

**20. APPLICATION TO THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARDS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JULIUS ANGUS KARL HERZHOFF**

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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The applicant Julius Herzhoff (14 years old, Cranmer Square) is one of three fencers selected to represent New Zealand at competitions in Hong Kong and then the Under 17 Worlds in Singapore in January 2010.
3. Julius is 14 years old and spent his first 10 years on Stewart Island. After starting to go to Medbury, it was discovered that Julius is dyslexic. It became very important to implement strategies to cope and manage his impairment and his sporting activities are part of this. He played chess at the school team and got involved with additional courses like becoming a referee in tournaments. He did natural horsemanship and enjoyed riding a lot, but it became quite difficult to integrate his riding activities with his school schedule especially since he became a Christ's College student.
4. In the last couple of years Julius has become more and more involved with fencing. He participates nationwide in tournaments and trains twice a week before school starting at 6am in addition to his other training sessions late afternoon Monday to Friday and Saturday mornings Julius is also volunteering a lot to support other fencing pupils and fencing classes. For example; teaching fencing to students at Medbury and also for completing his Bronze Duke of Edinburgh - Hillary award, were he used the fencing and his volunteer efforts with refereeing in the service section. He is committed and enduring in his efforts. Despite his dyslexia he won an academic prize at the end of year prizegiving at Christ's College.
5. Julius has had exposure to several national and Australian/(Asian) competitions and has continuously improved his skills. Julius is training with a Hong Kong Coach, Daniel Chan, who has had a successful fencing and coaching career at an international level. The trip will also include training with the Hong Kong team between competitions. This is a tremendous opportunity for skill development as the Hong Kong team is rated as one of the five best teams of that age group in the fencing world.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs for all expenses related to this application. It is based on five people including four fencers and one coach. There is no funding available from Fencing New Zealand to subsidise the costs. Consequently, the four fencers are expected to share the total costs of \$21,100 which amounts to \$5, 275 each.

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Return airfares (Auckland, Hong Kong, Singapore, Auckland)	11,000
Shared accommodation (14 days, 7 to 21 January, Hong Kong)	2,240
Hong Kong food and local transport (estimate \$50 per day times 14 days)	3,500
Training venue fee in Hong Kong (waived)	0
Coach allowance for whole trip	2,200
Singapore accommodation ( four nights)	1,160
Singapore food and local transport (estimate \$50 per day times four days)	1,000
<b>Total cost for 4 fencers</b>	<b>21,100</b>
<b>Total cost for applicant</b>	<b>5,275</b>

7. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for financial support. The costs for his fencing journey would normally be prohibitive for his parents, but they believe it a necessary investment into the discipline and growth of Julius. Since the decision was only made on 8 December 2009 no other fundraising activities have been undertaken. However, Julius will do as much as he can in the time available, including approaching the neighbourhood to advertise his availability to help with chores plus a trip is planned to Stewart Island over the holidays to work with a tourist boat operation - Rakiura Adventure.

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

8. Yes. This application is seeking funding from the Community Boards 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Funding. There is a balance of \$7,300 in the Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

9. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

10. Aligns with Council Activities and Services, Community Support, Community Grants and Grants, pages 176 and 184, in the 2009-19 LTCCP.

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?**

11. Yes. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

12. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy, Physical Recreation and Sports Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

13. Yes. As above.

## **CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

14. Not applicable.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve the application and allocate \$500 funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme for Julius Herzhoff to represent New Zealand at competitions in Hong Kong and Singapore in January 2010.