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With special thanks to our funders and partners



Report from the Chair

It is my pleasure to present this, my first annual report as Chair of the Board of Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ).

The last year has seen WSNZ complete the final recommendations of the MartinJenkins review of the organisation and sector, with the completion of our structural review, and divestment of all of our delivery programmes. The organisation is now streamlined to focus on those areas that deliver the most value and support for the wider sector and our partner organisations.

A key focus this year has been increasing our level of engagement with member and partner organisations, in order to present a unified view on key issues of public policy. It has been good to have a number of sector forums and board-to-board meetings that have helped inform and align our thinking on shared issues of concern.

It was devastating to have one of our highest drowning tolls during the summer months, despite increased media coverage and greater numbers of people participating in programmes and education to help people survive in the water.

We believe that it is only together as a united water safety sector that we will be truly effective in changing policy and regulations, as well as increasing the level of public awareness and understanding that everyone has a personal role to play in preventing drowning in our communities.

A highlight for the year has been the development of a new strategy for the sector. This strategy has been developed by all members and presents a roadmap for us all to contribute to, to achieve our ambitious vision – ‘no one drowns’. On behalf of the Board I would like to extend our thanks to all of those who have contributed to the sector strategy’s development.

Over the next year the Board work streams include the completion of the WSNZ Strategic Plan, consultation with our primary delivery partners on a multiyear investment funding strategy, while working with the Cross Sector Working Group to define, develop and time-bind the deliverable outcomes of the sector strategy.

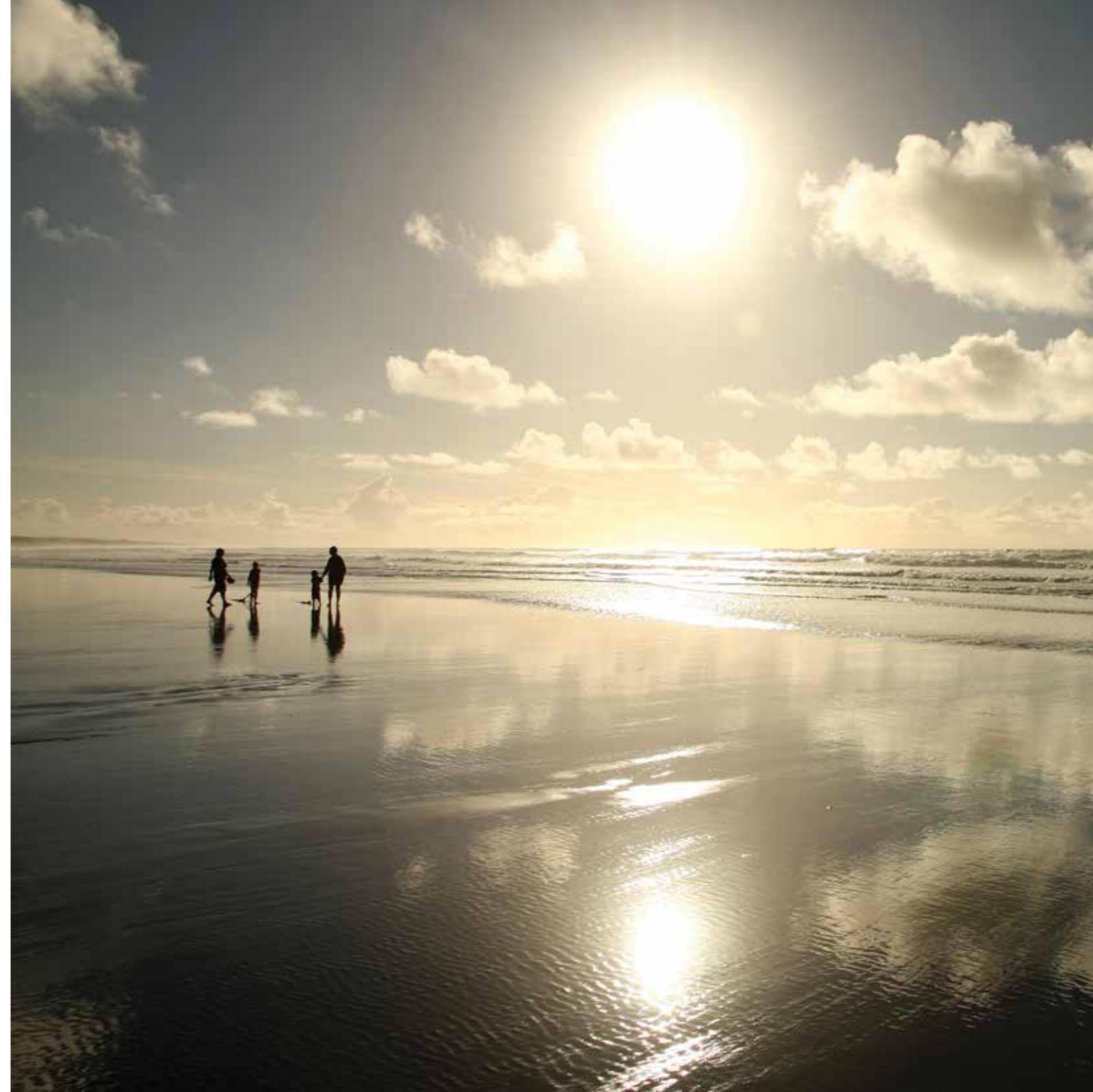
All of this work would not be possible without the incredible support and investment of the Lottery Grants Board, Sport New Zealand, ACC and our commercial partners and philanthropic trusts. One of the challenges, however, is that all of this funding is annual. This makes it difficult for us to plan and invest with surety, and importantly prevents our member and partner organisations from having a longer-term view as they develop and implement programmes to reduce drowning. This is a major focus of the Board and will be a key priority for us to address in the coming year.

As the year draws to and end, we would like to take the opportunity to thank the volunteer membership for the countless hours of work that you all put in behind the scenes, whether in administrative activities or front line operations. We thank you for your energy, passion and support which provides an environment that allows New Zealand’s diverse communities to enjoy water based activities safely. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

We have set ourselves some ambitious targets and we should not deviate from our goals, because together we are stronger and our combined efforts do make a difference.



Danny Tuato'o
Chair



Report from the Chief Executive Officer

There is a funny old saying in water safety - it goes something like 'people drown because they can't breathe'. It's true, but it doesn't quite scratch the surface enough to reveal why people end up unable to breathe in the water.

90 New Zealanders suffocated in the water last year. Another 180 experienced the hideous feeling of not being able to breathe in the water, but were either rescued or recovered to safety - thanks to those good souls (often volunteers) for their great work.

No matter how hard we try, there is no escaping the issue of men drowning in New Zealand. Our tide must turn. Our culture must change. Drowning is preventable - we cannot tolerate this level of drowning among New Zealand men any longer.

This has been a year of simplifying things, both at Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) and across the sector. WSNZ is now a refined, lean political advocacy body, with capability in information, policy, and public awareness campaigns. The transition was tough, but essential.

The water safety sector now has a plan, a simple plan, with a clear focus on working together to prevent drowning and injury. Making a difference at the coalface is recognised by the sector as a priority, as is improving the 'system' to be more efficient and effective.

The sector is focused on a few important changes that will provide the most benefit in the short and long term. WSNZ is re-focused on its 'bread and butter' to help tackle the big issues of sector capability, swim to survive, and by leading the research and information agenda required to influence others.

The Sector Strategy would not have been possible without the significant contributions of Jonny Gritt (WAI), Christian Renford (Swimming NZ), Paul Dalton (SLSNZ), and Lindsay Sturt (Maritime NZ). On behalf of the sector, I thank you all.

Last year WSNZ invested against its priority areas of; under 5's, 5-13 years, males, and the environment; while continuing to encourage improvement and evolution in delivery. I'd like to acknowledge a couple of standouts this year - Surf Life Saving NZ for their review of surf education, and the Te Taitimu Trust who continued to deliver incredible outcomes through water safety education for tamariki and rangatahi.

These partnerships are critical to getting the business done. There are many more, a large number of which are supported by our partners Sealord – now into their sixth year partnering with Sealord Swim for Life; and NZ Post for four years supporting our Kia Maanu Kia Ora initiative. I'd like to welcome a couple of new partners to our family - Protector Aluminium and Straight Shipping's Bluebridge. Your support makes a huge difference and literally saves lives.

This year we have completed the last piece of 'divesting delivery', with the New Zealand Recreation Association (NZRA) taking on management of AUSTSWIM training and qualifications in New Zealand. Thank you NZRA and AUSTSWIM for your commitment to the teaching of swimming and water safety.

There are a great many volunteers, organisations and groups who perform exceptional work in the name of water safety. These leaders are the real inspiration, as they volunteer and give far more than they get. On behalf of the water safety sector, we thank you all.

I'd like to make special mention of the team at Maritime NZ for being instrumental in reviewing the recreational boating strategy and processes, with a new strategy and changes implemented swiftly and professionally. The first ever Safer Boating Week was a wonderful example of partnership across the sector, with an extensive awareness campaign to kick off the summer boating season.

It was also great to see lead organisations in the sector working together to agree key messaging and complementary campaigns across the summer holiday period, resulting in the highest ever level of media coverage, social media and community engagement.

This coming year will see us working hard to inform the balance between regulation and education, to prevent drowning. If we are serious about reducing the male drowning toll, we need to make the wearing of lifejackets on small craft a requirement. This won't be the only challenge we face this year. Looking at the capability of the sector is vital to supporting improvement in operational performance, so we can reduce the drowning toll sooner.

2015 has been a huge year of change for WSNZ and I am proud of what we have collectively achieved. I would like to acknowledge Peter Dale, our Independent Chair who led us through this period of change and transition. Thanks also to Sport NZ, ACC and the NZ Lottery Grants Board for their investment in and attention to the drowning issue.

To the Board of WSNZ, thank you for providing incredible stewardship through challenging times. And finally, to our small team at WSNZ, thank you for your hard work and commitment to water safety.

We have a big work programme ahead, but I know that with the support of the water safety sector, we will get one step closer to our vision of no one drowning in New Zealand.



Matt Claridge
Chief Executive Officer



About Us

Formed in 1949, Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the umbrella organisation for the water safety sector. We work to reduce the high number of Kiwis who lose their lives or are injured in the water each year. WSNZ is a membership based collective comprising 37 member organisations that elect the Board that governs the national office. We are a not for profit incorporated society, with charitable status.

WSNZ Board



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The Numbers

90

souls lost their lives in the water in 2014

78%

of those who drowned were adult men

381

participants in Waka Ama Flip and Float Water Safety Workshops

760,432

Sealord Swim for Life lessons for children

21

deaths were in New Zealand rivers— the biggest killer

62

people drowned in the first half of 2015

71%

increase in the number of Safe Boating course participants

42%

of victims had no intention of being in the water

1000

children participated in Wellington Schools Safe Boating programme

38

investment partnerships totalling \$2,560,794 supporting programmes targeting under 5's, children, men and the environment

250,000

children reached by The Kiwi Swim Safe programme

50,000

school children participate in the 'Hiwi the Kiwi Goes Fishing' programme this year

142

PoolSafe visits to aquatic facilities as part of the PoolSafe Quality Management Scheme

40,000

participants in Kia Maanu Kia Ora

55,814

participants in Coastguard Boating Education courses

27,000

uses of the lifejacket loan scheme, across 114 Auckland schools

68

new outdoor instructors qualified in water-based activities

302,453

Coastguard volunteer hours to support their vision of no boaties' lives lost at sea

156

school pools closed in the past six years and 130 are still at risk

1000

safer CPC certified new trailer powerboats sold this year

8

new boardriders trained to international teaching standards and 441 school children attended surfing lessons

1,795

stories in print, on TV and online, raising awareness of the importance of water safety

50,000

bathmats to Plunket parents

155

new schools joined the Kiwi Swim Safe programme delivered to 1076 schools, by 4130 teachers

1st

Boating Safety Week held educating thousands of kiwi recreational boaties

2410

kiwis experienced 'sailing have a go' during the Volvo stopover

222,933

hours of beach patrol, 1,328 people rescued, 2,342 first aid treatments, 345 searches, and 459,556 preventative actions undertaken by surf lifeguards this summer

New Zealand Water Safety Sector Strategy 2020 – No One Drowns

This year saw the completion of the New Zealand Water Safety Sector Strategy 2020, the first truly collaborative approach to addressing the issue of drowning in this country.

While New Zealand has long had a committed and active water safety sector, we find ourselves in the unenviable position as the nation with the 8th highest drowning toll (per 100,000) in the OECD, and almost double the Australian drowning rate. The sector decided the time has come for a significant change in the way we work.

The strategy sets out the water safety sector's plan to work collectively over the next five years to achieve greater impact – working towards a shared vision of no one drowning.

The joint goals the sector has agreed on are ambitious – seeking to halve the male drowning toll and bring the pre-school drowning toll down to zero by 2020.

To achieve these goals and create a culture where all New Zealanders will enjoy the water safely, the sector will work together to deliver new and innovative programmes and drive behavioural and attitudinal change through communications and other campaigning. It will engage in research, set a policy agenda and resource initiatives according to what will have the greatest impact.

The sector will also stand accountable for its results.



WSNZ key initiatives and partnerships

Sealord Swim for Life

This year marks five years of partnership between Sealord and Water Safety New Zealand in Sealord Swim for Life (SSFL); an initiative established to improve the swimming and water safety skills of New Zealand school children.

Over this time, almost 245,000 children have been involved in the programme with 60,000 children joining each year. In 2014-15 a total of 760,432 SSFL lessons were delivered to five-13 year old students across New Zealand.

In April 2015, the SSFL initiative welcomed aboard a new partner – the Strait Shipping owned Bluebridge Cook Strait Ferry. The support from Bluebridge has enabled Sealord Swim for Life to expand into the Otorohanga area, allowing for more than 600 kids from six local Otorohanga schools to get in the water learning swim and survival skills.

Under Fives Bathmat Campaign with Plunket

WSNZ and the Royal Plunket Society of NZ are committed to a zero drowning toll for under fives. The Plunket Bath Mat initiative was developed five years ago to address one of the major causal factors in under five drownings – a lack of, or a lapse in supervision.

The campaign delivers up to 50,000 bathmats each year with the message “Always supervise children around water...always” at the five-month ‘Well Child’ check, with a reminder at the nine-month check up.

This partnership provides the opportunity for a Plunket nurse to talk about the importance of supervision and water safety with the parent. Evaluations over the length of the campaign have shown positive changes in parent behaviour while supervising their children around water.



Kia Maanu Kia Ora – Maori Water Safety

Since its inception in 2011, Kia Maanu Kia Ora (KMKO) has reached over 40,000 Maori in their communities around New Zealand. We are grateful to NZ Post for partnering with this initiative for the last four years. Our KMKO partners work under the three initiative pillars of leadership, boat education and swim to survive.

This year under the leadership pillar, Te Taitimu Trust delivered seven wananga across Hawke’s Bay, Gisborne and Waikato regions and educated 300 at risk Maori youth in water safety, community leadership and tikanga.

Under the boating education pillar, Waka Ama NZ delivered seven community based Flip and Float workshops for 381 paddlers while Livelt Enterprises delivered 11 Coastguard Boating Education courses to a total of 217 Maori participants.

Te Ripo Tapui delivered Swim to Survive workshops through the portable pools across high risk regions reaching 554 students and 20 adults. Of the 554 students there was a 50% improvement in the completion of the survival sequence.

An additional 104 members of the Hastings community between the ages of four and 60 received Swim to Survive and health and well-being education through portable pools.

Protector Aluminium and G8Safe

This year we welcomed Protector Aluminium and G8Safe, leading manufacturers of pool fencing and pool gates in Australasia on board as partners of WSNZ.

G8 Safe, the proud suppliers of Tri Latch, has recently been recognised as an ABA100 Winner in the Australian Business Awards 2015 for Product Innovation.

Protector Aluminium and G8Safe are supplying free gates and fencing products to school pools in need and are helping us fund the under fives water safety campaign.

This year water safety has been given increased consumer presence with their label and point of sale branding in Bunnings stores and has been included in their print magazine and media. This partnership also extends to helping us shape policy in the area of pool fencing.

Save our School Pools

Over the past six years around 156 school pools have closed around New Zealand. In March 2015 WSNZ undertook a nationwide survey that revealed that a further 130 school pools were in high risk of being shut down permanently.

So in November 2014 WSNZ launched a pilot 'Save our School Pools' campaign, teaming up with Bunnings Warehouse in Porirua to help Ngati Toa, a decile two primary school, keep its school pool open. The campaign has driven awareness of the issue, contributing to additional pools being saved through community funding and our water safety partners' help.

The first, Macandrew Bay school pool in Dunedin, received a large grant from the New Zealand Community Trust towards keeping their pool operational for the next decade. Newtown School in Wellington received over \$400,000 of funding from the Wellington City Council to keep their school pool open.

On the back of coverage and support for our campaign by Campbell Live, a new partner Intergroup, stepped in to save Herekino Pool in a small rural community outside of Kaitaia in the Far North.

This impetus and community support led to a meeting with the Ministry of Education in May. As a result the Ministry's Education Infrastructure Service is now actively working with schools to understand how the Ministry can support them with their pools.

Securing project partners and the support of the Ministry of Education will be key to continue momentum this year as we work to save more school pools across the country. The foundation has been built, and the campaign is now ready to take off and prevent any further closures of New Zealand school pools.



Coronial Services

WSNZ has a beneficial partnership with Coronial Services of New Zealand. WSNZ supports the work of coroners and Coronial Services by providing information, analysis and statistics on inquiries. This year, WSNZ supplied information on six drowning cases before a coroner.

WSNZ receives copies of the final findings and recommendations from Coronial Services on drowning fatalities. This allows us to include an up to date and accurate record of these fatalities in DrownBase. Where appropriate, WSNZ responds to coroners' recommendations on matters relevant to drownings and drowning prevention.

Police Dive Squad

The Police Dive Squad is an important partner of WSNZ performing a critical role in the recovery of drowning victims. They are in a unique position to provide WSNZ with insight into what may have been done to prevent these deaths. WSNZ value their expertise and the unique perspective they bring at this tragic end of the drowning problem. They also provide water safety messages to New Zealanders through their community presentations and media communications.

Policy, research and advocacy

This year saw WSNZ employ a full complement in the policy team, with two new people in critical roles bringing significant capability to underpin WSNZ's role as a national policy leader for the water safety sector. Highlights during the year included:

- Development of the online data tool DrownBase – an online tool that lets individuals' access fatal and non-fatal drowning data from 2009-2014. Historical data will also be added in time
- Facilitation and production of the Water Safety Sector Strategy 2020
- Commencement of the review of Swim to Survive, to develop policy that ensures Kiwis learn the essential skills to survive in the water
- Submissions on proposed changes to the Fencing of School Pools Act 1987
- Development of a submission on behalf of the sector on the Ministry of Transport's discussion paper 'Clear Heads: options to reduce the risks of alcohol and drug related impairment in aviation, maritime and rail'
- Initial planning for the development of a sector data and research strategy

Stakeholder engagement and member communications

Communication and engagement with members and stakeholders was a priority for WSNZ during the year. The monthly 'Water Safety Matters' email updated the water safety community on progress of key initiatives, and profiled the great work taking place around New Zealand.

Regular meetings were held with staff and governors of member organisations including board-to-board sessions and sector forums designed to share information, and to inform the development of the sector strategy.

WSNZ undertook its annual stakeholder survey, resulting in overwhelmingly positive responses and increased levels of satisfaction with the role and performance of WSNZ. It also identified room for improvement, with all of the responses incorporated into planning for the incoming year.

Public awareness campaigns

One of our key roles is to raise awareness of the importance of water safety with the general public. One of the best ways to do this is via the media – whether in print, online, on TV or radio, or through our Facebook page and other social media.

The last year saw record breaking levels of media coverage, propelled by the combined activity of lead organisations in the sector, new programmes and initiatives, campaigns such as Save our School Pools, the work of our ambassadors, and key milestones such as drowning toll releases.

All of this work resulted in 1795 separate stories being published, posted and broadcast, keeping the issue of water safety front of mind with the New Zealand public.

Our water safety ambassadors

Our water safety ambassadors comedian and new swimmer Oscar Kightley, broadcaster and keen boatie Duncan Garner and mother of three and media personality Stacey Morrison, continue to add real value to our activity.

Oscar's learn to swim journey proved of great interest to news media and Stacey – who has three children including one toddler – became an avid supporter and spokesperson for our under fives campaign.

Duncan quickly established himself as a vocal boat safety advocate, attending a Coastguard Boating Education course and supporting the inaugural Safer Boating Week campaign in October.



Investment in the Sector

The 2014-15 investment programme produced good results against targets set with our investment partners. This year saw some standout achievements and milestones.

The Greater Auckland Aquatic Action Plan (GAAAP) has delivered over 560,000 swim to survive lessons to 77,000 children since launching in 2011. The initiative has had tremendous community impact with an increase in swimming ability skills across all achievement levels.

The Top Energy WaterSafe programme, managed by Sport Northland celebrated 200,000 lessons in February. This in-school delivery programme sees 61 out of 69 schools in the district participate. Since the project began in 1997, the Far North District has only had one drowning in the 5-12 year age group.

Surf Life Saving New Zealand (SLSNZ) carried out a review of their beach education programme and have since implemented significant changes to the content and delivery model to improve the programme and deliver a more cost effective model. The new, cost efficient programme will reach 32,000 students in 2015-16. These students will learn basic surf education skills, knowledge and awareness to enhance their ability to engage in activities in and around the coastal environment.

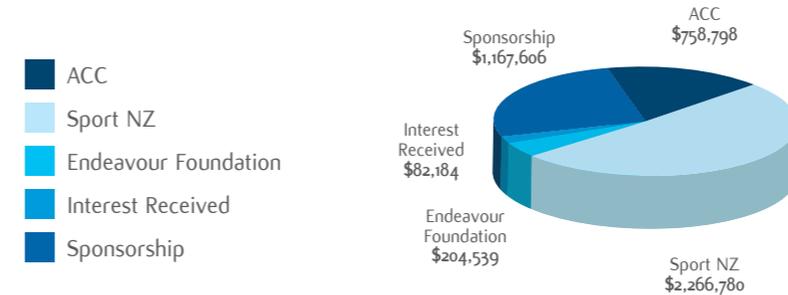
Participation in Coastguard Boating Education's (CBE) Safe Boating youth programme increased 68% since the previous year with 45,850 students taking part. 10,000 adults attended one of the CBE courses with 83% of these participants assessed as competent. Coastguard Boating Education's Day Skipper Online course also won the Silver Award at the International LearnX Impact Awards which recognise the finest talent and innovation from the world of learning throughout the Asia Pacific region.

Waikato Regional Council completed a research report investigating safety and compliance gaps in the boating community. 963 vessels were surveyed, carrying 2374 adults and 533 children (13 years or less) on board in six harbourmaster areas (Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Taupo, and Canterbury).

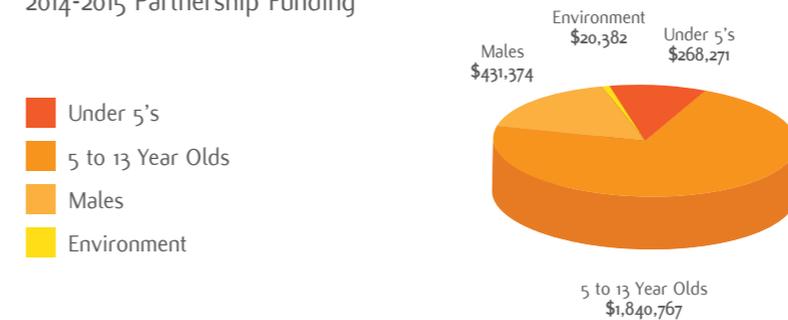
Key research findings included:

- Sixty-one skippers (7.2%) failed to carry sufficient personal flotation devices (PFDs) for the number of people aboard their vessels
- 27.2% of children wore PFDs which were substantially too small or large
- 36.2% of skippers surveyed carried at least one inflatable PFD aboard their vessel. However, 59.7% of skippers were unaware of the servicing requirements for these PFDs
- Cellphones were the most commonly carried form of communication at 76.84%. However, 52% failed to carry the cellphone in a waterproof bag

2014-2015 Sources of Income



2014-2015 Partnership Funding



Member reports

ACC

www.acc.co.nz



WSNZ has successfully completed the recommended changes within the MartinJenkins report 'Water Safety New Zealand – Positioning for leadership; and change'. As the title of the report suggests, this has allowed the organisation to shape itself to take a strong leadership role, underpinned by governance that reflects the diversity of the sector.

With the changes implemented, WSNZ progressed onto leading the development of The New Zealand Water Safety Sector Strategy 2020. This was a significant piece of work that required extensive input by the sector. Bringing together a diverse sector made up of many parts, and agreeing on some shared goals and outcomes is no mean feat. The end result is a great platform for the sector to collectively work towards some desirable but lofty goals. The challenge for the years ahead is to turn the strategy into action, and achieve a wide reach of initiatives that impact on knowledge, attitudes and behaviours of New Zealanders around water.

ACC is pleased to confirm its support of the water safety sector for a further year, alongside Sport NZ and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board. We invite the membership of WSNZ and wider allied partners to continue to take a combined approach. Through this, the sector can achieve the much needed culture shift that allows all New Zealanders to enjoy our wonderful and extensive aquatic environment safely.

Coastguard New Zealand

www.coastguard.nz



Coastguard is a way of life for 2,240 volunteers who often operate in difficult and challenging environments. Around the country, they have given 302,453 hours of precious time to work towards Coastguard's vision of no boaties' lives lost at sea.

The past year has been a busy one for Coastguard and seen significant projects completed with some still underway. The introduction of the new Search and Rescue (SAR) training matrix, the implementation of the Maritime Operator Safety System (MOSS), new Health and Safety legislation, the launch of the National Membership programme and work starting on future changes to the national VHF network to name a few. The pressure has been immense and volunteers and staff alike have delivered exceptional results. Many of these projects are over and above our day-to-day operational work and have put added strain on volunteers, staff and budgets. However, when we all work together it is a productive and powerful partnership, and this has never been more evident than over the past twelve months - together we are achieving great things.

Coastguard is a Kiwi institution and we are enormously proud of the work we do in our local communities. We rely heavily on the generosity of our supporters, donors, funding partners and sponsors as well as strong relationships with our sector partners including Water Safety New Zealand. As we move into a new fiscal year, Coastguard looks forward to keeping Kiwis safe on the water and continuing to deliver essential search and rescue services to our communities.



Coastguard Boating Education
www.boatingeducation.org.nz



The 2014-15 year has been another positive one for the team at Coastguard Boating Education. This year has seen continued strong growth in our popular Safe Boating programme for youngsters, ensuring our boaties of the future have some basic boating safety skills and knowledge. Participation exceeded 45,000 kids this year, almost double the previous year and was recognised for the second year running for a Sealord New Zealand Water Safety Award.

March heralded the launch of our multi-award winning Day Skipper Online, a highly interactive and engaging e-learning course. It has won three awards to date (international E-learning Awards, LearnX Impact award and eLearnz).

Total course enrolments across all courses for the year were 55,814 (45,850 Safe Boating and 9,895 adult course attendees). Demand for the three core courses (Day Skipper, Boatmaster and VHF) continues to be strong, equating to 75% of the demand for adult courses.

Distance learning (online and home study) is increasingly becoming the learning mode of choice for recreational boaters. This year online and home study enrolments combined equated to 51% of all adult enrolments; almost double the figure last year. This is a strong signal to us that while there will always be a place for traditional classroom-based course delivery future demand for distance learning, particularly online learning will inevitably increase due to its lower cost, expedience and convenience.

Finances remain healthy with CBE managing to achieve a small surplus at year end despite some significant investment in course programme development and some necessary spend to upgrade IT systems. The drive to streamline and optimise our national course administration and delivery structure has continued and is now running smoothly.

Thanks to our primary funders Water Safety New Zealand, Lottery Grants Board, and ACC for their strong and ongoing support. Partnerships with other key organisations in the water safety and boating safety sector remain strong. We look forward to another year ahead helping to ensure boating in New Zealand remains a safe and pleasurable experience for all.

Finally, thanks to our board members, our hard-working staff led by Neil Murray, and all our tutors and examiners for their commitment and hard work throughout the year.



Jet Boating New Zealand Inc.
www.jetboatingnz.co.nz

Jet Boating New Zealand (JBNZ) has been at the forefront of boat safety and development since the 1960s when it first successfully applied for speed upliftings on rivers.

It was JBNZ that initiated its own mandatory wearing of life jackets by members and JBNZ that introduced a member/boat registration system, both safety oriented and ironically still not mandatory throughout New Zealand in the general boating arena.

In the past twelve months JBNZ has strengthened its position as a leader and innovator in the areas of safety on the water in four critical areas:

- Our member registration system has been streamlined and branded to clearly indicate what part of NZ each jet boater is from
- A new member mentoring programme was introduced beginning with a freshened enrolment brochure to ensure positive contact and interaction with all prospective and new members at both National and Branch level. Combined with our professionally produced quarterly colour magazine this ensures new boaters are given the opportunity to have the very best boating experience
- In conjunction with the mentoring programme the first phase of a four phase driver training scheme is being implemented across the country involving experienced hands-on trainers in both practical and theoretical jet boating
- Additionally our Safety Year Book including boat safety checklist, tips on everything from basic rules of navigation to tying knots and a map highlighting every river and graded for difficulty. This important document is overhauled annually to keep it in touch with changes in river use

JBNZ is proud to lead the way in jet boat safety and training and its established relationships with major river authorities across the country. As enthusiastic jet boaters we strive to help members get the best from their river experience while continuing to work closely with other river users and authorities in all regions. This has been evidenced by JBNZ's direct involvement with Maritime New Zealand and their enquiry into 'small' jet boats.



Kiwi Association of Sea Kayakers (Inc) – KASK
www.kask.org.nz

The 2015 KASK 'Forum', our annual training weekend and kayaking highlight for the year, was held in February in Auckland's warm waters. International speakers, shore based lectures, workshops and plenty of on-water skills instruction kept attendees focused. Planning started immediately afterwards for the 2016 Forum, to be held 26-28 February at Anakiwa in the Marlborough Sounds.

KASK representatives participated in the Maritime NZ Safer Boating Forum, bringing a paddle-sports perspective to those discussions; contributed to the review of Coastguard Boating Education Day Skipper course (now on-line); to the development of the Water Safety New Zealand Sector Strategy and to the Coastguard Safer Boating Conference held in 2014.

As usual the Association published the bi-monthly journal 'New Zealand Sea Canoeist', keeping readers up to date with New Zealand and international events, kayaking experiences (good and bad) and safety information.

KASK members do much of their paddling with the 16 or so Sea Kayak networks and clubs around NZ (not forgetting our Australian members and many international trips). Through these networks we liaise with manufacturers and retailers to promote kayaking and to get the paddle-sports water safety message out as widely as possible.



Maritime NZ
www.maritimenz.govt.nz



The first-ever Safer Boating Week coordinated last year by Maritime NZ - in partnership with a wide-ranging group of agencies including Water Safety NZ - is to be repeated October 16-23. Planning is underway, with an emphasis this year on communications. "Bag Your Cell" will be a key theme, to remind boaties about the need to take two forms of waterproof communications out on the water.

Last year's Safer Boating Week initiative was a focal point in the recreational boating year for Maritime NZ and the Safer Boating Forum, formerly the National Pleasure Boat Safety Forum.

The recreational boating sector is estimated to involve 930,000 New Zealanders. The mixture of serious and fun activities created a real splash, and were an excellent way for Safer Boating Forum members to collaborate in promoting safer boating messages to these kiwis, during the lead-up to the traditional Labour Weekend start to the summer boating season.

The week was launched by 10 senior boat safety leaders leaping from a Wellington wharf to considerable fanfare. They included Maritime NZ Director Keith Manch and Water Safety New Zealand Chief Executive Matt Claridge. That number – 10 – represents the average number of people who could be saved every year in New Zealand if everyone wore lifejackets when going boating.

Statues around the country were symbolically dressed in lifejackets, photo-booths were set up for people to pose in lifejackets and post photos in for a fun competition, and there were coordinated boat ramp checks during the week. Strong media interest meant the underlying safety messages were circulated to up to a million viewers and readers.

We also reached thousands of people on our Safer Boating Week Facebook page and strengthened our relationships with all our boating safety partners. We are very conscious that our partners in the regions – Coastguard, Police, regional councils and harbourmasters - all do an enormous amount of work to keep our waters safe.

Safer Boating Week aims to give those messages a national push, and increase awareness and overall effectiveness.



NZ Marine
www.nzmarine.com

NZ Marine has seen a welcomed increase in the sale of CPC certified new trailer powerboat boat sales of nearly 1000 boats in the last 12 months as the NZ economy is showing good confidence levels.

The CPC program is the NZ boatbuilding standard that 15 boat manufacturers comply with and is supported by Coastguard NZ. The programme amongst many safety requirements requires CPC boats under 6 metres in length to have positive buoyancy if swamped.

Another promotion of safe and enjoyable boating is the NZ Marine 'DiscoverBoating.co.nz' web site that continues to provide a one stop shop for people new to boating and is achieving over 1000 visitors per month.

New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association (NZOIA)
www.nzoia.org.nz

The NZOIA Instructor Training and Assessment scheme aims to maintain and grow a body of skilled instructors/guides, who are educational role models and able to provide quality and safe experiences to participants. NZOIA provides training and qualifications across 10 disciplines in total, and many of these disciplines take place in aquatic environments including rivers, lakes, canyons, underground rivers (caves), coastal areas and inland waterways. They include Kayaking, Canoeing, Sea Kayaking, Canyoning, Caving, River Rescue, and River Crossings in our Bush syllabus.

In the last year, 94 instructors attended a NZOIA training or revalidation course for an aquatic activity. There are now 68 newly qualified instructors with increased knowledge of best practice and skills around water, ensuring that delivery of water-based activities for participants are of a high safety standard.

It is estimated that 220,000 participants involved in water-based activities, through clubs, schools, workplaces, training institutions or adventure tourism operations are reached by NZOIA qualified instructors each year. By increasing the knowledge base of the community, NZOIA-qualified instructors educate and build a water safety culture, in particular in young people, so they can manage their own safety and make water safe decisions.

New Zealand Recreation Association
www.nzrecreation.org.nz



In 2014-15 the New Zealand Recreation Association (NZRA) continued to lead and build the capability of New Zealand's recreation industry. It supported the aquatic sector through a range of programmes and initiatives including:

- Launching the complete updated Aquatic Facility Guidelines as an online resource for facility managers, lifeguards and anyone involved in operating an aquatic facility
- Conducting PoolSafe visits to 142 aquatic facilities throughout New Zealand and working with facilities new to the PoolSafe Quality Management Scheme to ensure they are meeting the sector's best practice criteria
- Producing the PoolSafe Incident Report to enable the aquatic industry to work together to identify the challenges to keeping our pools and swimmers safe and how we can overcome them

In April NZRA reached an agreement with Water Safety New Zealand for NZRA to assume all management of AUSTSWIM training, and accreditation in New Zealand. NZRA is proud to partner with AUSTSWIM to improve the capability and competence of swimming teachers and participants to help reduce the incidence of drowning in New Zealand.

In November 2014 NZRA signed an agreement with Outdoors New Zealand and Sport NZ for the provision of services to outdoor recreation and outdoor education. NZRA will also partner with other outdoor organisations to promote messages in relation to river safety to help reduce the incidence of drowning in the great outdoors.

NZ Sport Fishing Council
www.nzsportfishing.co.nz



NZ Sport Fishing Council is the largest national recreational fishing organisation in New Zealand. Our organisation is primarily focussed on the Sport of Fishing and Fisheries Management. With a current membership of 60 clubs and 32,000 members we have reach right across the country. In the 2013 Sport NZ Active New Zealand Survey it was recorded that there was 646,000 active fisherman in New Zealand. It is the 5th most popular recreational activity in New Zealand and continues to grow year on year.

NZ Sport Fishing Council is committed to Boat Safety, not only for its members, but for the wider New Zealand public. Our 'Hiwi the Kiwi Goes Fishing Programme' goes from strength to strength. The Minstrel, Mark de Lacy and his wife Chrissy deliver the programme from one end of the country to the other. Over the last year the programme was delivered to over 50,000 school children. 250,000 school children have now seen the show since its inception. It was heartening to see that Mark was recognised in the 2014 WSNZ Awards, it was an award well deserved.

The Council is also committed to the health and safety of its members. We are currently developing a Tournament Health and Safety Plan that can be utilised for National, Regional and Club Fishing Tournaments. The Plan will incorporate key boat safety recommendations that skippers will have to adhere to, prior to the competition. We want all our members to come back safe and sound.

Nga Kaihoe o Aotearoa – Waka Ama New Zealand
www.wakaama.co.nz



Waka Ama New Zealand is committed to water safety awareness and drowning prevention within our membership and its wider community. Over the past 12 months Waka Ama NZ has delivered its second round of Flip and Float Water Safety Workshop Roadshows. Predominantly novice and junior paddlers are encouraged to sign up to the free workshops.

In the 2014-2015 season, workshops were delivered in seven locations from Invercargill in the South to Tutukaka in the North. Workshops are predominantly pool based with a number completed in outdoor settings during the summer months. This year Waka Ama NZ delivered the workshops to 381 participants, including 24 Waka Ama Clubs and 22 schools. Of the 381 participants 65% were Maori, with 20% Polynesian and 10% Asian and 5% other ethnicities.

The roadshow was supported by Water Safety New Zealand, and was delivered by the Waka Ama New Zealand Flip and Float team with assistance from local clubs, pools and leisure centres and schools.

The workshop involves life jacket education, the skills to flip and right a waka ama and the ability to swim to survive. Of the novice and junior paddlers that took part, nearly 90% had not practiced a capsized drill or did not know how to re-right a waka. These workshops also gave Waka Ama NZ the opportunity to upskill local club members and coaches in water safety. A Waka Ama Flip and Float resource has been developed and will be rolled out at the end of the year. Waka Ama NZ aims to educate and empower our clubs and communities to take water safety practices into their own hands.

Feedback from all Flip and Float workshops have been extremely positive and we look forward to rolling out many more later in the year and maintain the low drowning rates in the sport and community of Waka Ama in Aotearoa.



Royal Life Saving Society of New Zealand
www.lifesaver.org.nz



Everyone can be a Lifesaver. Our Mission is to prevent drownings in our communities through education. Our Vision is to educate every New Zealander to be safe in, on and around water.

We have been building up earlier contacts with other national and international bodies developing projects. We have worked on and developed a new constitution and business plan to ensure we are moving forward steadily. We have identified further areas to develop and improve upon.

Schools continue with our education programmes and awards, recognising the value of the skills, information and qualification. The demand is rising for our awards like Bronze Medallion and the Adult Award as a qualification when seeking employment offshore, and at summer camps, or in Early Childhood education. This is especially vital when supervising any aquatic activity, to have developed an acceptable standard of knowledge, skill and physical ability.

Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club - Wellington Ocean Sports
www.rpnyc.org.nz



This year Wellington Ocean Sports has significantly grown its schools safe boating programme. Our aim is that every child in the Wellington Region will receive safe boating education. We plan to achieve this by having every child from a single year group through our two-hour "safe boating introduction session" each year. This two-hour session leads on to further NCEA courses such as Day Skipper, Boatmaster and Learn to Sail Keelboats.

We are very grateful for the support we have been given to achieve this from Infinity Foundation, New Zealand Community Trust, Wellington Community Grants Foundation and Mana Community Grants Foundation. The support of these organisations has allowed over 1000 children to participate in our Schools Safe Boating Programme in the last nine months. This delivery has included 20 at risk students from Porirua College successfully completing the 15 hour Day Skipper Course

Our schools safe boating programme fits well with the wider range of adult safe boating course run at Wellington Ocean Sports including: learn to sail, Boatmaster VHF Radio Operator, Advanced Sea Survival and Coastal Medic. We remain committed to addressing the over representation recreational boating has in the drowning statistics and believe education is the key to solving the problem.

Surf Life Saving New Zealand
www.surflifesaving.org.nz



It has been another successful season for our lifeguards on the frontline who prevented drownings at over eighty patrol locations throughout the country.

The great weather at the start of the year meant our lifeguards were kept particularly busy. The statistics speak for themselves: surf lifeguards spent a total of 222,933 hours on patrol, rescuing 1,328 people. They also performed 2,342 first aid treatments and undertook 345 searches. One of the key indicators of a successful season is the number of preventative actions undertaken by lifeguards which this season totalled 459,556.

The year unfortunately started out on a bad note with a high number of drownings and encouraging people to swim between the flags at a patrolled beach will continue to be a focus for the next season.

Surf Life Saving was honoured to be recognised at the prestigious New Zealand Search and Rescue (NZSAR) Council Awards held at Government House in Wellington in April. The NZSAR Gold Award for Operational Activity, the top award, was awarded to Surf Life Saving Northern Region and members of the Muriwai Volunteer Lifeguard Service for the rescue of a surfer from the gannet colony cliffs at Muriwai Beach. Mount Maunganui Lifeguard Service was also honoured, receiving a Certificate of Achievement for Operational Activity for their efforts alongside Omanu and Papamoa members during the search for Jack Dixon.



Surfing New Zealand Inc.
www.surfingnz.co.nz



The 2015 WSNZ Surf Safety Roadshow held in Coromandel and Gisborne from February to May this year was a huge success. All participants gained valuable surf safety skills, which will stay with them for a lifetime. The surf safety lessons covered both practical and theory components. The novice surfers are first taken through a beach safety talk outlining the dangers on their beach (rips, currents etc.) then a fun warm up (to help prevent injury). They then learn the parts of the surfboard, how to lie in the correct position, how to paddle for waves, how to pop up to their feet and how to fall off (wipe-out) safely. When the instructors are confident the kids have a good understanding then it's time to get in the waves and "give it a go!"

A total of 441 school children took part and eight boardriders club members were internationally trained to deliver surfing lessons in their area.

"We do a lot of EOTC and the children have some fantastic experiences but the surf 'day' rates right up there as one of the best, if not the best activity and experience the teachers and children have been part of. Every child achieved success and even a boy with mild autism was supported so that he could achieve success. We had last minute changes of venue because of weather and swell but alternatives were found and on the day everything came together brilliantly.

The tutors and volunteer parents/surfers were all excellent. Well done. Children will take up surfing after this day and the few children who were already surfing have had a chance to show the others what they can do and why they are hooked on surfing. Thank you very much." Jamie Marsden, Principal, Whenuakite School

"Thank you for an amazing day, the kids adored it and all achieved individual goals. My daughter now wants a board. I will have to save up as it gave her so much confidence." Sharon Wright, Parent



Swimming New Zealand
www.swimming.org.nz



Swimming New Zealand's Education team has continued to provide swim to survive support, training and resources across the country. Swimming clubs, swim schools, schools and other community groups and individuals throughout New Zealand have received assistance to develop and deliver quality swim to survive programmes.

This year much work was undertaken to review not only the quality of SNZ Education programme content, but analysis of the most effective and sustainable model to deliver this to the market. The outcome of this process saw the creation of several collaborative relationships with sector partners each utilising qualified individuals within communities to reach those in need of swim to survive education and support.

The Kiwi Swim Safe programme has continued to evolve. This year the programme was delivered to 155 new schools bringing the total number of Kiwi Swim Safe schools to 1,076. Over 4,130 teachers received classroom and poolside support to ensure that their students have the practical and critical thinking skills to enjoy the water safely. 255 trainee teachers received swim to survive delivery education at tertiary institute's ensuring they enter the education workforce with the skills to teach their students to swim to survive. Since its introduction in 2010, Kiwi Swim Safe has reached over 250,000 children nationwide.

Providing professional development opportunities to the learn to swim sector continues to improve with 800 swim teachers receiving training from Swimming New Zealand this year along with 134 secondary school students who were able to gain credits towards NCEA through the SNZ Assistant Swim Teacher Award (ASTA) programme.





Water Safe Auckland Inc (WAI)
www.watersafe.org.nz

This year has seen a number of positive developments at WAI across Education, Community and our developing Workplace endeavours. Education has been served well with 98% of teachers surveyed being satisfied with the support we've provided and more importantly 95% indicating a shift in practice in the way they teach aquatics. More is being done in Early Childhood and Primary schools, alongside the work we do with "soon to be" teachers in our tertiary institutions, and our latest resource for Secondary Schools "WAI Survival" is being well received. Our Community-based lifejacket hubs are working well and the lifejacket loan scheme has recorded over 27,000 life jacket experiences, including participation from 114 schools.

One particular highlight we'd like to share is one of the key elements that we are all working toward and that is ZERO drownings for the Under 5s. Whanau Nui is a programme WAI has been offering that is well known, but not always well understood. It is about starting out our tamariki on the waypoints toward water confidence, but its higher-level objective is to bring home to parents, caregivers and guardians the critically important element of "Active Supervision".

We were delighted this year for the first time to see a clear breakthrough in understanding by participating adults that, coupled to their growth in confidence around the water, was recognition of the need to remain vigilant with the little ones. 80% of parents now believed that children need to be supervised all of the time. This is the first time since Whanau Nui began that we have found a positive improvement in perceptions of parental supervision requirements. As a result we will continue to develop this programme and this year will be start in October alongside our swim schools partners to get the messages in place before the warm days of summer return and the beautiful waters of Auckland beckon us out to play.

Yachting New Zealand
www.yachtingnz.org.nz



This year Yachting New Zealand got on-board with the Volvo Ocean Race Auckland Stop Over offering Volvo Sailing...Have a Go! as part of the village experience. This was a great opportunity to introduce people to sailing and guide them to their nearest yacht club and join the sport. With support from Sport New Zealand, Yachting New Zealand purchased four Topper Omega class dinghies, and crewed by staff and volunteers we were able to provide 2410 people with a sailing experience under the Sailing... Have a Go! banner. These boats will now spend time at various clubs around the country helping to grow new programmes and provide further opportunities for people to join the sport.

Thanks to support from RFD, every participant was fitted with the correct Personal Floatation Device (PFD) for their size. For many of the participants, this was their first time wearing a PFD. This was a great opportunity for Yachting New Zealand to demonstrate the importance of wearing PFDs when afloat.

We would like to recognise Water Safety New Zealand's support of the Volvo Sailing... Have a Go! programme.



Financial Statements

Statement of Financial Performance For the Year Ended 30 June 2015

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
Income			
NZ Lottery Grants Board		-	2,296,592
ACC		758,798	673,030
Sport NZ	19	2,266,780	228,750
Endeavour Foundation		204,539	433,771
Tauranga Energy Community Trust		100,000	100,000
Eastern & Central Community Trust		30,000	-
Interest Received		82,184	53,998
Sponsorship	6	1,037,606	1,423,180
		4,479,907	5,209,321
Less Expenditure			
Leadership	9	1,757,690	1,788,547
Partnership & Investment	8	2,560,794	3,258,371
Governance	9	108,732	84,570
		4,427,216	5,131,488
Net Operating Surplus		52,691	77,833
Transfer from Research Fund	12.2	16,380	-
Less Research Expenditure	12.2	16,380	-
Net Surplus		52,691	77,833

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and the accompanying auditor's report

Statement of Financial Position - Net Assets As at 30 June 2015

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
Current Assets			
ANZ Bank Accounts			
Current		32,342	18,234
Call		396,719	78,419
Deposits		600,000	1,620,000
Accounts Receivable	10	66,137	135,086
Prepayments	11	54,554	6,606
		1,149,752	1,858,345
Less Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable, Accruals & Provisions		154,453	756,001
Grants/Donations Received in Advance		108,208	324,335
		262,661	1,080,336
Working Capital		887,091	778,009
Non Current Assets		42,331	115,102
Property, Plant & Equipment	13	42,331	115,102
Net Assets		929,422	893,111

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements and the accompanying auditor's report

Financial Statements - Continued

Statement of Financial Position - Equity

As at 30 June 2015

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
Equity			
Accumulated Funds	12.1		
Opening Balance		685,644	607,811
Net Surplus		52,691	77,833
Closing Balance		738,335	685,644
Research Fund	12.2		
Opening Balance		207,467	207,467
Less Research Expenditure		16,380	-
Closing Balance		191,087	207,467
Total Equity		929,422	893,111

For and on Behalf of the Board of Water Safety New Zealand Inc, which authorised the issue of the financial report on 31 August 2015



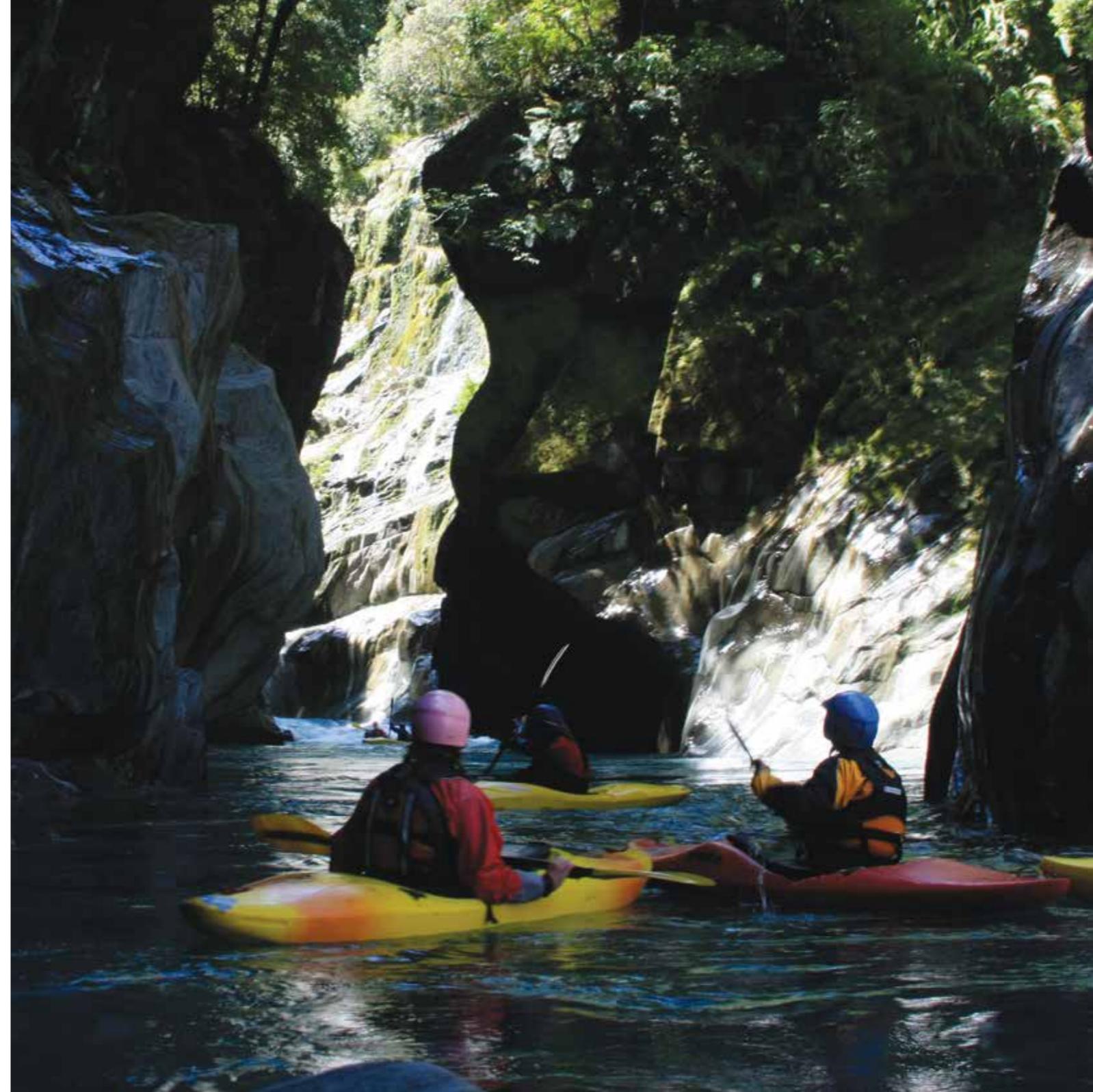
Danny Tuato'o
Chair



Matthew Claridge
Chief Executive Officer

Wellington

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2015

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 Services.

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 \$1,000.

4.2 Depreciation and Amortisation

Assets are written off over their estimated useful lives:

Office Equipment/Furniture	5 years
Computer Hardware	2 years
Computer Software	1 year
Motor Vehicles	4 years
Leasehold Improvements	3 years
Portable Pools	7 years
Intangibles	1 year

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 other policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in the previous year.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2015 - continued

6. Sponsorship

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

7. Committed Expenditure

Leases

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 renewable on 1 October 2016, and each three years from that date, with a final expiration of 30 September 2022. The current cost is \$59,520 per annum.

WSNZ has a sub-tenancy lease with Inside Running Recruitment in Mt Maunganui expiring on 31 March 2016, with a right of renewal for a further 12 months from that date. The current annual cost is \$7,500 per annum.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
0-1 Years	65,145	59,520
1-2 Years	14,880	59,520
2-5 Years	-	14,880

7.2 Lease - Photocopier

WSNZ has a lease for a Ricoh photocopier for a 60 month period ending 4 June 2019. Payment is negotiated on a per copy basis, with no separate lease amount. Early termination is calculated to be \$35,349 based on the average of the previous 12 month usage, pro-rated for the remainder of the term.

7.3 Lease – Motor Vehicles

WSNZ has a lease for one motor vehicle with The Fleet Partners Group. This lease expires on 1 October 2015.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
0-1 Years	2,397	48,294
1-2 Years	-	-

8. Water Safety - Partnership & Investment Expenditure

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Under 5's	268,271	118,593
5 to 13 Year Olds		
- Sport Hawkes Bay	273,034	-
- Swimming NZ	170,000	221,700
- Surf Life Saving	150,000	308,757
- Bay of Plenty Sport	150,000	170,000
- Sport Auckland	140,000	118,000
- Counties Manukau Sport	76,667	94,488
- Te Ripo Tapui	72,000	-
- Sport Otago	55,000	148,156
- Sport Northland	55,000	55,000
- Watersafe Auckland	48,000	-
- Te Tai Timu	37,000	34,475
- Hutt City Council	35,000	65,000
- Christchurch City Council	35,000	55,000
- Sport Southland	27,000	45,000
- NZOIA	20,000	25,000
- Rotorua District Council	16,439	32,878
- Sport Manawatu	-	75,000
- KORE	-	34,650
- Pattison Swim School	-	25,400
- Other Providers	480,627	878,183
	1,840,767	2,386,687
Males		
- Coastguard Boating Education	266,800	363,700
- Chinese New Settlers Trust	36,700	34,500
- Waikato Regional Council	20,000	33,000
- NZ Underwater	20,000	-
- NZRA	-	20,000
- Other	87,874	279,238
	431,374	750,438
Environment	20,382	2,653
Total Partnership & Investment Expenditure	2,560,794	3,258,371

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2015 - continued

9. Income and Expenditure

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2015 have been reported on an output basis, with expenditure allocated on a factual or assessment basis where practical, including:

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Governance Expenditure		
Honorary/Chair Fees	22,500	24,000
Audit Fees	13,800	16,043
Other Governance Expenditure	72,432	44,527
Total Governance Expenditure	108,732	84,570
Leadership Expenditure		
Doubtful Debts	-	(2,251)
Amortisation	36,048	39,244
Lease Payments – Motor Vehicles	42,726	54,356
Rental	81,043	96,404
Other Leadership Expenditure	1,597,873	1,600,794
Total Leadership Expenditure	1,757,690	1,788,547

10. Accounts Receivable

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.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
General Accounts Receivable	29,959	108,901
Less Doubtful Debt Provision	-	-
GST Receivable	33,243	14,594
Interest Receivable	2,935	11,591
	66,137	135,086

11. Prepayments

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Software Licence	1,382	1,316
Corporate Travel	2,800	5,048
Partnership Funding	35,000	-
Training Courses	10,590	-
Sundry	4,782	242
	54,554	6,606

12. Statement of Movement in Equity

12.1 Equity

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Net Operating Surplus for the year	52,691	77,833
Equity at the start of the year	685,644	607,811
Equity at the end of the year	738,335	685,644

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. The fund will be utilised for water safety research projects as approved by the Board.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Opening Balance	207,467	207,467
Less Research Expenditure	16,380	-
Total Research Fund	191,087	207,467

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2015 - continued

13. Property, Plant and Equipment 30 June 2015

	Cost	Depn	Accum Depn	Book Value 2015	Book Value 2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leasehold Improvements	30,039	-	30,039	-	-
Office Equipment/Furniture	51,447	3,132	48,071	3,376	6,508
Computer Hardware	59,663	8,807	52,445	7,218	14,934
Computer Software	103,748	11,245	103,748	-	11,245
Motor Vehicles	46,435	11,604	16,441	29,994	41,598
Portable Pools*	55,300	39,074	53,557	1,743	40,817
	346,632	73,862	304,301	42,331	115,102

* The Portable Pools depreciation expense includes a pool revaluation loss of \$31,178. This reflects the value for subsequent sale in July 2015

Property, Plant and Equipment 30 June 2014

	Cost	Depn	Accum Depn	Book Value 2014	Book Value 2013
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leasehold Improvements	30,039	1,314	30,039	-	1,314
Office Equipment/Furniture	51,447	3,744	44,939	6,508	10,252
Computer Hardware	82,747	12,419	67,813	14,934	19,528
Computer Software	103,748	14,424	92,503	11,245	24,474
Motor Vehicles	46,435	4,837	4,837	41,598	16,523
Portable Pools	55,300	7,900	14,483	40,817	48,716
	369,716	44,638	254,614	115,102	120,807

14. Intangibles

	Cost	Amort	Book Value 2015	Book Value 2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Website	19,668	19,668	-	-
DrownBase	16,380	16,380	-	-
	36,048	36,048	-	-

15. Credit Facilities

WSNZ has no overdraft facilities with ANZ. WSNZ does have a credit facility with Visa totalling \$9,000 (2014: \$15,000) 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.

16. Contingent Liabilities

There are no known contingent liabilities as at the year end. (2014: \$Nil).

17. 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.

18. Related Party Transactions

During the year WSNZ paid fees to Michael Marris (Board Member and Chairperson) for the development and strategy of the Sector Plan and governance of WSNZ. As at balance date \$3,933 was owing to Mr Marris for fees and reimbursement of expenses.

19. Sport NZ Income

In 2015 income from Sport NZ included \$2,037,520 sourced from NZ Lotteries Grants Board

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 38 to 49, which comprise the statement of financial position (net assets) as at 30 June 2015, and the statement of financial performance and statement of financial position (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.

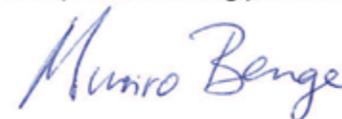
An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or 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.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements on pages 38 to 49 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated as at 30 June 2015 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.



31 August 2015

MUNRO BENGE
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS LIMITED

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 2015 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.

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