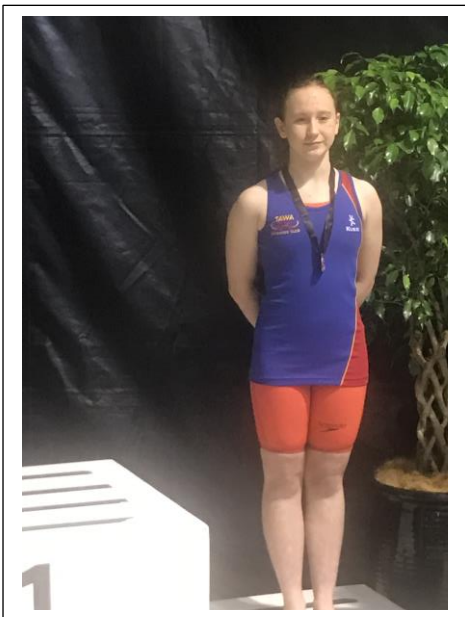




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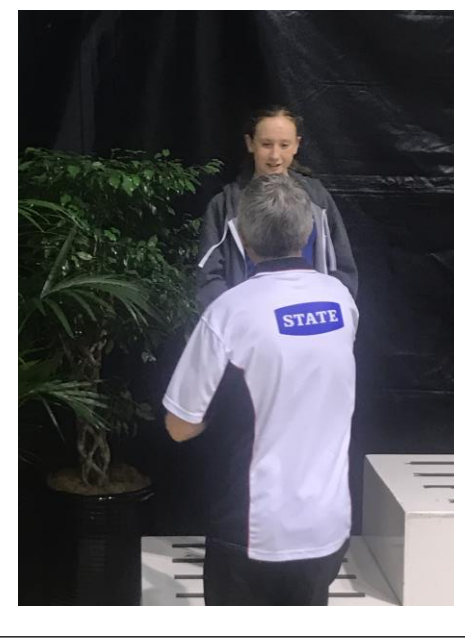
Events/news since the last newsletter

National Age Group Championships, 21-25 March, WRAC: 14 swimmers represented the Club, with Jenna Rolston-Larking achieving Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. *Congratulations* Jenna! Jenna has also been in Auckland this week at the NZ Opens, continuing to achieve PBs.



				
Jenna Rolston-Larking	200 Fly	100 Fly	50 Fly 15&Under 800m Zonal Relay	

This was the premier national event for age group swimmers, 13-18 years old. We had 8 swimmers placing in some events in the top 10 in New Zealand for their age group. This is a fantastic effort by all of you! Here are the 4-10 placings:



	Placing	Event
Joel Crampton	4th	200 Fly
	7th	100 Fly
Katie Helm Chelsea Parker	5th	200 Fly
	6 th	400 IM
	8 th	200 Fly
	9 th	200 Breast
Sarah Downs	10th	100 Breast
	7 th	800 Free
Elisia Wong Matthew Cooper	8th	400 Free
	9th	200 Breast
Danika Viskovic Jenna Rolston-Larking	9th	100 Breast
	9th	50 Back
	9 th	200 Free
	9 th	100 Breast

This was also the first time in recent years that we have entered Club relay teams, and Jenna, Danika, Chelsea and Cerys Lewis placed 6th in the 15&U Girls 4x100m Medley. Well done to all our swimmers - who also included Max Wong, Joshua Keegan, Lachlan Mudie, Louis Regnault and Shavendra Somaweera.



AM session

PCA Division III, 8 April

A team of 25 swimmers attended PCA Division III meet at Naenae. Meet entries changed a little this year, with more juniors able to enter because there is no Junior Nationals anymore (previously Junior Nationals qualifiers could not enter DIVIII). 2017 Division II and NAGs qualifiers were not eligible to enter. A Tawa swimmer (Tiffany) won the chocolate egg raffle - the 4th year running a Tawa swimmer has won the raffle! Results to follow next newsletter.



PM session



Thank you to Pub Charities for funding a purchase of new training fins, which Club Captain Mel Jones is in the process of ordering. Thank you to Ash Downs for his work on grant applications, in addition to his work as President of the Club.



20 Banana Boat pull buoys are now in the Club locker for coaches to use, and are proving popular with younger swimmers. The towels, goggles and caps will be spot prizes at a suitable event, such as Club Champs.

Dates for your calendar and school holidays

School holiday period: There are no Club swimming sessions (Monday 3.30, 6.15pm and Thursday 3.30, 6.15pm) during the school holidays. There are also no sessions for **Rebels** or **Vipers**. Enjoy your school holiday break. **Future Stars, Rising Stars, Junior Development, Development** and **Performance** do have training throughout the holidays, with exceptions as follows:

BLACKOUT Easter weekend - Friday 14 April through to Monday 17 April inclusive.
BLACKOUT for a long weekend around ANZAC day - Saturday 22 April through to Tuesday 25 April inclusive.

Gold Coast Zone Paekakariki Shield Relays: Sunday 30 April, Tawa Pool, the last Sunday of the school holidays. Tawa is hosting this relay event, which is suitable for all Club members. Coaches organise as many swimmers as possible into as many teams as possible for the relays, and most kids really enjoy this relay event. Enter an individual event to participate. **Entries close Easter Monday, 17 April. Please make sure to enter before you go on holiday and forget!**

Tawa Signature Meet: Saturday 6 May, 5pm, WRAC, the first Saturday after the holidays
The Dash for Cash Signature Meet is run by Tawa Swimming Club and is our major fundraiser for the year. It would be great to see this meet well supported by our own Club members as well as by other Clubs. If entry numbers are low (as they were last year), funds raised for the Club are impacted. **Entries close Friday 28 April. Please make sure to enter before you go on holiday and forget!**

Annual General Meeting Thursday 24 August 2017, 7pm, Club Rooms

Annual Prizegiving Sunday 6 August 2017, Amesbury School

Club Championships Sunday 18 June, Warmup 3.15pm, Tawa Pool

Notices

Change of details: If you have an email address or any other contact details change, as well as notifying secretary@swimtawa.org.nz can you please also ensure that you update the details for your swimmer at <https://mypage.swimming.org.nz/>, thank you.

Junior Squad Co-ordinator: Thank you to **Trish Comeskey**, who has taken up Junior Squad Coordinator for Future and Rising Stars. Her role is primarily administrative support to Coaches and Committee (Treasurer, Secretary, Race Secretary in particular). Trish is also a conduit to represent the interests of these squads to the Committee for planning purposes (ie suggested social events/camp etc). The role is likened to a Team Manager in a sports team.

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The Team Manager phone is for you to text in withdrawals and late arrivals to swim meets.
Note, the Team Manger cannot reply using this phone.

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Billie Mudie and Lisa Wong are also Committee members. Please feel free to talk to Committee members anytime, or come to a Committee meeting. If there is something you would particularly like to hear about in the newsletter (which generally follows Committee meetings), please let Alex know on secretary@swimtawa.org.nz.

If you have **photos** to share with the Club, or to retain for Club records, please email them to Alex secretary@swimtawa.org.nz.