

From Committee Members, Chairman Damon, Peter Burt and Michelle Pye!



WHAT A YEAR!!

It's been a huge year and the response from our community for the Caroline Bay Aquatic Centre has been simply outstanding...

- 144 Public Funders, Businesses and Organisations have provided support
- There's been 311 different Public Supporters, some contributing more than once, equating to the equivalent of over 380+ Public Supporter contributions of \$125 each
- So far \$135,000 or 1/3rd of the Public Supporters Campaign target of \$400,000 has been achieved
- And over \$5.4 million in total towards the funding of CBAY from 455 different organisations and people... **SIMPLY FANTASTIC!**

Looking ahead to next year, we're first all going to have a break! Then, Timaru District Council and the Aoraki Foundation will be continuing to seek further major grant support, and as an Aquatic Supporters Club we want to complete the Public Supporters Campaign and raise the fit-out target of \$400,000 by the middle of the year. The Rotary North Hadlow to Harbour and the CBAY QuickBuild, both in March next year, will be an important part of making this happen.

So from the whole Aquatic Supporters Club Team, hope you have a great break – you've earned it! And wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas from the Aquatic Supporters Club Team...

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| Damon Odey | Mayor Janie Annear | Kelvin Ayson |
| Michelle Pye | Allan Booth | Wendy Nicol |
| Peter Burt | Rob Naylor | Stacey Scott |
| Ashley Harper | Graeme Stillwell | Steve Bramley |

HADLOW TO HARBOUR

The Aquatic Supporters Club Ambassador, Danyon Loader, will be joining us for next year's Hadlow to Harbour on Sunday 13 March. It would be great if you could encourage everyone to take part in this event organised by Rotary North. Of the proceeds raised, 1/3rd will go to CBAY, 1/3rd to Rotary North and 1/3rd to your own organisation.

If you'd like to enter, please contact Justine @ Secretarial Services on 6884445 or email secservices@xtra.co.nz

CBAY QUICKBUILD

This home will be built by the generosity of many local companies and auctioned at next year's Timaru Herald Home Show in March. If anyone would like to offer their support, contact Master Builders' President, Shane Bray, shane.bray@xtra.co.nz.



AND OUR \$1,000 WINNER IS... Liz & Paul Dewsbery

As you know, for the last several months we've had a monthly BNZ cash prize draw of \$500 for all Business and Public Supporters. This month we ran a final monthly draw and increased the stakes to \$1,000.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LIZ & PAUL DEWSBERY

Paul Dewsbery is well used to the value of encouraging people to learn to swim – at the age of seven his father offered him ten shillings if he could swim a width of his local swimming pool without touching the bottom. - He won the bet.

"Dad didn't realise I could dog-paddle and ten shillings was a lot of money back then.

Nowadays Paul, a well-known Timaru businessman, remains well aware of the value of money to swimming and so, with his wife Liz, has just donated back to the Caroline Bay Aquatic Supporters Club the \$1000 they won in the December Bank of New Zealand draw for club members.

"We are both very glad for the opportunity to contribute to this very worthwhile cause," he said.

Although Paul, by his own admission, is "not flash" around water, Liz on the other hand is a very competent and keen swimmer, and goes for a dip three mornings a week.

Living next door to the old pool in the West End Park, the couple grew up around water and for Liz a fun thing to do became a passion, one that she has enjoyed regularly for more than 30 years.

"Swimming is not just for young people, you know. I regularly swim at Century Pool with a lady in her 80s."

"Aquatic centres are wonderful assets in any community and ours is going to be just fabulous," Liz said.

"We support progress."

The couple sees the learn-to-swim facilities that will be on offer for very young people as being of vital importance.

"It's not just about getting into water – it's got to be fun and entertaining and our new rapid river and toddlers' area will make it the place to be for them," Liz said.

For information about how to join the Caroline Bay Aquatic Supporters Club, just go to www.carolinebayaquatic.co.nz and register or phone 0800 GO CBAY or 0800 462 229

CBAY CONSTRUCTION

The tender for CBAY's construction was let in August this year. Great progress has been made by local contractor Rangers, and we're right on track for the Aquatic Centre to open in mid-2012. Bring it on!"

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

