

The Return of



# The Skootamatta

## LAKE FESTIVAL



After a brief hiatus, summer 2023 saw the return of the Skootamatta Lake Festival. This annual event, which has been a beloved tradition for many years, has been a beacon of community and fun on the lake, and one that many look forward to each year.

From Kayak and swim races to axe throwing, this year's festival brought a blend of old favourites and new additions, catering to both the nostalgic and adventurous. (Did someone say Dunk Tank?!)

Even the weather couldn't spoil the magic of the festival. Although the rain did hold off for the events, activities and the always popular BBQ, the medal ceremony was a soggy one.

Despite the rain, everyone stuck it out proving that a successful event is not just about sunshine, it's about the spirit of those who participate.



### This years activities included

- Fishing pool
- Bouncy Castle
- Dunk Tank
- Art & Crafts Station
- Corn hole and Ladder Golf
- Axe Throwing
- Face Painting
- Kayak and Swim Races

THANK  
YOU  
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Planning and executing a festival such as this is a BIG job!

This year the torch was passed down to the Koehler family. Although they are a family big enough to have their own lake festival (and have full teams for each event) this became more of a community undertaking than a family one.

The volunteers and all who helped serves as a reminder of people's passion to carry on traditions are what keep our lake great.

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# EVENT WINNERS:

\*\* Winners names and spelling provided on a best effort basis



## Swimming races

### Children 6 and Under

- 1st- Mya Drudge
- 2nd- Rosalee
- 3rd- Tabitha Koehler

### Boys 7-8 Yrs

- 1st- Mason

### Girls 7-8 Yrs

- 1st- Adelyn Marshall
- 2nd- Emily Miniota
- 3rd- Rylin Nowell

### Boys/Girls 9-10 Yrs

- 1st- Emery Robson
- 2nd- Mitchell Koehler
- 3rd- Kaelyn Marshall

### Boys/Girls 11-12 Yrs

- 1st- Nolan Koehler
- 2nd- Nicoletta Brandiferri
- 3rd- Hailey Stacey

### Boys/Girls 13-14 Yrs

- 1st- Luke Koehler
- 2nd- Dickson Koehler
- 3rd- Isabella Brandiferri

### Girls 15-17 Yrs

- 1st- Stella McBride

### Men/ Women 18-40 Yrs

- 1st- Tom Birnie-Worley

- 1st- Chris Koehler
- 2nd - Steve
- 3rd- Ken Hook

## Kayak Races

### Boys 8 and Under

- 1st- Mason
- 2nd- Oliver Teed
- 3rd- Owen Grant

### Girls 8 and Under

- 1st- Tabitha Koehler
- 2nd- Emily Miniota
- 3rd- Roselee

### Boys 9-12

- 1st- Finley Koehler
- 2nd- Reed Robson
- 3rd- Emery Robson

### Girls 9-12

- 1st- Marley Drudge
- 2nd- Kaelyn Marshall
- 3rd- Abby Koehler

### Boys 13-17 Yrs

- 1st- Tom Birnie- Worley

### Girls 13-17 Yrs

- 1st- Paige
- 2nd- Abby Koehler

### Men/ Women 18-40

- 1st- Tyler Teed

### Men/Women 41+

- 1st- John Teed
- 2nd- Ken Hook

# CONGRATULATIONS !!!



See you next year!



## Your Opinion Matters

We would love to hear your feedback on how we can make the Lake Festival even better. To share your thoughts we have created a brief survey. A link to the survey can be found on the SDRA website. Your thoughts and ideas are what make the festival great!