



# Water Ski Lake Hood Inc

## Memberships

Welcome... email [greenies4@paradise.net.nz](mailto:greenies4@paradise.net.nz)

## Hood Aquafest...

Awesome day for skiing...  
check out Peters photos  
next pages

## Club Nights

Thursdays... 4 - 8 pm all welcome

Club boat ...\$20 per set, or \$15 per set  
members

A half course is in for those 'nearly there'

## Buy/Sell

Sell 63" slalom blank, ph Neil 308 3412

Found Wakeboard bag, ph Gavin 03 3026939



## Canterbury Slalom Lake Hood... 10-11 March

The weather bomb moved on... still accepting entries if you can make it now for this weekend.... \$45 three rounds...Email... [neil.janeen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:neil.janeen@xtra.co.nz)

## Canterbury Regionals Lake Crichton... 17-18 March

Entry flyer out soon

## New Zealand Nationals Kai Iwi Lakes ... 2-8 April

Skiers are on countdown, with just 4 weeks to go, Entries due by 12th March... see NZTWSA website

## ... New Website ...

Check out the news on Water Ski Lake Hood's  
new website, it's a work in progress still,  
coming to you from Karl at Uni in Purdue.  
<http://waterskilakehood.co.nz>

Also on ...

**Clearwater Aquatic Club Champs** - 10 Mar

**Moomba Masters** on the Yarra, Melbourne  
check out their website for results this week

## Fun day Sunday 15 April

**Ski Schoolers Seasons' Wind up**

Wake crossings, Half course, Most  
Bouys off the Dock... or just have a  
tow... and celebrate this months....

## Lake Hood

## 10 Year Anniversary

**Shared Luncheon**

Sausages and drinks supplied  
Bring a plate of nibbles or treats



# Hood Aquafest Slalom



**Molly McPhail**  
second in  
Womens,  
and best  
personal  
slalom



**Jack Engel**  
makes the  
most of  
perfect  
conditions

## Water skiers set for big events

Water Ski Lake Hood Club members are continuing their busy summer, heading to Lake Crichton this weekend, before returning to their home base for the Canterbury Slalom on March 3.

It has been a busy start to the year, with seven members competing in the Oz-Kiwi challenge in Wanganui last month, but they still have some big competitions coming up with the Canterbury regional championships in mid-March followed by the Nationals Kai Iwi Lakes in Northland in April.

With the international events behind them and the big national competitions to come on the weekend it was back home for some in-house competition with the annual Aquafest three event tournament at Lake Hood.

After a cool and breezy start, it cleared in to an almost-perfect day on the lake, getting through two rounds slalom, trick and jumping.

Two New Zealand record holders were chasing their scores in the slalom.

Senior men's 3 champion Gavin Green came the closest, turning just inside the elusive fourth buoy on the 12m shortening at 55km.

Gavin won the Lake Hood men's slalom trophy ahead of his son Tom Green, with Neil Donaldson third.

Trick and jump results went the same way in the men, with Gavin jumping 27.3m for the day's top score.

Lana Donaldson won the women's slalom trophy with a top score of 2.5 at 13-55, ahead of Molly McPhail, and Hannah Wright.

Donaldson also took out the women's tricks but a change in order saw Wright second and McPhail third.

After swapping minor places, Wright and McPhail could not be separated in the jump, tied for first with Hilary Munro third.

The juniors trophy went to Henley Wayne of Rangiora, who had just set a new New Zealand



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Tom Green goes soaring in the men's jump event in the Water Ski Lake Hood Aquafest at the weekend.

junior boys' record at the Oz-Kiwi championships two weeks ago. Nick Spittlehouse came second, and Hugh Donaldson third.

In the tricks, Hugh had the top score of the day with 3220 points, equalling his South Island

record, with twin brother George in second and Spittlehouse third.

The juniors jump was also won by Hugh, with George again second and Lachie Woodman coming in third.



No surprises here...Henley Wayne accepts the Juniors Trophy from Geoff



Nick Spittlehouse skis 2@55 for second in Juniors



Thanks to the Woodman family for the use of their new Nautique 200 in slalom. And Thankyou to all who helped.



NZ Champ Gavin Green on his record 12m pass determined to get round bouy 4... but it wasn't to be today...

Treasurer Gavin accepts the Mens Slalom Trophy from President Neil



Womens Slalom Champ Lana Donaldson leans in for a best score of 2.5 @ 13 today.



# Aquafest Trick & Jump



**Hugh Donaldson** goes down on his last trick, and takes the days top tricks score, with 3220 equaling his previously set Sth Island JBoys record



**Lana Donaldson's** 2910 is the top womens score of the day...

While **Tom Green** has a bet riding on this flip attempt, and it was his best chance of getting to dad Gavins' 2180



Nick Spittlehouse was pleased to push his PB up to 1210, and Lachie Woodmans went up to 770 pts.

**Thumbs up for Tricking :)**

George and Hilary pleased to be tricking on good water



Thanks to our Hood secretary Peter Wood for these awesome skiing photos

**skishotz**  
photography



**Tom Green and Lachie Woodman** all set to go jumping....



**Hannah Wright and Molly McPhail** tie the 2 rounds of Womens Jump, but Hannah has the biggest jump of 24m



In Juniors **Hugh** has a PB of 22.3 ahead of bro George, and Lachie



After setting up all the jump systems, **Neil** takes a break from the computer room to slap on the skis and land his jumps for Nats qualification.

**Gavin** lands the days top score of 27.3... but this pic below tells the story... jumping's hard work !

