



# SUMMER 2024 WRAP

## COACHES CORNER

We have had a great summer at Hamilton Aquatics as we begin 2024 in earnest.

January gave us the chance to swim outdoors at Hamilton Boys High which is always popular. We have had big teams attend competitions in Taupo, Matamata, Cambridge and Waterworld for the Hamilton Aquatics Cash Meet. We have seen some outstanding performances from swimmers across our squads at these competitions and swimmers racing hard.

We recently held a successful Splash Night with upwards of 50 junior swimmers joining us at Hamilton Boys High. This was a chance for a large number of swimmers to get their first taste of racing and practice the skills they have been working hard on. It was great to see such a large number of our young swimmers getting stuck in and swimming fast!

Thanks to Aly, our coaching team, and officials for hosting such a great evening.

We have a number of big events coming up to look forward to. Our Junior squads will be racing at Hamilton Aquatics own Bill Grey Meet before tackling Waikato Junior Championships in March. This will be a targeted competition for all of our youngsters so keep an eye out for some big swims.

Our senior swimmers will be taking part in the Waikato Summer Meet, before tackling New Zealand's best at NZ Olympic Trials, NAGS and Division II in April which promise some great swimming from our team.

Also a big thank you to all of the Hamilton Aquatics committee and all other members who made our Cash Meet a success for 2024.

*Mat Woofe*  
Head Coach

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## PRESIDENT'S ROUNDUP

We have had a great summer at Hamilton Aquatics as we begin 2024 in earnest. What a stunning summer it has been, and that is not just the weather but the many activities Hamilton Aquatics has engaged in over the past few months. I was proud of the way so many club families got behind supporting our flagship event – the HA Long Course Cash Meet at the end of January. Thanks to all those that filled roles, not just over the weekend but recorder tasks, finding lane sponsors, and massive amounts of marketing beforehand and afterwards. This event has a reputation for being well run, inclusive and welcoming, and is now the largest swim club run event in Aotearoa. As our biggest club fundraiser all this helped us net \$9k from the event.

We have 152 actively swimming in our squads, and another 82 in our Learn to Swim programme for term 1. This includes our first set of adult lessons for a group of ladies from the Shama Ethnic Women's Trust. It's been a blast getting to know these women and engage in their enthusiasm to immerse in something new.

Hamilton Aquatics is contracting to Swim Waikato to provide instruction in those primary schools who qualify for their Schools Water Safety Programme. We are also contracted to Hamilton Boys High School to oversee and provide lifeguards for their community pools commitment to HCC over January and subsequent weekends for term 1. It's all busy, busy but very rewarding. There are pockets of this club for anyone to get involved if you are interested. See the note on AOD operator, for an example.

The most exciting news is hot off the press – Hamilton Aquatics in conjunction with Swim Waikato is launching a Regional Performance Centre-Waikato. This is to provide a platform to create an athlete centric environment that enables swimmers to win medals at pinnacle international events. The Waikato is a growing region with superb tertiary education and employment opportunities and we are aiming to offer a continuing competitive pipeline for high performing swimmers. I congratulate Mat on driving this initiative and the careful planning gone into it over many months.

Whether in our most junior group through to our Masters squad members, well done for climbing into those togs, pulling on goggles, and improving your physical and mental health within the world of swimming.

*Janine Broekhuizen*

President

### **Swimming Waikato requires a volunteer – Backup AOD swimming meet operator**

AOD – Automatic Officiating Device (Electronic timing equipment).

#### **What this role involves.**

The AOD operator sets the equipment for each heat and finishes the cycle for the next heat. The times are then linked to the meet recorder to finalise the results.

If you have good computer skills and are interested in seeing the action from inside the control room then this could be the role for you.

If you are interested in finding out more about this role, please contact Russell Strange.

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## CELEBRATING SUCCESS



### 2024 New Zealand Open Water Swimming Championships

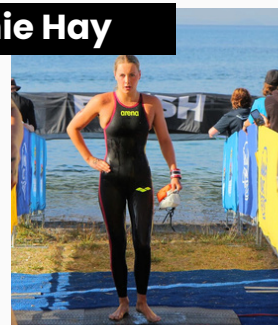


#### **Congratulations to us - Hamilton Aquatics who took home the Top Club award.**

Congratulations to all of our swimmers who competed. We had an incredible set of results for our individual swimmers in the NZ Open Water Championships, relays and the Banana Boat series.

A special mention and congratulations goes to Sophie Hay who met the standard in the 7.5km event to be selected to the New Zealand Team for the World Junior Open Water Championships in Italy.

**Sophie Hay**



#### **2024 Hamilton Aquatic Club Record Breakers To Date**



##### **Hamilton Aquatics Club Long Course Records**

**Cruden Aupouri** - 10 y M - 50m Free, 100m Free, 200m Free, 50m Back, 100m Back, 200m Back, 50m Brs, 50m Fly, 100m Fly

**Corey Peters** - 10 y M - 100m Free, 100m Brs, 200m IM

**Brodie Hill-Liddle** - 11 y M - 100m Fly

**Orlando Hardie** - 15 y M - 100m Brs

**Ethan MacDonald** - 16 y M - 100m Free

**Kinnon Broekhuizen** - 17 y M - 200m Free, 100m Back

**Chian-Ying Sat** - 10 y F - 200m Brs

**Kate Castillo** - 10 y F - 50m Fly

**Ariella Riley** - 15 y F - 100m Brs

**Pippa Mihaka** - 16 year F - 50m Back, 100m Back, 200m Back

**Chloe Peters** - 16 y F - 50m Free, 200m Free, 100m Fly, 200m IM

**Chloe Peters** - OPEN Female - 100m Fly



##### **Hamilton Aquatics Club Short Course Records**

**Cruden Aupouri** - 10 y M - 50m Free, 100m Free, 50m Back, 100m Back, 50m Fly, 100m IM

**Corey Peters** - 10 y M - 200m Free, 100m Fly, 200m IM

**Brodie Hill-Liddle** - 11 y M - 200m Fly

**Orlando Hardie** - 15 y M - 400m IM

**Ethan MacDonald** - 16 y M - 200m Free, 200m IM, 400m IM

**Kinnon Broekhuizen** - 17 y M - 200m Back

**Sophie Peters** - 13 y F - 50m Brs

**Ariella Riley** - 15 y F - 200m Brs

**Chloe Peters** - 16 y F - 100m Brs, 400m IM

You will find a complete set of Hamilton Aquatics Club Records on the website.

[www.hamiltonaquatics.nz/page/member-info/](http://www.hamiltonaquatics.nz/page/member-info/)





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## LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS

Learn to swim has been in full swing since term 4, successful block course in January and now term 1 lessons well and truly underway. It is fantastic to see the improvements our youngest swimmers are making plus the enjoyment they are getting from swimming with others.

We are still taking late registrations for term 1 lessons so if you are interested, please email Sarah at [lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz](mailto:lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz)

Some generous grants have allowed us to buy our team of instructors some new rash shirts and hats which have been much appreciated, especially in the heat of summer!

We are looking to grow our team of instructors so if you know of anyone who may be a good fit, please email Sarah at [lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz](mailto:lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz)

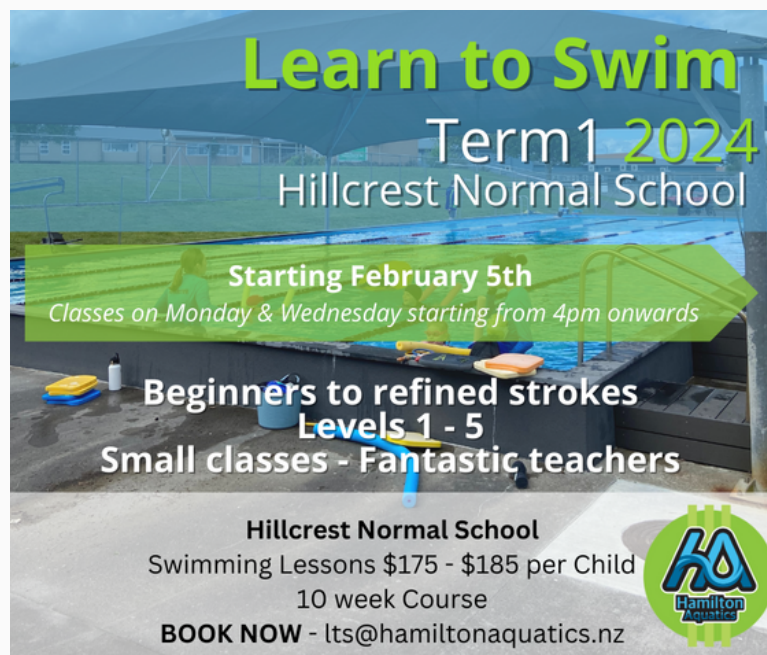


**Learn to Swim**  
Term 1 2024  
Hamilton West Primary School

Starting January 30th  
Classes on Tuesdays starting from 4pm onwards

Beginners to refined strokes  
Levels 1 - 5  
Small classes - Fantastic teachers

Hamilton West Primary School  
Swimming Lessons \$175 - \$185 per Child  
10 Week Course  
BOOK NOW - [lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz](mailto:lts@hamiltonaquatics.nz)




**Learn to Swim**  
Term 1 2024  
Hillcrest Normal School

Starting February 5th  
Classes on Monday & Wednesday starting from 4pm onwards

Beginners to refined strokes  
Levels 1 - 5  
Small classes - Fantastic teachers

Hillcrest Normal School  
Swimming Lessons \$175 - \$185 per Child  
10 week Course  
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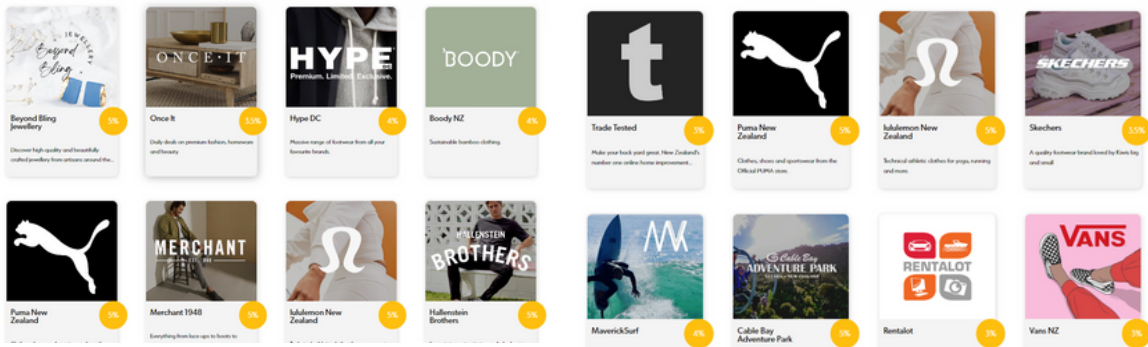
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