

# Annual Report 2013

# Mission

# To reduce drowning and injury in New Zealand

# Strategic objective Lead the water safety sector in New Zealand

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# Chair and Chief Executive's report

In August 2012, Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) announced to the sector that it would be undertaking a major review of its role and, with the support of Sport NZ, be positioned to lead the water safety sector in New Zealand. One year on, the review is now complete and WSNZ will commence the change process, to fulfil its purpose of reducing drowning in New Zealand.

There are few countries in the world that can match the rich and striking beauty that our oceans, beaches, lakes and rivers provide. These natural environments, along with our swimming pools, are the start of memories. He oranga to te wai – Water is Life. Water stirs a range of emotions and memories for New Zealanders - from early swim experiences to diving, boating, fishing and many other recreational pursuits.

Our beautiful waterways - a playground one day and a hostile environment the next - contributed to 98 New Zealanders drowning last year. A further 176 people had an overnight stay in hospital as a result of an immersion incident. These figures are too high.

The water safety sector has a considerable responsibility to communities of New Zealand. Our effort to reduce drowning and provide meaningful water safety experiences for New Zealanders is of great importance, so we can all enjoy the water safely. Together, the water safety sector shape those important memories that help define us as a nation.

Our work to reduce drowning is substantial and our partnerships are fundamental to our success. The New Zealand Lottery Grants Board continued their significant support for water safety in New Zealand last year and we thank the Outdoor Safety Committee for their support. Our commercial partners are also making a huge difference; Sealord Swim For Life and New Zealand Post's Active Post Kia Maanu Kia Ora campaigns are impacting on hundreds of thousands of New Zealanders. On behalf of communities of New Zealand, we thank these organisations for their absolute commitment to water safety.

The last 12 months have signalled a strong shift in the future of WSNZ. Change is always challenging and there have been many other issues we have dealt with this year. Like many charitable organisations facing increasing pressure on income sources, WSNZ was not immune to considerably lower than expected grant funding. Our effort to reduce costs without impacting on community outcomes was significant, and at quite a cost to our financial performance.

The next 12 months present a watershed moment to the water safety sector in New Zealand. The opportunity to 'break the mould' and shape the future is squarely placed in the hands of the sector. Now is the time to embrace change and take great strides towards reducing drowning in New Zealand and playing our part in helping young New Zealanders create memories to pass from generation to generation.

Sally Webb

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Chair

Matt Claridge

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Chief Executive

# Our people

Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the lead organisation responsible for the water safety sector in New Zealand, ensuring that all New Zealanders have the necessary education to be safe in, on and under the water.

Year established: 1949 Organisation type: Incorporated Society (Charitable) Geographical coverage: New Zealand Number of members: 37

#### Water Safety New Zealand Board

Sally Webb: Chair John Cowan John Filsell John Brimble Brendon Ward Kelly Clark Matt Claridge (Ex-Officio)

#### Water Safety New Zealand Staff (as at 30 June 2013)

Matthew Claridge: Chief Executive Alexander Brunt: General Manager - Services Graeme Sugden: Financial Controller Christine Lim: Senior Accounts Officer Esther Hone-Moore: AUSTSWIM Programme Co-ordinator Mel Bailey: Information Analyst Felicity Fozard: Support Services Manager Alex Barnao: Team Administrator Eric Simpson: Senior Advisor Anna Dawson: Marketing and Communications Co-ordinator Cory Sweeney: Project Manager/Area Manager -Central Annette Godman: Area Manager – Southern Dave Lockwood: National Community Manager Cynthia Thomas: National Swim and Survive Manager Sarah Mortimer: Water Safety Advisor (Waikato) Roanne Poi: Water Safety Advisor (Hawke's Bay)



### Our achievements



#### AUSTSWIM partnership

Implementation of AUSTSWIM training and qualifications in New Zealand is a partnership between AUSTSWIM and WSNZ. In 2012/13 AUSTSWIM had 303 candidates attending 32 AUSTSWIM courses and introduced MATE (Making Aquatics a Terrific Experience) – a community seminar that promotes aquatic accessibility for people with medical conditions or disabilities.



Collaboration with organisations such as Halberg Disability Sport Foundation, Skills Active, Regional Sports Trusts and New Zealand Recreation Association is increasing AUSTSWIM's reach in New Zealand.



#### Otago Merit Awards

WSNZ and Dunedin Marine Search and Rescue honoured six Dunedin residents with Merit Awards for courageous, life saving acts for people in distress in the sea. Those honoured were: Senior Constable Nick Wells, Simon Smith, Brendan Ford, Cory Ferguson, Micah Wharerimu and Emily Gray. Senior Constable Wells and Mr Smith received awards for their part in a water rescue squad response to a man in distress on a cliff face at the Karitane headland in June. Mr Ferguson and his 15-year-old nephew Micah helped save the lives of their friends who were washed off rocks at Cape Saunders, Mr Ford saved a swimmer at St Kilda beach and Ms Gray's award was for rescuing a girl at Ocean View Beach.



#### State Ocean Swim series partner

In 2012 WSNZ supported the State Ocean Swim series, a series of six swims spread around the country between November 2012 and April 2013. This series encourages people to safely understand and take advantage of our greatest natural resource.

#### Our Way of Life day Flaxmere

Our Way of Life events were part of the national Our Way of Life campaign, a partnership between WSNZ, New Zealand Post and TVNZ, with a special focus on community engagement.





#### **Television commercials**

WSNZ's communications partnership with New Zealand Post and TVNZ provided three television commercials that were delivered to the community under the Our Way Of Life banner. The 30 second commercials focused on two key "at risk" areas: Supervision and Skipper Responsibility, as well as a Swim and Survive promotion with Sealord.





#### Free lessons competition

WSNZ gave away a year's worth of swimming lessons to six lucky primary school children in the six weeks before Christmas. Hundreds of people entered and the winners came from all around New Zealand, including some kind angels who gave away their prize to family or friends.

#### Oscar Kightley

Comedian and actor Oscar Kightley is a non-swimmer. Oscar has teamed up with Water Safety New Zealand to learn to swim, so he can have fun (safely) in the water, but also in the hope that he will inspire other New Zealanders to do the same. Oscar blogs about his experience as an adult learner swimmer on the WSNZ website.





#### Water Safety squads

Just before Christmas, Water Safety Squads were out at the ferry terminals in Auckland and Wellington handing out WSNZ ducks (codename: Bob) and reminding people to stay safe around the water this summer.

#### Portable pool Waikato

Thanks to New Zealand Post's health and well being programme, ActivePost, another portable pool was launched in Port Waikato to develop water safety skills in young Maori. This pool will be rotated around rural schools for the next five years. In the past year, 800 students have received water safety education in the ActivePost portable pool.





#### Sally Webb honoured

Chair of Water Safety New Zealand, Sally Webb, was recognised for her services to health and education in the New Year Honours list by becoming an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit. WSNZ has benefited greatly from Sally's governance experience over her 12 years of service to the organisation.

#### **Epic Swim**

Ben Richmond and Malcolm Cleland completed the 10km State Epic Swim at Lake Taupo, raising over \$3,000 for swim and survive education for Kiwi kids.





#### Dayskipper course

Rob Hewitt, who spent 75 hours lost at sea in 2006, is a WSNZ Ambassador who teaches people in the Maori and Pacific Island communities the importance of knowing survival skills on the water. In February, Rob ran a Day Skipper course for 30 secondary school students at Ohaki Marae, Pawarenga. This is one of 16 Day Skipper workshops delivered to Maori and Pacific Island communities around the country.



#### Halberg workshop

WSNZ facilitated 14 learn to swim physical disability workshops this year, including one held at Napier Aquatic Centre in March. The workshops were targeted to learn to swim providers and 246 people have attended. Halberg Disability Sport Coordinators delivered their No Exception training workshop, while AUSTSWIM presenters delivered a practical Physical Disability Learn to Swim workshop. Physically disabled children receive learn to swim lessons alongside their classmates through the continuing support of the Halberg Trust and WSNZ. 50 physically disabled children received Sealord Swim for Life lessons from teachers that attended the workshops.

#### Kia Maanu Kia Ora events

The Kia Maanu Kia Ora initiative with New Zealand Post's ActivePost brings water safety and swimming education to Maori communities. One of the Kia Maanu Kia Ora events which WSNZ ran in 2012-2013 was a water safety session at Manaia School on the Coromandel Peninsula. This school is isolated and often misses out on opportunities due to their remote location. The year o-8 children at Manaia School received survival swimming and flotation skill drills at their local water hole, and the year 9-13 students were able to attend a Have A Go Waka Ama lesson in the harbour.





#### National Water Safety Forum

Three times a year, WSNZ brings together its delegates from member organisations to provide a forum for participation in the development and coordination of water safety education initiatives and priorities. In April, the Forum heard from the Ministry of Building, Innovation and Employment who presented proposals on amendments to the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act, and WSNZ led submissions on the proposed changes.



#### Port Waikato Wananga

Over 650 Maori youth have attended nine leadership wananga held this year, including a three day wananga held at Port Waikato in May. As part of the wananga they learn water safety skills to compliment their traditional and cultural links to the water.



#### Leadership report

MartinJenkins released the Positioning for Leadership and Change report, giving WSNZ the mandate to lead the water safety sector in New Zealand. The core functions of WSNZ will include leading the development of a sector strategy (in collaboration with the sector), policy development, advocacy (including media and communications), research, monitoring and evaluation, and an investor/funder of sector programmes and activities.



#### Bath mat project evaluation

The third year of the bath mat project was evaluated by Ignite Research in June. 83% of respondents reported that they use the bath mat regularly. Nearly two out of three people who recalled the bath mat message said that it made them more aware of the potential threat that water environments pose to young children.

#### Child Youth and Family initiative

A pilot project set up by Child Youth and Family, Water Safety New Zealand and Sealord Swim For Life is giving 60 children in foster care or referred by health nurses or community partners the opportunity to get in the water and learn to swim. Each child receives 10 free lessons in Blenheim or Nelson and is an exciting opportunity to reach children who may not usually get the chance to get into the water,



# Our partnerships & collaborations

#### Water Safety New Zealand and ActivePost (NZ Post) – Kia Maanu Kia Ora

Kia Maanu Kia Ora (Stay Afloat, Stay Alive) is a partnership between Water Safety New Zealand and New Zealand Post, with a central focus on providing Maori with the skills to safely enjoy their traditional and cultural links with the water.

2013 was the second year of the Kia Maanu Kia Ora initiative, and it has been extremely successful. The introduction of the Te Reo version of the Sealord Swim for Life Passport, partnered by New Zealand Post, new online Maori resources, three Maori ambassadors and the New Zealand Post portable pool have made a dramatic impact on the Maori community.

Maori communities in six high-risk regions are working to develop understanding, knowledge and skill acquisition to keep them safe in on and under the water. Achievements in the 2012/2013 year include:

- 207 members of the Maori community have received the Day Skipper qualification, through 11 Day Skipper workshops
- 11,257 New Zealanders have participated and received water safety information or practically participated in water safety activity
- Three key Maori ambassadors have led the three pillars of the Kia Maanu Kia Ora initiative (leadership, boat education and swim and survive)
- 654 Maori youth have participated in nine regional leadership wananga
- 800 students have had swim and survive education in the New Zealand Post portable pool
- go Kaiako across six regions have received swim and survive professional development
- 80 events were delivered across 12 regions
- 51% decrease in drowning statistics from year one to year two of the initiative
- Dramatic increase in ability of those students receiving water safety education

The success of the partnership has resulted in New Zealand Post renewing its sponsorship of the Kia Maanu Kia Ora initiative for the next two years.



#### Water Safety New Zealand and Plunket – Bathmat campaign

The bathmat campaign is a partnership between the Royal Plunket Society of NZ and WSNZ. Through the partnership, all babies receive a bathmat at their five-month Well Child check, with the message "Always supervise children around water...always."

Nearly 150,000 bath mats have been delivered into New Zealand homes at the five-month Well Child visit by Plunket Nurses in the first three years of the project. The third year of the bathmat campaign has just been evaluated by Ignite Research, with 45% of participants saying the campaign positively changed their behaviour and 97% stating they believed it absolutely critical for young children to be constantly supervised by a responsible adult.

A total of 205 children under five have drowned between 1 January 1993 and 31 December 2012. Water Safety New Zealand and Plunket are committed to reaching the target of zero drownings in this age group.

#### Water Safety New Zealand and Sealord – Sealord Swim for Life

Water Safety New Zealand and Sealord work together through the Sealord Swim for Life (SSFL) initiative to ensure that every child has the opportunity to learn to swim and survive so our children may grow to be a stronger, safer, healthier generation.

WSNZ has partnered with national and regional organisations, including 17 Regional Sports Trusts to enable the delivery of swim and survive education across New Zealand. In 2013 SSFL became a pivotal component of primary schools' aquatic education by extending to 20 regions, reaching more than 195,000 kids - proving that innovation, collaboration, determination and support can overcome the obstacles of teaching kids how to swim.

A unique extension of the initiative was piloted this year with Child Youth and Family (CYF). SSFL gave an early Christmas gift to 60 disadvantaged children in the Tasman area by arranging free learn to swim and survive lessons to children under CYF's care. The pilot project was a great success, proving again that working collectively with one common goal can achieve great outcomes.



# SSFL initiatives and partner activities



- Oxford Trust
- Southland District Council
- Trust Aoraki Limited

### Our priorities

### Information & Research

Build the evidence base to reduce drowning

### Policy & Planning

Develop and drive the national water safety agenda

WSNZ as a high-performing organisation

### Advocacy, Comms & Marketing

Promote position, messages and build brand

### Enable delivery

Meet the water safety programme and service delivery needs of the community

# Water Safety Awards 2012

The Sealord New Zealand Water Safety Awards recognise and acknowledge excellence, achievement and innovation in water safety.

Sally Webb (Chair of the Water Safety New Zealand Board), Neil Murray (Manager of Coastguard Boating Education) and Matt Claridge (Water Safety New Zealand Chief Executive) selected the 2012 winners from a record number of nominations.

We would like to acknowledge Sealord for their ongoing support of these awards.

#### Outstanding contribution

Longstanding swim school instructor and Wairoa Swim Club Captain Denice Gasson received the individual award for 'Outstanding Contribution' for her more than 25 years work teaching and developing water safety skills among generations of Wairoa locals.



#### Awareness category

This year's group award for raising awareness went to non-profit Maori organisation, the Te Taitimu Trust, for its five-day wananga (camp) programme engaging 150 7-16 year-olds from the Ngati Kahungunu region in water safety. During the camp, the young people participate in activities such as waka ama, swimming, surf lifesaving, river crossing, beach safety and activities about water safety. WSNZ is now working with partners in Dunedin to implement a similar regional wananga for Maori youth in Otago.



#### **Education category**

Surf Lifesaving New Zealand took out the 'Education' award for its successful BeachEd Programme, which has been delivered to more than one million primary and intermediate Kiwi school kids since 1990. Supported by Water Safety New Zealand, BeachEd is a theoretical and experiential based programme where students learn about surf and beach safety and then put the learning into practice in a managed environment.



#### Prevention category

Coastguard Dunedin won this year's 'Prevention' category for its Life Ring Installation at Cape Saunders after several major safety incidents at the popular rock fishing location on the Otago Peninsula. In July, the life ring proved its worth when two fishermen, swept off the rocks, clung to the ring for more than an hour until rescue teams arrived. Following the incident, local residents, grateful to Coastguard Dunedin's lifesaving project, raised further money for replacement rings.



"The awards are a great opportunity to acknowledge those organisations and individuals who excel in their commitment to water safety. We're very proud of our winners, who have made an enormous contribution to making Kiwis safer in the water this year." – Matt Claridge

### Our members

#### Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC)

Kirsten Malpas

ACC continued to support the water safety sector over 2012-13, working to deliver the Drowning Prevention Strategy 2005-15. This support has included:

- WSNZ to deliver a Maori water safety strategy, and bath mats with supervision messages to parents of newborns (in partnership with Plunket).
- NZ Search and Rescue Secretariat to develop and distribute material with the water and boat safety codes (in partnership with WSNZ and Coastguard NZ).
- Waikato Regional Council to produce a bar crossing safety DVD and develop Marine Mate for use throughout New Zealand.
- WaterSafe Auckland for the Whanau Nui programme delivering water safety education to targeted early childhood centres.

ACC looks forward to working with WSNZ over the coming years as it repositions itself to take on a strong leadership role to the benefit of the wider water safety sector and the New Zealand public.

#### **Coastguard Boating Education**

Neil Murray

This year has been another busy one for the team at Coastguard Boating Education.

Overall numbers have been bolstered by very strong growth in our Safe Boating course. Our two flagship courses (Day Skipper and Boatmaster) both remained strong. Our overall result of 9,000 adult participants and 17,500 youth, totalling 26,500 is certainly pleasing.

Outputs from the team have been solid this year, with new initiatives such as online VHF, attendance at a number of national and regional boat shows and expos, and production and revision of a range of training resources including: electronic teaching slides, navigation flash cards, Rules of the Road at Sea, Safety in Small Craft and large format vinyl charts and accompanying 3D printed buoys & beacons.

Formal relationships with High Schools have grown, with increasing interest in unit standards. Our exposure and interaction through social media has grown exponentially with our followers on Facebook increasing 67% in the past year, to 1,244.







#### Jet Boating New Zealand

Ross Denton



Jet Boating New Zealand (JBNZ) embarked on a strategy to encourage the use of "Bump helmets" when our members are adventure boating and recreational boating. This started with an article from our National Safety Officer in the February National Magazine and has had follow up articles and discussion within our website (nzjetboating.com).

JBNZ has had a mandatory requirement for many years that members engaged in events such as river racing,

slalom events or sprinting use certified motor sport type crash helmets. We have recognised that factors including the weight of those helmets make them less attractive to recreational use. Accordingly members are encouraged to make their own choice as to the type of helmets they use and so far most are opting for the helmets used by kayakers or snow boarders.

The reaction to this has varied: Some denounce the "bump helmets" as insufficent and say we should endorse only certified motor sport helmets, while others want no helmets at all. There has certainly already been a good response to the inititive. Given that our emphasis has been on encouraging helmet use for Adventure level runs, the observation that three out of ten boats



at a recent recreational river run were using helmets is most encouraging.

#### Kiwi Association of Sea Kayakers

Sandy Winterton



The Kiwi Association of Sea Kayakers (KASK) continues to encourage safe and enjoyable kayaking among its members and the wider paddling community. The annual forum, this year in Raglan, provided a weekend of practical training and other activities. The KASK 'Manual for Sea Kayaking' is a comprehensive guide for sea kayakers; the bi-monthly magazine covers safety and other issues and the website provides a growing source of information to kayakers.



#### New Zealand Outdoor Instructors' Association

Matthew Cant



2012-13 has been another busy and interesting year for NZOIA, with increased participation in all aspects of our training, assessment and qualifications registration scheme. Much of our work has focused around syllabi review

to ensure what we provide as qualifications is relevant to individuals, clubs and employers within the outdoor community. In addition we have been expanding our delivery options for assessment to enable assessors to work more independently and thus have the flexibility to meet local needs, providing greater accessibility and opportunity for individuals.

In October we ran our first National Training Symposium at OPC Tongariro. This was a great success, was well attended, and saw many people complete training and refresher courses for kayak, sea kayak and canoe qualifications. The assessment centers within tertiary institutes continue to be highly productive in assessing their students against the Leader level qualifications; this process enables those students on outdoor programmes to graduate with both their polytechnic or university qualification, plus professional qualifications provided by NZOIA.

Photo credit: Ajah Gainfort

#### New Zealand Rivers Association for Professional Guides Raewyn Larcombe

In November 2012, NZ Rivers Association for Professional Guides (NZRA) undertook two River Rescue training workshops for groups such as recreational rafters and other water users, kayakers, canyoning, riverboarding, outdoor recreation instructors, SAR and youth at risk. With the developments within the Adventure Tourism sector, it is good to see others working or recreating in a moving water environment undertake our training as they become aware of the need to upskill.

Outside of these workshops the NZRA has a large base of Assessors who are capable of teaching river rescue skills to other industries and the NZRA along with Skills Active have created a River Rescue Unit Standard that we have been training and assessing to at workshops.

#### Swim Coaches and Teachers of New Zealand

Jill Clarke

The NZSCTA Conference this year was received by our learn-to-swim teachers as the best ever and feedback was of the highest calibre—giving further evidence that our conference is an important component of water safety education.

This year we received funding from WSNZ for an important project teaching water safety dynamically to pre-school children. The project was a resounding success and, although funding has not been made available for next year, we look forward to expanding visits to pre-school children in areas outside the main centres in future years. We need to remember that drowning is the number two cause of death in pre-school children while it is only ranked third for the general population.



#### New Zealand Sport Fishing Council

Ed Beetham



The Hiwi the Kiwi Goes Fishing show started touring New Zealand schools in September 2009. By the end of 2013 it will have appeared at over 600 schools (180,000 children). Many schools, visited already, are booking



ols (180,000 children). Many schools, visited already, are booking the show again two to three years later and we still getting a lot of schools booking for the first time.

This year (2013) the show has been booked by 17 schools in South Auckland, 14 for the first time. That will be a total of 8,041 low decile children in that area alone who will witness the show and its messages around water safety. There is increasing interest in the show and we expect to perform at 180 schools (50,000 children) next year and have been invited to the NZ Principals' Federation Conference for the second time.

#### New Zealand Trailer Boat Federation Inc

David Beattie



The Trailer Boat Federation has continued to promote the wearing of lifejackets on all craft 6 metres and under. Most Regional Councils have now adopted the change in their local area bylaws.

We fully support the learn to swim programme that Water Safety NZ has been promoting. We have sent out a questionnaire to all clubs in the Federation to get their feedback on the success of the programme.

Other activities include placing children in lifejackets while in the water to show them how a lifejacket will keep them afloat; this assisted children in gaining trust in their lifejacket for times when they may end up in deeper water.

#### New Zealand Water Polo

Russell McConnochie



Flippa Ball continues to grow and continues to provide motivation to children to increase their aquatic competency.

Our surveys have found that over 50% of our Flippa Ball players do not have learn to swim lessons so for many children at primary school this is their only aquatic activity.

Over the past year we have had:

- Over 10,000 children participate in Flippa Ball activities across the country.
- An increase of 25% of teams entered in leagues in the upper North Island.
- An increase in team numbers of 38% in Auckland (Term 4 year on year).

Last year we implemented a successful pilot programme in increase competency in deep water for year 6 children. However parents recognise the benefit of the programme and are enrolling their younger children in these programmes to specifically increase aquatic competency.

#### Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Incorporated

Tristine Clark

Plunket nurses, health workers and parenting programme facilitators deliver drowning prevention messages and engage in discussion about keeping children safe around water.

A key drowning prevention initiative, the bath mat project, has been operating for three years. A non-slip bath/ shower mat is delivered to parents at the time of the 5 month Well Child Check. While handing the mat to the family, the Plunket nurse discusses drowning prevention and follows this up with further drowning prevention discussion and provision of a reminder sticker at the following Well Child Check several months later. To date nearly 150,000 mats have been provided. Annual evaluation of the project continues to show positive results - it is an effective method to raise awareness, educate and remind parents and caregivers of the danger that water poses to young children, and the need for supervision of young children at all times around any body of water.

#### Royal Life Saving Society NZ

Marie Baker

This past year we have continued moving forward, restructuring ourselves as we celebrate 100 years.

Our education programmes, be it Survival or Rescue, still remain an important part of many schools' curriculums. A big step forward is that students can now gain NCEA credits when undertaking NCEA Bronze Medallion unit through their PE classes. Many thanks must go to Wanganui Collegiate School who first developed this and were moderated again in 2012 with high results. It has been trialled by several schools with positive results, students gaining credits AND Bronze Medallions. The unit has been accepted for the framework and can be used by anyone. On the suggestion of NCEA, RLSSNZ now works through Physical Education NZ (PENZ) who advertise it on our behalf.

#### Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club - Wellington Ocean Sports

Matt Wood

The Wellington Ocean Sports programme is a Sport New Zealand funded Active Communities project being delivered by the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club.

We currently offer activities for people to 'discover', 'experience' and 'learn' waka ama, sailing, windsurfing, kayaking, power boating and stand up paddle boarding. This includes entry level "Have a Go" days ('discover'), experienced based activities that usually involve at least 2 hours on the water ('experience'), and full competency courses in all the sports to equip participants with the skills they need to safely participate in ocean sports for life ('learn').

Over the last two years the Wellington Ocean Sports programme has increased the number of people in the greater Wellington region that are receiving safe boating tuition to a point where 4,700 people were involved in one of the centre's activities in the last 12 months, including over 1,200 school children.

Wellington Ocean Sports continues to deliver Coastguard Boating Education courses such as Day Skipper, Boatmaster, Coastal Skipper, Advanced Sea Survival and VHF Radio operator.





Plunket

#### that supports all swim teacher and coach pathways.

Swimming New Zealand

Christian Renford

This year we continued our success in the school space providing State Kiwi Swim Safe training for 2,409 teachers at 246 schools around the country. These teachers have been given the skills, knowledge and confidence to teach swim and survive skills to over 50,000 children.

primary schools throughout New Zealand. Our goal is to develop and govern world class standards of education

Swimming New Zealand has continued to provide valued services to swimming clubs, swim schools and

Over 1000 swim teachers have received training from Swimming New Zealand this year. 820 attended the Assistant Swim Teacher course, and over 180 were volunteers who received assistance from Water Safety New Zealand funding. Another 163 swim teachers extended their knowledge attending a New Zealand Certificate in Swim Teaching course in either Early Childhood, Teaching Swimmers with disabilities or School Age and adults.

#### WaterSafe Auckland Inc

Sandy Harrop

WaterSafe Auckland continued to co-ordinate water safety education around the Auckland region, reaching more than 200,000 residents through community events and stakeholder partnerships.

In the aquatic education area we supported teachers, schools and teacher training institutes to ensure the aquatic education areas of the NZ curriculum are supported. Teachers and volunteers are trained in learn to swim and water safetu.

In 2012, WaterSafe Auckland reached over 25,800 students, including 750 Whanau Nui parents and children, increasing their aquatic knowledge and skills. 30% of students enrol for further lessons.

#### Windsurfing NZ

Bruce Spedding

Windsurfing New Zealand focuses on safe windsurfing behaviour and safe teaching. This year has seen continued development of the Windsurfing School certification scheme, and further development of our Windsurfing Instructor training program to fit better with the busy lifestyle many of our instructor candidates lead. The course has been compressed from 5 days down to  $2 \frac{1}{2}$  days.

Other projects, such as development of a safety package for windsurfers, and signage (including safety information) for windsurfing locations are continuing.



WaterSafe

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#### Whitewater NZ

Jo McWilliam





Whitewater NZ are grateful to Water Safety New Zealand and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board for providing funding to offer subsidies to our members to attend approved safety and rescue courses in 2012/13.

This support has allowed us to subsidise fifty-five white water kayakers from around the country to attend safety and rescue courses run by highly trained NZOIA Kayak Level 2 instructors.

The courses enable kayakers to take the skills they have learned to improve their own safety on the river, as well as passing new skills

and information on to their club, school or kayaking community.

We hope to continue to work with Water Safety New Zealand and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board to keep kayakers safe on the water in future.

#### Yachting New Zealand

Andrew Clouston



Yachting New Zealand recently collated our latest participation survey numbers. It was encouraging to discover that nearly 25,000 primary and intermediate aged children have taken part in a basic sailing skills programme in the last twelve months and a further 2700 students are involved in sailing at a high school level. Being safe around the water and demonstrating safe behaviour (including lifejacket education) are essential parts of these programmes. YNZ feel that this is a significant contribution to water safety education throughout the country and complements the work undertaken by WSNZ and the membership.

Yachting New Zealand's Sailing... Have a Go! programme has had another successful season with 3653 students learning safe boating practices. Sailing... Have a Go! is a hands on sailing programme giving children school years 4 - 8 the chance to get out on the water and experience the thrills and spills of sailing.

# Financial Statements

# Statement of Financial Performance

for the year ended 30 June 2013

	Notes	2013 \$	2012 \$
Income		·	
NZ Lottery Grants Board		1,965,676	2,104,818
ACC		195,709	131,200
Interest Received		41,520	47,036
Water Safety Education Foundation/Endeavour		1,370,379	1,758,305
Te Puni Kokiri		-	50,000
Sponsors	6	1,366,430	1,200,070
		4,939,714	5,291,429
Less Expenditure			
Water Safety Education Projects	8	4,983,265	5,212,867
Governance	9	113,589	77,997
		5,096,854	5,290,864
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)		(157,140)	565
Transfer from Research Fund	12.2	59,632	-
Less Research Expenditure	12.2	(59,632)	
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		(157,140)	565

# Statement of Financial Position

Net Assets for the year ended 30 June 2013

	Notes	2013 \$	2012 \$
Current Assets		Ţ	Ť
Cash on Hand			150
ANZ Bank Accounts			
Current		61,243	1,332,344
Call		518,656	66
Deposits		600,000	508,861
Accounts Receivable	10	316,159	288,690
Prepayments	11	35,920	-
		1,531,978	2,130,111
Less Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable, Accruals & Provisions		620,149	870,450
Grants/Donations Received in Advance		217,358	338,892
		837,507	1,209,342
Working Capital		694,471	920,769
Non Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	13	120,807	111,281
		120,807	111,281
Net Assets		815,278	1,032,050

# Statement of Financial Position

Equity for the year ended 30 June 2013

	Notes	2013 \$	2012 \$
Equity			
Accumulated Funds	12.1		
Opening Balance		764,951	764,386
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		(157,140)	565
Closing Balance		607,811	764,951
Research Fund	12.2		
Opening Balance		267,099	267,099
Less Research Expenditure		(59,632)	-
Closing Balance		207,467	267,099
Total Equity		815,278	1,032,050

For and on Behalf of the Board of Water Safety New Zealand Inc, which authorised the issue of the financial report on 23 August 2013.

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Sally Webb Chairperson

Wellington

Jeth Clif

Matthew Claridge Chief Executive Officer

for the year ended 30 June 2013

#### 1. Registration and Reporting Standards

Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated (hereafter WSNZ) is an incorporated society registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

WSNZ is not a reporting entity under the Financial Reporting Act 1993. Differential reporting is applicable.

These financial statements are a general purpose report which has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

WSNZ is registered with the Charities Commission.

#### 2. Measurement Base

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis are followed.

#### 3. Differential Reporting

WSNZ is a qualifying entity for differential reporting by virtue of its size (as defined by the Framework for Differential Reporting issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants).

Differential reporting exemptions have been applied in full.

#### 4. Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied.

#### 4.1 Property, Plant & Equipment

All property, plant and equipment are capitalised and recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Property, plant and equipment being defined as capital purchases with a value of over \$500.

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#### 4.2 Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible assets at a rate which will write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Office Equipment/Furniture	5 years
Computer Hardware/Software	3 years
Motor Vehicles	4 years
Leasehold Improvements	3 years
Portable Pools	7 years

#### 4.3 Income Tax

WSNZ has been granted charitable status and is exempt from income tax.

#### 4.4 Resources, Printed Materials & Videos

Purchases of resources, printed material and videos are expensed through the Statement of Financial Performance in the year of purchase. Resources include several copyrights and brands. No account is taken of stocks on hand at balance date.

#### 4.5 Leases

Operating lease payments, where lessors effectively retain substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the leased items, are included in the determination of the operating result in equal instalments over the lease term.

#### 4.6 Goods and Services Tax (GST)

These statements are prepared on a GST exclusive basis, except for accounts receivable and accounts payable, which are GST inclusive.

#### 4.7 Comparative Figures

Where appropriate the comparative figures have been re-grouped and rearranged in order to conform with the current year's presentation.

#### 5. Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no significant changes in accounting policies during the year. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in the previous year.

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#### 6. Sponsorship

Sponsorship contracts are determined by their terms as confidential. Actual amounts provided by individual sponsors have not been disclosed.

#### 7. Committed Expenditure

#### 7.1 Lease - Premises

WSNZ has a lease for the rental of premises at Booth House, 202-206 Cuba Street, Wellington from the Salvation Army Property (NZ) Trust Board expiring 31 July 2013. The lease will continue on a monthly basis at the rate of \$4,855 per month whilst discussions continue regarding the reconfiguration of office space.

Sub-tenancy agreements with Sport Hawkes Bay, Sport Otago, Sport Auckland, Inside Running Recruitment, (Mt Maunganui) are generally on the basis of 1-3 months notice, and as such there is no material financial commitment.

#### 7.2 Lease - Photocopier

WSNZ has a lease for a Ricoh photocopier for a 60-month period ending 31 October 2017. Payment has been negotiated on a per copy basis, with no separate lease amount, although early termination of the contract may result in a termination fee being charged.

#### 7.3 Lease - Motor Vehicles

WSNZ has leases for six motor vehicles with The Fleet Partners Group for various periods up to 46 months. The annual cost for 2012/2013 was \$61,824, decreasing to \$53,256 for 2013/2014 and \$49,601 for 2014/2015 with the final lease ending 14 June 2015.

#### 8. Water Safety Education Projects

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Coastguard Boating Education		
- Training & Marketing of National Boating Safety	334,055	279,100
- Public Awareness of Boating Courses	44,840	70,000
- Boating Safety Education Resource	23,500	-
- E Learn Project	-	50,000
NZ Outdoor Instructors Association Inc		
- Instructor & Assessment Registration Process	41,950	69,350
NZ Rivers Association for Professional Guides		
- Grade 3 Swift Water Rescue Course	5,690	5,690
Surf Life Saving NZ		
- BeachEd	203,700	221,965
Watersafe Auckland Inc		
- Regional Community Coordination	23,600	-
NZ Swim Coaches and Teachers		
-Pre School Water Safety project	15,000	-
Swim NZ		
-Professional Development	37,826	-
Whitewater NZ		
- River Safety and Rescue	5,000	7,200
Water Safety New Zealand		
- Boat Safety	75,198	53,177
- Community Education	618,195	932,812
- Co-ordinated Services	379,602	370,610
- Maori and Pacific Peoples	433,645	309,796
- Pre-School	352,217	346,500
- Pool Safety	19,240	10,888
- River Safety	74,729	142,659
- Safe Fishing	82,744	137,754
- Swim and Survive	2,050,768	2,107,565
- Information and Research	174,092	229,192
Less Resource Sales	(12,326)	(131,391)
Total Expenditure	4,983,265	5,212,867

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#### 9. Income and Expenditure

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2013 have been reported on an output basis, with expenditure allocated on a factual or assessment basis where practical, including:

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Honorarium (includes part 2011-2012)	25,000	15,000
Audit Fees	17,000	12,000
Other Governance Costs	71,589	50,997
Total Governance Costs	113,589	77,997
Doubtful Debts	(11,606)	16,325
Lease Payments – Photocopier	2,620	7,860
Lease Payments — Motor Vehicles	61,824	61,824
Rental	104,709	98,267

#### 10. Receivables

Accounts receivable are stated at their estimated net realisable value. An estimate is made for doubtful debts based on a review of all outstanding amounts at balance date. Bad debts are written off during the period in which they are identified and authorised by the appropriate authority as non-recoverable.

	2013 \$	2012 \$
General Accounts Receivable	318,912	297,348
Less Doubtful Debt Provision	(4,719)	(16,325)
Interest Receivable	1,966	7,667
	316,159	288,690

#### 11. Prepayments

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Software Licence	1,255	-
October 2013 Conference	34,665	-
	35,920	-

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#### 12. Statement of Movement in Equity

#### 12.1 Equity

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(157,140)	565
Equity at the start of the year	764,951	746,386
Equity at the end of the year	607,811	764,951

#### 12.2 Research Fund

The Research Fund was established by the Board of WSNZ on 3 September 2007 in approving the 2007/2008 Budget. Funds were transferred in 2007/2008, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010. No further funds have been transferred since.

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Opening Balance	267,099	267,099
Less Research Expenditure	(59,632)	-
Total Research Fund	207,467	267,099

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#### 13. Property, Plant & Equipment

#### 30 June 2013

	Cost	Depn	Accum Depn	Book Value 2013	Book Value 2012
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leasehold Improvements	30,039	2,140	28,725	1,314	3,455
Office Equipment/Furniture	51,447	3,605	41,195	10,252	18,354
Computer Hardware/Software	177,475	28,414	133,473	44,002	40,213
Motor Vehicles	43,494	10,874	26,971	16,523	49,259
Portable Pools	55,300	6,584	6,584	48,716	-
	357,755	51,617	236,948	120,807	111,281

#### 30 June 2012

	Cost	Depn	Accum Depn	Book Value 2012	Book Value 2011
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leasehold Improvements	30,039	5,803	26,584	3,455	9,258
Office Equipment/Furniture	86,129	6,001	67,775	18,354	19,953
Computer Hardware/Software	196,000	28,692	155,787	40,213	56,495
Motor Vehicles	176,415	21,720	127,156	49,259	69,961
	488,583	62,216	377,302	111,281	155,667

#### 14. Credit Facilities

WSNZ has no overdraft facilities with ANZ. WSNZ does have a credit facility with Visa totalling \$17,000 (2012: \$13,000) as at balance date with an interest rate of 19.5% per annum applicable on late payments, of which there were none during the financial year.

#### 15. Contingent Liabilities

There are no known contingent liabilities as at the year end. (2012: \$Nil).

#### 16. Significant Events After Balance Date

There are no significant events subsequent to the balance date and up to the time of preparation of these financial statements that materially affect the position as it existed at that date.

Munro Benge Chartered Accountants Limited

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT To the Members of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated

We have audited the financial statements of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated on pages 24 to 33, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2013, and the statement of financial performance and statement of movement in equity for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### Board's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand).

Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in, Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated.

#### Munro Benge Chartered Accountants Limited

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT To the Members of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated (contd.)

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements on pages 24 to 33 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated as at 30 June 2013 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Inno

23 August 2013 MUNRO BENGE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS LIMITED WELLINGTON

#### Matters relating to the electronic presentation of the audited financial report

This independent auditor's report relates to the financial report of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2013 included on Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated's website. The Board is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the website. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated's website. We accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial report since it was initially presented on the website.

The independent auditor's report refers only to the financial report named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from this financial report. If readers of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from the electronic data communication they should refer to the published hard copy of the audited financial report and related independent auditor's report dated 23 August 2013 to confirm the information included in the audited financial report presented on this website.

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