

THE GOLD COAST ZONE
INVITE SWIMMERS TO ENTER THE
MATSON TROPHY MEET

A mixed zone competition, open to all competitive swimmers.



Coastlands Aquatic Centre, Paraparaumu Sunday 9 August 2026	Duty Club RAUMATI Assisted by OTAKI TITANS	Doors open 5pm Warm up 5.15 Start 5.45pm
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Entry fees; Swimmers \$10.00

Free entry to all others including officials

<p style="text-align: center;">50m Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum two 50m races per swimmer • Events will be swum as mixed races, slowest to fastest. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Matson Trophy Races (100m freestyle)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starts will be handicapped as set by the Organiser. • Swimmers will be disqualified for any rule infraction as decided by the Referee. • Relay teams who finish 4 (or more) seconds faster than their heat time will be disqualified.
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- This is a Development meet swum under Local rules. Times from the 50m events will be entered in SNZ database and may be used to qualify for meets including Regional Champs but not National Championship Meets. Matson trophy 100m times will not be entered into the SNZ database.
- Participants who have entered this event must agree to allow images (e.g. photography, video, etc.) to be taken by accredited media approved by Swim Wellington. Images are only to be used for legitimate purposes by Swimming Wellington or Gold Coast clubs in accordance with the SNZ Member Protection Policy.
- Para swimmers are eligible to compete at this meet.
- All participants must agree to comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules.

Ev 1	<p>MATSON TROPHY HEATS. All Swimmers entering the Matson Trophy 100m race will compete in handicapped heats & <u>will have at least one other 100m freestyle swim</u>. Heat handicapping is based on entry times. Times are required for all entrants & must be the swimmer's fastest time, ie the faster of either their short course time or converted long course time (converted times <u>must</u> be used) swum in the last twelve months. Those placing 1st or 2nd in the heats will go through to one of three semi-finals. Everyone else will swim in the repechages. All rounds will be re-handicapped. No times can not be accepted for the 100m freestyle</p>
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Event 2 50m Butterfly

Event 3 50m Backstroke

Ev 4	<p>MATSON TROPHY REPECHAGES. The number of repechages will depend on the number of entrants. This also governs the number of swimmers going forward to the semi-finals, which will be based on placings in repechages. There will be thirty swimmers in the semi-finals.</p>
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Ev 5	<p>MATSON TROPHY RELAY HEATS. Clubs are invited enter teams in this 6 x 25m freestyle relay. Names to be supplied at the meet. Teams will establish a time in the heats and then compete in the handicapped final. This event will cater for maximum of ten teams. Every effort will be made to give clubs an equal number of starting spaces. In the event of this event being over subscribed the 'toss of the coin' may determine the starting line up.</p>
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Event 6 50m Breaststroke

Ev 7	<p>MATSON TROPHY SEMI-FINALS (Three races) Those finishing first, second or third in each of semi-finals plus one <i>lucky</i> 4th place getter swimmer will be our finalists</p>
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Event 8 50 Freestyle

Ev 9	MATSON TROPHY FINAL	<p>PRIZES FOR ALL FINALISTS <i>This meet is sponsored by the Matson Family</i></p>
Ev 10	MATSON TROPHY RELAY FINAL	

On-line entries via SNZ database open on 9 July and close at midnight on Sunday 2 August 2026

LATE ENTRIES will not be accepted.

Meet organiser Marco Ceconi ph 021 205 6577

Meet entries racesec@raptors.nz

All clubs are to advise officials@raptors.nz. of their officials by Tuesday 4 August

<u>Duty Club:</u> Marshall - Starter	<u>Assisting Club:</u> A second assistant marshall	<u>All Clubs</u> A minimum of nine timekeepers and three IOTs.
Chief time keeper	Two runners & two door people	<i>The Organisers will not be liable for any loss, damage or injury suffered during this meet. Officials are advised to bring a drink bottle</i>