

PCA PCA News

Porirua City Aquatics

January 2022

Red Level – COVID-19 Protection Framework:

Members and Visitors are reminded that the Council require Vaccine Passes for entry to Pool Facilities, Mask wearing is required in the Foyer and encouraged around the pool when not swimming.

There are limits on the number of people allowed inside (currently 100 at Cannons Creek and the Arena) and 1m physical distancing is encouraged (although not required) when not swimming.

Due to the lower number of people allowed in the building under the red level, it is requested that where possible only one parent/caregiver per swimmer (or swimming family) and that swimmers arrive and leave in their togs and change at home.

Please note that preference for entry to the pool facility will be for swimmers for their swim sessions, so parents/caregivers may be asked to exit the facility if numbers are nearing the 100 person limit.

Contact tracing is mandatory for club members and parents/caregivers. Swimmers must have their name checked off the roll and other people attending are to scan the QR code at the door.

Vaccine passes are required for everybody entering the facility who is over 12 years and 3 months of age. No Pass No Entry.

If you are unwell you are not to attend any club activities.

Please note that the guidelines can change depending on the circumstances of what the club is running and whether the club has hired the facilities, although they are similar

Public Facility (Swimming Pools) Guidelines:

Where the club has not hired the facility and just the lanes (all sessions at the Arena and some at Cannons Creek Pool).

Gathering (Indoors) Guidelines:

Where the Club has hired the facilities (Cannons Creek Only) which are the Monday Evening, Friday Evening and Sunday morning Club Sessions and most Junior Squad Sessions.

Sport Event Guidelines:

Where the Club (or Clubs) has hired the facilities to run a swim meet.

2022 Start Dates:

Normal club sessions will resume on

- Monday 31 January
- Friday 4 February
- Sunday 13 February

Times for Monday and Friday club sessions are:

6:00pm to 6:45pm 6:45pm to 7:30pm

7:30pm to 8:30pm

There is only one Sunday Morning Session from 8:00am to 9:00am.

There will be no Club Swimming on Sunday 6 or Monday 7 February due to Waitangi Day Long Weekend.

Learn to swim will start on Sunday 13 February.

Learn to Swim:

Our next course of Learn to Swim will start on Sunday 13 February and conclude on Sunday 27 March.

All levels will run with classes at 9:15am and 10:00am.

Swimmers are to arrive in their togs and exit the pool quickly after their class so we can stay within the 100 person building limit.

There is only to be ONE parent/caregiver per swimmer of swimming family.

Normal rules will apply re Contact tracing, and Vaccine passes are required for those over 12 yrs 3 months.

Enrolments will be taken over the first day.

Club Champs – 27 March:

We are still planning on having our Club Champs at Tawa on 27 March, there will be no club sessions on the Sunday Morning.

Seeking a new PCA Treasurer:

The PCA Committee is seeking a new Treasurer for the Club. Our current Treasurer, Murray Pugh, will retire from the position at the May AGM. As an Officer of the club, the Treasurer's duties are to:

Attend all General Meetings and Committee meetings.









- Ensure all monies due to, or payable by the Club are handled appropriately.
- Ensure that proper financial records are prepared and maintained.
- Ensure that up to date monthly accounts are provided to each Committee Meeting and are approved at each meeting.
- Ensure that the audited financial statements of the Club, approved by the Committee, are available for the Annual General Meeting.
- The Club uses Xero and online banking with Westpac. Full hand-over support will be provided by Murray.

The Treasurer is an important contributor to the success and stability of the club with oversight of the club's financial resources and responsibility for ensuring appropriate financial controls and practices are followed. The Registrar and President both support the Treasurer by managing member and squad accounts, with the Treasurer looking after other club income and expenses and reporting.

Being Treasurer is a great way to be closely involved as a valued volunteer with PCA, without (necessarily!) being poolside. Time commitment is less than an hour per week plus monthly Committee and related meetings and a little more around financial year end.

To discuss this opportunity or to register your interest, please contact Viv 04-234-7071 president@swimporirua.co.nz, or Murray 021-247-7730 treasurer@swimporirua.co.nz.

Dennis Smith Swimming Scholarship:

Long time junior swimming coach Dennis Smith has established a limited scholarship fund to support swimmers to advance their participation in the sport.

Criteria for awarding a scholarship and to be considered by the PCA Committee in awarding any scholarship funds includes:

- Identifiable financial hardship arising from the recipient's immediate family or care situation
- Demonstrated commitment to the sport by the recipient
- Demonstrated PCA values by the recipient Proud, Attitude, Community
- · The amount of any prior scholarship awarded
- Any other criteria considered relevant by the PCA Committee

There are two scholarships available per annum up to the value of \$500 with awarded funds to be applied to:

- Club membership subscriptions
- Squad training fees
- · Swimming meet entry fees
- Purchase of swimming gear: such as togs, club uniform, goggles, or training equipment.

Further detail about the scholarship and an application form is attached to this newsletter, or is available from president@swimporirua.co.nz.

PCA would like to thank Dennis Smith sincerely for providing the scholarship funds and for his foresight and compassion for our PCA members.

Meet Reports:

Swim Wellington Summer Champs:

The Swim Wellington Summer Champs for swimmers 13 and over was held at WRAC over the Anniversary Weekend.

Eleven swimmers from PCA joined over 300 swimmers from all around the county to swim at these Championships. With no 50m pools available for racing in the South Island at present a huge number of clubs came from the South Island as well as those from all around the North Island. One top Auckland swimmer came with his coach just to swim one race, showing opportunities have been very limited everywhere.

With a format of heats in the morning and finals at night, going in Red traffic light settings on Monday certainly threw the organisers a huge challenge. There is a solution to most things and with heaps of co-operation from the pool and a willingness from Swim Wellington, everyone got to swim all their races.

Sunday night proved to be a long night. After the finals from the morning session were swum, Monday mornings events were swum as time finals with the longer events (1500m free and 400 Medley) carried over to Monday morning which ensured we stayed under the 100 people in the facility.

Being part of the small team who pulled this together, I know it was a huge job, but we got there - SW should be very proud. Cancelling because of Covid is often an easy out!

Overall our team swum well, with a number of medals, finalists and PBs.

Swimmer	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Top 10 finish
Lucy Campbell (15)				3
Jade Lin (15)				3
Joseph Reiher (15)			1	3
Dannielle Rule (15)				5
Bronagh Ryan		1		1
James van der Voort (16)				2
Cameron Wilkinson (13)		2	1	5
Eruc Yuan (13)	3			3
Sunny Zheng (14)	2	1	1	4
David Zhu (15)	1	2		3

Porirua City Aquatics finished up 11th on the team ranking and the 4th Wellington Club. Thirty one clubs took part.









A big thank you to all our PCA families especially the officials, team managers and coaches, and to all those who covered our duties, often doing more than was required.

Thanks to those who helped with medals and ribbons when helpers from other clubs were a 'no-show'!

Unfortunately the technology often failed the meet and the meet had to go 'manual' several times. Thanks to all those who answered the call for extra timekeepers.

Viv Morton

Subscriptions:

The membership year begins on 1 July, and subs for the year are:

- \$195.00 for club members. That is, those who swim in the Eels and Tadpoles squads and those who swim at the club sessions on Friday and/or Monday nights and/or Sunday mornings.
- \$150.00 for squad members, being those in the Senior squad, Orcas, Sharks, Swordfish, Seals, Penguins and those who swim in PCA's Johnsonville squad.

Subs can be paid directly into the PCA bank account 030547-0205093-00 – please use the swimmers name as a reference, or can be paid at the duty desk on a Monday or Friday night, or left in a named envelope in the black letterbox on our storeroom door.

Annual Subs are due on 1 July and should be paid as soon as possible.

For new members joining during the year the sub is prorated based on the month of joining, and if the swimmer is a squad or competitive swimmer. These rates are available from the Treasurer or the Committee Member on the desk on Monday and Friday club nights.

Swimmers are required to be financial members to enter swim meets and attend training nights (club and squad) and to attend and vote at the AGM or other club meetings.

Some leeway will be provided for the attendance at training as long as the annual sub is paid by 31 July, within four weeks of joining if a new member, or are on an agreed payment plan and no payments have been missed.

There is no leeway for entering swim meets or being able to vote at club meetings. You must be a paid up member to participate in swim meets and club meetings.

Any family wishing to spread their payments should contact our treasurer on 021-247-7730 or e-mail treasurer@swimporirua.co.nz to make an arrangement.

Duty Roster:

The club is also looking for volunteers to staff the desk on Monday and Friday nights at Cannons Creek.

You will need to report at 5:45pm to set up for a 6:00pm session start and stay until the start of the final session at 7:30pm.

Those interested should contact Veronica Rule on 021-0255-3366 or email veronicarule77@gmail.com.

BBQ Roster:

On Club Nights, and Sunday Mornings during Club and Lean to Swim Sessions at Cannons Creek Pool there is an opportunity for parents to raise money to help with their club expenses.

The money raised from each sausage sizzle (or whatever else you would like to cook on the BBQ) less any direct expenses is kept by the club and allocated to the family who did the BBQ.

The purchase of some items (sausages, bread etc) is required at the time.

The money raised can be used for entry fees, subs, squad fees, to purchase uniforms etc.

Anyone interested in cooking for a night should contact Viv Morton e-mail president@swimporirua.co.nz or phone 234-7071 for further information.

PCA Swimming Caps:

New members will be given a cap on receipt of their first subscription payment.

Caps are replaced free of charge if they split, on presentation of the damaged cap.

The cost of caps are \$10 each if a swimmer requires another cap.

It would not normally be expected that any swimmer would need more than 1 or 2 caps each year.

Caps can be obtained from the sign-in desk at Monday and Friday night club sessions (at Cannons Creek) or the Team Manager at swim meets.

Club Uniform:

The club orders uniform items several times a year based on the demand. The items that are available for order (and order forms) are on the notice board at Cannons Creek Pool and on the Website.

Items ordered must be paid for before the items will be included in an order sent to our supplier.









The delivery of any order we place takes about eight weeks from the time of ordering.

We also have a limited amount in stock of PCA uniform hoodies with zips, T shirts and shorts in various ages.

Please contact Veronica Rule on 021-0255-3366 or e-mail <u>uniforms@swimporirua.co.nz</u> if you would like to purchase any PCA uniform items - see the web site for details, order form and bank details.

Bank Account Details:

Subs/Uniforms etc 03-0547-0205093-00 Sunday Learn to Swim 03-0547-0205093-01 Squad Fees 03-0547-0205093-02

If you are unsure which account you should be using, please contact our Treasurer, Murray Pugh, at treasurer@swimporirua.co.nz

Upcoming Events:

13 February – Gold Coast (SC) – Tawa. Details to be confirmed soon.

The SNZ Junior Festival that was in the Calendar for 18 – 20 February has been postponed.

Report of Best Times:

If you require a list of your times, please email Haiou Wang the Race Secretary at race@swimporirua.co.nz and they will be sent back to you.

Club Contacts:

President (Viv Morton)	04-234-7071
Vice-President (Brent Harris)	
Secretary (Elouise Thomas)	022-140-5068
Treasurer (Murray Pugh)	021-247-7730
Race Secretary (Haiou Wang)	022-045-7793
Squad Liaison	
Junior Squad (Viv Morton)	04-234-7071
Senior Squad (Janet Thomson)	027-442-0961
Johnsonville Squad (Novia Guo)	021-869-669
Officials Co-ordinator (Elouise Thoma	as).022-140-5068
Uniforms (Veronica Rule)	021-0255-3366
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The Dennis Smith Swimming Scholarship Terms

The Dennis Smith Swimming Scholarship has been established by Dennis Smith, a former long-time PCA Coach, as a limited fund to support swimmers to advance their participation in the sport.

PCA members (excluding technical and administrative officials) may apply to the PCA Committee for financial support for their swimming activity.

Up to two scholarships of up to \$500 each are available per calendar year until the fund is exhausted.

Scholarship funds must be applied to meeting any of the following costs:

- Club membership subscriptions
- Squad training fees
- · Swimming meet entry fees
- Purchase of swimming gear: such as togs, club uniform, goggles, and training equipment.

During the 12 months following award of the scholarship, costs up to the value of the scholarship awarded will be paid by the Club directly, or reimbursed to the applicant on submission to the Club Treasurer of supporting receipts and bank deposit details. Any unused portion will lapse at the end of the 12 month period.

Applications may be submitted to the PCA Committee via the President at any time. The application form attached to these Terms must be used. An applicant may apply for consecutive scholarships at the end of each recipient's scholarship period.

Criteria for awarding a scholarship and to be considered by the PCA Committee includes:

- Identifiable financial hardship arising from the recipient's immediate family or care situation
- Demonstrated commitment to the sport by the recipient
- Demonstrated PCA values by the recipient Proud, Attitude, Community
- The amount of any prior scholarship awarded
- Any other criteria considered relevant by the PCA Committee

PCA Committee members may apply for a scholarship for a family member or swimmer in their care but will have no part in the Committee's consideration of their application.

The decision of the PCA Committee to award or not award a scholarship of any amount is final. Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application within 6 weeks of submission.

The identity of applicants, successful or not, and all details regarding the recipient and application will remain confidential to the PCA Committee members.

Viv Morton President Porirua City Aquatics Incorporated January 2022









Dennis Smith Swimming Scholarship Application Form

Recipient's							
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Applicant's							
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PCA member	Y / N	Pre	vious Scholarship Awarded	•	Y/N		
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applicant							
	Applicant's signature:						
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	As the applicant, and on behalf of the Recipient, I agree to the Dennis Smith Swimming						
	Scholarship Terms.						





