

11. **BURWOOD/PEGASUS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUNDING SCHEME 2011/12 - APPLICATIONS – CRAIG SAVAGE, KAYLA RUMP, HOLLY STANFORD, TISEAN POKOATI, LAURA EVEREST AND HANNA MALLOCH**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present for the Board's consideration, six applications for funding assistance from the 2011/12 Youth Development Funding Scheme. The current balance of this fund is \$1,100.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by applicants Craig Savage 20 years old of Burwood, Kayla Rump 16 years old of Burwood, Holly Stanford 14 years old of Burwood, Tisean Pokoati 15 years old of North New Brighton, Laura Everest 15 years old of Parklands and Hanna Malloch 13 years old of Parklands.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3. The following tables detail event expenses and funding requested for the applicants:

Expenses for Craig Savage – Bundesliga Triathlon Series May 2012	Cost (NZ\$)
Airfares to Europe	2,800
Total	2,800
Amount requested	\$500
Fundraising	
Part-time job at Countdown	2,300

Expenses for Kayla Rump, Holly Stanford, Tisean Pokoati, Laura Everest - Maadi Cup March 2012	Cost (NZ\$)
Accommodation at Twizel	2,000
Travel Expenses	1,600
Food (\$100 per day)	900
Total	4,500
Amount requested (total)	\$500
Fundraising	
Oarsome O'Fare (17 Feb) – funds raised go toward trip as well as Avonside rowing in general.	5,000
Crayfish Raffles	150
	Total: 5,150

Expenses for Hanna Malloch Seattle, USA 16-18 March 2012	Cost (NZ\$)
Flights	3,350
Accommodation	500
Uniform	500
Food	300
Total	4,650
Amount requested	\$500
School Trust - Pending decision 16.3.12	500
Personal Contribution	
Sausage Sizzles	120
Garage Sale	150
	Total: \$270

4. All of the applicants are first time applicants for the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board Youth Development Scheme Fund.
5. There is currently a balance of \$1,100 available in the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme fund.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

6. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. This fund aligns with the 2009-19 LTCCP.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

9. The applications align with the Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

10. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board allocate grants totalling \$1,100 from its Youth Development Funding scheme 2011/12, as follows:

- (a) Craig Savage \$300 to attend the Bundesliga Triathlon series in Germany between 1 May and 12 September.
- (b) Kayla Rump, Holly Stanford, Tisean Pokoati, Laura Everest a total of \$400 to attend the 2012 Maadi Cup Regatta from 25 March to 1 April at Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel.
- (c) Hanna Malloch \$400 to attend the New Zealand Rhythmic Gymnastics Team to compete in the Pacific Rim Championships in Seattle, USA from 16 to 18 March 2012.

BACKGROUND OF APPLICANTS

11. **Craig Savage** is 20 years old from Burwood. An application has been received to attend the Bundesliga Triathlon series in Germany between 1 May and 12 September.
12. Craig attended Shirley Boy's High School where he was a prefect in his senior year. He has completed two years of a Physical Education teaching degree and is putting his studies on hold this year to focus on triathlon and take up this amazing opportunity to race in Germany.
13. Craig contacted a number of European triathlon clubs to seek a place in one of their teams, he was selected by the Kolner Triathlon team to race for their German team during the Bundesliga series. This series includes six races, one to two per month, sprint and Olympic distances. While in Germany he will train with the Kolner team and receive some financial assistance towards accommodation, transport to races and race entry. This is not a paid position; however there is the possibility of prize money for a placing in the series races.
14. Craig is currently training between 20 to 30 hours per week for this sport. Craig is a member of the Canterbury Triathlon Club and trains with the swimming squad. Craig pays for a professional triathlon coach who prepares a programme for Craig and touches base once a week.
15. Craig has been competing in triathlons for four years and has already achieved a lot within this short time. His list of achievements through his sport include three South Island Triathlon Champion Open and selection for the 2012 World Championships New Zealand team (20 to 24 years age group) which is to be held in Auckland in October 2012.
16. Craig sees this trip as a major stepping stone in his career, as Europe hosts the largest triathlon races. He feels that the additional race experience will help him to achieve a good result in the World Championships later this year and his long term goal of becoming a professional athlete.
17. Craig works part-time at the Palms Countdown. He is planning to approach some sponsors for financial support for this trip, but has not started this process yet. Craig lives at home with his parents, who both work full-time, and a younger sibling who is at high school. Craig's parents have financially supported Craig's sporting passions and have helped to cover the costs towards this trip.
18. **Kayla Rump, Holly Stanford, Tisean Pokoati, Laura Everest** are part of the Avonside Girls' High School rowing squad to attend the 2012 Maadi Cup Regatta 26 March to 1 April 2012 at Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel. This is New Zealand's largest and most colourful regatta with approximately 1,900 pupils from 120 schools in almost 1,400 crews requiring more than 400 races across 48 events.
19. The applicants have all said that it has been difficult to manage their school studies as well as get time on the water to row, but they have persevered and have really benefited from doing so as the routine and fitness benefits have helped them to recover from the earthquakes which have affected their school and personal lives greatly.
20. Rowing is an expensive sport financially, physically and time wise. Avonside parents want to continue to support rowing but due to the fragility of the last year, people out of work, homes wrecked, afternoon school and struggling to find some normality in their lives, the school and parents decided at the beginning of the season to minimise the fundraising and focus on one event, namely the 'Oarsome O'Fare'. The School hope to make about \$5,000 to \$6,000 which will go in the general funds for the Avonside Rowing and Maadi Cup expenses.
21. **Hanna Malloch**, has been selected for the New Zealand Rhythmic Gymnastics Team to compete in the Pacific Rim Championships in Seattle, USA from the 16 to 18 March 2012. This is an international event featuring elite teams from China, Russia, USA, Australia, Canada and 14 other countries. Hanna has been selected as part of a seven person squad representing New Zealand who all attend the Christchurch School of Gymnastics based at Queen Elizabeth II Park.

22. The Team will go to the United States for a two week training camp in Utah with coaches Jozsed Ferencz and Svetlana Sazonova on 2 March. The Pacific Rim competition is to be held from 16 to 18 March in Seattle. The Pacific Rim competition is second only to the Olympics, as it included some of the Commonwealth Games countries but also China, the USA and Russia who are the strongest performers in gymnastics.
23. Hanna has been participating in gymnastics for seven years and she has a firm goal to go to the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow. This is Hanna's first year at high school, where she manages her time between her studies, and up to 32 hours of training per week at the Christchurch School of Gymnastics.
24. Whilst in Seattle they will be talking to several schools about their earthquake experiences and they are also going to the Seattle Town Hall to meet the Mayor.