Cheesman *
Jim H Drummond OSM *
Jim H Drummond QSM * K Oliver *
PDClark *
Ken M Wilton
Robert (Bob) Eagle *
William (Bill) J Cooper *
K Oliver * R D Clark * Ken M Wilton * Robert (Bob) Eagle * William (Bill) J Cooper * C F McBride * Mrs Gave Salter *
Mrs Gaye Salter * Graham Hinton *
Graham Hinton *
DITIONAS
Mrs Merle Sowry *
Mrs Merle Sowry * Max Mitchell *
A Hawke *
Mrs Joan McNamara *
Mrs Joan McNamara * Tom Berryman
Mrs E Dighton *
Adrian Dair *
Adrian Doig *
MIS JOAN MALSON
Mrs Dong W L Matson ONZM * Mrs Daphne McLay * Mrs J Price * Mrs E Adams Mrs M Doig *
Mrs Daphne McLay *
Mrs J Price *
Mrs E Adams
Mrs M Doig *
Mrs A Frost *
G Grant
Mrs C Hawke *
Mr Jack McLean *
Mr Jack McLean
Mr Russell Geange
I McDonald
Mrs Barbara Neish *
Mrs Pam Edwards
John Neish *
Mrs Viv Morton
Stuart McGregor
Mrs Margaret McGregor
Mrs Deidre Papps
Mrs Kay Hudson
Mrs Henrietta Latham
Mrs Heather Newall
Graham Seagull
Greg Forsythe
Jacqui Forsythe
Mark Berge *
Matt Meehan
Sandra Turner
Paul Matson

Barbara Ryan

* Denotes deceased & denotes with honours

Life Members Ian McDonald (HAT)

Honours Awards Sandy Turner (RAU)

Service Awards Kirsten Johnson (RAU) Marco Cecioni (RAU) Murray Pugh (PCA) Sharon Pippos (CAP)



Junior Coach of the Year Steven Zhu (PCA)

Age Group Coach of the Year Andre Kudaba (CAP)

Opens Coach of the Year Gary Hollywood (CAP)

Coach of the Year Steven Zhu (PCA)





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Swimmer with a Disability Erin Knox (SZR)

Best Individual Performance Chelsey Edwards (CAP)

Selectors Trophy Bronson Lloyd (TWA)

Age Group Swimmer of the Year Sam Brown (CAP)

Junior Swimmer of the Year Charlie Dickison (CAP)

Open Water Swimmer of the Year Ruby Heath (CAP)



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Swimmer of the Year Sam Brown (CAP)



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Tier 1 Series Winner Porirua City Aquatics (PCA)



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Club of the Year Tawa Swimming Club (TWA)



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Billie Fitzsimmons Aquatic Competitor of the Year

1973	Sally McKimm	1989	Peter Doig	2005	Damian Braddock
1974	Ian Bullock	1990	Simon Percy	2006	Kelly Bentley
1975	Rebecca Perrott	1991	Simon Percy	2007	Shane Patience
1976	Rebecca Perrott	1992	Toni Jeffs	2008	John Gatfield
1977	Rebecca Perrott	1993	T Jeffs & S Percy	2009	Natasha Hind
1978	Rebecca Perrott MBE	1994	Mandy Zuckerman	2010	Samantha Lee
1979	Rebecca Perrott MBE	1995	Jonathan Winter	2011	Gareth Kean
1980	Rebecca Perrott MBE	1996	Jonathan Winter	2012	Gareth Kean
1981	Rebecca Perrott MBE	1997	Jonathan Winter	2013	Samantha Lee
1982	Margaret Hesketh	1998	Toni Jeffs	2014	Mary Fisher
1983	Barry Salisbury	1999	Toni Jeffs	2015	Mary Fisher
1984	Anna Doig	2000	Toni Jeffs	2016	Mary Fisher
1985	Anna Doig	2001	Damian Braddock	2017	Lewis Clareburt
1986	Fiona McLay	2002	Toni Jeffs	2018	Lewis Clareburt
1987	F McLay & K Sadier	2003	Toni Jeffs	2019	Lewis Clareburt
1988	Margaret Hesketh	2004	Toni Jeffs	2020	Sam Brown

Mrs D (Billie) Fitzsimmons MBE was made a Life Member of Swimming Wellington in 1975 and of Swimming New Zealand in 1984, She had significant involvement in the Wanganui East and Wellington Swimming Clubs, Wellington Swimming Centre and for many years represented Swimming NZ on the NZ Olympic & Commonwealth Games Association (now NZOC). Billie acted as Women's Manager to the Perth Commonwealth Games and Munich Olympic Games Teams. Her aquatic connections extended to Wellington Ladies Surf Life Saving Club, Surf Lifesaving NZ and Water Safety NZ.

Other Achievements

Lewis Clareburt

- Qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games in the 400IM and 200IM.
- Swam in the International Swimming League (ISL) for the New York Breakers team.
- Nuku Ora Kapura Sportsman of the Year Finalist.

Gary Hollywood

- Selected to coach on the Tokyo 2020 New Zealand Team.
- Nuku Ora Villa Maria Coach of the Year (Wellington Sports Awards).
- Hutt Valley Sports Awards Kapura Supreme Award
- Hutt Valley Sports Awards Pak'n Save Coach of the Year

Sam Brown

 Nuku Ora Wellington Sports Med Emerging Sportsman of the Year Finalist.

Erin Knox

- Nuku Ora Holdsworth Charitable Trust Disabled Sportsperson of the Year Finalist.
- Nuku Ora Speedy Signs Emerging Sportswoman of the Year Finalist.
- Hutt Valley Sports Awards Hutt Mana Charitable Trust Disabled Athlete of the Year

Sam Brown, Molly Player, Finn Harland, David Zhu and Hannah Campbell were

named in the 2021/22 National Age Program Released by Swimming New Zealand.





National Records



New Zealand Records

Sam Brown	Capital	16	400 IM	4:17.13	20/09/20	SC
Sam Brown	Capital	16	400 IM	4:14.87	07/10/20	SC
Tayla Miles	Capital	13	50 Fly	28.37	09/10/20	SC
*Hunter Lloyd	Tawa	12	200 IM	2:22.81	12/12/20	SC
*Hunter Lloyd	Tawa	12	200 IM	2:22.14	30/01/21	SC
Lewis Clareburt	Capital	Open	400 IM	4:09.87	06/04/21	LC
Lewis Clareburt	Capital	Open	100 Free	48.96	08/04/21	LC
Lewis Clareburt	Capital	Open	200 IM	1:57.89	10/04/21	LC

* 12&U records, disestablished by Swimming New Zealand at the end of the 2020/21 year

New Zealand Team Members 2020-2021

2020 Tokyo Olympic Games Lewis Clareburt - Capital Swim Club

2021 World University Games² Lochlainn O'Connor - Capital Swim Club

2021 Oceania Championship Lewis Clareburt - Capital Swim Club Lochlainn O'Connor - Capital Swim Club

2021 World Junior Championships*

Sam Brown - Capital Swim Club

*could not attend due to Covid-19





Chair's Report

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SWIMMING WELLINGTON 2020-21 CHAIRS REPORT

As I write this Chair's report during New Zealand's most extensive COVID-19 outbreak since then initial outbreak in early 2020, I reflect on the period from July 2020 to June 2021. Two things stand out: first, how lucky we have been compared with other countries in terms of what our swimmers were able to do in that period, with the majority of training and events able to take place for long periods. Secondly, I reflect on how much disruption there has been, and how that has affected opportunities for swimmers in the pool, both training and competing, often at very short notice. The current outbreak has reminded us that disruption will continue for some time yet, and clubs, volunteers, officials and Swimming Wellington will continue to need to be innovative in how we organise trainings and events.

Despite the disruptions, there have been significant highlights through the year. The second Wellington Harbour Challenge was held in February 2021, blessed again with near perfect conditions. Significantly increased entries (including from broader sections of the Wellington swimming community), sponsorship for the first time from T3 and other waterfront businesses meant the event was a huge success, and I look forward to further growth in 2022.

Those involved in organising events have shown a real ability to adapt quickly to changing circumstances to enable events to take place in difficult circumstances, albeit with reduced capacity. I thank everyone involved for their 'can do' attitude in making those events happen.

There have been several opportunities throughout the year when Swimming Wellington has sought feedback from the community on important matters. The feedback we received has generally been constructive, and reflects the diversity of views across our community and within our different stakeholder groups, reminding me of the age old phrase "You can please some of the people all of the time, you can please all of the people some of the time, but you can't please all of the people all of the time." The feedback we get from these consultations is hugely important in helping inform our decisions and you can expect to see us doing more of this in the future.

Acknowledgements

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge all of those involved in our sport in our region in what has been a disrupted and challenging year. To our swimmers, thank you for the time you dedicate to one of your chosen sports. Swimming brings with it challenges and rewards that I am sure will serve you well in many aspects of your lives.

To our volunteers, you are the stalwarts of our swimming community, and the opportunities swimming offers participants would be impossible without your help. Thank you.

Our events would also be unable to take place without our technical officials. We have one of the most developed and experienced group of technical officials in the country, so thank you for your continued support and dedication.

To the coaches, your focus on developing the skills of your swimmers, and providing pathways for their development no matter what their level of experience, is crucial in their experience in swimming and ensures their long term involvement in the sport. Thanks you all for your efforts.

Finally, to parents and caregivers of swimmers, thank you for the time and sacrifices you make for your swimmers in order for them to take part in one of their chosen sports.

I would also like to acknowledge funders who have supported us in 2020/2021, particularly our largest supporters: Pelorus Trust, New Zealand Community Trust and Lion Foundation, as well as Wellington City Council and Nuku Ora. We are incredibly grateful for their support and the opportunities their support gives is to organise and run events for our swimming community.

Chair's Report

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SWIMMING WELLINGTON 2020-21 CHAIRS REPORT

Financial performance

Swimming Wellington's financial performance has stabilised this year, although there is still a need for improvement. Up until the Level 2 restrictions in June 2021, we were on track for a surplus to regain some of the ground lost last year. The Level 2 restrictions forced the movement of Short Course Championships into the 2021/22 financial year, resulting in approximately a \$2,000 deficit for the 2020/21 financial year. The challenge for 2021/22 will be to continue to manage costs and leverage and generate income streams to return to small surpluses in future years.

Looking forward

The annual report is a good opportunity to consider the future. The first priority is to finalise Swimming Wellington's shared visions and strategic priorities to ensure we have the right direction for the future.

As I mentioned above, getting the views of our swimming community is crucial in Swimming Wellington connecting with and understanding our stakeholders' views. You can expect to see us doing this more in 2021/22, and I encourage everyone to contribute constructively in those consultations.

We are likely to have another disrupted year in terms of the ability to organise and run events, so Swimming Wellington, event organisers, technical officials, volunteers, swimmers and coaches are again likely to need to demonstrate an ability to flex and adapt to different circumstances.

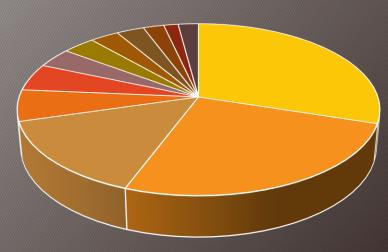
We continue to see a significant shift in the overall approach to sports for our young people to ensure their long-term engagement and well-being. That approach is undoubtedly here to stay for the long-term, and we will be looking to work with all elements of our swimming community to ensure we adapt to the changing landscape.

Finally, our sport continues to rely heavily on the time and efforts of volunteers, both within our clubs and at Swimming Wellington. I encourage all of you who are connected with swimming in in our region to give generously of your time, skills and experience. Our sport as a whole will benefit from your involvement, and I am sure you will also find it to be a rewarding experience knowing you are giving something back to your community.

Chris Birkinshaw Chair, Swimming Wellington Board

	Me	mb	er	ship	Sta	tist	ic	s as a	t 30)/0	6/2	.021	
	Administrat or	Club Swimmer	Coach	Competitive Swimmer	Friend of Swimming	Learn to Swim	Life	Non-Voting Technical Official	Recreationa I Swimmer	Volunteer	Volunteer Coach	Voting Technical Official	Grand Total
AQA	1								247	1			250
BRK	5	8	1	////2////			(//////						16
САР	3	37	6	102			4	25	48	19	1	19	260
CTN		12	1//1	8	12		(//////	3		6		3	49
FST	1///1					58	(//////	3		2			64
GRT	8	///2///					//1//				////1///		12
HAT						3			1				4
HUT	1	9			1	277		8		1		1	298
MAR	3					8		5	74	1	1		92
MAS	3	9	1	28		1		6		9		3	60
ОТТ/////	3	/////1	1	8	1	35	1	1		7		1	59
PIR	8		2	185	/////1			23		24		14	257
PCA	4	179	4	73		9	//1///	6	2	37	1	10	326
RAU	1///1	8	2	55		22	3	6	1	33	3	10	144
SZR	10	49	4	65				20	6	12	4	20	190
TWA	1///1	36	4	66	1	1		10	103	1	1	17	241
UHT	3	12	1	6					4	3		2	31
Grand Total	57	363	27	598	16	414	10	116	486	157	12	100	2356

2020/21 Support from our funders



- Pelorus Trust
- NZCT
- Lion Foundation
- WCC
- Sport Wgtn
- Trust House
- MSD
- Grassroots
- Pub Charity
- Swim T3
- Air Rescue
- Four Winds

Long Course Championships									
Year	WGTN Swimmers	Out of Town	Toral Swimmers	No. of Entries					
2019	177	139	316	2337					
2020	190	183	373	2466					
2021	163	163	326	2074					

	Junior Championships								
Year	WGTN Swimmers	Out of Town	Toral Swimmers	No. of Entries					
2018	193	48	241	1504					
2019	198	81	279	1696					
2020	162	76	238	1644					

Sho	Short Course Championships									
Year	WGTN Swimmers	Out of Town	Toral Swimmers	No. of Entries						
2018	420	96	516	3553						
2019	398	79	477	3114						
2020	250	35	285	1081						

Long	Long Distance Championships									
Year	WGTN Swimmers	Out of Town	Toral Swimmers	No. of Entries						
2018	51	0	51	59						
2019	48	48 3		51						
2020	37	1	38	38						

Participat	Participation Numbers at National Meets									
	NZSC	JUNIORS	DIV II	NAGS	OPENS					
AQA										
BRK										
САР	35	19	9	20	17					
СТМ	1	2		1						
FST										
GRT										
HAT										
HUT										
MAR										
MAS	2	3	9	4						
ОТТ		5								
PIR	16	10	17	13	4					
РСА	8	26	3	8	4					
RAU	8	7	7	4	9					
SZR	14	22	8	11	6					
TWA	10	17	8	10						
UHT		2								
Grand Total	94	113	61	71	40					



Short Course C	Short Course Championships 2020 - Age Group Winners							
Age	Female	Male						
12 years & under	Jessica Tikao (TWA)	Hunter Lloyd (TWA)						
13 years	Tayla Miles (CAP)	Oliver Rumney (CAP)						
14 years	Charlotte Gibbs (TWA)	Finn Harland (PIR)						
15 years	Estee Jacobs (CAP)	Dillion Raimona-Pahetogia (PCA)						
16 years	Jenna Rolston-Larking (CAP)	Alex Esposito (CAP)						
17 years & over	Annie Jencova (RAU) Bronagh Ryan (PCA	Eli Litten (RAU)						
	Overall Top Club							
Mana Swimco Cup (Most points overall)	Capital Swim Club (2196.50)							
Eyeline Cup (Most points 12&U)	Tawa Swimming Club (322)							
Tawa Trophy (Best performing club)	Capital Swim Club							

Long Course Championships 2021 - Age Group Winners								
Age	Female	Male						
13 years	Bianca Yeldon (TWA)	Cameron Wilkinson (PCA)						
14 years	Tayla Miles (CAP)	David Zhu (PCA)						
15 years	Estee Jacobs (CAP)	Finn Harland (PIR)						
16 years & over	Jenna Rolston Larking (CAP)	Lewis Clareburt (CAP)						
	Overall Top Club							
Wellington Opens Top Club Trophy (Most points overall)	Capital Swim Club (1316.50 Points)							

Regional and National Records Set									
2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21									
Wellington	95	103	61	105					
Relays		1	5	16					
New Zealand	7	1	5	8*					

* Includes 12&U records, disestablished by Swimming New Zealand at the end of the 2020/21 year

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SWIMMING WELLINGTON 2020-21 TECHNICAL OFFICIALS REPORT

The 2020-21 year was the second year negatively impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. Along with the rest of the country, we were fortunate that we were able to sustain long period operating free from restrictions, only for the Covid monster to rear its head at inconvenient times causing unwanted disruption.

Between Covid outbreaks we were able to successfully host three SNZ national events during the year. The SNZ Junior Festival (All Stars), National Age Groups, and North Island Secondary Schools received excellent support from officials in the Wellington region.

And despite the disruption, we still managed to train excellent numbers of officials.

Two IOT seminars were held during the year - these events were attended by good numbers of trainee officials (and some experienced ones) and were instrumental at ensuring that our new officials hit the ground running and are immediately able to officiate at the high standard expected by the Wellington swimming community.

The total number of officials who achieved qualifications in the 2020-21 year was as follows:

- 1 National Starter
- 1 x Regional Starter
- 4 x Regional Judges of Stroke
- 3 x National Inspector of Turns
- 13 x Regional Inspector of Turns

Away from the pool, much time has been spent in discussion with Swimming Wellington, Swimming New Zealand and SNZ's Technical Officials Committee (TAC) about the impacts of SNZ's new Development/Designated meet structure.

While these decisions are made at national level - and are outside our control - SW RTOP has been a steadfast voice in the ears of decision-makers to ensure they are aware of the impacts that this move will have on the ability of the sport to continue to train new officials, to develop emerging officials and to ensure experienced officials get sufficient opportunities to practice their craft and further develop their skills.

Advice from the SNZ TAC is that qualified officials are not required at Development meets. RTOP has heeded this advice and, while we recognise that many officials will be keen to support their clubs to run their own development meets, the view of RTOP is that Development meets are not conducive to training officials to Designated meet standard and cannot be considered part of the SW officials' development pathway.

Looking ahead, RTOP's focus will be on training and developing officials for and at Designated meets and regional championship meets. RTOP is currently reviewing our officiating policies to reflect the changes required.

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We are in discussions with Swimming Wellington on any adjustments required to training and officiating at future SW meets to ensure we maintain the quality and quantity of officials already present in the region (see table below).

Finally, I want to extend my thanks to all the people who make competitive swimming possible in the Region.

Everyone who had officiated - in whatever capacity - at a meet in the region during 2020-21. My fellow RTOP members - Jacqui, Hugh, Barbara, Craig and Brent. The team that ensures swimmers get times from the electronic timing equipment (a big thanks to

Pam, Noel, Henrietta and others).

Wireless Rentals who supply the radios used by officials at WRAC and Coastland Aquatic Centre (these are invaluable to ensure meets keep moving, even when there's lots going on behind the scenes).

Staff at all the pools used by Wellington clubs in the region - especially WRAC and Coastlands. Swimming Wellington - thanks to Angus and team.

SW clubs' officials' coordinators - you're the stars who marshal club resources to ensure that meets in the region have the required number of officials and are also 'talent spotters' who shoulder-tap the next generation of officials.

SW	SWIMMING WELLINGTON TECHNICAL OFFICIALS BY CLUB - AS AT 30 JUNE 2020												
	2019-20	2020-21		IOT		JOS	Sta	rter	Refe	ree			
	2019-20	2020-21	Train	Reg	Nat	Reg	Reg	Nat	Reg	Nat			
Capital	17	18	1	9	9	3		3		3			
Carterton	3	3		1	2		1		1				
Featherston	2												
Hutt	1	1		1									
Masterton	4	3		2	1		1		1				
Pirates	15	15	1	7	8	4	1						
Otaki	1	1		0	1	1	1						
Porirua	12	11	5	6	5			4	2	2			
Raumati	11	10	6	4	6	1	1	2	1	1			
SwimZone	21	21	3	7	14	4	1	1	1	2			
Tawa	17	18	2	9	9	4	1	1	1	1			
Upper Hutt	2	1		1									
	106	102	18	47	55	17	7	11	7	9			

Greg Forsythe Chair, SW Regional Technical Officials Panel

Thanks to all our clubs across the region



