

Preliminary Information

South Island Country & Town Competition - Blenheim

Competition Dates: March 26th – 27th



Head Coach – Shaun Chan

Assistant Coach/es– tbc (appointed only if numbers permit)

Manager – tbc

Assistant Manager/s – tbc (appointed only if numbers permit)

This document will be updated with names of the appointed managers following their ratification at the first Board Meeting following the close of applications

Managers:

- Applications from interested parties are welcome and will close on Nov 4th 2021
- Application forms can be found at <https://www.swimsouthland.org.nz/pages/team-managers-info>

Confirmation on attendance:

Please inform the Swimming Southland Executive Officer by email as soon as you decide you will be attending the Meet **and NO LATER THAN FEB 9th 2022** (Anyone who decides to attend the meet after this date will not be guaranteed accommodation with the team and therefore would be required to find their own accommodation)

Before leaving Swimmers are required to complete and forward to Swimming Southland the 2022 Swimmers Agreement (if this meet is your first Rep Meet of the calendar year) & Medical Form

Travel/Accommodation

- The Management team will depart Invercargill for Blenheim on **Friday March 25th at 6.15am via Wellington (FLIGHT NZ8872) & Flight (NZ8725) arriving in Blenheim at 9.10am**. They will depart Blenheim on **Monday March 28th at 9.55am (FLIGHT NZ8722) via Wellington (Flight NZ 8873) arriving back in Invercargill at 1.05pm** (flight numbers/times are as at Oct 20th and could alter if Air NZ makes scheduling changes)
- It is expected that all swimmers will travel and stay with the team for the duration of the meet, but if a swimmer requires to do so independently they must apply for approval to the Swimming Southland Management Board. Application is to be made by completing the travel dispensation form available on the website and emailing it to the Swimming Southland Executive Officer a minimum of 14 days prior to departure
- Advance notice – To enable the development of a cohesive team culture, and individual swimmers' independence should you wish to see your child during the meet you will need to contact the Team Manager in the first instance to arrange a suitable time

Food

- Please ensure you bring your own cereal – milk, toast, spreads will be provided.
- If you want something other than this, feel free to bring it with you.
- Swimmers need to provide their own pool side snacks, remember this is not the time to try anything new.
- A handy trick is to make up zip lock bags with each session labelled on them so you don't run short.
- A container of home baking to share will keep the Management team sweet as well as your fellow swimmers 😊

Uniform

- Remember to check our Swimming Southland website for what you need to wear
- Swimming Southland Caps – these can be purchased from Katrina before you leave, or from your Team Manager during the Meet.
- Costs - \$10 per cap for the normal style cap, or \$20 per cap for the dome style.

Cost:

The per person budget for this trip is \$465.00 (and includes Accommodation/ Food \$355, Transport \$77.00 and Incidentals/Activities/Admin Fee \$33.00)

- The budget has been based on previous years number and may be subject to alternation if estimated number attending swimmers changes
- Once the meet entries close and the final budget determined clubs will be subsequently invoiced for 80% of the budgeted costs to their swimmers to attend the meet
- Payment of the above mentioned cost is to be arranged directly between swimmers and their clubs
- After the meet has been completed the Swimming Southland Executive Officer will invoice the clubs for any balance that may be incurred.

Scratching

- We want swimmers to race in all the events they have chosen to enter. Swimming in a final is a privilege and we won't be withdrawing from these.

Device usage poolside

- Traditionally Southland is the loudest team poolside, this meet will be no different. When your team mates are racing we will be off devices and cheering for them

Team Meeting

- There will be a team meeting (date to be advised) it is expected that all swimmers and one of their parent/caregiver's will attend.