

## Meet Information

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### Scratchings

If swimmers are scratching from the swim please contact Libby Peckham or Lesley Mackenzie at the above contact details prior to Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008.

If for any reason you are unable to make it to Lake Rotoma on the day, please contact Libby Peckham on 027 694 3598. Cell phone coverage is variable at Lake Rotoma so please leave a message if there is no answer.

### Host Association

Kiwanis of Whakatane  
Leigh Baker

### Location of swim

Lake Rotoma, Bay of Plenty

### Directions to Venue

#### From Hamilton/Auckland

Travel into Rotorua via State Highway 5 and then head out towards the Rotorua airport on the Tauranga/Rotorua Highway - State Highway 30. Continue to follow the directions below

#### From Rotorua

Travel along the Tauranga/Rotorua Highway – State Highway 30 towards the airport. Take a right turn remaining on State Highway 30 to Whakatane about 4km after the Rotorua airport. Lake Rotoma is the 3rd Lake on State Highway 30. Travel past Lake Rotoiti, Lake Rotoehu, then past the Service Station and Camping Ground at Lake Rotoma, around a few bends in the road. Take a left at Matahi Road, and then keep left of the toilet block, 400m along lakefront to start.

### From Whakatane

Travel along the Whakatane/Rotorua Highway 30. After leaving the Bush Lake in front of you, take 1st Road on right – Matahi Road, keep left of the toilet block, 400m along lake front to start.

There will be a Swimming New Zealand sign on the roadside. Please allow enough travel time to get to the lake in time to register.

### Start-time

Start time for the 2008 NZ Open Water 5000m Champs is **9.30am** for both males and females.

### Check in

Registration for the 2008 NZ Open Water 5000m Champs is between **8.15am and 9am** on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February at the lake. You will then be allocated your swim cap and number for the swim at registration.

### Briefing

A Briefing for swimmers will be held at **9.10am** at the lake. This Briefing must be attended and will include details of the race format, start, race course, finish and race rules.

### Race format

The 2008 NZ Open Water 5000m Championships shall be swum by males and females as a 5km timed final in the following age groups: 13-15, 16-17 and Open.

### Race Course

The venue for the race has a triangular race course set-up with buoys visible around the whole course. Please refer to the Course Layout document on the website. Any questions regarding the course layout please contact Libby on 027 694 3598 or [libby@swimmingnz.org.nz](mailto:libby@swimmingnz.org.nz)

### Results

Results for the NZ Open Water 5000m Championships will be posted on the SNZ website as soon as practicable after the event.

### Medal presentations

Medal presentations for placings of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> New Zealanders and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> visitors - male and female for the 13-15, 16-17 and Open age groups and will be held as soon as practicable after the finish of the swim.

### Swim Caps

SNZ will provide each swimmer with a numbered swim cap that must be worn so they are visible from the shore and to the officials.