

His Worship the Mayor Mr Andrew Williams North Shore City Pte Bag 93 500 Takapuna 22 September 2009

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Dear Mr Williams

On behalf of our North Harbour Special Olympic swimmers and all the swimmers, coaches and supervisors from the Auckland, Bay of Islands, Counties, Howick-Pakuranga, Tamaki, Tauranga, Te Awamutu, Waikato, Waitakere and Whangarei teams, *THANK YOU* for once again welcoming visiting teams to our Swimming Ribbon Day, and opening the event.

The generously donation of your time, support and goodwill at our North Harbour Special Olympics hosted events adds significantly to the importance and 'feel' of the day for our athletes and volunteers, providing an enjoyable day and challenging and fulfilling experience for our swimmers.

You will know from the greeting, smiles (and wet hugs?) how much your presence is appreciated by athletes, volunteers and supporters alike. Team managers have got back to me to say how much they enjoyed the day – and your contribution was a significant part of that.

Thanks to so many people volunteering time and support –people like you, the Takapuna Lions, officials from SwimNZ, the Pipes and Drums of the Royal New Zealand Navy, parents and friends, and, of course, the swimmers themselves, it was a good event. So yes, Special Olympics North Harbour is hoping to stage another Swimming Ribbon Day next year. Second Sunday in September!!

Again - thank you,

Yours sincerely,

Gabrielle Augustin, Jody Davis, Rebecca Everard, Tim Fairhall, Pip Fraser, Tessa Haskell, Derrick Leenders, Jamie Lloyd, Amy Mackres, Amanda Moore, Daniel Moready, Sarah Nash, Teresa Nicol, Ethan Rangi, Troy Rangi, Phillip Ross, Jeffrey Ganley, Anthony Rowe, Shane Sherman, Ian Stanich, Victor Tupou, Brigitte van der Wende, coaches Robert Taylor, Carolyn Pape, Aleid Stroomer and

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