

From Committee Members, "HOFF" and "PAM"

(aka Peter Burt and Michelle Pye)

The last month's been all go and a fantastic start to the Public Supporters Campaign. It has seen...



- A visit by our Aquatic Supporters Club Ambassador, Danyon Loader, who spent the day at local schools and then at night attended the Charity Auction
- Over 150 Public Supporters coming on-board
- Our first monthly BNZ \$500 cash prize draw for Business and Public Supporters, won by Tony Preen from Miss Timaru, who then straight away donated it back (thanks Tony!)
- The Timaru Rotary Charity Auction, which raised over \$15,000 for CBAY – thanks again to President Gillian Oppenheim and the Rotary Club of Timaru
- Total funds raised towards "Fitting Out The Pool" coming in at approximately \$40,000 so far.

As you know, our main emphasis through to this Christmas is to ask the public, community organisations and schools to become Public Supporters. There has been some neat examples – many families are contributing \$250 or \$500, Trevor and Janet Karton from Timaru made a personal donation of \$1,000, and Bluestone School ran a multi day and presented Danyon Loader with a \$583 cheque.

Business Supporters also keep coming on board. Thanks to Brian and Lynn Stratford, who joined as a Bronze Supporter.

Watch for the next monthly cash prize draw which will be held on WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER on PortFM.

Danyon's Visit

Double Gold Medallist Danyon Loader spent a day in Timaru on 3 September, which saw the convoy team of Aquatic Supporters Club Committee Members Michelle Pye, Peter Burt, Allan Booth, Graeme Stillwell and Damon Odey, including the "Wet's The Way To Play – Support CBAY" sign-written corvette, visit five local primary schools – Winchester, St Josephs in Temuka, Waimataitai, Bluestone and St Josephs in Timaru.



Danyon was terrific with the kids – he described how he had started to learn to swim in the bathtub, that he took 13 years of training from age 9 to 22 to win his first gold medal and to become the world's best, and he said to the kids he started here in Timaru, and with hard work and dedication, you too can achieve your dreams. It was inspiring stuff.

Timaru Rotary Charity Auction

What a great night! MC'd by raconteur extraordinaire Jim Hopkins, and supported by auctioneers, Jonty Hyslop & Rod Sands over 200 people attended the event at the Bay Hall.

There was the live auction, together with the silent auction, and prizes ranged from a breakfast in bed cooked by Mayor Janie Annear and Aquatic Supporters Club Chairman Damon Odey, to holidays in Moeraki to Dansey's Pass to the Marlborough Sounds.

Over \$31,550 was raised on the night, with 50% of the proceeds going to CBAY. Thanks Gilly and Timaru Rotary Club for a top night... our own Michelle Pye was a legend – she was right into the bidding, and good to hear she and her husband Leighton are now talking again!!



Construction On Track

Ashley Harper, District Services Manager, Timaru District Council was pleased to report the building consent was signed off and construction commenced on 6 September.

Main contractor, Ranger Construction, has appointed sub-contractors and it's now all go.

Rotary Does It Again

This time it's Rotary South getting in behind CBAY.

Watch out for our next major Aquatic Supporters Club event – the Rotary South Youth Variety Concert to be held on 30 October. Again 50% of the proceeds from the performances will be going to the Aquatic Supporters Club. Tickets are on sale at Newmans Musicworks.

For information about the Aquatic Supporters Club, see www.carolinebayaquatic.co.nz.

