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2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Swimming Championships

Sunday 29 January 2023

Oriental and Freyberg Beach, Wellington

Event Information Booklet

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General Information

Swimming New Zealand and the Banana Boat New Zealand Ocean Swim Series have partnered to host the 2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Championships within the Interislander Swim the Lighthouse.

The Championships will take place on Sunday 29 January 2023 at Oriental and Freyberg Beach in Wellington.

Event Safety and Rules will be governed by the Banana Boat New Zealand Ocean Swim Series guidelines.

This meet is open to financial, registered (at the time of competition) Swimming New Zealand club swimmers, competitive swimmers and any person who is enrolled at Secondary Schools in New Zealand.

For further information, general updates, and any changes to this document, please check the SNZ event webpage regularly.

Distances, Age Groups and Eligibility

The event offers the following distances:

- 3.3km
- 1000m
- 500m

Swimmers wanting to enter multiple distances can do so at their own responsibility. Please note that swimmers must attend the safety briefing of each distance entered. Check safety briefings and start times before entering.

Age Groups for the Championships are 12-13yrs, 14-15yrs and 16-19yrs, with a female and male division for each of the above Age Groups.

Eligibility Age as at 29 January 2023

There are no qualification times for the Championships; entries open to all schools in New Zealand with year 9-13 students.

Homeschooled students are eligible to participate but must align to a secondary school for the Championships.

[Please click here for the eligibility regulations for homeschooled students](#)



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Entry Information

Entries open on Thursday 11 August 2022

Entries close on Sunday 22 January 2023 at 11:59pm

Late Entries will not be accepted. No refunds for any withdrawals (including medical) will apply once entries have closed.

Entry Process

All entries MUST be completed online and through the Banana Boat NZ Ocean Swim Series registration portal which can be found [here](#).

School Sanctioning Form

All entries must be confirmed/sanctioned by the swimmers' Secondary School. Schools will be sent an entry list of students after entries close, and the school will need to complete the sanctioning form no later than **5:00pm on Thursday 26 January 2023**.

[Click here for the School Approval Form](#)

Foreign Entries

No international visitor entries will be accepted for this championship.

Entry Fees

Entry fees are as follows per individual event:

Distance	Early Bird (ends 31 December)	Standard
3.3km	\$70	\$80
1000m	\$45	\$55
500m	\$35	\$45

Withdrawals

Swimmers withdrawing from the event must inform Swimming New Zealand prior to 5:00pm Friday 27 January 2023. Swimmers withdrawing from the race after 5:00pm on Friday 27 January 2023 are required to inform event staff at the registration tent of their withdrawal.



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Competition Information

Important Times

Briefings are compulsory and must be attended by swimmers. The briefings take place at the start area and will include important information about safety, start and finish procedures and any other important information.

Distance	Briefing Time	Start Time
3.3km	8:15am	8:30am
1000m	9:45am	9:55am
500m	10:05am	10:15am

Event Health & Safety

Event safety information can be found [here](#). You can also visit the School Sport NZ event webpage for the Health & Safety documents approximately 6 weeks prior to the event commencing.

Timing

Electronic timing straps will be used for the 2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Championships. Swimmers will be required to pay \$30.00 per strap if it is lost/not returned.

Swim Caps

Swim caps are provided as part of your entry and must be worn as a Health and Safety measure.

Wetsuits

Wetsuits are optional for all events.

Start Groups

All events are split into start groups (waves) seeding you with swimmers of similar ability/speed. These are based on your selected swim speed during your entry process.

Race Pack Collection

Race Packs can be collected at the Registration Tent on the day of the event.

The following registration opening times apply:





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- 3.3km; 6:30am
- 1000m; 8:00am
- 500m; 8:15am

Registration closes fifteen (15) minutes prior to race start.

Results

Results for the 2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Swimming Championships will be posted on the Banana Boat New Zealand Ocean Swim Series as soon as practicable after the event.

Medals and Trophies

Medals will be awarded to the first three (3) swimmers in each age category per gender, as part of the prize ceremony for the Banana Boat NZ Ocean Swim Series.

A trophy will be awarded to the top overall school with points allocated to swimmers' placing within each distance/event. Points are allocated as stated in the table below:

Please note that all 2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Swimming Championships swimmers will still be eligible for medals for the Interislander Swim the Lighthouse event in respective divisions, as well as overall series points.

Anti-Doping

All participants must agree to and comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules.

Place	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Points	26	21	17	14	12	10	8	6	4	2



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NEW ZEALAND OCEAN SWIM SERIES

Pt Jerningham Lighthouse

Freyberg Beach

FINISH

START

Fountain

Oriental Bay

SWIM THE LIGHTHOUSE

ROUND THE LIGHTHOUSE 3.3km

Interislander





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The map shows a route starting at 'START' (blue circle) in Oriental Bay, going clockwise around the bay, passing 'Fountain' (yellow label), 'FINISH' (blue circle) at Freyberg Beach, and returning to 'START'. A yellow banner at the bottom reads 'SWIM THE LIGHTHOUSE ROUND THE FOUNTAIN 1000m'. Logos for 'Interislander' and 'NEW ZEALAND OCEAN SWIM SERIES' are also present.





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The map shows the coastline of Oriental Bay with a swimming route marked by a white line with arrows. The route starts at a blue circle labeled 'START' on the beach, goes clockwise around a 'Fountain' (marked with a yellow triangle), and ends at a blue circle labeled 'FINISH' on the beach. Other landmarks include 'Freyberg Beach' and 'Oriental Bay'. Logos for 'Interislander' and 'SWIM THE LIGHTHOUSE' are present. A blue banner at the bottom reads 'ROUND THE FOUNTAIN 500m'. The 'BANANA BOAT NEW ZEALAND OCEAN SWIM SERIES' logo is in the top right corner.





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Other Information

Parking

Event Parking will be limited in the event areas, please allow enough time to park further away if required.

We ask for your cooperation to follow any directions or instructions by event staff.

Please drive carefully and slow around the event site as (young) swimmers will be walking around and possibly on roadside.

Meet Photography

Participants who have entered this event agree to allow photograph, video multimedia or film likeness taken by accredited photographers to be used for any legitimate by Swimming New Zealand, the Banana Boat NZ Ocean Swim Series or others as approved by Swimming New Zealand and the Banana Boat NZ Ocean Swim Series.

Bag Storage Area

An area designated to store gear bags will be available for all participants while you swim. This will be situated at the main event site at Freyberg Beach. You will need to bring your own small bag and label with your name and contact details.

Please remember, this is an 'all care, no responsibility service', so please do not pack valuable items.

More Information or Questions

Please visit the [Banana Boat NZ Ocean Swim Series](#) website for any further general information or contact Swimming NZ for specific 2023 All Stars Zonal Secondary School Open Water Swimming Championships information.