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Selwyn Aquatic Centre Scoops Silver

The Selwyn Aquatic Centre has won a silver award at the New Zealand Commercial Building awards.

The awards aim to promote and encourage excellent building processes and practices and celebrate quality work in the commercial contracting sector.

The Selwyn Aquatic Centre received a silver award in the tourism and leisure category at the awards, which were announced at the weekend.

The pool was designed by Warren and Mahoney, constructed by Naylor Love Construction and the development of the complex was project managed by Davis Langdon.

"The construction of swimming pools is inherently complex but what made this a great project was the high level of cooperation between the different organisations involved in the project," says Scott Watson from Naylor Love Construction. "The strong working relationships between everybody made this a really enjoyable project to work on and the finished centre is very impressive."

Selwyn Aquatic Facilities Manager Kathy Moore says since its opening in June 2013, the centre has been incredibly popular. "In our first six months the centre had over 123,000 visits from members of the public and many of our customers comment on how much they like the centre's design."

The 2,800 square metre facility features an eight-lane 25 metre pool, a hydrotherapy pool with spa area, a learn to swim pool and a leisure pool with a lazy river. The centre includes an air to air heat recovery system which recovers heat off exhaust air to heat fresh air. This provides the centre with better air quality and makes it more energy efficient. A floating screed floor is also used in the centre. This reduces energy costs by minimising the amount of heat lost into the ground.

The centre also won two awards in the 2013 Canterbury Architecture Awards for public architecture and sustainable architecture.

Images attached: The Selwyn Aquatic Centre by dusk, and inside the centre.

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