Special Olympics Rotorua Trust

Who are we?

Special Olympics
Rotorua

Special Olympics Rotorua provides an opportunity for our intellectually disabled athletes to train and participate in athletic competitions locally, nationally and internationally. We offer six sporting codes for our athletes to train in – Soccer/Football, Tenpin Bowling, Swimming, Basketball, Bocce and Indoor Bowls. We have a Facebook page and a website. https://www.specialolympicsrotorua.co.nz/

What do we do?

Provide training on a weekly basis which develops their physical fitness and enhances their skills. It allows our athletes to realise their own potential within their chosen sport and grow their friendships within the Special Olympics community.

Why do we need your help?

The National Summer Games (NSG) are usually held every four years, but the 2021 games were postponed to 2022. This year they are being held in Christchurch from Wednesday 10th December to Sunday 14th December; we travel home on the 15th December. We have a total of 39 athletes who have qualified to compete in their respective sport. For seven of them, this will be their first NSG. As all of our athletes have differing intellectual disabilities, the number of carers required to travel away with the team alongside coaches means our team total is 55. Our volunteers will take time off work and time away from family to ensure the success of our team.

What can you do to help?

In order to travel away our team is required to raise a total of approximately \$100,000. This covers registration fees, transport and accommodation costs alongside new uniforms for our growing team. Many of our athletes rely on a benefit as their source of income so are unable to fully fund this trip. Each athlete contributes \$500 and where possible they help with fundraising. We need your help to raise the fees required. One way of doing this is to 'Sponsor an Athlete'. These funds are used for the team as a whole. Profiles of the athletes, including why they are looking forward to the NSG, are on the following pages.

Sponsor an Athlete.

If you wish to Sponsor an Athlete, donations can be made to Special Olympics Rotorua via Direct Credit to **ANZ 06-0996-0153831-01**. Please put your **name**, "**NSG Sponsor**" and the athlete's **name** as a reference. Please email the details of the donation and a receipt will be forwarded to you. Donations are eligible for a tax refund.

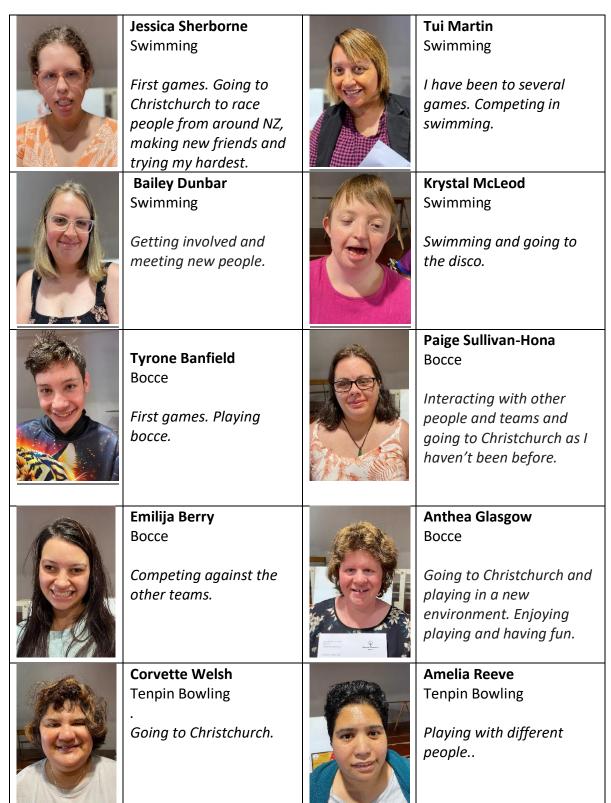
Email Jill Allely <u>rotorua@specialolympics.org.nz</u>

Your generosity is appreciated.

Special Olympics Rotorua Trustees

Meet the Team

And what each athlete is looking forward to at the games.





Matthew Gibbs Tenpin Bowling

Seeing friends from other areas and achieving medals.



Gregg HydeTenpin Bowling

Competing with the other players.



Maureen McLeod Tenpin Bowling

I'm so excited to go to Christchurch and see my sister who lives there and play tenpin bowling.



Shannon Cooper Tenpin Bowling

Having fun and enjoying ourselves.



Allan Carroll
Tenpin Bowling

Meeting all the people, eating all the food and having a good time.



Kris Roguski Tenpin Bowling

It's fun. Looking forward to playing with my team against others and making new friends.



Marcel Kessels Tenpin Bowling

Going to Christchurch to compete.



Nadia Ngeru Tenpin Bowling

Adding to my gold medals.



Caseylee RastonTenpin Bowling

Travelling to Christchurch and playing against other teams.



Simon Gilles Tenpin Bowling

I'm excited to go to Christchurch because I haven't been there before.



Tenpin Bowling Looking after other people and getting high

Kelly Faulkner



Esther Miller Tenpin Bowling

I'm excited about going to Christchurch.



Delarnie Smith Tenpin Bowling

scores.



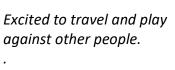
Angela Francis Tenpin Bowling

I'm excited to go on a plane.



William Hawker Indoor Bowls

having fun.



I like meeting new teams

and new people coming

into the sports and



Madison Edwards Indoor Bowls

Competing, having fun and hopefully winning.



Conor Allely Indoor Bowls

Playing well for my team and seeing my friends.



Troy Stampa Indoor Bowls

Going to Christchurch.



Heremaia Hohaia Football

First games. Playing to win.



Chris Thomas Football

It's a lot of fun. I look forward to meeting and talking to new people.



Bodie Hardiman Football

Playing football.



Rahul Khatri Football

First games. Meeting new people and meeting NSG ambassadors Scott Barrett and Jason Gunn

