



2008 K Day 14 December, Taylors Mistake

The much anticipated surf league format brought 18 club teams to the starting line for this year's K Day. It was unfortunate that Huey didn't play his part, and a chilling easterly and cloudy weather prevailed for the day. The surf was a messy one metre which tested athletes, along with the outgoing tide which lengthened the transition area as the day progressed and tested athlete running skills and fitness.

The day started with the traditional Black and White Cup Surf Relay. It quickly turned into a race in two between Taylors Mistake and New Brighton. However by the third leg Ben Phillips had given Taylors a comfortable lead and they cruised to victory over the two New Brighton teams. Credit must be given to the Sumner Masters team lead by Murray Johnson for having a crack at the event.

The chase for the Oliver Turpin Trophy kicked off with the 6 person beach relay heats – a traditional surf league type event. As the day progressed and team qualified for finals, Taylors Mistake were showing out strong, qualifying three teams for most finals. Not far behind were South Brighton who qualified two teams for most finals, with the rest of the clubs filling the gaps.

Those with a good knowledge of this format know it is about consistently scoring points in every event, and the winning team did just that. It was the Taylors Mistake A team that lead most of the way, but an unfortunate DQ in the Beach Relay and failing to score any points in the Womens Beach Flags meant they would fall three points short and finish second. The only consolation was winning the Kesteven Cup Ironman Relay.

It was the South Brighton A team of Ben Keys, Steven Drabble, Chanel Hickman, Emma Johns, Ben Ryan and Alex Fort that won the day. As well as winning the womens beach flags and beach relay, they consistently scored in all finals. A fine effort from a young team with three U19's and an U16.

Feedback on the new event format format has been very positive. The team aspect brought many athletes out of the woodwork, and ensured that individuals gave their best effort for the team. It was also great to see all Christchurch clubs enter at least one team, and enjoying the event even if they weren't in contention for the title. We look forward to making it bigger and better next year.

See below for full results.

2008 K Day - Results

	Womens Beach Flags	Mens Beach Flags	Ski Relay	Tube Rescue	Beach Relay	Board Relay	Board Rescue	Ironman Relay	TOTAL POINTS	PLACING
Taylor's Mistake A		4	8	7		8	6	16	49	2nd
Taylor's Mistake B			7	8	4	2	8	10	39	3rd
Taylor's Mistake C	2		2	1				4	9	
Taylor's Mistake D		3		3	2	1	4	8	21	
Sumner A	7			6	3	4			20	
Sumner B									0	
South Brighton A	8	2	5	4	8	6	7	12	52	1st
South Brighton B	3	8	3		7	7	2	2	32	4th
South Brighton C									0	
South Brighton D									0	
New Brighton A		6			5		3	6	20	
New Brighton B		1		5					6	
North Beach A	5		6				5	14	30	5th
North Beach B		5				5			10	
Waimairi A	4	7	1	2	6	3	1		24	6th
Waimairi B			4						4	
Waimairi C									0	
Spencer Park	6								6	
Waikuku Beach A	1								1	
Waikuku Beach B									0	

Points allocation - 8 points for 1st down to 1 point for 8th. Double points for Ironman Relay.