

# 2014

ANNUAL REPORT



# Purpose

To reduce drowning and aquatic injury in New Zealand.



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# A Challenging and Exciting Year of Change

## Report from the Chair and Chief Executive

It gives us great pleasure to present this, our Annual Report for 2014. This transition year has been both challenging and rewarding, as we have worked to implement the recommendations of last year's sector review.

We remain 100% committed to achieving our mission of reducing the number of kiwis drowning in New Zealand. In 2013, 107 souls lost their lives. This is a tragic loss of life, that all of us in the water safety sector believe could have largely been prevented. A further 171 were hospitalised as a result of immersion incidents, a burden we simply have to reduce.

WSNZ has been in transition since the Interim Board was disbanded in February 2014 and the new Board appointed. As a result of the MartinJenkins Report the new Board has undertaken a complete re-think of how we lead and facilitate the water safety sector. The Board recognises the pressure this has placed on management who have been spectacularly flexible in readily adopting the new culture of WSNZ. The Board is also grateful to the Board Appointments Panel led by Peter Fitzsimmons for its ongoing role in selecting and appointing Board members.

Sport New Zealand is now the government agency responsible for monitoring WSNZ and its accountability for funds. This formal relationship provides direction and requires solid performances by WSNZ. The Board is also delighted to have engaged on a Board to Board basis with Maritime New Zealand and to have agreed a set of guiding principles that will build a solid partnership in the years to come.

A key focus of the Board has been to realign investment priorities and core funding criteria. While this will not have met everyone's

expectations in year one, the Board believes that the sector has greater ownership of the funding process and timeline than previously, and looks forward to working with members to further enhance the investment programme.

WSNZ has moved from project delivery into a policy and advocacy role. We have disestablished seven positions associated with delivery and increased resourcing around the core policy, advocacy and research functions. We will continue to focus on this to enable us to work more effectively with our members to implement a new sector plan.

Board and management are determined to be consultative. At the heart of the new WSNZ are partnerships. The new sector plan will provide a coherent means of working together to reduce drowning. Strong partnerships will achieve this and provide a basis for new opportunities and recognition of the value of our members' volunteer services. Whilst the drowning statistics are sobering, the number of rescues and lives saved by our members goes largely unacknowledged by society. There are thousands of grateful families who welcomed their loved ones home when something much more drastic might have happened had our lifesavers not been on the spot.

We are grateful for the support of our colleagues and members. Their invaluable work in achieving our common purpose is inspiring and must be recognised. To the passionate people, many of whom are volunteers, that save lives (in more ways than one) every day, we thank you.

Peter Dale  
Chair

Matt Claridge  
Chief Executive

## Our People

Our purpose is to reduce drowning and aquatic injury in New Zealand.

Year established: 1949

Organisation type: Incorporated Society (Charitable)

Geographical coverage: New Zealand

Number of members: 37

### Water Safety New Zealand Board

Peter Dale (Chair)

Brendon Ward

Brent Warner

Horst Mieke

John Cowan

Michael Marris

### Interim Board

Peter Dale (Chair)

Brendon Ward

John Brimble

John Cowan

Kelly Clarke

Michael Bassett-Foss

### Water Safety New Zealand Staff

(as at 30 June 2014)

Alex Barnao: Marketing and Communications Co-ordinator

Alexander Brunt: General Manager Services

Annette Godman: Area Manager Southern

Christine Lim: Senior Accounts Officer

Cory Sweeney: Project Manager/Area Manager Central

Dave Lockwood: National Community Manager

Eric Simpson: Senior Advisor

Esther Hone Moore: AUSTSWIM Programme Co-ordinator

Felicity Fozard: Advisor/Policy and Programmes

Graeme Sugden: Financial Controller

Karen Hunn: Office Manager/Executive Assistant

Matthew Claridge: Chief Executive

Mel Bailey: Information Analyst

Mike Hall-Taylor: Marketing Manager

Michelle Reidy: Team Administrator

Anna Dawson: Marketing and Communications Co-ordinator

(Departed February 2014)

Cynthia Thomas: National Swim & Survive Manger

(Departed March 2014)

Roanne Poi: Water Safety Advisor Hawkes Bay

(Departed June 2014)

# Repositioning for Leadership

## MartinJenkins Report

In June last year the sector was presented with a report reviewing Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ), with a view to reposition the organisation for leadership and change. This report, commissioned by Sport NZ and undertaken by MartinJenkins, has provided the blueprint for much of WSNZ's work around the Board table and within the team, over the past twelve months.

WSNZ embraced the report's recommendations, and we're pleased to report on progress against these.

## Leadership

WSNZ is to be repositioned as the lead organisation for water safety, including absorbing the majority of the functions of the Drowning Prevention Council. Members have rightly pointed out, however, that leadership needs to be earned. The development of the sector strategy, is key to this, as is the role of WSNZ in facilitating and coordinating the sector to deliver on it.

We're pleased to report real progress on the development of the sector strategy as a first step in this new leadership journey. At the time of writing this report, a series of beneficial Board to Board meetings have occurred and the first workshop been held. This strategy is at the heart of WSNZ and the sector going forward.

Other core leadership functions include policy development, advocacy, research, monitoring and evaluation, and an investor/funder of sector programmes and activities.

While it would be presumptive of WSNZ to commence advocacy initiatives for the sector without the strategy in place, we have worked hard to maintain our momentum on core public awareness around water safety, our research programmes, and just over \$3m investment in some 38 organisations in 2014 to deliver initiatives to actively reduce drowning.

## Governance

The governance recommendations have been fully implemented with a Board appointments panel and new Board in place, including a Transition Chair to oversee and bed in the recommendations in the report. The Board is actively leading the development of the sector strategy and overseeing core investment decisions, as well as actively engaging with core members and strategic partners, to achieve our purpose.

## Delivery

WSNZ has withdrawn from operational and delivery activities with the exception of the AUSTSWIM management. This has resulted in a redistribution within WSNZ's management team, with a focus on relationship management and support of organisations, in whom WSNZ invests to deliver these core programmes and initiatives.

While the journey is not yet complete, we're confident that we are heading in the right direction, and that the changes agreed and being implemented are good, both for WSNZ as an organisation, but more importantly for the sector as a whole.

We thank members and stakeholders for their courage and support of WSNZ as we work through these changes. We know that for many change is not happening fast enough, and that much of the change is about how we do business and transition our role from that of a 'deliverer' to one of leadership and facilitation.

We're confident that we're making the right changes and are excited at the opportunities, both for WSNZ and the sector at large, as we work together to achieve our shared mission of reducing drowning in New Zealand.



# Profiling our Core Members



## Coastguard New Zealand

Coastguard New Zealand (CNZ) is the charity saving lives at sea and educating New Zealanders on how to stay safe on the water. Our rescue crews provide the primary maritime search and rescue service in New Zealand.

Last year we brought over 7,000 people home safely after an emergency on the water.

Coastguard units are made up of:

- Sixty 'wet' units crewing rescue vessels
- Nine air patrol units piloting search and rescue aircraft
- One dedicated communications unit

Since the first Coastguard unit was formed in 1891, CNZ has been run by volunteers, and that remains the case today. We are immensely proud of our 2,300 volunteers – people from all communities and walks of life who dedicate a huge amount of their free time to keeping their fellow New Zealanders alive.

CNZ's volunteers spend over 315,000 hours on search and rescue missions, radio operations, training or maintenance work each year. They're highly trained professional volunteers, so people can be safe in the knowledge that when they call CNZ for help, they'll be in expert hands.

CNZ is a charity, and each year we need to raise 85% of our income from individuals, corporate sponsors and trusts. The remainder of our costs are covered through a service level agreement with the New Zealand government. We are a very busy charity committed to our core role of saving lives at sea.



## Surf Life Saving New Zealand

Surf Life Saving Clubs have been operating in New Zealand for 104 years and Surf Life Saving New Zealand (SLSNZ) itself for 82 years.

Our vision is "To save lives by protecting communities through our people". Our purpose is "To lead and support surf life saving in New Zealand".

SLSNZ is a not for profit organisation and the National Association representing 74 Surf Life Saving Clubs. Today a little over 18,150 people are members of SLSNZ, of which just over 4,000 are active lifeguards that save on average 1200 lives every year while patrolling around 210,000 hours. Most of these hours are provided by volunteers, with the patrolling season running in most locations from Labour Weekend to Easter.

While the rescues get the headlines, most effort goes into stopping people getting into trouble – with around 100,000 preventative actions each year and 330,000 safety interventions.

Providing beach patrols on 81 of New Zealand's busiest beaches each summer to keep New Zealand's favourite playground safe for everyone is just part of what we do. We are part of an international network of lifesaving organisations, a sporting organisation (and current World Champions) and provide a range of education programmes for around 40,000 children per year.

## Swimming New Zealand

Swimming NZ is the National Sports Organisation (NSO) for competitive pool and open water swimming in New Zealand. Through its membership of Aquatics New Zealand, Swimming NZ is affiliated to the Federation Internationale de Natation (FINA) and the NZ Olympic Committee (NZOC). Swimming NZ also has an active role in the promotion of water safety, learn to swim, education and certification of swimming instructors and swim schools, aiming to ensure that all New Zealanders have the opportunity to learn basic aquatic skills, which will enable them to participate in a variety of aquatic activities safely.



## Profiling the Regulatory Body



### Maritime New Zealand

Maritime New Zealand is the national agency responsible for the safety, security and environmental protection of New Zealand's coastal and inland waterways. We have approximately 190 staff located in ten regional offices, a head office in Wellington, the Marine Pollution Response Centre in Auckland, and the Rescue Coordination Centre New Zealand in Lower Hutt. Maritime NZ was established to promote a safe, secure and clean maritime environment for all commercial and recreational activities on the water, and to minimise the impact of maritime incidents and accidents on New Zealand's land, waters and people.

### We do this in three ways:

- Through regulation and compliance activity
- Through the provision of maritime safety infrastructure, including coastal navigation aids, the national maritime distress and safety radio service, and an emergency locator beacon detection network for land, sea and air.
- Through our emergency response services – a national land, sea and air search and rescue coordination service and by leading New Zealand's response to significant maritime incidents and emergencies, including oil spills.

As the regulator, Maritime NZ leads the recreational boating sector in seeking to lower boating fatalities and injuries by changing the public's behaviour through integrated advertising and media campaigns. Maritime NZ chairs the National Pleasure Boat Safety Forum, bringing together 20 government, industry and not-for-profit organisations to coordinate national boating safety through a range of means, including education and training initiatives and safety awareness programmes.

# Our Priorities for Investment

## Where does the money go?

Analysis of fatal and non fatal drowning data and incidents identified four priority groups for investment. These priorities represent focus areas for concentration of investment and activity to better target an ongoing reduction in drowning incidents.

The 2014/15 priority investment areas:

### Children Under Five

#### Why?

An age group vulnerable to drowning and injury. A steady reduction in drowning fatalities has occurred as a result of a focus on legislation and education. Principally, unrestricted access to the water for infants and toddlers needs to be eliminated and parents educated on supervision obligations.

### Children (5-13 years)

#### Why?

Development of basic water safety skills, knowledge and awareness. The development of water safety skills and knowledge at a young age will enhance the ability to enjoy the water safely when older. A targeted approach to the development of basic aquatic survival skills is required.

### Males

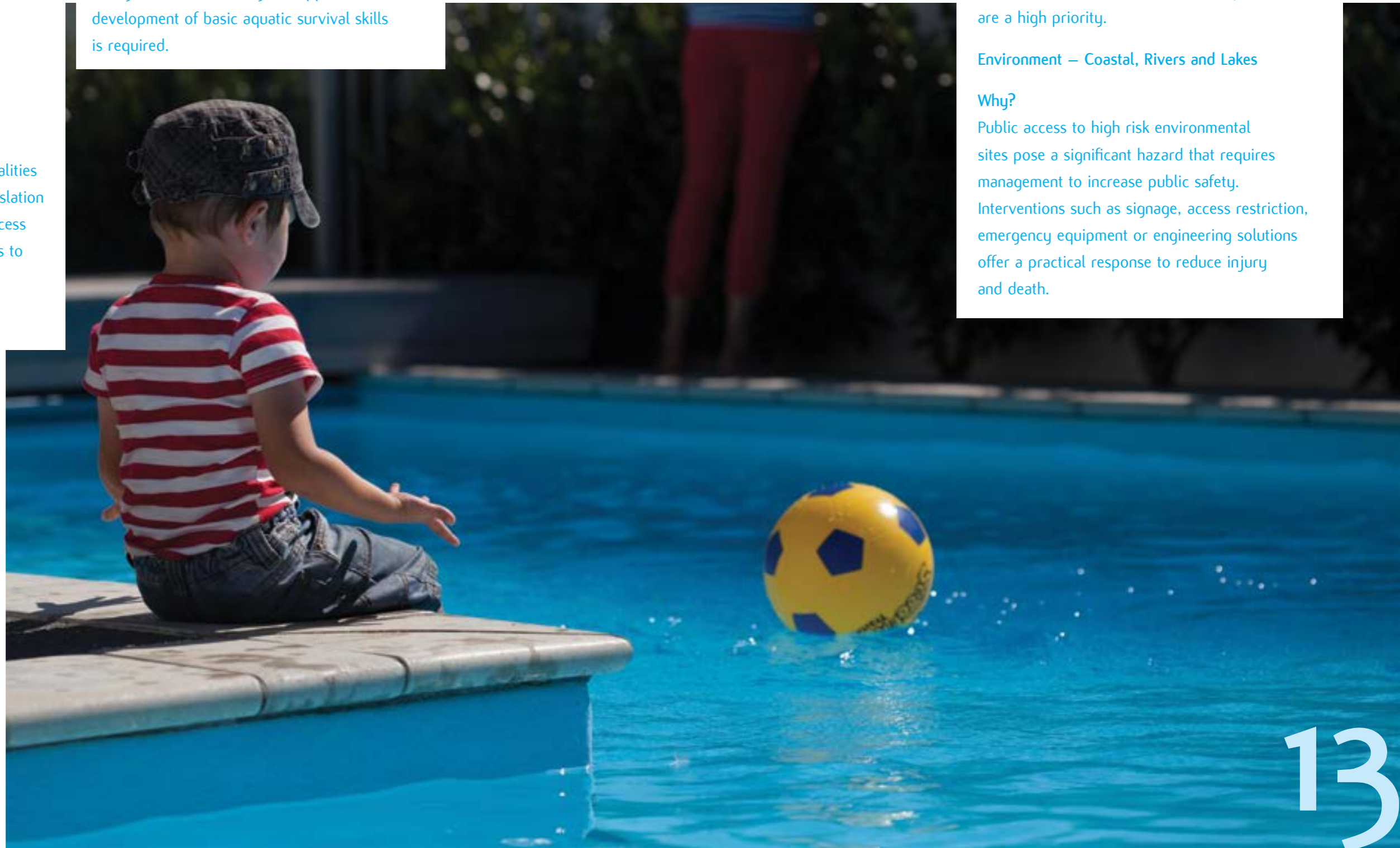
#### Why?

80% of drowning fatalities and 72% of non fatal incidents involve men. Within the activities of recreational boating, fishing and swimming, men represent 90% of fatalities. Initiatives targeted at recreational activities dominated by males are a high priority.

### Environment – Coastal, Rivers and Lakes

#### Why?

Public access to high risk environmental sites pose a significant hazard that requires management to increase public safety. Interventions such as signage, access restriction, emergency equipment or engineering solutions offer a practical response to reduce injury and death.



## Sector Highlights

### Under Five

WSNZ and the Royal Plunket Society of NZ (Plunket) are committed to a zero drowning toll for under fives. The Plunket Bath Mat initiative was developed four years ago to address one of the major causal factors in under five drownings – a lack of, or a lapse in supervision. The partnership has delivered over 180,000 bathmats with the message “Always supervise children around water...always” at the five month Well Child check. This occasion in the child’s growth, and the reminder at the nine month check, gives 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 project have shown that the campaign positively changes parent behaviour with their children around water.

### Children (5-13 years)

Swim For Life Tairāwhiti was formed by four Gisborne swim providers, with the assistance of Sport Gisborne, to continue to improve children’s swimming ability in the region. 1,357 students from rural, low decile and high need upper decile schools participated in the programme in 2013-2014, receiving a minimum of ten 30 minute lessons with a swim and survive instructor, learning not only swimming skills, but respect for water, safety skills and knowing an individual’s limits.



The New Zealand Sports Fishing Council facilitates delivery of the Hiwi the Kiwi show, a 75 minute performance by Chris de Lacy and ‘the Minstrel’ Mark de Lacy in New Zealand primary schools. A large proportion of the show aims to raise children’s awareness of safety while fishing – including the use of a lifejacket and emergency equipment, how to communicate appropriately and other important water safety messages. Hiwi the Kiwi reached 45,000 children in 2013 and continues to visit schools in 2014; this includes rural schools by bringing them together at a single venue to view the performance. Each teacher receives a workbook, teaching plan and DVD to help incorporate the programme into the classroom. A modified show has been trialled at some intermediate schools also.

Surf Life Saving New Zealand (SLSNZ) has run BeachEd, a major part of SLSNZ’s public education programme since the early 1990’s. It added the Surf 2 Schools programme in 2007 to provide even more school children with beach/surf education. Students who attend the BeachEd programme learn about hazards relating to their own environment through local instructors. The Surf 2 School programme offers schools a classroom course on beach and surf safety if they are unable to get to the beach. In 2013/14, 40,910 students attended a Beach Ed or Surf 2 Schools programme, learning what to do in an emergency and how to keep yourself and others safe at the beach. As well as students, over 7,000 parents attended the programmes, therefore increasing beach/surf knowledge in the wider community.



Waka Ama delivered six Flip and Float workshops across New Zealand for clubs and schools involved in Waka Ama. These workshops simulated a situation where a waka flips over, teaching students what to do in the event of a capsize. There were 333 children and 74 adults/coaches who took part in the workshops; they were able to take the skills they had learnt back to their clubs and use them to further educate their communities. Waka Ama NZ worked with WSNZ and New Zealand Post to update the existing "Kia Maanu, Kia Ora" initiative to incorporate the use of lifejackets with waka and become more relevant to Waka Ama.

#### Males

In the past five years 98% of boating fatalities were male. The National Boating Safety Education programme aims to effect behavioural change in this high risk group undertaking a high risk activity. This programme, delivered by Coastguard Boating Education, teaches people to reduce and manage their own risk by giving them the knowledge and tools to understand the environment, the weather, maritime rules and regulations, and safe boat handling. The programme's courses are continuously updated and redeveloped, not only to ensure the curriculum is relevant, but to take advantage of new delivery methods. Classroom courses achieve a pass rate of 90% or higher, with all courses averaging an 83% pass rate. In 2013, the Youth Programme exceeded all expectations with 26,780 youth participants signing up for courses.

The New Zealand Search and Rescue Council (NZSAR), through assistance from ACC and Maritime NZ, developed 'safety codes' for boating, the outdoors and water in 2010/11 with the aim of reducing the demand for Search and Rescue services and fewer injury incidents. To provide a consistent water safety message useful across a variety of recreational activities, NZSAR collaborated with WSNZ to distribute the water safety code in the community, 154,931 copies of which were delivered in 2013/14 with the help of WSNZ members, through events, social media and magazines. With both limited resources in the sector for producing marketing material and many people taking part in a variety of water related pursuits, the Water Safety Code provides easily accessible safety advice over a wide range of possible recreational activities. The messaging is collaborative, consistent with language used by organisations in the sector and designed to be useful not only across different types of activity, but to be able to target newcomers and tourists. The safety codes have been translated into 16 languages to be of practical use to New Zealanders and visitors.

#### Environment

Waikato Regional Council, in partnership with Land Information Management NZ, Maritime NZ, ACC, the Ministry for Primary Industries, WSNZ and 19 local councils, has developed a smart phone application (MarineMate) which provides up to date information of marine rules and regulations of NZ waterways. Maritime rules set requirements for the safety of ships and people, and some areas of New Zealand have local bylaws that supplement these rules. The MarineMate application includes all local bylaws and can be downloaded for use offline. It helps boaties to be fully prepared in navigation safety when heading out on water as they can be knowledgeable about the locality, whether it is a new site or a commonly visited one.



# Partnerships and Collaborations

## Kia Maanu Kia Ora - Maori Water Safety

The Active Post partnership has had another very successful year. Through the three initiative pillars of Leadership, Boat Education and Swim to Survive our Kia Maanu, Kia Ora partners have reached 12,750 members of the Maori community across six priority regions.

Under the leadership pillar Te Tai Timu Trust have delivered nine wananga across Hawke's Bay, East Coast and Waikato regions, with Kia Ora Aotearoa and Sport Waitakere also delivering to a total of 1,650 tamariki and rangitahi. As a result, the East Coast has gained four new lifeguards and a number of participants have moved through the ranks to become mentors for the 2015 Te Tai Timu programme.

Waka Ama NZ delivered ten community based Flip and Float workshops while Liveit Enterprises delivered 21 Coastguard Boating Education courses to a total of 720 Maori participants. From the 720 newly accredited boaties, five gained presenter status through the initiative.

Te Ripō delivered Swim to Survive workshops across the six high risk regions reaching 1,700 students and 130 kaiako. In addition to this the four Active Post portable pools reached 2,600 students across six regions, which contributed to an increase in the Maori swim ability statistics, from 13% of students able to swim 200m to 38%.

The ongoing support of New Zealand Post and the passion, enthusiasm and hard work our Kia Maanu Kia Ora partners are doing have not only contributed to a reduction in Maori drowning by 23% from the five year average (2006 – 2010), but also increased the capability of this community to understand and deliver water safety education.

## Surf Safety

Surfing NZ have been promoting the surf safety message at New Zealand's most popular beaches. Surfing NZ leveraged WSNZ, KiwiSport and ASB Community Trust funding to deliver Have a Go Surfing and Surf Safety Days around the country from Dunedin in the South to Ahipara in the Far North. These days are the perfect opportunity to teach school children how to be safe in, on and around the water whilst at the same time getting to try out the activity of surfing under the watchful eye of Surfing NZ's team of internationally qualified instructors. Surfing NZ have also been involved with delivery of surf safety skills at Port Waikato as part of the Waikato River Alive Project. Surfing NZ have been a foundation member on this project along with Counties Manukau Sport, Waka Ama NZ and Surf Life Saving NZ. Surfing NZ are looking to increase their capacity to help reduce the drowning toll in New Zealand and provide more opportunities for children to experience the water.



## Pacific Lifejacket Hub

Affordability and access to lifejackets have sometimes been cited by members of the Pacifica community as barriers to their use. Amongst the Pasifika community this was felt to be true for men who could keep themselves safer while fishing or boating if they were wearing a lifejacket. WaterSafe Auckland Inc (WAI) worked with a number of partners to establish a church-managed lifejacket hub as an innovative way to encourage safer practice. WAI launched five hubs in April as part of its regional lifejacket hub initiative in partnership with the Mangere Free Church of Tonga. The programme seeks to develop a "community led" approach where water competence and being safer in, on and around water is in everybody's best interest. Periodic water competence sessions are provided and the Church takes care of lifejacket management. The partnership was funded by the Southern Trust with support from the Working Together More Fund. Operating under the Church's umbrella, each congregation manage a stock of ten lifejackets, providing them with not only the opportunity for members of the congregation and community to access the lifejackets but, in partnership with WAI, receive essential and practical water competence education.

## Water Safety Awards 2013

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

Sally Webb (ex Chair, WSNZ), Neil Murray (General Manager, Coastguard Boating Education) and Matt Claridge (Chief Executive, WSNZ) selected the 2013 winners from a record number of nominations.

Thank you to Sealord for their ongoing support of these awards.

### Sealord Outstanding Contribution

Bluff local Meri Leask received the 'Sealord Outstanding Contribution' award for her lifelong commitment to keeping Southland's fishermen and boaties safe on the water. Meri has kept Bluff's marine radio running from her own home on a voluntary basis for more than 30 years. On an average day, Meri fields 60-80 calls and her continued contributions have made Southern waters a much safer place.

### Education

The 'Education' award was won by the Swim Safe Southland initiative, part of the nationwide Sealord Swim for Life initiative.

In a New Zealand first, Swim Safe Southland - a partnership between Sport Southland and Southern REAP - will give all 3365 of Southland's primary school children (years one to eight) ten swimming lessons per year from trained, instructors.

### Awareness

This year's award for 'Awareness' went to Surfing New Zealand for its Surfing 4 Schools Have A Go Surfing Days held around the North Island during 2012/2013. These free 'taster' surf lessons saw more than 1000 primary and intermediate aged children learn about rips, currents and other beach dangers while trying out the exciting sport of surfing.

### Prevention

Coastguard Boating Education's Safe Boating Programme received the 'Prevention' award. The Safe Boating Programme works with aquatic centres water safety programmes to provide boaties (swimmers and non-swimmers) with the skills they need to improve survival in a dangerous situation. This includes what to do in a capsize, the correct wearing of lifejackets and PFDs and communicating effectively when in an emergency.

## Members of WSNZ



### ACC

Following the release of the MartinJenkins report 'Water Safety New Zealand – Positioning for leadership; and change', the past year has seen some significant changes within the water safety sector.

Members of the New Zealand Drowning Prevention Council (DPC) agreed the time had come to wind up its functions and for WSNZ to take on the leadership role. The last meeting of the DPC took place in September 2013, with the following motion passed:

“That the DPC ceases to operate. That the newly constituted WSNZ Board will assume the responsibility of the existing Drowning Prevention Strategy and develop future strategy with the sector.”

In line with the MartinJenkins Report recommendations, ACC, Sport NZ and Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) have entered into a partnership agreement. Together with the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board (NZLGB), ACC and Sport NZ are investing in WSNZ to help it to provide leadership to the sector. ACC also continues to invest in the work of sector organisations, with ACC funds being added to the NZLGB allocation managed by WSNZ.

ACC welcomes WSNZ leading development of the upcoming sector plan for water safety. This will provide a strong platform for concerted sector activity to drive down the national drowning and water-related injury toll.

### Coastguard Boating Education



The 2013-14 year has been a positive one for the team at Coastguard Boating Education (CBE). The stand out achievement for the year has been the success of the Safe Boating programme. A total of 26,780 certificates have been issued in the last year to children, a 53% increase on last year. The course is aimed at eight - twelve year old children, teaching them key boating safety skills and knowledge in a safe, practical and experiential format.

Last year, 26% of our adult course numbers were delivered either online or through Home Study. Although we remain as committed as ever to classroom delivery, we are meeting the market demands for online courses and have commissioned a major new development – Day Skipper Online. Our many partnerships have been strengthened, notably with Water Safety New Zealand, ACC, and Maritime New Zealand. Together we have enabled a number of key projects to progress, including the delivery of Day Skipper courses to at risk groups and adaptations of Day Skipper into Maori, Tongan, Samoan and Chinese versions.

### Maritime New Zealand



In 2013/2014, Maritime NZ supported recreational boating safety through a range of work including:

- A review of the 2007 New Zealand Pleasure Boat Safety Strategy
- The development and launch of a new advertising campaign to promote the wearing of lifejackets all the time
- Commissioning an IPSOS survey on the campaign's impact and a Research NZ survey on boating participation and behaviour
- Sponsoring the Big Angry Fish television programme to role model life jacket wear and safe boating behaviours

- Sponsoring a visit from the US Coast Guard to provide opportunities for the sector to learn from the US experience
- Administration of \$90K of Fuel Excise Duty funding, offered to members of the Forum to support boating safety initiatives
- Conducting an annual observational boat ramp survey
- Updating and disseminating safe boating materials and publications
- Organising regulatory and compliance checks and advice



### Swimming New Zealand

Swimming NZ continue to provide quality services to swimming clubs, swim schools and primary schools throughout New Zealand. Our goal is to develop and govern world-class standards of education that supports all swim teacher and coach pathways.

This year we continued our success in the school space providing Kiwi Swim Safe training for 5,087 teachers for another 544 schools around the country that have joined the programme. 10,546 teachers have been given the skills, knowledge and confidence to teach swim and survive skills to over 218,591 children since the programmes inception in 2010.

In November 2013 Swimming NZ's Assistant Swim Teacher Award (ASTA) was upgraded to become the SNZ Swim Teacher Award (SNZSTA). The SNZSTA meets all the requirements of the National Certificate in Recreation and Sport - Aquatics (Swim Education); it is a level three certificate on the NZQA framework.



### Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp Trust

The 2013/14 period saw the team at Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp continue to promote the water safety message to around 12,000 clients in an array of water activities including sailing, kayaking, and beach and marine studies. We have recently upgraded all of our PFD's and some wetsuits with thanks to Halfmoon Bay Marina and Auckland Maritime Foundation's financial support. This new equipment facilitates correct fitting and use along with other water safety teachings which we encourage all our clients to take back and share with their families and communities. One of our specialties is to give training and assessment in risk management and water safety for older student groups. It is great to see these students going home with a much greater understanding of the need for safety in a marine environment.



### New Zealand Underwater Association

New Zealand Underwater Association (NZUA) has been continuing to develop and promote water safety and dive safety strategies. We are working with WSNZ to deliver a Diver Safety Campaign later this year, targeting at-risk groups shown in WSNZ's drowning statistics for underwater-based activities. There is also a focus on reestablishing the Mini Dippers programme, starting in South Auckland, with the goal of having it nationally available to all interested. The Mini Dippers programme aims to introduce children to safe snorkeling and diving practices,

as well as building confidence in and especially under the water. As a priority, NZUA continues to align its strategies, goals and ambitions with industry partners, establishing a broad network of contact points within the underwater activity sector.



### New Zealand Police

NZ Police staff in general and our 23 Search and Rescue squads nationwide deal with the results of many drowning each year in both the marine and land environments. We have a fantastic outdoor environment for all to enjoy but sadly often the basic safety rules are overlooked sometimes with unnecessary fatal consequences. NZ Police along with all of our water safety related agencies seek to consistently promote the Water Safety and Boating Safety codes at every opportunity to try to ensure all individuals, groups and families can enjoy the uniqueness of our waterways, ocean and lakes safely.



### Windsurfing New Zealand

Our main water safety focus is on the training of instructors and certification of schools, and this year the Adventure Activities Legislation has received much of our attention, with it's potential to disrupt our network of schools and instructors. It is still unclear how this legislation impacts windsurfing, one of the safest water sports in New Zealand, but it has created uncertainty which a number of changes in the industry could attribute to. We are still looking to fund video resources to support our training



schemes and hope to run more courses in the coming season. Windsurfing NZ also promotes event safety through our Public Liability Insurance scheme. Event organisers will receive cover for their events in return for providing approved event plans including risk and safety processes. Templates for these have been developed, and we are promoting the same approach for kitesurfing events as many of our affiliated clubs also include kitesurfers.



### Scouts New Zealand

Scouts NZ has an extensive set of rules covering all aspects of water safety. These are put in place by a committee comprising the National Water Activity Adviser and Regional Water Activity Advisers from five regions across New Zealand. This committee meets annually to review the rules and discuss other water related issues. To ensure compliance with the rules all water activities undertaken require an Activity

Intention Form and a Risk Assessment and Management Strategy form. These are forwarded to the local Regional or Zone Water Adviser so that he can ensure that all proper precautions are being taken, that the activity is within the capabilities of all concerned and the required equipment is being used and is in good condition.

All vessels owned by Scouts NZ are required to be surveyed annually by an authorised person. All leaders involved in regular boating activities are required to hold a 'Charge Certificate', issued by the Regional Water Activity Adviser. This requires obtaining a Coastguard Day Skipper qualification, having a good knowledge of the Scouts NZ boating rules and passing a practical test in the vessels being used.

We feel that our pro-active approach and network of water safety advisers will ensure a high standard of water safety within Scouts NZ into the future.



### New Zealand Sport Fishing Council

Our work educating Kiwi children about fishing for the future and water safety continues to thrive. We're delighted to say that by the end of this year 170 schools (a quarter of a million students) will have experienced our show.

The introduction of the new brochures funded by ACC and Water Safety New Zealand has added credibility to our effort. Especially rewarding is the number of Intermediate Schools and Colleges now booking the show. Every school visited this year has expressed their wish to rebook the show in two years as their students move on.

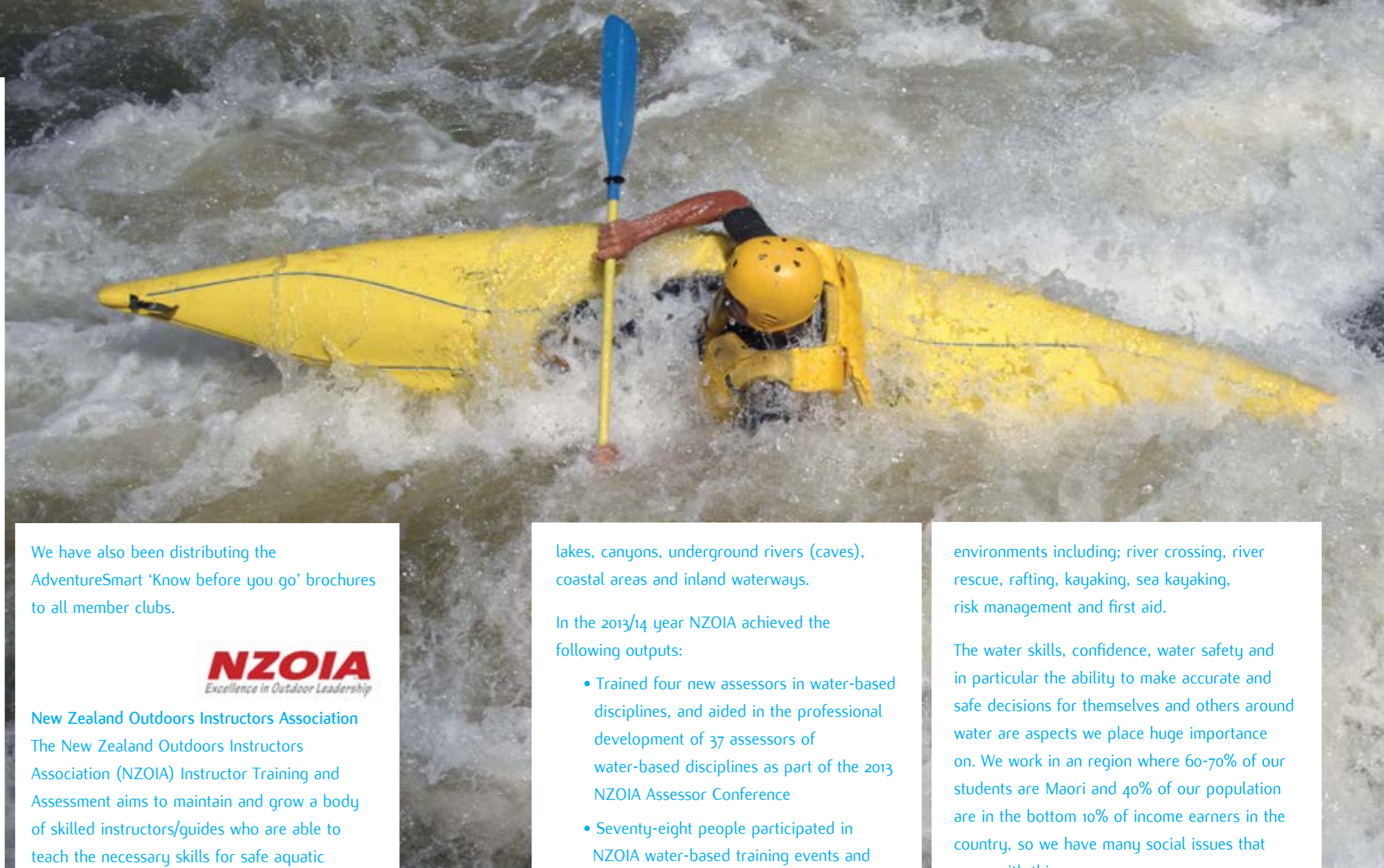


### New Zealand Trailer Boat Federation Inc

The New Zealand Trailer Boat Federation (NZTBF) has continued to promote the wearing of lifejackets on all craft six metres and under. Reading the latest magistrate reports in the media clearly shows that the wearing of lifejackets do save lives. The number of people that have drowned while not wearing lifejackets is still a huge concern.

A survey by Maritime NZ found that in 2013, 66% of people onboard a craft were wearing lifejackets, up from 38% in 2012.

The NZTBF further promotes that all craft going out to sea and in large lakes carry a 407 Emergency Positioning Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) with GPS positioning to reduce the rescue time in an emergency.



We have also been distributing the AdventureSmart 'Know before you go' brochures to all member clubs.



### New Zealand Outdoors Instructors Association

The New Zealand Outdoors Instructors Association (NZOIA) Instructor Training and Assessment aims to maintain and grow a body of skilled instructors/guides who are able to teach the necessary skills for safe aquatic activities. Other aims include to impart a water safety culture, be educational role models, and provide quality and safe experiences to participants. Through increasing the knowledge base of the community, NZOIA-qualified instructors educate and build a water safety culture so they can manage their own safety and make water safe decisions, rather than being reliant on other physical interventions.

NZOIA provides training and qualifications across five water based disciplines; these take place in aquatic environments including rivers,

lakes, canyons, underground rivers (caves), coastal areas and inland waterways.

In the 2013/14 year NZOIA achieved the following outputs:

- Trained four new assessors in water-based disciplines, and aided in the professional development of 37 assessors of water-based disciplines as part of the 2013 NZOIA Assessor Conference
- Seventy-eight people participated in NZOIA water-based training events and 57 in NZOIA water-based Revalidations
- Sixty-two people participated in an NZOIA water-based assessment event with 52 successfully achieving a qualification



### New Zealand Rivers Association

As part of both the Certificate and Diploma in Adventure Tourism programmes we teach large aspects of the course around the water and river

environments including; river crossing, river rescue, rafting, kayaking, sea kayaking, risk management and first aid.

The water skills, confidence, water safety and in particular the ability to make accurate and safe decisions for themselves and others around water are aspects we place huge importance on. We work in an region where 60-70% of our students are Maori and 40% of our population are in the bottom 10% of income earners in the country, so we have many social issues that come with this.

We believe the area we are assisting in drowning prevention is education within these particular groups. We are also involved in programs aimed at second chance learners and at risk youth where we use the outdoors as a model to engage these students back into education through positive remodelling. Again the water and river environment are used as the vehicle for this. Many of our students go onto work in the industry and continue with educating others.



### Swim Coaches & Teachers of New Zealand Inc

The annual Swim Coaches & Teachers of New Zealand Inc (NZSCTA) Conference this year returned to Wellington. There were many presentations with a 'water safety' theme that were of a high standard. The conference next year will be held in Rotorua in May.

Our members made a commitment last year to visit pre-schools in order to increase water safety awareness amongst pre-school children. These visits continue to be successful with most kindergartens asking for repeat visits. We do 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.

We have also been involved with giving lessons to underprivileged children and children with disabilities at a greatly reduced fee or for free.



### Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Inc

The Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Incorporated (Plunket) are the largest provider of free support services to children under five in New Zealand. A highlight for Plunket nurses this year was the continuation of the distribution of a non-slip bath mat to families at the five month Well Child Check. Staff found that handing a mat to the family provided a positive opening into discussing drowning prevention at this important stage in the baby's development. Delivery of drowning prevention messages, and discussion around these, is included in

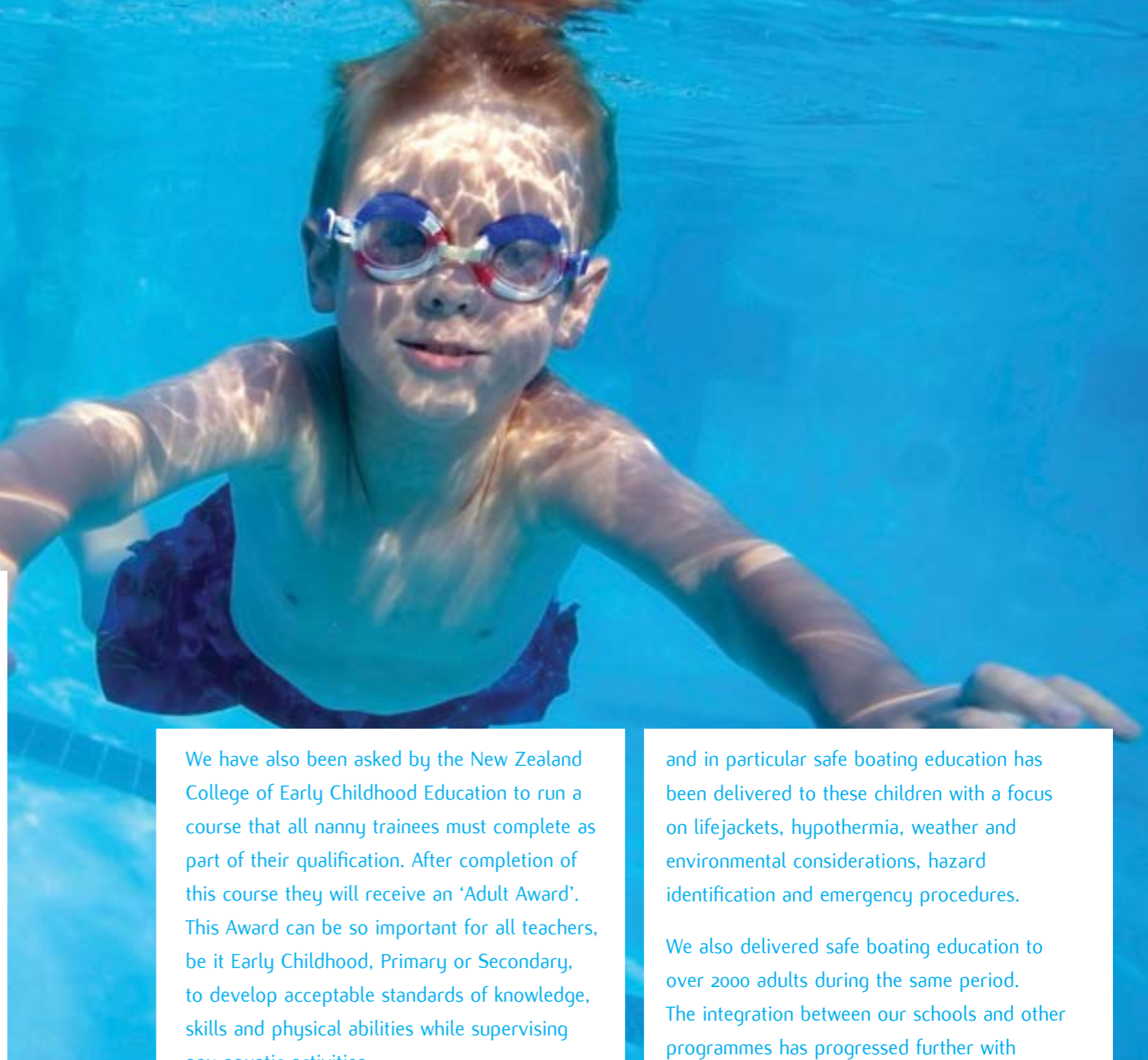
the range of Plunket parenting programmes; ensuring that people from secondary school students to new and prospective parents are aware of and understand the need to be vigilant with young children when around water. Plunket's 'Thriving Under 5', a resource manual for parents, contains water safety messages in the developmental stages in the book as well as in the safety section.



### Royal Life Saving Society New Zealand

Many schools continue with our education programmes and awards. Our Bronze Medallion remains the recognised qualification by CCUSA, Latitude Global for camp councilors and NCEA credits promoted through Physical Education New Zealand (PENZ).

This year we were asked to do a presentation at the PENZ Conference to promote our Adult Award (with Parent & Caregiver endorsement) and Swimming Pool Staff Awards. It was aimed at experienced and trainee teachers as an added qualification for anyone supervising students in an aquatic environment.



We have also been asked by the New Zealand College of Early Childhood Education to run a course that all nanny trainees must complete as part of their qualification. After completion of this course they will receive an 'Adult Award'. This Award can be so important for all teachers, be it Early Childhood, Primary or Secondary, to develop acceptable standards of knowledge, skills and physical abilities while supervising any aquatic activities.



### Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

This year the Wellington Ocean Sports School programme has been extremely successful with over 1500 school children participating in either an ocean sports introduction session, open day activity or follow on tuition. Water safety

and in particular safe boating education has been delivered to these children with a focus on lifejackets, hypothermia, weather and environmental considerations, hazard identification and emergency procedures.

We also delivered safe boating education to over 2000 adults during the same period. The integration between our schools and other programmes has progressed further with additional children and families going on to undertake follow on activities, such as our school holiday programme and lessons in the various sports we offer. During 2014/2015 we will be applying for additional funding to lower the cost of Coastguard Boating Education's (CBE) Day Skipper to schools and are working with CBE on other initiatives.



### Nga Kaihoe o Aotearoa – Waka Ama NZ

Waka Ama as a sport is continuing to grow very quickly with a membership increase over the past 12 months exceeding 20%.

Waka Ama NZ is committed to water safety awareness and drowning prevention within our membership and its wider community. Over the past 12 months we have implemented the Flip and Float Waka Ama Water Safety roadshow.

The roadshow was delivered in ten locations around the country involving over 550 participants, 100 parents and coaches, 26 Waka Ama clubs and ten schools. The roadshow provides participants with education on lifejackets and the wearing of them, the skills to flip a waka ama and the ability to swim to survive. The roadshow was supported by Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ), ACC, and ActivePost.

Also with the help of WSNZ and New Zealand Post we created a series of Waka Ama 'Tips and Tricks' safety videos. There are a series of nine short videos that raise awareness of water safety that is specific to Waka Ama including topics such as; lifejackets, weather, paddling at night, equipment and communication. These videos were shared via YouTube throughout the year and were re-mastered as advertisements for Maori Television.

### Surf Life Saving New Zealand

The 2013/14 year for Surf Life Saving New Zealand (SLSNZ) was heavily influenced by the (lack of) summer weather. This meant there were less people going to beaches and putting themselves at risk. As a result, while patrolling hours remained around the same, rescue-related activity returned to more of a 'normal' level. Overall highlights for the year were:

- Patrol hours: 213,975 (up 1% on last year)
- No. of Rescues/ Lives saved: 1,027 (down 38% on last year)
- No. of First Aid patients: 1,717 (down 13% on last year)
- No. of Preventative actions: 85,216 (down 25% on last year)
- No. of Safety interventions: 328,569 (down 6% on last year)
- No. of active lifeguards: 4,206 (up 3% on last year)
- No. of club members: 18,175 (up 4% on last year)
- No. of Beach Education attendees: 34,156 (up 14% on last year)

Off the beach, the work undertaken by SLSNZ to restructure its operations in 2013/14 was successful, with a much stronger financial performance – returning to profitability after a significant loss. We would like to thank our commercial and funding partners for their support during this process.

### WaterSafe Auckland Inc

2013/14 marks the start of a transition phase for WaterSafe Auckland Inc (WAI); with new team members and CEO, a review of systems and operations, and development of sector relationships. The WAI team continues to deliver professional support, pilot new approaches and advocate to keep everyone safer around our beautiful waters.

In the community, WAI has continued with its programmes, events and initiatives - including developing new Pasifika lifejacket hubs, providing workshops in companies, working with Marae, new settler groups, and those with disabilities.

WAI has also achieved outcomes in the education sphere from Early Childhood Education through to Tertiary. A Lifejacket Loan Scheme provided lifejacket experiences for 8,839 children in 69 schools. Professional learning development was delivered to 160 schools (1,261 teachers) and a pilot vocational programme with Swimming New Zealand was trialled with 17 students.

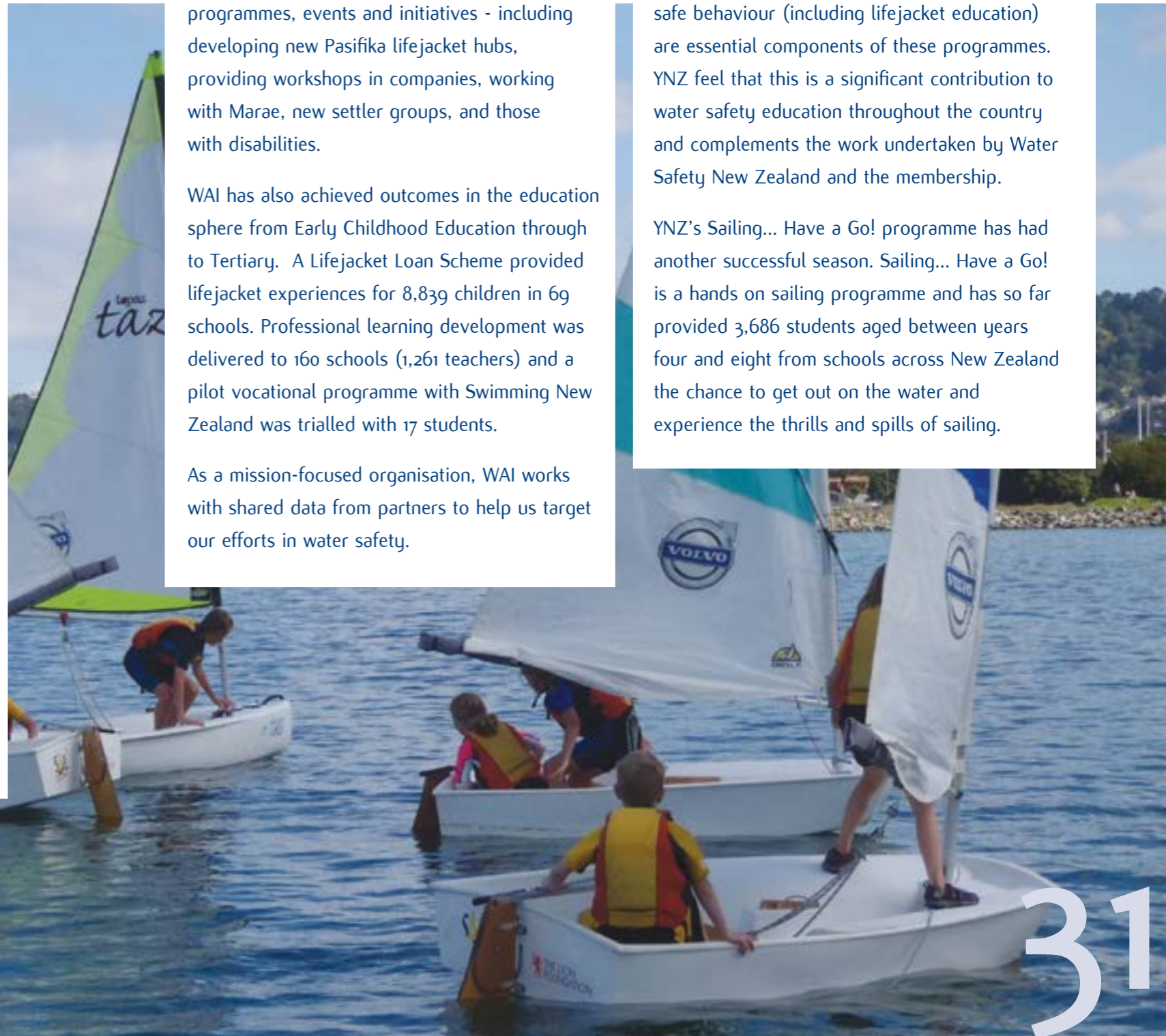
As a mission-focused organisation, WAI works with shared data from partners to help us target our efforts in water safety.

### Yachting New Zealand

Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) recently collated our latest participation survey numbers for 2014. It was encouraging to see we have grown again since 2013 with nearly 26,000 primary and intermediate aged children taking part in a basic sailing skills programme in the last twelve months and a further 3,200 students involved in sailing at a high school level.

Being safe around the water and demonstrating safe behaviour (including lifejacket education) are essential components of these programmes. YNZ feel that this is a significant contribution to water safety education throughout the country and complements the work undertaken by Water Safety New Zealand and the membership.

YNZ's Sailing... Have a Go! programme has had another successful season. Sailing... Have a Go! is a hands on sailing programme and has so far provided 3,686 students aged between years four and eight from schools across New Zealand 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 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
<b>Income</b>			
NZ Lottery Grants Board		2,296,592	1,965,676
ACC		673,030	195,709
Sport NZ		228,750	-
Interest Received		53,998	41,520
Endeavour Foundation		433,771	1,370,379
Sponsors	6	1,523,180	1,366,430
		<b>5,209,321</b>	<b>4,939,714</b>
<b>Less Expenditure</b>			
Leadership		1,788,547	1,995,393
Partnership & Investment	8	3,258,371	2,987,872
Governance	9	84,570	113,589
		<b>5,131,488</b>	<b>5,096,854</b>
<b>Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>77,833</b>	<b>(157,140)</b>
Transfer from Research Fund	12.2	-	59,632
Less Research Expenditure	12.2	-	(59,632)
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>77,833</b>	<b>(157,140)</b>

For and on Behalf of the Board of Water Safety New Zealand Inc, which authorised the issue of the financial report on 27 August 2014


  
 Peter Dale                      Matthew Claridge  
 Chairperson                      Chief Executive Officer

Wellington

## Statement of Financial Position – Net Assets As at 30 June 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
<b>Current Assest</b>			
ANZ Bank Accounts			
Current		18,234	61,243
Call		78,419	518,656
Deposits		1,620,000	600,000
Accounts Receivable	10	120,492	316,159
Prepayments	11	6,606	35,920
		<b>1,843,751</b>	<b>1,531,978</b>
<b>Less Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable, Accruals & Provisions		741,407	620,149
Grants/Donations Received in Advance		324,335	217,358
		<b>1,065,742</b>	<b>837,507</b>
<b>Working Capital</b>		<b>778,009</b>	<b>694,471</b>
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Property Plant & Equipment	13	115,102	120,807
		<b>115,102</b>	<b>120,807</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>893,111</b>	<b>815,278</b>

## Statement of Financial Position – Equity As at 30 June 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
<b>Equity</b>			
<b>Accumulated funds</b>	12.1		
Opening Balance		607,811	764,951
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		77,833	(157,140)
Closing Balance		685,644	607,811
<b>Research Fund</b>			
Opening Balance	12.2	207,467	267,099
Less Research Expenditure		-	(59,632)
Closing Balance		207,467	207,467
<b>Total Equity</b>		<b>\$893,111</b>	<b>\$815,278</b>

# Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2014

## 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 \$500.

### 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

Computer hardware is now depreciated over two years, rather than three years to align with the replacement policy.

Computer software is written off in the year of purchase, recognising that although there may be a future benefit, that benefit is not easily measurable.

Apart from the changes to depreciation on computer hardware and computer software 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.

## 6. Sponsorship

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

# Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2014 - continued

## 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, and a final expiration of 30 September 2022. The current annual cost is \$59,520 per annum.

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

	2014 \$	2013 \$
0-1 Years	59,520	4,855
1-2 Years	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 31 October 2017. Payment has been negotiated on a per copy basis, with no separate lease amount, although early termination is currently calculated to be cost \$10,583, based on the 12 month usage as at 30 June 2014.

### 7.3 Lease – Motor Vehicles

WSNZ has leases for five motor vehicles with The Fleet Partners Group for various periods up to 46 months. The annual cost for 2013/2014 was \$54,356, decreasing to \$48,294 for 2014/2015 with the final lease ending June 2015.

	2014 \$	2013 \$
0-1 Years	48,294	54,356
1-2 Years	-	48,294

## 8. Water Safety - Partnership & Investment

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Under 5's		118,593
5 to 13 Year Olds		
- Surf Life Saving	308,757	
- Swimming NZ	221,700	
- Bay of Plenty Sport	170,000	
- Sport Otago	148,156	
- Sport Auckland	118,000	
- Counties Manuka Sport	94,488	
- Sport Manawatu	75,000	
- Hutt City Council	65,000	
- Sport Northland	55,000	
- Christchurch City Council	55,000	
- Sport Southland	45,000	
- KORE	34,650	
- Rotorua Aquatic	32,878	
- Pattison Swim School	25,400	
- Other Providers	878,183	
		2,327,212
Males		
- Coastguard Boating Education	363,700	
- Chinese New Settlers Trust	34,500	
- Te Tai Timu	34,475	
- NZOIA	25,000	
- NZRA	40,000	
- Waikato Regional Council	33,000	
- Other	279,238	
		809,913
Environment		2,653
<b>Total Partnership &amp; Investment Expenditure</b>		<b>3,258,371</b>

Note: There are no comparatives for the prior year as any comparatives would be materially different to WSNZ's current business model.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2014 - continued

## 9. Income and Expenditure

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2014 have been reported on an output basis, with expenditure allocated on a factual or assessment basis where practical, including:

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Honorarium/Chair Fees	24,000	25,000
Audit Fees	16,043	17,000
Other Governance Costs	44,527	71,589
<b>Total Governance Costs</b>	<b>84,570</b>	<b>113,589</b>
Doubtful Debts	(2,251)	(11,606)
Amortisation	39,244	-
Lease Payments – Motor Vehicles	54,356	61,824
Rental	96,404	104,709

## 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.

	2014 \$	2013 \$
General Accounts Receivable	108,901	318,912
Less Doubtful Debt Provision	-	(4,719)
Interest Receivable	11,591	1,966
	<b>120,492</b>	<b>316,159</b>

## 11. Prepayments

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Software License	1,316	1,255
Corporate Travel	5,048	-
Sundry	242	-
October 2013 Conference	-	34,665
	<b>6,606</b>	<b>35,920</b>

## 12. Statement of Movement in Equity

12.1 Equity	2014 \$	2013 \$
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	77,833	(157,140)
Equity at the start of the year	607,811	764,951
Equity at the end of the year	<b>685,644</b>	<b>607,811</b>

# Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2014 - continued

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

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Opening Balance	207,467	267,099
Less Research Expenditure	-	(59,632)
<b>Total Research Fund</b>	<b>207,467</b>	<b>207,467</b>

## 13. Property, Plant & 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
	<b>369,716</b>	<b>44,638</b>	<b>254,614</b>	<b>115,102</b>	<b>120,807</b>

## 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	74,863	15,163	55,335	19,528	22,488
Computer Software	102,612	13,251	78,138	24,474	17,725
Motor Vehicles	43,494	10,874	26,971	16,523	49,259
Portable Pools	55,300	6,584	6,584	48,716	-
	<b>357,755</b>	<b>51,617</b>	<b>236,948</b>	<b>120,807</b>	<b>111,281</b>



## 14. Intangibles

	Cost \$	Amort \$	Book Value 2014 \$	Book Value 2013 \$
Website	39,244	39,244	-	-
	<b>39,244</b>	<b>39,244</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## 15. Credit Facilities

WSNZ has no overdraft facilities with ANZ. WSNZ does have a credit facility with Visa totalling \$15,000 (2013 : \$17,000) 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. (2013: \$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.

## 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 32 to 41, which comprise the statement of financial position (net assets) as at 30 June 2014, 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.

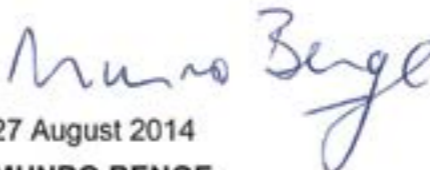
An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or 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 32 to 41 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Water Safety New Zealand Incorporated as at 30 June 2014 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.



27 August 2014

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 2014 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 27 August 2014 to confirm the information included in the audited financial report presented on this website.

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