



Tough pair: New Zealand champions Keegan O'Kane Jones, left, from Naenae, and Raymond Seumanu, from Wainuiomata.

Boxers enjoy golden times

A pair of local boxers enjoyed a golden result at the National Boxing Championships in Queenstown over the weekend.

Keegan O'Kane-Jones, 15, from Naenae Boxing Academy won his third New Zealand title when he took out the final of the Youth 60kg division.

The decision was unanimous, his coach and trainer Billy Graham said.

For Raymond Seumanu, from the Wainuiomata Boxing Club, the win in the Cadet 54kg division was his first national title. Seumanu stepped

up a division and won against the 2013 NZ champion, Graham said.

The Wellington Hutt Valley team this year included eight competitors, and returned with four golds.

The other two were from the Heretaunga Boxing Club. Dominic Roe won the Youth 64kg division and Ryan Scaife won the Youth 69kg title. There were 157 entries in this year's championships at the Queenstown Events Centre, one of the highest turnouts in recent years.

"Our boys did Wellington proud," Graham said.