



From Chairman Damon Odey THE SUPPORT KEEPS COMING!

Over the holiday period it was very heartening to see donations continuing to occur. The public fundraising moved up to \$140,000, made possible by 329 Public Supporters, plus of course the fantastic support we have had from Rotary Club of Timaru and other local community organisations and schools.

I'd like to make special mention of a donation of over \$3,200 from David and Jill Pearce. Sadly, Dave passed away suddenly in December last year. He was an active and vital member of the local swimming community and the contribution resulted from donations made at his funeral.

The next way everyone can support CBAY is by participating in the Hadlow to Harbour fun run, walk jog which will be supporting the Aquatic Centre - of all proceeds raised, one third or more will go to CBAY. Organised by Rotary North under Charles Vincent's leadership, the event is being held on Sunday 13 March 2011. I encourage you to take part and come and join ASC ambassador Danyon Loader and Hoff, Pam and myself as we all do the 3km walk.

Some other updates:

- The QuickBuild has been moved to later in the year. We originally proposed the QuickBuild would occur at the Timaru Herald Home Show in March, but to make sure we've got all logistics in hand the Aquatic Supporters Club and Master Builders Association will now hold the QuickBuild from 16-18 September 2011;
- Further down the track this year, a fundraising fashion parade with some interesting twists to it will be held on 3 September 2011.

Look forward to seeing you at the Hadlow to Harbour.

DIVING'S IN, PLUS OTHER DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS

Council's District Services Manager Ashley Harper is pleased to report the Design Team has managed to include both a 3m and 1m diving platform - fantastic.

The original design didn't include provision for diving. The water depth requirements were initially looking too difficult, but after some smart thinking diving boards are now in (and within the project budget!).

The Design Team has also been working hard to ensure all aspects of the facility meet all customers' needs. To this end, again smart design has enabled the depth of the warm water programme pool, which will have a temperature range from 32-36°, to be adjusted by up to 0.4m, with a change-over time of about 20 minutes - a shallower depth can be used for Learn-To-Swim, and a deeper depth for adults.

Last but not least, after consultation with carers for the acutely disabled, the programme change area has been modified to provide a much larger room to provide a full cover hoist, change bed, privacy curtain and carer change bench.

It's great to see this attention to detail and focus to get it right for all user groups.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RECREATIONAL FACILITIES MANAGER

Council recently announced the appointment of Gary Easthope to the newly-created position of Recreational Facilities Manager, which will be responsible for the management of CBAY and also our other District aquatic facilities.

- Gary brings a high level of business and sporting experience to this role - Gary's had over a 20 year sport and tourism-orientated career with international experience. Previous work experience includes:
- Currently the Central Otago District Council's Manager of aquatic centres, based in Alexandra;
- Former General Manager of one of South-East Asia's largest adventure tourism ventures in Bali, Indonesia, specialising in white water rafting, eco-jungle experiences, etc;
- Former regional management responsibility of the Ngai Tahu Tourism business cluster based in Nelson-Marlborough.

Gary takes up the reins of this new role in mid-March. From the Aquatic Supporters Team, great to see Gary on-board. The Aquatic Supporters Club will be holding a function and inviting all Supporters to come and meet Gary, which is likely to be held in May 2011.

HADLOW TO HARBOUR - Sunday, 13 March, 2011



"Join me and the Aquatic Supporters Club and walk the 3km Hadlow to Harbour Fun Run/Walk" *Danyon Loader*

Entry tickets available from 22nd February at the following outlets:

- **Timaru Herald** - 52 Bank St
- **Paper Plus** - Stafford St
- **New World Highfield** Lotto Centre
- **Northtown Health and Nutrition** - Northtown Mall
- **Central South Island Tourism**
 - 2 George St, Timaru (I Site) &
 - Cnr Talbot & Cox St's, Geraldine
- **CRT Farm Centre** - 41 King St, Temuka
- **Waimate Pharmacy** - 58 Queen St, Waimate

Adults	\$10	Children	\$5
Families	\$20	Infants	FREE

2011 COURSE OPTIONS

3km

Starts at Church Street, outside Countdown (Woolworths) at 9.45am

10km

Starts at Hadlow at 9.30am
(Be early for **free buses** leaving Caroline Bay Skate Park to Hadlow starting 8:15am)

For more information:

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