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Water toy feature of Caroline Bay Aquatic Centre

Wet will certainly be the way to play at the Caroline Bay Aquatic Centre when it opens in July next year.

A multi-level water toy feature providing hours of non-stop family entertainment is to be part of the centre's attractions.

On it, in it and under it, young and old, families and toddlers will be able to enjoy a play structure bristling with spray nozzles, jets, pull valves and other water adventure toys.

Also part of the water toy will be two indoor slides in a dual-open and a single enclosed configuration. These will complement the exterior-to-interior hydroslide being built separately and will offer a comprehensive fun package for aquatic centre users.

Timaru District Council recreation facilities manager Gary Easthope said this week the water feature would be a key attraction.

"Aquatic centres are not all about swimming pools. Aqua fun means being splashed, squirted and soaked and the council and the centre's designers have gone to considerable lengths to ensure that our patrons get a full package of fun with the best the world has to offer in this type of water playground," Mr Easthope said.

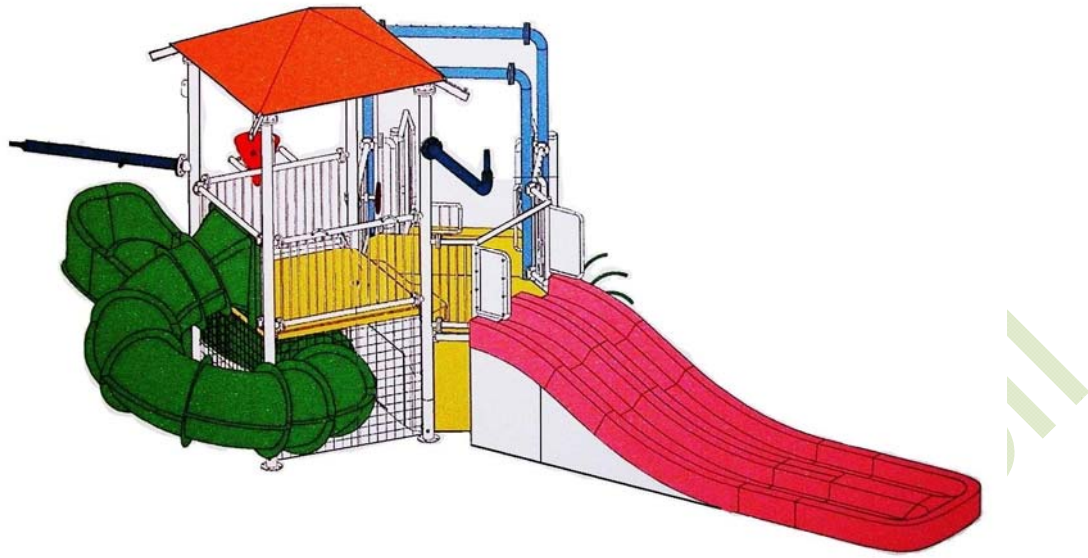
The AquaPlay water toy is being built by specialist company Whitewater of Canada, which provides similar equipment to aquatic centres and water parks worldwide. The company specialises in water play structures, wave pools, waterslides, rides and technology.

Mr Easthope said the multi-level play structure provided the next generation in water play with the most playability, visual appeal and custom themes available.

"It offers more than 40 exciting features including an array of interactive tipping cones, jets, spray nozzles, valves, as well a mini waterslide and pull ropes."

The foundation for the water toy has been prepared and it will be sited almost adjacent to another aquatic centre fun feature, a rapid river.

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Hours of non-stop family entertainment will be provided by this water toy to be installed in the Caroline Bay Aquatic Centre. It features slides and tunnels, spray nozzles, jets, pull valves and other water adventure toys.

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