



FEBRUARY 26 – MARCH 2, 2025

KEY CONTACTS

National Federation

Name of Federation:	New Zealand Tournament Water Ski Association
Contact Person:	John Weller, NZ Waterski President
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Web Site:	www.nztwsa.co.nz

Organising Committee

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Telephone No:	+64 21 590051 (email or WhatsApp message preferred)
E-Mail Address:	Uniworlds@awsc.co.nz
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COMPETITION WEB SITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

www.awsc.co.nz/uniworlds

Instagram: [@uniworlds2025](https://www.instagram.com/uniworlds2025)



All teams and competitors are requested to tag our Instagram page, plus:

- #iwwfed
- #uniworlds2025
- @awsc_auckland

We request teams attending the event engage with social media for the event and cross post the event sponsors media as much as possible to ensure we support those that are supporting our sport. We may post articles about team or individual entries to the event.

THE EVENT VENUE & WELCOME TO AUCKLAND



Aotearoa, the land of the long white cloud is two South Pacific islands blending cultures from around the world, stunning scenery and a host of exciting activities. Aotearoa is an adrenaline junky playground and host to the 2025 World University Championships in one of the most unique waterski venues in the world – a dormant Volcanic crater moments from the highlights of Auckland City.

The Auckland Water Ski Club is proud to host this event in such a unique location. Within sight of central Auckland's iconic SkyTower, the lake hosts 2 slalom courses to cater to Aucklands ever



changing sub-tropical weather systems and a jump course with probably the best ramp in New Zealand – a Bemman custom ramp to cater for our marine environment.



Uniworlds2025 wish to thank Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei for their support and acknowledge them as Tangata whenua of Ōrākei Basin.

We look forward to hosting your skiers, friends and families in our Country / City and would love you to take time to experience the joys of a summer in New Zealand - a true bucket list destination.

LAUNCH VIDEO REEL

The IWWF Social Media team put together an amazing launch video for the event. We encourage you to check out our amazing country Aotearoa (New Zealand), all the amazing sights it has to offer and some footage from the recent NZ Nationals held at the site:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dv4QmVb-Trc>

Please share this link with your competitors, on your own social pages and with your friends and family. We encourage all to come and visit this small slice of paradise in the South Pacific.

WEATHER

Auckland is located in the North Island of New Zealand and has a temperate sub-tropical maritime climate heavily influenced by its proximity to major water bodies. While the weather can be notoriously changeable, February is the most stable with average temperatures of 24°C and a low of 16.5°C. February is the sunniest month of the year, with an average of 7.6 hours of sunshine per day and average humidity of 75%. Lake temperatures at that time of year usually hover around 22°C.

Wind in February is light to moderate, usually increasing in the afternoon as the sea-breeze increases. The prevailing wind is a south-westerly with frequent north-westerly periods.

As a result, jump is often the first event of the day to take advantage of the best conditions.

NZ has extremely high UV levels and as such a good quality high factor sunscreen is a must.



TRAVEL & LOGISTICS

Up to date information can be found on the website: <https://awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/logistics/>

AUCKLAND AIRPORT

Auckland Airport is an international airport serving Auckland, the most populous city of New Zealand. It is the largest and busiest airport in the country, with over 16 million passengers served in the year ended August 2023.

<https://www.aucklandairport.co.nz/>

The airport is located approximately 20-25 minutes from site and central Auckland, and we recommend taxis, Uber or shuttles to travel from the airport to site or the official hotel.

A preferred provider will be provided in later bulletins.



VISA ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

NZ Traveller Declarations are required prior to travel and visas may be required depending on your country of origin. Please check Immigration NZ's site for specific requirements:

<https://www.travellerdeclaration.govt.nz/>



BIOSECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand has very strict biosecurity controls in place at the border to protect its unique environment and primary industries. These controls are taken very seriously with all bags screened at the border. Failure to comply with the requirements will result in items being removed either permanently, or for lengthy cleaning protocols.

- All water ski equipment **must be clean and dry** before arrival. Check inside wetsuits, boots and gloves for moisture, weed or lake debris and clean where necessary.
- Clean and check all ski bags of any grass or bugs and clean any shoes that may have any mud / dirt on the soles.
- Do not bring food items into NZ unless commercially packaged, unopened and clearly identifiable to border agencies. Auckland is extremely multicultural so many products from overseas are available in stores in the city.

COVID-19 PCR TESTING & PROTOCOLS

No COVID testing is required to enter New Zealand.

The Organisers request that teams respect the health of other competitors and minimise transmission by testing where appropriate and avoiding coming to site or official functions while testing positive.





TRAVEL INSURANCE

The IWWF Bye-Law 16.1 states:

It is the responsibility of each Federation when entering competitors for a World Titled Event to ensure that its competitors are adequately insured for personal accident, permanent disabilities, death and medical expenses.

TRANSPORTATION

Due to the proximity of the airport to the site and official hotel, plus parking costs in the city we recommend using taxis, Uber or shuttles rather than hiring vehicles.

Recommended / official transport providers with discounted event rates will be released in later bulletins and on the website and travel for athletes will be at their own cost.

Officials should contact uniworlds@awsc.co.nz prior to travel to organise / book transport.

CAR RENTAL

We only recommend renting a vehicle if you intend to train at alternative sites around the country or enjoy travelling outside of Auckland. All the major car rental agencies operate in NZ and accept all major credit cards.

Public transport / taxis and Uber are widely available, well priced and reliable.



HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

OFFICIAL HOTEL

Up to date information can be found on the website: <https://awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/official-hotel/>





Heritage Auckland

Hobson Street, Auckland

-  104 rooms and suites
-  Resort-style amenities
-  Heritage-listed building
-  Central city location
-  Walking distance to the Viaduct Harbour and NZICC.

Hotel Name:	Heritage Auckland
Address:	Hotel Wing - 35 Hobson Street, Auckland City
Phone No:	+64 9 379 8553
Email for Reservations:	res@heritagehotels.co.nz
Credit Cards Accepted:	All Major Credit Cards.
Booking Deadline:	<u>We recommend booking early</u> to ensure availability as Auckland hotels can be busy. Final confirmation of names required 30 days prior to arrival.
Distance to Event Venue:	7.5km by road.

This hotel was chosen due to its proximity to site, closing ceremony venue, a central city location with amazing food choices and access to public transport reducing teams travel costs. In addition, it offers larger rooms and great facilities including a rooftop gym and pool, laundry facilities on each floor, a tennis court and free Wi-Fi.

RATES (All rates in this section are NZD)



Promotion code required to access these rates is **IWWF2025**.



The code can be used on www.heritagehotels.co.nz or via the booking email address provided. Rates include Wi-Fi and Heritage owned facilities.

The following Blackout dates apply for Heritage and CityLife Auckland: 7th, 8th and 19th March.

Please note surcharges may apply during peak periods and other event dates.

Rates quoted are valid from 01 February 2025 to 31 March 2025, rates on each room on a per night basis. The GST inclusive rates on this schedule are calculated at the GST rate of 15%. If the GST rate should increase, then the GST inclusive rates will be increased to include the increased GST.

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL RATES FOR IWWF WORLD UNIVERSITY WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS–2025

HERITAGE HOTELS	ROOM TYPE	RATES INC GST 1 FEB 2025 – 31 MAR 2025
HERITAGE AUCKLAND	Hotel Room- (1x Queen Bed)	\$289.00
<i>Hotel Wing - 35 Hobson Street</i>	Superior Room- (1x King, or 1x Queen or 2x Single Beds)	\$299.00
+64 9 379 8553	Deluxe Suite – (1x Queen Bed)	\$329.00
<i>res@heritagehotels.co.nz</i>	Double Deluxe – (2x Queen Beds)	\$354.00
	Executive 1 Bedroom Suite -(1x King Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$379.00

The cancellation policy for these rates is 24 hours prior to arrival. We do however encourage you to release rooms early if they are not required.

RATES FOR BOOKINGS OF 10+ ROOMS (GROUP RATES)

Heritage Auckland have offered additional discounts if teams book 10 or more rooms in a single booking. Note additional cancellation terms apply.



SCHEDULE OF GROUP RATES FOR IWWF WORLD UNIVERSITY WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS- UP TO 6 NIGHTS

HERITAGE HOTELS	ROOM TYPE	RATE INC GST 1 FEB 2025 TO 31 MAR 2025
HERITAGE AUCKLAND	Superior Room - (1x King, or 1x Queen Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$288.00
Hotel Wing - 35 Hobson Street	Double Deluxe – (2x Queen Beds)	\$343.00
+64 9 379 8553	Executive 1 Bedroom Suite - (1x King Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$359.00

SCHEDULE OF GROUP RATES FOR IWWF WORLD UNIVERSITY WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS- 7+ NIGHTS

HERITAGE HOTELS	ROOM TYPE	RATE INC GST 1 FEB 2025 TO 31 MAR 2025
HERITAGE AUCKLAND	Superior Room - (1x King, or 1x Queen Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$271.00
Hotel Wing - 35 Hobson Street	Double Deluxe – (2x Queen Beds)	\$336.00
+64 9 379 8553	Executive 1 Bedroom Suite - (1x King Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$339.00

For these rates, final guest numbers and names are required thirty (30) days prior to group arrival. Failure to provide the Hotel with the final accommodation requirements 30 days prior to arrival may result in cancellation of rooms held.

After the 30-day confirmation date, name adjustments may be made up to 7 days prior to arrival. There will be no refunds for cancellations received within 30 days prior to arrival.

CREDIT CARD FEE

Please note a charge of 1.5% will be applied to all credit card payments for all Heritage and CityLife and Heritage Collection properties, excluding The Devon Hotel. This affects Visa, MasterCard, JCB, American Express and Diners Club. Debit cards will not be charged unless the card is not available at the time of payment.

LAW

All transactions will be governed by and construed with reference to the laws for the time being in force in New Zealand. Both parties agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the New Zealand courts in any dispute or difference of any kind that may arise concerning these transactions.

NO SHOW AND CANCELLATION FEES

Each hotel has a specific cancellation policy. As a general guideline if the party does not cancel his/her reservation being held, before the specified time prior to arrival, then the hotel reserves the right to charge a cancellation fee equivalent to the value of one night's accommodation.



ADDITIONAL HOTELS

The Heritage Group have kindly extended special rates to all attendees to this event across their group hotels around the country, giving you, your friends and family an even better reason to explore all Aotearoa has to offer!



EXPLORE THE BEST OF NEW ZEALAND

North Island | Te Ika-a-Māui

- 1 Heritage Collection SEA SPRAY SUITES, *Paihia, Bay Of Islands*
- 2 Heritage Collection THE WATERFRONT SUITES, *Paihia, Bay Of Islands*
- 3 HERITAGE AUCKLAND
- 4 CITYLIFE AUCKLAND
- 5 THE DEVON HOTEL NEW PLYMOUTH
- 6 CITYLIFE WELLINGTON

South Island | Te Waipounamu

- 7 RUTHERFORD HOTEL NELSON
- 8 Heritage Collection THE WHITE MORPH, *Kaikōura*
- 9 HERITAGE CHRISTCHURCH
- 10 HERITAGE QUEENSTOWN

North Island	
CityLife Wellington 300 Lambton Quay, Wellington, 6011 Ph 04 922 2800, Email: res.citylifewlg@heritagehotels.co.nz 10% off the Best Available (Flexi) Rate	
South Island	
The White Morph, Kaikōura 92 The Esplanade, Kaikōura, 7300 Ph 03 619 5014, E-mail: info@whitemorph.co.nz 10% off the Best Available Rate	Heritage Queenstown 91 Fernhill Road, Queenstown 9300 Ph 03 619 5014, E-mail: res.heritagezqn@heritagehotels.co.nz 15% off the Best Available Rate. Carparking included.

Please use code **IWWF2025** when booking these hotels (online) to receive the discount (or quote code when booking directly at the property).

Note additional terms (e.g. cancellation) may apply at each of these hotels. Please check at time of booking.



HERITAGE HOTELS	ROOM TYPE	RATES INC GST 1 FEB 2025– 31 MAR 2025
RUTHERFORD HOTEL NELSON - A HERITAGE HOTEL	Premium Room- (1x Queen Bed + 1x Single Bed, or 1x King Bed)	\$240.00
<i>Trafalgar Square</i>		
<i>+64 3 548 2299</i>		
<i>reservations@rutherfordhotel.co.nz</i>		
HERITAGE CHRISTCHURCH	1 Bedroom Suite- (1x Queen Bed, or 1x King Bed)	\$254.00
<i>28-30 Cathedral Square</i>	2 Bedroom Suite- (1x King Bed + 2x Single Beds, or 2x Queen Beds)	\$354.00
<i>+64 3 377 9722</i>	Breakfast Buffet (Distinction Hotel)	\$36.00
<i>res.heritagechc@heritagehotels.co.nz</i>		
CITYLIFE AUCKLAND - A HERITAGE HOTEL	Superior Room- (1x King, or 1x Queen or 2x Single Beds)	\$299.00
<i>171 Queen Street</i>	Superior Room – City- (1x King or 2x Single Beds)	\$319.00
<i>+64 9 379 9222</i>	Deluxe Suite- (1x Queen Bed)	\$329.00
<i>reservations@citylifelifehotels.co.nz</i>	Executive 1 Bedroom Suite- (1x King Bed, or 1x Queen Bed or 2x Single Beds)	\$379.00
	Executive 1 Bedroom Suite – City Suite- (1x King, or 1x Queen or 2x Single Beds)	\$429.00
	Executive 2 Bedroom Suite- (2x Queen Beds, or 2x King Beds or 4x Single Beds)	\$638.00
	Executive 2 Bedroom Suite- City Suite - (2x Queen Beds, or 2x King Beds or 4x Single Beds)	\$738.00
	Executive 3 Bedroom Suite- (2x Queen Beds + 1x King Bed, or 2x Queen Beds + 2x Single Beds, or 2x King Beds + 1x Queen Bed, or 4x Single Beds + 1x Queen Bed)	\$957.00
THE DEVON HOTEL, NEW PLYMOUTH	Standard Room- (1x Queen Bed)	\$159.00
<i>390 Devon Street East</i>	Deluxe Room- (1x King Bed)	\$199.00
<i>+64 6 759 9099</i>	Suite- (1x King)	\$299.00
<i>mail@devonhotel.co.nz</i>	Buffet Breakfast	\$30.00
	Buffet Dinner	\$50.00

TOURIST INFORMATION

#IfYouSeekNZ



New Zealand (Aotearoa) is simply one of the most stunning countries in the World. In NZ you can find everything from amazing scenery to adrenaline junkie activities and a uniquely diverse south pacific culture. **We strongly encourage** you to extend your stay and **bring your friends and families** to enjoy this spectacular place we call home.

For ideas on places to visit both within Auckland and the wider country, please visit the following websites:

- <https://www.newzealand.com/nz/>
- <https://aucklandunlimited.com/>

Luxury Cruising NZ - <https://www.luxurycruisingnz.co.nz/>



Based in the Auckland Viaduct, minutes from the official hotel you will find one of the best ways to explore the Hauraki Gulf – aboard your very own luxury motor yacht! LCNZ is run by Steve Cockeram, former World Cup winner and his highly experienced crew able to take you out on the water for a spot of fishing, diving, island hopping, - or simply relax in style and with a beverage and chat skiing!

Steve has offered special rates for those attending the University Worlds – however you must book early as he books up fast! Contact him via his [website here](https://www.luxurycruisingnz.co.nz/).



AJ Hackett Bungee – Auckland | Taupo | Queenstown

NZ is the spiritual home of bungee jumping – invented by the man himself, AJ Hackett with the Adventure Capital of NZ, Queenstown being the location of the first commercial bungee. Now AJ Hackett boast some of the best adrenaline fuelled activities around the country:

- Bungee jumps – Auckland's Harbour Bridge, Taupo, or the original Kawarau in Queenstown. If you are truly brave, try NZ's highest at 134 metres with a 8.5 second freefall at Nevis in Queenstown.
- Giant Catapults and gorge swings in Queenstown.
- Walk the Harbour Bridge in Auckland.
- Walk round the top of Auckland SkyTower.
- If that's not exciting enough... why not jump off it!

Mention UniWorlds when booking and show our sponsors some love!

The organisers also have 2x free Bungee Vouchers which will be provided as prizes during the tournament.



- 📞 0800 462 8649 or +64 9 360 7748
- ✉ info@bungy.co.nz
- 💬 Live chat
- 📍 Map





OFFICIAL EVENT MERCHANDISE

The event organisers have been putting together a comprehensive range of merchandise which will be available to buy prior to the event via the website (www.awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/shop).

Teams, friends or families or individuals can order items directly from the shop.

All event merchandise can be customised with Team / Flag details.

The range will include:

- Male & Female T-Shirts.
- Long Sleeve Sun / rash tops.
- Hoodies.
- Accessories (e.g. hats, bags & pennant banners).
- Other merchandise (e.g. drink bottles).

NOTE: Items are due to be loaded to the shop in August with full details in Bulletin 2.

Example Merchandise:

More colours and styles will be available.



TEAM CUSTOMISATION OF CLOTHING



We know the challenge... you want some awesome event merch but need to represent your country in the photos! Our event clothing partner Embroidery Works has you covered.

Order custom patches (see example left) with your country flag and team name and get these added to your teams clothing order, or even add your names or country printed on the rear.

SUPPLIER

Our event clothing partner and will be sourcing and customising high-quality products from a range of suppliers on our behalf. They are a highly experienced team and have worked with many large organisations and sports teams including the All Blacks Rugby team.



DELIVERY

Clothing will be either available on-site or delivered to the official hotel at no cost – please select the correct option at checkout. We can also ship orders domestically or overseas with cost added at check-out.

OFFICIALS & SPONSOR CLOTHING

Officials and sponsors will be provided a link to order event clothing prior to the event. Further details will be provided in later bulletins and direct email.

Sponsors and Officials will have specific 'special' colour combinations of merchandise and graphics.



ENTRIES & FUNCTIONS

Further information can be found on the event website: www.awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/

EVENT RULES & TEAM FORMATION

Standard team rules for a Worlds event apply as per [section 14 & 15 of the IWWF Rulebook](#).

Adjustments or information relating to these rules are below:

- Countries may enter up to **2x full teams denoted** as an A and B team. Each team shall consist of a **maximum of 6 skiers**, with the further limitation that no team may have more than four men or four women.
- Teams may also enter **2x skiing reserves** / alternate skiers. These skiers can win individual medals, however they do not contribute to the team scores unless they are substituted in to the team prior to the first skier of the tournament.
- For the purposes of the team overall the “A team” scores will be used.
- Skiers must be between the ages of 17 and 28 as at December 31, preceding the Championships.
- Skiers must be enrolled as full-time students in good standing at an accredited university and evidence must be provided to the organisers 30 days prior to the start of the event.
- Students who graduated in the year of the tournament (2025) or prior year (2024) are eligible to compete in the event.
- The site familiarisation schedule for the 2 days prior to the start of the tournament is not likely to be released until the week prior to the event and will be amended depending on weather (re World Rule 14.07). Teams should plan on being on site for familiarisation on these two days.

INTENTIONS TO ENTER AND ENTRIES (see IWWF Rule 14.12)

All Intentions to Enter and Entries **MUST** be submitted exclusively through the online Admin system at <http://www.iwsftournament.com/WorldAdmin/> using the password which was provided to your Federation for this purpose. If you forgot your password, please contact IWWF Administration at iwwf@iwwfed.com for assistance.

Entries and intentions to enter will not be considered complete until payment has been received.

INTENTIONS TO ENTER VIA EMS



Due date: **10th of November 2024.**

As per the IWWF Rulebook, any Federation not meeting this deadline will not be allowed to compete until they pay a fine of \$200USD to the IWWF. To be accepted, the “Intention to Enter” must be accompanied by a deposit amounting to \$50 USD for each athlete entered on the form. (For instance: 3 athletes: 3x\$50 USD = \$150 USD).



OFFICIAL ENTRY VIA EMS



The deadline for each Federation to declare, through EMS, the names of the members of its team, the events each will enter, the ratings of each skier, as well as the names of the official reserves is close of business on the **8th December 2024**. An entry is considered complete when the Skier's name is registered in EMS and the full Entry Fee Payment has been received.

Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until the Federation pays a fine to the IWWF Representative at the Championships, of \$10USD per skier per day after the 60 days deadline for each skier not officially entered.

The entry list will be closed at end of day on the 21st February excepting replacement of injured / sick skiers with an official reserve.

PAYMENT PROCESS FOR INTENTION TO ENTER & OFFICIAL ENTRY

Once your entry has been processed you will receive an invoice from the Auckland Water Ski Club for payment online. Entries will not be considered as received until payment has been received.

We can also receive bank transfers to our NZD bank account as follows:

- SWIFT: ASBBNZ2A
- Bank Address: 12 Jellicoe Street, Auckland Central.
- Bank Account Number: 12-3057-0534074-00
- (an additional 0 can be added to the end of the account number if required by your payment provider)
- Account Name: Auckland Water Ski Club

Please send all bank payments selecting the "fees ours" option as remitting parties are responsible for all bank charges on both ends. Please include UniWorlds and your country as payment reference to assist reconciliation.

Email uniworlds@awsc.co.nz to request a copy invoice.

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS (WATERSKI ATHLETES) IN EMS

The registration of skier participations (and skiing reserves) in EMS can be done by an EMS Federation Administrator as follows:

1. The EMS Federation Administrator to login to EMS.
2. Go to Competitions menu and set the **Competition Code** and the **Country** in the Search Filters.
3. Select the **Code "Name of Competition"** competition.
4. Scroll down to Participations section and click the **"New participation"** button to register the Athletes.
5. Enter the **Name of the Athlete** in the Search box and click on the loop sign to the right.
6. Register the **Category** in Competition, the **Event** and the **Entry Type**.
7. Click on the blue **"Add"** button and the participant will be registered.



Repeat steps 5 to 7 for any additional participants

ENTRY FEES

Entry fees are \$300USD per competitor. In addition, \$30USD will be added to assist towards the travel costs of the Official Panel.

Remitting parties are responsible for all bank charges on both ends.

IWWF LICENSE

Following an agreement by the IWWF World Congress held in 2019, the IWWF Executive Board approved the establishment of an IWWF Licence fee from 2021 where athletes wishing to compete in Ranking List / 1 to 6 Star competitions (including IWWF World titled events) in each Sports Division 17of the IWWF are required to hold an IWWF Licence.

It is requested that Federations ensure that all their athletes hold a valid IWWF License in 17order to participate in the 2025 University Worlds.

OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

OPENING CEREMONY

The opening ceremony and welcome by Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei will be held on-site on the evening of the 25th of February. The welcoming ceremony will be a formal welcoming onto an area of significance to the local Māori Iwi (tribe).

Guest tickets will be available via the www.awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/shop website prior to the event at an indicative cost of \$20NZD. Athletes, managers and officials will be provided tickets as part of registration.

FINAL NIGHT BANQUET

The final-night prizegiving ceremony will be where we award all prizes for the tournament. The format will be more casual than a traditional sit-down banquet and teams will be expected to maintain the usual dress standards for this type of event. Casual food will be provided during the evening.

The following people will automatically receive a ticket as part of their entry or role at the event:

- Athletes registered to compete in the event.
- Team manager(s) as identified at team registration (max 2).
- Event officials (judges, drivers, homologators, calculators and commentators).
- IWWF officials as per the LOA (managed by the Oceania President).
- Sponsors as determined by their package.
- Event organisers (managed by the Tournament Director / Event Chair).

Partners, friends and family are very welcome to attend the prizegiving by purchasing a ticket via the event website here: <https://awsc.co.nz/uniworlds/product-category/event-tickets/>



Additional, tickets for this event are priced at \$75NZD (TBC) and can be purchased until noon on the day of the event. Tickets must be provided at entry. As the prizegiving will be held in a bar, identification must be carried by attendees who may appear under the age of 25.

ENTERTAINMENT EVENING (TBC THE 28TH OF FEB)

On the Friday, we intend to hold an entertainment evening on site, with media, guests, live music a ski show and a "flip-off" competition for competitors with some significant prizes. Details are still being finalised, however entry to this event will be free for all athletes, managers, friends and family.

DRINKING AGE IN NEW ZEALAND

Please be aware that the legal age for drinking in New Zealand is 18. The usual NZ entry policy for bars is that all guests who look under the age of 25 will be asked for identification. People under 18 may enter bars when accompanied by their legal guardian/parent.

LUNCHES ON SITE

Lunches will be via a voucher system provided to skiers at registration and will be required to be presented. There will be additional paid catering options on site during the event for friends and family.

Breakfasts and coffee will be available each morning of the event.

In NZ the majority of payments are made via debit or credit card rather than cash. The Event will be run as a cashless event. Visa and Mastercard will be accepted, and an account-based system will be in place to pay for additional food and beverages for those that pre-register. Further information will be provided in later Bulletins and at registration.

TRAINING



The AWSC **strongly recommends** on site familiarisation pre the event in all 3 disciplines due to saltwater, multiple course options and the tight entry to some courses.

There are 3 periods of training available:

- Unofficial Practice: prior to the 16th of February via AWSC's usual booking system.
- Official Practice: from the 17th to the 23rd of February inclusive.
- Official Familiarisation: 24th and 25th of February.

UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE

On-site training is available at the AWSC's usual non-member rate (currently \$50NZD per set) via the Auckland Water Ski Club's booking system (HelloClub).

This system operates on a first-come, first-served basis. Bookings can be made from 7am NZ time, 2 days prior to your desired booking slot. Ski tows can be paid individually, or credit added to the account to minimise bank fees. Note you are unable to book consecutive ski tows for an individual



skier and bookings can be cancelled up to 4 hours pre your ski – full terms are on the booking portal. Block bookings for teams during this period may be available by emailing uniworlds@awsc.co.nz.

Further information about how to book will be provided in later bulletins.

Remitting parties are responsible for all bank charges on both ends.

OFFICIAL FAMILIARISATION

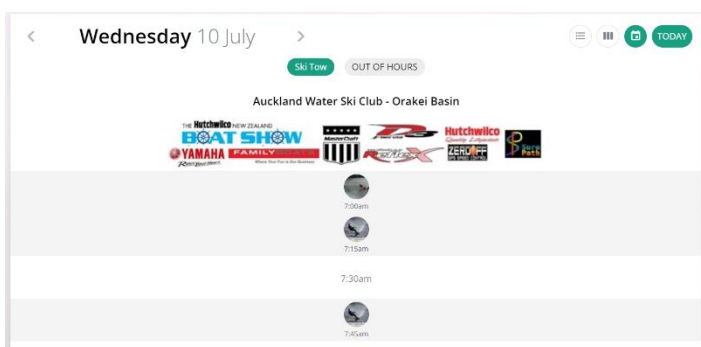
Further details on booking official familiarisation will be provided in later bulletins. The rates for official familiarisation are \$50 NZD per set. All individual sets will be 6 minutes skier-to-skier.

OFF SITE TRAINING

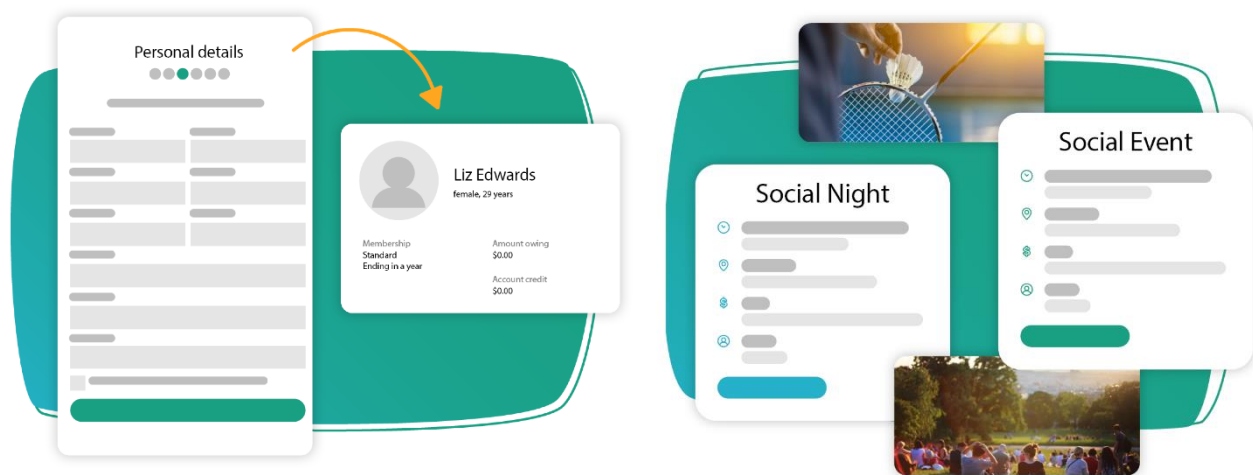
It is strongly recommended that skiers train on site prior to the event, however for those wanting more training, there are other off-site options within 1-2 hours' drive. Please contact uniworlds@awsc.co.nz for more information and contact details for these sites.

AWSC BOOKING SYSTEM (SPONSOR)

HelloClub is the AWSC's membership management and ski tow booking system and will be used during the event for training and payment for on-site food and beverages.

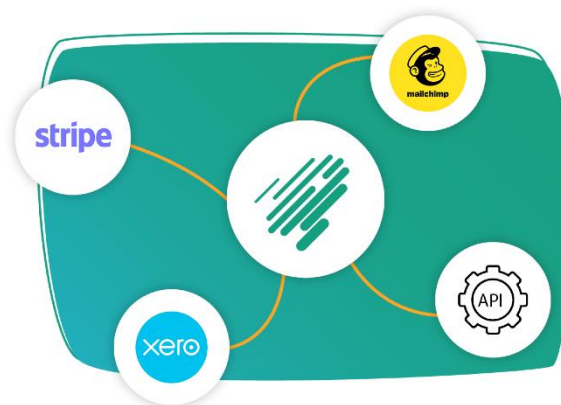


It has been a powerful tool, helping us reduce the costs to manage the club and making it easy for our members to book and pay for ski tows via the app. The system integrates into various payment systems, can handle multiple lakes / boats calendars and can manage both paid and general events.



The system automates / assists common activities such as:

- Membership renewal payments.
- Automatic email communications.
- Reconciliation of payments and automatically feeding to Xero.
- Mass emails to all contacts including members, non-members, 3rd parties and allows follow ups with specific groups such as expired members.



Integrations allow specialised tools such as Campaign Monitor & Mailchimp.

HelloClub are extremely responsive to support tickets via email / online or phone. They regularly release new features and are extremely open to ideas for improving system functionality.

For more information, please [contact the team at HelloClub](#), or use [this link](#).

OFFICIAL TOW BOAT



Tournament & Familiarisation (2 days): Ski Nautique 6 litre with Zero-Off and ballast system.

Practice Towboat: Ski Nautique 200 6 litre.

DOPING CONTROL

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Rules, Doping controls will be conducted during the competition. By entering this competition, all athletes agree to be subject to doping control. Information about the IWWF Anti-Doping program, the current IWWF AD Rules and links to the list of banned substances can be accessed on the following link <https://iwwf.sport/anti-doping-information/> 

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Events / Official Functions
Prior to 24 th Feb	Practice Available
24/25 th Feb	Official Familiarisation



25th Feb	Opening Ceremony
26th Feb	Preliminary Rounds
27th	Preliminary Rounds
28th Feb	Preliminary Rounds Entertainment Evening on site (incl show-ski)
1st Mar	Finals Medal Ceremony & Final Night Banquet
2nd Mar	Finals Medal Ceremony & Final Night Banquet

ATHLETE INFORMATION FOR COMMENTATOR

Please request your athletes to log into IWWF's EMS (<https://ems.iwwf.sport>) to fill in/update their profiles (accomplishments, sponsors, social media handles, other interesting information in the optional fields, etc.) so the event commentator has information available to communicate to spectators present at the event venue and online via live stream. They should also upload photos for media use. Athletes should contact their respective Federations if they are not active / confirmed EMS users.

FLAGS & ANTHEMS

➡ Each team must bring an additional flag of their country. (Size approximately 100x150cm) All teams should send (MP3) of their national anthem or confirm the Anthem is on Spotify. If not on Spotify, please email MP3 to uniworlds@awsc.co.nz (Subject line: Your Country/ Anthem).

➡ IWWF SAFE SPORT POLICY AND IWWF SAFEGUARDING REGULATIONS

We take safeguarding extremely seriously and are committed to ensuring that everyone who attends the championships, whether athletes, officials or volunteers are able to operate in a safe environment, free from abuse and the risk of harm.

It is a condition of participation that all attendees familiarise themselves and comply with the IWWF Safeguarding Regulations which are available at <https://iwwf.sport/safe-sport-information/>

