



Pathfinders Gymnastic Club

Established in 1907



Pathfinders News

Term 2 2024

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Pathfinders Family,

May is upon us, and I hope you're as excited as I am about all that's happening in our gymnastics club! We've had an amazing year so far, filled with many accomplishments, growth, and plenty of smiles.

.First, a big congratulations to all of our gymnasts who competed in the Timaru Gymnastics competition. Your hard work and determination has paid off, with many of you achieving personal bests and several apparatus placings.

It's a joy to watch you all progress and support each other.

A special mention to Chelsea, Ricayla, Kayley and Edie who all came home with silver medals.

The Step 2 team also achieved a second overall placing in their division. Well done girls!

We wish you all well at your upcoming competitions in Wanaka, Dunedin and Christchurch.

It is exciting to see our Recreational classes at capacity, it is great to see gymnasts continue, as well as seeing some new faces in the gym.

*We have an exciting event approaching for our recreational gymnasts. Our annual recreational club competition is going to be held this term on the **29th of June.***

I encourage all recreational gymnasts to participate, this is a great event and we can't wait to see the children show the skills they have learnt in training.

Look out for future emails and notices about this event for more details.!

Sarah Rapsey.



Fundraising



Please remember that we have two **FULL CLUB** fundraisers going on at the moment and we need everyone to get behind them to make them a success. We have **Thermomix Raffle** and the upcoming **Quiz Night**. Please try to sell as many tickets as possible and get the word out about quiz, even better get yourself a team together and come along! We are still looking for donations for raffle prizes for Quiz night please!



Our **squad gymnasts** are selling Whittakers Chocolate bars to help cover costs of competitions. Please reach out to a squad gymnast if you know one or let us know if you would like to purchase any. \$2.50 per bar - five flavours to choose from.

Signing students in and out

IMPORTANT HEALTH & SAFETY NOTICE

We need **ALL** parents / caregivers to walk students into the gym and sign them in on the sign in sheet at the beginning of classes, and sign them out at the end of lessons. Please **DO NOT** send children in on their own.

Also please walk with your child/ren through the car park - it can get extremely busy at change of class times and we do not want any accidents.



Gym pack up

We have to pack up the gym hall for two poultry shows this year and last year we only had a couple of parents turn up for this.

Part of the reason we can keep fees lower is due to cheaper rent of the drill hall - the cheaper rent is due to having to vacate for the poultry shows each year. We have 150 gymnasts so if every family could commit to either a pack up or a set up this would be amazing and would take next to no time at all.

Please look at the dates below and lock one in to support with this. We have two bird shows this year - which is not normally the case.

The North Otago Bird Club: 24th - 26th May

Pack up: 22nd May at 6pm

(Trampolines will get packed up on 21st straight after their session)

Set up likely: to be Monday 27th

Oamaru Poultry, Pigeon, and Canary Club: 16th-21st July
More details to follow about this pack up closer to the time.

Seeking Sponsorship

We're looking for sponsors to help fund coach development and equipment upgrades. In return for sponsorship, we're offering multiple advertising opportunities throughout the year.

Would you consider sponsoring our club to help us in these areas?

In demonstration of our gratitude, Pathfinders Gymnastics would like to offer you the specific level of advertising (see figure below) to the respective level of donation.

Bronze -annual	Silver -annual	Gold -annual	Platinum
\$200	\$500	\$1000	Over \$2000
Signage A4 Website	Signage A3 Website Facebook	Signage A2 Website Facebook	Signage bespoke Newsletter Website Facebook

Coaching helpers wanted

We are a growing club - which is amazing - however it also means that we need to grow our coaching and coaching support team. Are you a parent or caregiver who could step up and help out with some classes? Tuesday trampoline classes really need the support!

If you could help us out, please talk to Suzie about this.

Thanks in advance!

Pre-squad extra session

We are looking at the possibility of starting a pre-squad extra session on Tuesdays 3:45-4:45 for those currently in beginner or intermediate rec wanting to get stronger and more flexible before squad trials at the end of the year.

Children would be expected to continue with current rec classes and this would NOT mean guaranteed entry into squad. This would still be dependent on skills.

If anyone is interested can they please let Suzie know and if there are enough interested we will look at running these in Term 3 and 4.

Competition Season

GOOD LUCK to gymnasts competing out of town now that the competition season has begun. We know you are all working extremely hard and will do the absolute best you can! We are proud that you are representing Pathfinders.

THANK YOU!

A Great
COACH
MOTIVATES
BUILDS CONFIDENCE
REINFORCES GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP
Encourages Teamwork
INSTILLS A LOVE OF LEARNING FOR THE SPORT
& INSPIRES US
& to Reach our Goals

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of our coaches also. Not only are we busy with our week to week classes but many extra hours are put in over the next few months with competitions having begun. We appreciate you!