

# Kerikeri Gymnastics Club

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GYMNASTICS: FOUNDATION OF ALL SPORTS. MAKER OF CHAMPIONS.

## What's happening with the new gym?

### A Quick Overview:

- We will be building our own personal brand new purpose-built gymnastics facility at the Bay Sports Grounds in Waipapa
- We aim to begin building by the end of 2017
- **For years this has been a dream. Now it's becoming a reality!**

### So what now? We need YOU

We know that every member of our gym wants a new building - in our survey last year 80% of members said our current building is a deterrent for attracting or retaining members, and a whopping 90% supported the development of our own purpose-built facility at Bay Sport in Waipapa. So now we need those 90% to step forward and make it happen!

### GREAT NEWS!!

Earlier this year we were granted \$23,000 from the Lotteries Foundation in order to get a Feasibility Study done. This study is a requirement of all large community projects and without it we would be unable to apply for any large grants or funding.

Faye Freeman of Freeman Associates took on the task last year, and as of last week, the Feasibility Study for a new gymnasium is officially completed!

Even better, it is HUGELY positive and supportive of our new building. Faye has analysed the past, current and future running of the club and confirmed that it IS feasible for Club to build our own purpose-built gymnasium in the Waipapa Sports Ground. Not all Feasibility Studies are in support of projects, so it's really awesome to see that ours is now officially endorsed. Because of the positive outcome, we are now able to apply for all sorts of grants and approach businesses with sponsorship proposals.

### CURRENT FUNDRAISING

One of our gymnasts Charlotte has used her own initiative to organise a fundraising event in order to raise money towards the new gymnasium. She's organising a groceries raffle at her school, Kerikeri Primary, and is looking for donations of groceries to help out! We have a box at the club for anything you're able to drop off this week. We really appreciate it Charlotte!



We have roughly 160 children at our gym who would all LOVE to be able to train in a warm, dry, well-lit gymnasium. The opportunity for them to do so is well within reach if we can keep our current momentum going!

Roger Ackers has very kindly stepped forward and offered to be our Project Manager and to ensure that we stay on target with our fundraising efforts. Roger needs a team of people to work alongside him. This is not a case of 'someone else will do it'. Please seriously consider stepping forward to help out - we absolutely cannot build this gymnasium without your help.

**Thank you so much to everyone who voted for us with the cardboard chips at the Warehouse in Waipapa... because we won!! We've just received the \$800 into our fundraising account. Awesome support from everyone!**

## WAGS Competition Results

What an AWESOME day we all had at the WAGS competition in Whangarei! For a lot of the gymnasts it was their very first competition and we are so proud of how everyone did!

All the results are displayed on the noticeboard at gym, but here are some of the highlights:

### BOYS LEVEL TWO

Daniel - 6th on Floor, 3rd on Pommel, FIRST on Vault, 4th on Parallel Bar, FIFTH OVERALL

### BOYS LEVEL THREE

Josh - 5th on Floor, 5th on Pommel, 3rd= on Rings, FIRST on Vault, 6th on Parallel Bar, 4th on High Bar, FIFTH OVERALL

Max - 6th on Floor, Pommel and Vault, 5th on Rings and High Bar, 2nd on Parallel Bar, SIXTH OVERALL

### GIRLS STEP TWO

Zoe - 7th on Beam, 3rd on Floor, SIXTH OVERALL with a massive 54 overall score. This means she's now qualified to move up to Step 3!

### GIRLS STEP THREE

Grace - 6th on Bar, 8th on Floor, EIGHTH OVERALL with a total of 51.515 overall  
Sammi - 8th= on Bar, and a total score of 50.232 which means she has achieved her goal and qualified to move up to Step 4!

### GIRLS STEP FOUR

Tiree - 8th on Beam, 7th= on Floor

Awesome work Ivana, Jessie, Tyla, Kyler, Ocean, Maia, Lucy and Monique! These girls had an amazing first competition, they tried their absolute best and did some beautiful routines! We're also very proud of Shaie, Alice, Amalia, Charlotte, Ava and Jade for improving on their scores from last time and doing some amazing routines.

Now looking forward to our next competition in Kaitaia this coming weekend!

Congratulations to our coach and gymnast **Aimee** who has qualified to represent Northland at Nationals in Aerobics Gymsports! Aimee trained competitive gymnastics up until 2014 and recreational since, and just started Aerobics in term 1 of this year. This is an amazing achievement in a very short period of time and we are so proud of her!

"Hard days are the best because that's when champions are made. If you push through the hard days, then you can get through anything."



*-Gabby Douglas*

**Thank you so much to **Michelle** who has kindly offered her services to get a website up and running for our club. Keep an eye out!**

In term 1 we were very disappointed to find a piece of our equipment missing. Our coach Richard had bought in his own 'spotting belt' to assist with coaching the boys tumbling. We have never had an issue with anything going missing before and are really disappointed that it has been stolen from inside the club. If anyone has seen it or has any information please let us know or bring it back. It is a dark red and looks almost like a weight-lifters belt, with a rope attached on each side.



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