

PCA PCA News

Porirua City Aquatics

July 2025

1: 2025 Wellington Airport Community Awards

These awards recognise the valuable contribution volunteers, and their organisations make in their communities with local awards presented in Kapiti, Porirua, Wellington City, Lower Hutt and Upper Hutt this month.

For 2025 PCA's Learn to Swim programme, which runs on Sunday mornings at the Cannons Creek pool were one of a number of finalists in the Sport and Leisure Category.

The Plimmerton Boating Club won the category with PCA named as runners up!

Special Congratulations to Sharon (our Learn to Swim administrator) and our many instructors who give freely of their time on Sunday mornings so the club can offer affordable lessons to our community.







Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards 2025 Porirua Sport & Leisure

2: PCC Annual Plan 2025/26

PCA recently made a submission to Porirua City Council's proposed 25/26 Annual Plan where the wish was to increase the door entry charges at Cannons Creek Pool by 25%. While this does not affect most club members PCA squad swimmers do pay door charges during the week.

It is pleasing to know that this increase has been scrapped and there will only be a minor increase for this coming year.

3: New Zealand Para Record

Congratulations to Nathaniel Wood who set a New Zealand Para record at the Wellington Championships in June, in the SM10 category with a time of 6m31.59.



Meet Reports:

Meet 1: Wellington Short Course Champs

These Championships were held over four sessions at the Kilbirnie Pool on the 14 and 15 June attracting swimmers from all around the Wellington Region with others coming from Manawatu, the upper South Island and Auckland. It was a busy weekend for our team of thirty, their coaches and families. If you follow PCA on Facebook then you would have seen swimmers enjoying their successes on the podium.

PCA was third in the club points tally. Tawa won the Mana Swimco Trophy with1932 points. Pirates were second on 1837 followed by PCA third with 1710 points. The points were a combination of the Wellington Distance Champs and these Short Corse Meets.

Alyssa Bai had an outstanding meet winning seven Gold medals and coming away with a Swim Hub voucher as the Swimmer of the Meet for Girls 14yrs.

Many achieved Personal Best times. Listed are those who achieved PBs in excess of 15 seconds - How Amazing!(see end of newsletter for results) The following were all achieved in 400 freestyle. Well done to Alyssa Bai 17.78 sec, Jackson Crawford 24.60 sec, Emma Harrison 35.24 sec and Eric Yuan 20.97 sec. Charlotte Harrison made a 15.10sec PB in 200 Fly.









A big thank you goes to the team managers, coaches Lucy, Gerusio and Steven and all those who officiated and/or covered the duties PCA was allocated. Thanks to Blair for organising PCA officials. This was a big team effort everyone.

Meet 2: DIV III Meet

PCA hosted Div III, our annual fundraising meet at the Tawa Pool on 13 July. Div III attracted 97 swimmers, 33 from PCA, and they were joined by others from Ice Breaker Aquatics, Palmerston North Swim Club and Kiwi West (all Manawatu clubs) Masterton, Carterton and most Wellington clubs including Pirates, Raumati, Capital, Tawa, Swimzone Racing and Nga Tai Tuatea a Taraika.

Running a meet with 102 events, over two sessions is a huge undertaking but pleasingly all went well and the feedback from our visitors was fantastic. A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the meet - the officials, announcer, marshalls, office staff, BBQ cooks, refreshment people, runners, door people and medal presenters. Thanks to Mat who organised donated bread, and to Todd Morton for loaning his podium. Thanks also to the PCA families who did provided food for the officials. The officials were certainly fed well...as were those handing it around!

It was great to see many of PCA's older swimmers who the club has supported to recent National Meets assisting and gaining some understanding the details of running a meet.

The criteria for this meet allows developing swimmers to shine. Overall the PCA team did very well with many standing in the podium for the first time. Medals were presented to the first three in each race and those finishing 4th to 7th received a finalist ribbon.

The full results are at the end of the newsletter.

A big thank you also goes to PCA's first time team managers Katrina and Sophie who did a great job, and coaches Cliff Roberts and Steven Zhu for sharing their wisdom.

A huge thank you also goes to Brent and Blair for organising the officials. PCA had fantastic support from officials from PCA and the region who didn't have swimmers competing at the meet - without them, this wouldn't have been able to be run as a National Qualifying (NQ) Meet.

Subscriptions:

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

\$220.00 for club members. That is, those who swim in the Tadpoles squad and those who swim at the

- club sessions on Friday and/or Monday nights and/or Sunday mornings.
- \$220.00 for PCA's Johnsonville Squad swimmers
- \$185.00 for squad members, being those in the Senior squad, Orcas, Sharks, Swordfish, Seals 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 reduced on a sliding scale from October to the following June based on the month of joining, and if the swimmer is a squad or competitive swimmer. These rates are available from the info@swimporirua.co.nz or the person 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 at 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 starts at 7.20pm.

Those interested should contact Viv Morton on 027-645-1146 or email president@swmporirua.co.nz

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 027-645-1146 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, shorts and ponchos in various ages.

Please contact Jessie Guo on 021-232-1533 or e-mail uniforms@swimporirua.co.nz if you would like to purchase any PCA uniform items - see the web site for details, order form and bank details.

Bank Account Details:

 Sunday Learn to Swim
 03-0547-0205093-01

 Squad Fees
 03-0547-0205093-02

 Everything Else
 03-0547-0205093-00

If you are unsure which account you should be using, please contact treasurer@swimporirua.co.nz.

Upcoming Events:

- SW Junior Sprint challenge Coastlands 26 July
- In house league Cannons Creek Pool 4 August 6pm
- Otaki NQ 9 August
- Gold Coast Chocolate Carnival Tawa 17 August 3.30pm warm up.
- In house league Cannons Creek Pool 18 August 6pm
- Parumoana Inter-school years 5 and 6 Cannons Creek 19 August
- Parumoana Inter-school years 7 and 8 Cannons Creek 20 August
- Pirates NQ Coastlands 23 August
- Raumati NQ Coastlands 6 September
- In house League Cannons Creek 15 September 6pm
- SNZSC Champs Auckland 21 September
- Tawa NQ (LC) Naenae 11 October
- SWN relay champs (LC)– WRAC 1 November
- PCA NQ (LC) Naenae 8 November
- Taraika NQ WRAC 22 November
- SWN Summer Champs (LC) December

Note:

Entries close for In House League on Wednesday 30 July – list your name on the noticeboard if you wish to take part. League will replace normal club and squad swimming on theses nights.

Entries close for the Gold Coast Meet at Tawa on Monday 11 August. This is an ideal meet for club members new to swimming and/or have enjoyed our race nights. Swimmers don't have to dive, instead they can start in the water - tumble turns are not compulsory. This meet is all about achieving Personal Best, with no emphasis on how you place in a race. Anyone can achieve a PB and for this meet chocolate bars will be given to those swimming an event for the first time and/or achieving a PB. Don't leave entering until the last day – if you are challenged (on-line) about your entry you will need to contact info@swimporirua.co.nz

Club Lane and Squad Information:

A summary of how we structure our Club Lanes for new swimmers, and also our booklet for competitive swimmers can be found at the links below.

Club Lane Swimming
Competitive Swimming

Report of Best Times:

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









Club Contacts:

President (Viv Morton)	027-645-1146
Vice-President (Brent Harris)	027-489-1120
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Treasurer (Sonja Maharaj)	<u>e-mail</u>
Race Secretary (Elouise Thomas)	
Junior Squad Coach	<u>e-mail</u>
Senior Squad Coach	<u>e-mail</u>
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Newsletter	e-mail









2025 SW Winter SC Champs Results									
			Region	nal Placi	Overall				
			1	2	3	Top 10			
12 Year	Female	Ashley Liu		2		3			
		Elizabeth Yang				7			
		Kirsten Young	3	2	2	3			
13 Year	Female	Sofia Nguyen				6			
		Emma Harrison		1	3	3			
		Rebecca Yu	5	3	1				
	Male	Jackson Crawford		1	1	4			
14 Year	Female	Indie Spalding	1	1	2	3			
		Lite Alaifea	2		2	1			
		Alyssa Bai	7	1					
		Livvy Andrews				1			
	Male	Asher Thomas	4		1	2			
		Patrick Reiher		3	2	3			
		Cody Chen			4	3			
15 Year	Female	Lauren Crawford	2	3		1			
		Maddy St Just			2	3			
		Charlotte Harrison		1	1	1			
	Male	Justin Wang		1	1	7			
		Jayden Ng			4	3			
		Victor Yu				4			
		Boyi Zang				1			
		Nathaniel Wood	8	3					
16 Year	Female	Karmen Zhou	1	3	1	1			
	Male	Felix Thomas		1	1	2			
		Daniel Turetsky		1	1	8			
17 & over	Female	Dannielle Rule		2	2	5			
	Male	Joe Reiher	3		1	5			
		Eric Yuan	2		1	3			
		Aaron Zang				1			
		Nic Cecioni	1		2	1			







DIV III Results									
Name	Age	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Finalist	PB			
Eliza Au	8		1	1	1	2			
Alastair Bai	11	3	1			3			
Matthew Bleach	11				2				
Indiana Clayton	9				2	1			
Levi Clayton	7				1				
Jackson Crawford	13	4	1			2			
Hugo Guo	10			3	2	3			
Nate Hall	12		2	3		3			
Paxton Hammond	10				3	2			
Jessica Harris	8			2	3	4			
Charlotte Head	12	1			2	3			
Ella Head	11		2			2			
Jardyn-Leigh Jacobs	9			1	4	3			
Kai Jiang	9			2					
Tai Lewis	12		1	2		2			
Luca McMaster	11			1		1			
Sophia Nguyen	13	4				4			
Fed Shepeleva	9	3				3			
Kyfle Sichampanakhone	11				3	1			
Jackson Smith	10				5	4			
Maddy St Just	15	1							
Lincoln Thomas	11	2	1			1			
Peixin Tian	11	2	3	2		5			
Chao Wang	11	1	1			1			
Yujie Wang	9	1	2	2		1			
Lawrence Wang	11	2	1	3		3			
Xi Wang	8	1							
Elizabeth Wang	12	2	1			3			
Kirsten Young	12	3				3			
Lucas Zhang	10				1				
Aiden Zhou	7		1						





