

The Brightoner

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With the Calender clocking over to 2010 and summer in full swing I hope that all members have been making the most of the summer holidays and taking advantage of the warm water and some fun waves.

It's great to see with the club rapidly approaching 100 years of service that we are still attracting new members, that like us also want to spend their summer days down the beach. What is great is, our members come from varied backgrounds. For example, we have pool swimmers wanting a change from following the black line and looking for something more exciting or just die-hard Baywatch fans wanting to be a real lifeguard and wear the red and yellows. For all new members I hope you are making your face well known as you can't become a regular unless your down the beach so stop checking you're emails and get down the beach! Make sure you introduce yourself to those on patrol and any others down the club, as New Brighton is one big family.

Well Done to Sam Henry, Andrew Jensen and Adam Nash for successfully completing the National Lifeguard School at Taylor's Mistake in December. These three now qualify for both their senior and advanced guard qualifications, which are the highest lifeguard awards available in surf. We look forward to seeing more candidates getting ready to attend this course in the near future.

The season is in full swing and competitions are now starting to heat up looking forward to the up and coming prestigious events. These include Southern Ocean Athlete for our up and coming U16 superstars, Southern IRB Champs for the petrol heads, Canterbury Championships for the whole club; then not too far away is Nationals in Ohope, Whakatane and IRB Nationals in Waipu Cove. Make sure you express your interest early in these nationals' events and also make sure you get your entries into Jimmy for Canterbury Champs,

To remember Dates

- Surf Boats Canterbury Champs
Sat 13th Feb
- General Comp #2
Sun 14th feb
- Canterbury Champs
Sat/Sun 20-21 Feb
- SLS Champs, Ohope, Whakatane
11-14th March 2010
- Junior Canterbury Champs
6-7th March 2010
- South Island IRB Champs
6-7th March 2010
- NZ IRB Champs, Waipu Cove
26-28th March 2010

as they are due soon. Make sure you are doing an adequate amount of training for these because there is nothing better than seeing a yellow and black skullcap popping out of the surf first! ooragh!



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Photos: **Top:** Team New Brighton ready to race in the Southern Surf League. **Bottom:** Lifeguard Pyramid



Competition Report



Photos:

Top: Boys showing the speed of the new double hull canoe.

Left: Jim flying out in 1st place. **Bottom:** U21 Boys ready to race.



The start of January saw New Brighton go into the ring with all the other clubs in Canterbury and partake in the Southern Surf League. New Brighton got off to a perfect start by cleaning up in the beach relay with no dropped baton-changes thanks to our previous years of endless change-over training from junior surf. Jim backed up our first win with another victory in the IRB single race. Unfortunately, the weather started to deteriorate into a very miserable day and so from then on did our performances. A big well done to our 15 year-old competitors, Katherine Harper, Megan de Lambert, and Jack (Jock) Henry for taking on open competitors and doing very well.

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Last week end saw our petrol heads revving their engines at the North Beach IRB Classic. The sun was out but there was some sizeable and difficult surf that was very messy and not ideal for racing. All teams raced exceedingly well, but Adam Nash and Sam Henry shone out by winning most of the U21 races and taking home top U21 Crew and \$180 in vouchers for prizes so well done. A big thank you to all the patients that helped out, and to the Parents and Spanner managers (Sal and Daisy) for being such a formidable support crew!

Rep Teams

It was great to see that we have had a number of athletes representing Canterbury in age group teams we had Sean Newbitt in the U14 team coached by our own Andrew Jensen. Tom Nash went away with the U16A Team, while Josh Johnson and Megan de Lambert were in the U16B Team. Jack Nash will be soon representing us at Surf league in the U19 team.

The U16 team went up to the North Island for a week of racing starting at Omaha beach for the inter-district competition. Canterbury ended up 3rd province over the two days of racing. For next 5 days they went exploring and training at some top north island clubs and beaches ending up at the mount for Northern regional Champs. Tom managed to Place 8th in the board final at NRCs but unfortunately the second day of racing saw most events cancelled due to big surf and bad weather, so it's reassuring that it's not just in Canterbury where this happens.



Media Report: With Sam Henry, Communications Director

Andrew Jensen gets in Press with Casual Lean and Binocular Pose

Andrew made it into the Press with an article about lifeguarding the beach as a Regional Guard as part of the Press' Summer emergency Heroes series. Meanwhile, other unnamed members were inset into the article doing donuts in the IRB. A signed copy of the Article from Mr. Jensen himself can be viewed on the club noticeboard

Get Famous Photo Shoot – ChCh Mail

On 26 October, a few of the clubs active lifeguards turned up to the beach for a pre-season photo shoot to help encourage people to attend Open Day. Matt Nash, took a shot including members and a large quantity of our equipment which appeared in the ChCh mail the week after. Consequently, Open Day has a very large turnout and was very successful.



Website

newbrightonslsc.org.nz has recently been updated. You can now find the patrol roster for the season (including patrol members and Patrol captains phone numbers), a list of how many patrol hours you have done in total, links to newsletters, as well as the calendar of events for Surf Life Saving in New Zealand. Check it out! And let us know of any additional information you think would be helpful, if we put it online for you. (maybe attach screen shot of website ??)
If you know of any media coverage or future media opportunities for the club, contact Sam Henry, samuel.henry@windowslive.com
Cheers Sam Henry, Communications Director

Nationals

Nationals this year are at Ohope Beach in Whakatane. Please let Jimmy know if you're going. If you are going you will need to book flights for Wednesday am (earliest Flight about 6am) on the 10th of March to Wellington and return Wellington to Chch Monday 15th of March (latest flight 8 or 9pm)





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