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Your news...

Karapiro Rowing welcomes your input and comment - please send it to our secretary, Peter Britton, whose contact details are as follows: secretary@karapirorowing.com or Box 1052, Cambridge 3450.

How can you help the Tower Fund?

There are a variety of ways to help with the Tower Fund. Fully tax deductible donations can be made to the New Zealand Rowing Foundation. Choosing this route means you will receive a tax certificate which can be submitted with your annual tax return.

Please go to www.rowingnz.com and click on **Donate Now** on the home page, or contact our secretary, Peter Britton, 07 827 4204 or email him at secretary@karapirorowing.com

Tower Naming Rights.

We are still keen to hear from anyone who may be interested in naming rights to the new Tower. We believe this represents a fantastic long term marketing vehicle for any established or up and coming Kiwi brand. There are a variety of ways to get involved and get your name out there in front of thousands every year.

Terms could be on an annualized basis. Naming rights to each floor are also a possibility – we will permanently acknowledge all donations, inside the new

New Tower progresses

As can be seen on the photo taken Saturday July 24, progress is right on track for an opening at the end of September for the stunning new tower to complement the new Don Rowlands centre at Lake Karapiro. The old tower was built for the 1978 World Rowing Championships and saw racing of the highest international standard for over 30 years. It was knocked down in just a day or two in June. The new Regatta Management Centre, which is being built by Hawkins Construction, will have a slightly larger footprint, and be set 2.8 meters further back from the Lake. It will meet the specifications of FISA for the 2010 World Rowing Championships, and the needs of all future rowing regattas and events at Lake Karapiro. The site, known as Ground Zero, progresses visibly every day and we expect the roof to be on by the end of next week!



2010 AGM and new Board members

Tower building.

Prefab for sale

We are sure you know the one! Ex-classroom prefab, approximately 11m x 6m. The price is \$18,000 ono. If anyone is interested please contact Iain Patterson at the Waipa District Council on (07) 8233800.

Forthcoming dates

We can confirm the following regattas (at Lake Karapiro unless stated otherwise)

31/10-7/11 World Rowing Championships
4-5 December The Peter Baddeley Memorial Regatta
17-19 December Christmas Regatta
14-15 January North Island Club Champs
28-30 January Cambridge Town Cup
15-19 February BankLink NZ Championships (Lake Ruataniwha)
26-27 February Mighty River Power Junior
11-13 March North Island Secondary Schools Championships
28 Mar-3 April New Zealand Secondary Schools Championships (The Aon Maadi Cup)



Held in the Waipa Room of the brand new Don Rowlands Centre at the lake on Sunday August 8, the AGM was attended by delegates from six of our eight member associations who make up the stakeholders in Karapiro Rowing.



With the retirement of both Murray Twining and Dave McCowan, there were two vacancies to fill, and Warren Thomas (below left) and Brian Parr were welcomed to the Board table to fill those posts.

The Board of Karapiro Rowing also includes (left, above, from left to right) Warren Cole, Roger Milne, Tony Popplewell (Chair), Brian Parr, Richard Glenn and Simon Peterson (not in photo).

Farewell to Murray

Murray Twining deserves special mention in this issue of the newsletter. He has served on the Board of Karapiro Rowing Incorporated for the last nine years, and together with wife Robyn they have brought huge energy and dedication to the sport and to the regattas at Lake Karapiro.



With a famous daughter who has also been an integral part of rowing for more than a decade, we owe this family a huge bouquet. Murray leaves after overseeing the new Tower project and the boat park management at the forthcoming World Championships as his final major pieces of work. Murray and Robyn, thanks to you both.

Mighty River Power Junior Regatta



The Board has signed a contract for naming rights to the Junior Regatta, which this season is on Feb 26 – 27, 2011. The agreement is for three years, with right of renewal for a further two years.

We are delighted that at last this regatta has a naming rights sponsor, and we look forward to hosting Mighty River Power over that weekend. It is still one of the biggest regattas in New Zealand and a big part of the build up for schools to the Aon Maadi Cup so it is great that we have been able to secure a long term sponsor which will help us do an even better job of developing it and promoting it.



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