

JUNE 2008

Welcome to this month's edition of the Mana Swimco Newsletter. We hope you find our swimming news both an informative and enjoyable read.



Pool Closed for Maintenance

Cannon's Creek Pool will be closed for maintenance from 7th until the 18th July. There will be no club swimming during this time.

MEMBERSHIP FEES FROM 1ST JULY 2008

In line with Swimming NZ, Mana Swimco's membership year runs from 1st July to 30th June each year.

The annual membership fee is \$140 a year. This fee is due in two instalments, the first (\$80) in July and (\$60) the following February.

A tiered fee structure applies to new members who join part way through a membership year (refer below). New members must complete a membership enrolment form.

A free cap is provided to existing members who pay their fees during July and for any new members joining during the year.

Tiered Fee Structure from July 2008

Month of Joining	Due on Joining	Due in February	Total Cost for the Season
July/August	\$80.00	\$60.00	\$140.00
September	\$75.00	\$60.00	\$135.00
October	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$130.00
November	\$65.00	\$60.00	\$125.00
December	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$120.00
February	\$90.00		\$90.00
March	\$80.00		\$80.00
April	\$70.00		\$70.00
May	\$30.00		\$30.00
June	\$25.00		\$25.00

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It was great to see a large number of swimmers take up the opportunity to improve their ten-pin bowling skills while their parents/ caregivers attended our AGM. It was equally good to have a full house at the AGM.

The following were elected to our committee for 2008/2009.

OFFICERS 2007/2008

PATRON	Karen Fugle
PRESIDENT	Vivien Morton
VICE PRESIDENT	Tania Donaldson
SECRETARY	Eileen Adams
TREASURER	Sandra Marks
RACE SECRETARY/ REGISTRAR	Sarah Tait
CLUB CAPTAIN	Onolata Little
VICE CLUB CAPTAIN	
HON. AUDITOR	Jeanette Adams
COMMITTEE	Sandra Bednarek, Lynda Eason, Linda George, Rob Jenkins, Margreit Lynch, Matt Trlin, Jackie Watts-Pointer

Most of you will note that there have been some changes to our committee. Sandra Marks has taken over as treasurer from Michelle Seaton. Being treasurer of a big club like Mana Swimco is a huge job and I would like to thank Michelle for her efforts this past year.

Blair Loveday and Greg Tait have both stood down after a number of years on the committee. Blair has been the squad liaison person and more recently club captain. Greg has been the Officials Co-ordinator as well as the person responsible for building our website www.manaswimco.org.nz. Both Blair and Greg have made a huge contribution to MSC for which we are very grateful...Thank you.

Linda George will be handing over the Race Secretary's job progressively over the next few months to Sarah Tait. Race Secretary is another huge job and we have been extremely fortunate to have had Linda in this role for a number of years. Linda has done an outstanding job, and I know at Regional level when clubs have been sending in entries for National Meets often Mana Swimco's entries have been the only ones complete and correct. Linda will be a hard act to follow – but I am sure Sarah will be up to the challenge, after all she will be taught by the best in the job!

Those who missed the AGM also missed an informative presentation by Matt Trlin on a possible merger between Mana Swimco and the Porirua Swimming Club.

Stop Press: *An up-date and to answer all those who are asking if any progress has been made since the AGM – Porirua Swimming Club (PSC) have just appointed three people to join four people from MSC on a merger subcommittee. Their first meeting should be held before the middle of June. If you have any queries or concerns about the direction MSC is taking here, I am more than happy to discuss this with you, at anytime – just give me a ring Viv Morton 234 7071.*

RESULTS

Swimming Wellington Premiership Competition 2008

After the first three rounds of the 2008 Swimming Wellington Premiership Competition we are proud to announce that Mana Swimco's 12 and unders are leading the Junior Division of this competition with 78.87 points. Well done to our 12 and under swimmers!

The spread on the noticeboard shows the meets that are included in this competition.

Matson Trophy Meet Report

On 4 May a small but competitive Mana team made up of Nicola Trott, Josh & Hamish Trlin, DJ & Craig Stapleton, Susannah & Aaron Lynch, Clare Lechner, Stephanie George and Dannielle Gaulofa headed up to the Raumati pool for the Matson Trophy meet. As with many handicap meets, the atmosphere was fun right from the start.

Swimmers and spectators got into the swing of things offering ever increasing levels of vocal support with each race. Congratulations go out to Nicola Trott who made the final. Special thanks go to all the parents & officials who assisted at the meet, especially to the lane 2 timekeepers who not only did their job but also found time to provide team manager support.

Mana Swimco's 2008 Prize-Giving & Farewell to Benoit

This will be held on Sunday 20 July at Paremata School, Paremata Crescent at 4pm. All swimmers, parents and supporters are welcome. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Pool Entry at the Porirua Pool.

Squad swimmers who are taking advantage of Nevill Sutton's kind offer make space available in his morning sessions for our squad swimmers are reminded that they must pay pool entry for every session. Matt Trlin can provide details about costs and how to go about purchasing the a 'special' (training only) concession card. If pool staff are not on duty when you arrive at the pool then you must pay for your swim when you exit the pool, and remember this includes Saturday morning.

SQUAD FEES

Congratulations to all those swimmers who have achieved the criteria and moved to the next squad level at the beginning of this term. Please remember along with this goes increased squad fees. The month of May was considered a trial month and everyone should be paying their new squad fee from 1st June: -

Monthly fees are	Sharks and Piranhas	\$85.00
	Orcas	\$50.00
	Swordfish	\$20.00

For ease of administration Mana Swimco prefers fees to be paid by automatic payment on the 1st of each month. A number of new swimmers have joined the Swordfish (Tuesday and Wednesday 4 - 5pm) over recent months. These swimmers should be paying \$20 per month from the first of the month following the month they started in. If you have a question about the payment/s due please see Matt Trlin or Viv Morton.

If you didn't alter your AP for June 1st, please do so immediately and pay the difference on a club, and see that the payment is receipted in the squad receipt book.

CONGRATULATIONS to Trent Shields who has been selected to attend Swimming New Zealand's Age Groups Camps for up and coming swimmers. Criteria for these camps is set by Swimming NZ and matched against performances at the Summer Nationals – well done Trent.

UPCOMING EVENTS			
DATE	EVENT	VENUE	NOTES
June			
Saturday 28 th	Raumati Matariki Meet	Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre	Warm up 4.30pm. Start 5.15pm. See Flyer on Noticeboard
Sunday 29 th	Interclub League	Cannon's Creek Pool	This is the final of the four meet competition. After two meets the MSC Black team is leading the competition. Nine teams are taking part, with three from Mana. Supporters are welcome. Warm up 5.00pm Start 5.30pm
JULY			
Sunday 13 th	Gold Coast Paekakariki Sheild Relay meet	Tawa Pool	This meet is open to all swimmers and includes individual events in each stroke over 50m. There will be ribbons for those swimming a personal best. Our relay teams will be selected from those who enter the meet. Warm up 5pm Start 5.30pm
Saturday 19 th	Wellington's Top Ten	Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre	Warm Up 5.00pm. Start 5.45pm. <i>see note below regarding top 10.</i>
Sunday 20 th	Mana Swimco Prizegiving	Paremata School Hall	Please bring a plate of food to share
Saturday 26 th	Tawa SC Winter Champs Short Course Qualifying Meet	Tawa Pool	Warm up 4.30pm Start 5.00pm Open to all swimmers who are keen to update their times.
Anyone needing a copy of their times see Sarah Tait			

Swimming Wellington's Top 10 Series is open to swimmers who has qualified for the Wellington Short Course Champs – refer to the qualifying times in the pink book (see Linda or Sarah if you are not sure about this)

A brief overview is that eligible swimmers enter and the fastest 10 entrants get to swim on the night (you are advised prior to the meet if you have a swim, and there are strict rules about late scratchings). To make the top 10 in Wellington in any event is a tremendous achievement and it would be good to see a big team from Mana at the meet. To make this happen the best approach is to enter every event you can and then wait to see if you have made the Top 10.

A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS

RE/MAX-LEADERS SPONSOR OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Sharli-Jo Solomon known by friends and family as Sharli is happy to support Mana Swimco by printing our newsletters. Sharli works for RE/MAX Leaders mostly from home, but the Porirua Office is her base.

Sharli is always happy to talk to anyone about what is happening in the world of Real Estate, or her other great passions FOOD and FAMILY. You'll find Sharli waiting for her son Paris on Monday and Friday nights.

Mana Swimco Club Contacts		Phone
President	Viv Morton	234 7071
Secretary	Eileen Adams	237 8946
Treasurer	Sandra Marks	
Race Secretary	Sarah Tait	237 5588
Club Captain/Squad Liaison	Onolata Little	
Officials Contact		

Contact Details Database

We are continually updating our club records and e-mail contact list. If your home address, e-mail addresses and contact phone numbers have changed please ensure you let us know and can keep you informed. Can families please send their name, home address and current e-mail address to: [-manaswimco@paradise.net.nz](mailto:manaswimco@paradise.net.nz) or alternatively advise the person on duty at the club table.



MANA SWIMCO would like to thank the NZ Community Trust for their support in providing a grant towards our pool hire costs.

SITUATIONS VACANT
TEAM MANAGEMENT SQUAD CAMP
January 2009 (dates T.B.A.)



The Mana Swimco committee is calling for applications for the position of Team Manager and Assistant Team Manager for the squad's camp to be held in Brisbane early January 2009.

Ideally those applying should have: -

- Experience in a camp situation (eg swimming, school, scouts/guides etc)
- Travelled overseas previously
- First aid knowledge

Applicants must have a full and current drivers licence and be prepared to drive a van if required.

Prior to the trip the team management will be required to see all those travelling have gear list, signed the Mana Swimco code of conduct, completed a medical form and have a copy of the itinerary etc. Together with the coach, the team managers will allocate the rooms, set camp rules and ensure all swimmers and their families are aware of them e.g. visiting times at camp, suitable times for phone calls to be made or received etc so that training sessions and rest periods are not interrupted.

On the trip applicants will be required to: -

- Take charge of the day to day running of the camp
- Take charge of the trip's finances and see that all expenses are within budget
- Be the camp 'mother or father' (do the washing, look after those sick or injured, organise food as required, etc)
- See that the swimmers are organised and 'on time' for training
- Monitor swimmers bedtimes and rest periods
- Assist the coach at training sessions (taking splits, organising gear etc)
- Create a positive environment and team spirit amongst all those travelling
- Liaise with the management team on discipline issues
- Ensure any 'punishments' are appropriate and served
- Ensure the safety of the entire team at all times
- Ensure all swimmers are treated equally
- Organise any outings/trips
- Have loads of commonsense

Following the trip the team management will each be required to give a full and honest report to the Mana Swimco committee outlining both the positives and negatives of the trip.

Those interested should complete an application form.

Applications close with the Mana Swimco Secretary on 7th July 2008. This should be posted to 39 Tweed Road, Papakowhai or 'posted' in a sealed envelope in the black letter box in the storeroom at the pool.

Application form

MANA SWIMCO SQUAD CAMP 2008

Name _____ Phone _____

I wish to apply for the position of: Team Manager or Assistant Team Manager (*please circle*)

I have a current, full driver's license and am prepared to drive a van?
Yes / No

I have travelled overseas previously?
Yes / No

Please write a few lines listing any experiences / skills that you have that could assist you in this role.

Signed _____