



# Water Ski Lake Hood Inc

It may have been winter here... but for the regions top skiers, the season never stopped. Many have been away overseas training, competing, breaking records, and coaching.... Highlights included...

For others it's time to get the boat out and warranted, skis fixed, and ski muscles woken up... Ski schools and tournys' are looming fast... !!

Though there was snow just up the road again yesterday :(

Enjoy your read

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## AAO results...

## Working bee...

## Memberships

Enquiries welcome...

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## AGM

Tuesday 30th October

## Ski Schools

Email [neil.janeen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:neil.janeen@xtra.co.nz)

Register early please... there's already plenty of interest...

Will Coughy will return for the first two weeks in December, plus Karl will be back home after 6 months driving and coaching in the States and Oz.

Lana and Rach finish Uni exams next week and are also available

More details to follow.



## Oceania Silver for Lana

Lana Donaldson puts it together at the right time to earn NZ a Silver Medal in Slalom

Early winter saw the Tournament Site computer room and slalom towers get a freshen up, and now match the clubhouse... many thanks especially to David Brady for his help and donation of the paint. The jump also had some R&M



Shay Cousins and Gavin Green made the most of the holidays' sunny Sunday end, with an early seasons' ski.

## Water Ski Lake Hood

## AGM

Tuesday 30th Oct

7.30 pm

MSA Boardroom

All welcome





**NZ Team...** Glen (m), Lana, Tom, Chris, Karl, Curtis, Hilary, and Molly (r)  
Prior to the teams fairy lit walk into the Opening Ceremony...



## Well done Kiwis Bronze

Australia 1st  
Japan 2nd  
New Zealand 3rd

**2012 Asian Australasian Oceania Championships**  
Held in Chuncheon's 'Sports Town', 2 hours inland from Seoul, on an open lake. With mostly warm tropical conditions, among the carnival multi sport atmosphere. We enjoyed catching up with the Asian skiers, watching the inline skaters beside us, and Korean 'drag' karaoke. Though were not so fussed on the pirate boats rolleys.



The judges tower was spectacular, Koreans friendly, kids cute, large crowds, and a huge array of impressive cameras pointed at skiers



White wines were hard to come by, and included interesting extras. Guys added rice wine shots to their beers. Chuncheon is known for it's BBQ style spicy Dakgalbi which we enjoyed.

A well organized Tournament, and Park the Korean coach was very good to the kiwis' on the dock.

**Thank you all**







**Lana Donaldson** ... thrilled to hold her second seeding, skiing 4-13 twice, to win the silver medal in Womens Slalom, behind Ozzy legend Michale Bryant. A one pass trick score, was not what Lana intended. Then after very little jumping this year due to injury, she pulled out a seasons PB of 27m to make finals :)



After days of good skiing, we had Civil Defence visit to warn of cyclone Bolaven coming. Schedules were rejigged and finals bought forward a day. But the wicked cyclone winds arrived early... disrupting finals

Men Slalom Results				
Ranking List				
Name	Country	Categ.	Round 1	
Green Ryan	AUS	Ope M	2.00/58/11.25	
Donaldson Karl	NZL	Ope M	4.50/58/12.00	
Miller Jason	AUS	Ope M	4.50/58/12.00	
Kim See Hyung	KOR	Ope M	3.50/58/12.00	
Cho Bumgeun	KOR	Ope M	3.00/58/12.00	
Wrenn Nicholas	*AUS	Ope M	2.00/58/12.00	
Lee Yong-Woo	*KOR	Ope M	1.00/58/12.00	
Briant Joshua	AUS	Ope M	4.00/58/13.00	
Shaw Chris	NZL	Ope M	2.50/58/13.00	
Hagama Shunjiro	JPN	Ope M	2.00/58/13.00	
Jeong Jimin	KOR	Ope M	2.00/58/13.00	
Chiha Salvador	LIB	Ope M	1.50/58/13.00	

**Karl Donaldson** ... on form after US, and also very happy with his second seeding after round one, but had a long wait on dock as the winds hit during mens final ... sadly all three top seeds missed medals. Jumps were back a bit after a broken binding on dock and Toms ambulance just prior. He was pleased to land his flip in time :) for a finals spot..



## Cantab - Hood skiers

**Hilary Munro** ... chose the right time to ski a slalom PB of 2-14 for spot in the final :) Hilary also made the trick final, (though all called off due to the unsafe winds) so kept her prelim round 8th with 2920.

**Molly McPhail** ... happy with her slalom, also skiing 2-14, an equal PB, for a another round in the womens slalom final :) Consistent skiing in trick and jump.

## Congratulations



North Island Team mates also skied well, with **Chris Shaw** making all 3 finals, and a best finish of 4th in tricks, **Tom Gilbert** was 5th in tricks, then had a nasty jump crash. And our youngest skier **Curtis Williams** very happy to get the last spot in the mens trick final



# Records Broken

## Canterbury / South Island Records

The long standing Mens Slalom Record of 2-11 held by Craig Rogers, was getting challenged on all sides by Cantabs skiing at Cory Pickos' Tournaments in Florida this winter.

Karl Donaldson equalled it, and Morgan Diehl went 1 bouy better with 3-11, but it was blown away by 6 bouys with

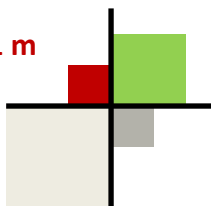
## Hayden Diehl ... Mens Slalom ... 2.5 - 10.75 @58k

Karl had a crack at all three records, also pushing up his Mens tricks, and Craigs' jump records, before heading to Korea.

## Karl Donaldson... Mens Tricks ... 3340 pts

## Mens Jump ... 47.1 m

Karl is now coaching at Stoney's in Port Macquarie, and will be back for his graduation, and coaching in December



## Congratulatiois also...

### New Baby ...

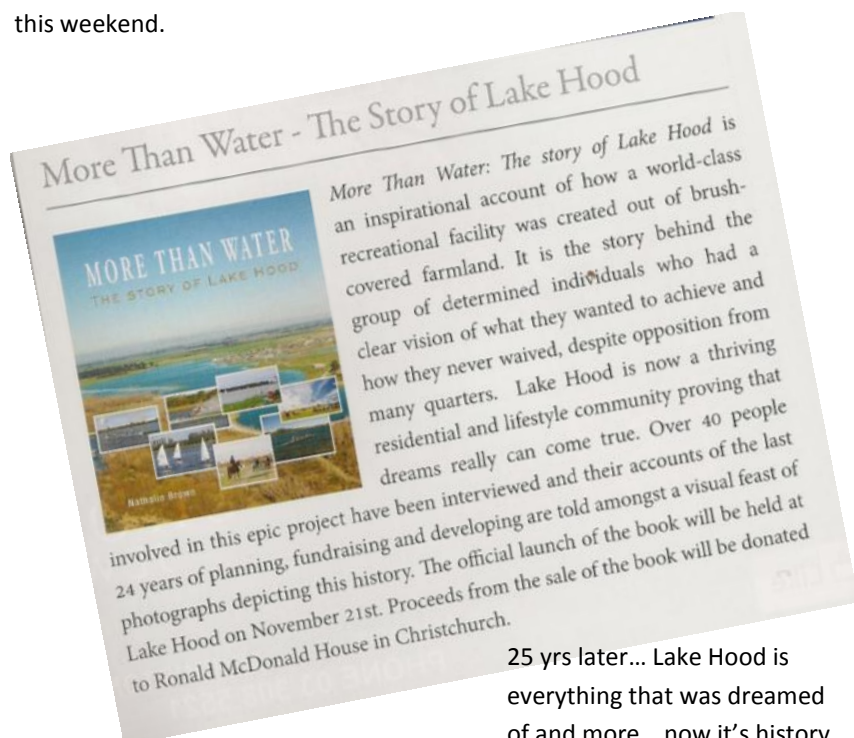
### Paul Cousins and Rose...

Baby Sean was born 4 weeks ago by caesarean , all well :)

### On the move ...

**Paul and Rose** shifted house 10 days later to 20 Glassey Dv.

**Woodmans'** are also shifting... to 84 Elizabeth St, this weekend.



**Christmas**

**Pressy ?**

25 yrs later... Lake Hood is everything that was dreamed of and more... now it's history has been published, with excerpts from many of the clubs' water ski enthusiasts.

## Traditional winter sports...

**Hugh and George** traded skis for hockey sticks, with rep hockey held in Greymouth and Christchurch these holidays.

Though the snow skis were promptly found when Mt Hutts' closing day turned into a beaut with 40cm of new snow.

**Lachie, Hugh, George, Kees** and **Josh** took on the snow jump challenge, getting some significant air !!

**Mike Kelly** made the most of the season, clocking up the ski fields record number of downhill runs.



## Ouch ...

**Andrew Jopson** + snowboard + jump = a Westpac helicopter down to hospital, with a ruptured spleen putting an end to his winter sports.

**Tracey Woodman's** skiing also ended badly with a broken thumb needing surgery, hopefully healing in time for the water skiing season:)



**Perry** also had hand surgery.

## Canterbury Marine Festival ...

Was held this weekend last year, and while not being held this year, there are plans for it to return to Lake Hood in 2013. Meanwhile the Ashburton Show's on...

## Dates for your calendar

## Hood Slalom, T&J

**15-16 December 2012**

2 Rounds Slalom first up + novices

## Lake Hood Aquafest

**26-27 January 2013**

2 Rounds Slalom first up + novices

## Canterbury Slalom

**16-17 February 2013**