

HASC Junior Newsletter

MARCH 2008

HELLO all swimmers of our junior squads and their parents and/or caregivers. The purpose of this newsletter is to officially introduce myself (Caroline Blair – HASC Junior Coach Convenor) and to inform you all of things happening in and around the club that specifically affect the junior squads. I aim to send out a Junior Newsletter on a monthly basis.

For those of you who are new to the club or are not sure who our juniors are, they are the swimmers in: ADVANCED STROKE DEVELOPMENT (ASD) run by Helen; or MINI SQUAD, JUNIOR SQUAD & INTERMEDIATE SQUAD run by Mat. Mat also takes WAIKATO SQUAD which is a squad that helps with transition to the senior swimmers' squads (coached by John Pike – Head Coach).

I have been in the voluntary position of Junior Coaching Convenor for about 3 (VERY busy) weeks now. I apologise if you have been trying to track me down or if I have been unable to speak to you as it has been a very steep learning curve for me, with many issues to deal with. I have met several parents, and have begun to associate you with your swimmer/s and their coach/es. I think we are all making progress in understanding what HASC is about and what the club has to offer your swimmer/s. I thank you for your patience as I try to find the answers to your queries. As explained in an email from Jen (HASC Administrator) I am usually available to speak to you poolside most afternoons of the week between 3.30 – 5.00pm – dependent on my other commitments (*Please note*: I am not usually at the pool on Thurs. afternoons and am not there until 4.30pm on a Wed).

I can also be contacted by email (address is at the bottom of this newsletter).

I look forward to getting to know you all better as your swimmers join in with club activities and move through the various squads.

IMPORTANT DATES

11 th March	Entries for Club Night close
14 th March	CLUB NIGHT #5 (5pm warm up) (<i>sign up on main notice board</i>)
19 -22 March	DIV II (Wellington)
21 st March	Good Friday
23 rd March	Easter Sunday
24 th March	Easter Monday
6 th April	Club Champs (HASC pool)
to be advised	Junior squads fun day out
to be advised	AGM & Prizegiving

CLUB UNIFORMS FOR SALE

Towels	\$ 8.00
Caps	\$13.50
T-Shirts	\$40.00
Jackets - price dependent on orders (in 2007 jackets cost \$120.00)	

To order shirts and jackets sign

on main notice board

SPECIAL NOTICES

Congratulations to all those swimmers who entered meets over the summer months. The most recent one was Classic Series #4 held at Waterworld on Saturday 1st March. The final results have been posted on www.swiminfo.co.nz (then click on Waikato region). HASC had 3 swimmers make the TOP 8 for all swimmers (of all age groups) who attended this meet. Emily Meehan came 4th equal for females, and for the males Joshua King came 1st and Phoenix Bailey came 5th. Well done! You can view overall placings for the Classic Series on the swim Waikato website.

We would like to wish **all** our swimmers going to DIV II at Easter the very best for their races. A special word of good luck in particular to our **junior** swimmers – Tessa de Thierry, Rachel Maidment & Malcolm King.

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