



# NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE NEWSLETTER

30 April 2015

**Another month has flown by and the new netball season is upon us, with most Centres now having completed grading games and head into the season proper. All the very best for the season ahead!**

## **MARRIOTT'S HADLEE SPORTS AWARDS**

The annual Marriott's Hadlee Sports Awards were held recently at the Wigram Air Force Museum, showcasing the best of sport in Canterbury and the West Coast regions. There were 125 nominations across 30 sporting codes representing the 2014 calendar year.

Netball was nominated across 8 categories, with Keshia Grant and Polly Hazeldine finalists in their categories. Although both Polly and Keshia excelled in 2014, they were unfortunate to miss out on the top honours on the night. Amanda Nottingham was also recognized for her contribution to the sport with a 'Lifetime Achievement Award'.

**Netball nominees** for the night were as follows:

Administrator of the Year – Polly Hazeldine (finalist)

Official of the Year – Margaret Marsh

Coach of the Year – Helen Bryant

Junior Team of the Year – St Margaret's College

Junior Sportswoman of the Year – Charlotte Elley

Team of the Year – Christchurch Netball Centre Lion Foundation Netball Championship team

Lifetime Achievement – Amanda Nottingham (awardee)

Sportswoman of the Year – Keshia Grant (finalist)

## **ANZ NETBALL GRANT SCHEME**

Netball players and teams at all levels can apply for support as part of the ANZ Netball Grant Scheme. The programme is offering \$100,000 in grants for everything from new gear, uniforms and coaching support to repairs to hoops and courts, or even a training session with the ANZ Championship pros. School teams, social teams, individual players and fans are all eligible to apply. Visit [anzcourtside.co.nz](http://anzcourtside.co.nz) by June 7 for the chance to receive a grant.

## ANZ CHAMPIONSHIP UP DATE

Our team continues to show tremendous 'fight' and we have seen much improved performances from them in recent weeks against the Fever and Vixens. The team are 'on the road' for the next few weeks and continue with their fitness and training 'work-ons' looking for that win!

Next home game is against the Firebirds at Marlborough Lines Stadium in Blenheim on Sunday 24 May and then in Christchurch vs magic on Sunday 31 May 2015. Get along and support your team 😊



**A fabulous milestone is coming up for the Tactix franchise....Anna Thompson's 100<sup>th</sup> game in the ANZC .... likely to be against the Pulse in Porirua on Monday 11 May. This achievement will be all the more remarkable in that the 100 games have all been for the one franchise.**



### **St. Margaret's Girls College/School Netball spends a day at the Apollo**

Recently more than 40 young female netball players from St Margaret's School visited the Apollo Projects Centre and were given a tour by our Mainland Tactix netball franchise players. The tour was part of a community effort between HPSNZ and Netball Mainland to expose young netball players to the daily training environment and routine of elite franchise players.

The girls were given a full tour of the facility and spent the morning on the court practicing with players and being put through drills by our coaching staff and Performance Development Manager Leigh Gibbs.

## Behind the Scenes at “Apollo”



The HPSNZ strength and conditioning team of Todd, John and Simeon have been busy in the gym from morning until night with athletes, squads and teams coming in to train and prepare for key pinnacle events this year.

Our high performance strength and conditioning gym has been full whether that be with Pathway to Podium athletes first thing in the morning, the Netball Tactix team and squads during the day, or hockey and rowing athletes in the evenings. The atmosphere is great in there, with the music pumping and athletes working hard on their individual and group programmes.

## Tactix Season Members Attend Team Trainings

A new initiative for the 2015 season has been to give our valued Members the opportunity to come and watch the players train at HPSNZ. We have had great feedback and our Members really enjoy being able to witness the training environment and meet the players in a small group, one-on-one situation.



## **PERFORMANCE/DEVELOPMENT UP DATE**

### National Development Camp and NZ Secondary School trials update

In the last NM newsletter it was reported that several of Netball Mainland’s rising young talent had been selected for national camps and NZ Secondary School trials. The feedback from both our players about their camps and NNZ National coaches about our players has been positive. It was a great learning opportunity and experience which will contribute to the players development for the future. NM is delighted to have three more players included in the Pathway to Podium Squad.

Congratulations to the following players for their selection into National Squads:

**NZU21 Squad:** Charlotte Elley, Erikana Pederson (Tactix)

**NZ SS Team Reserves:** Abbey Frankin (Nelson), Lily Marshall, Jess Shaw

**P2P Squad:** Abbey Franklin, Hayley Lee, Kate Lloyd, Lily Marshall, Jess Prosser, Jess Shaw

**P2P Squad Reserve:** Lucy Thompson

**Aotearoa Maori U19 Team:** Hayley Lee

## NM Performance Umpire Squad



John Quinn presenting to the squad

Members of the Netball Mainland Performance Squad got together with coaches Sue James and Trudy Eaden for their first workshop of the season at the Apollo Project Centre in mid-April. High quality presenters John Quinn (HPSNZ), Mandy Nottingham (Former IUA umpire & current INF Rules Panel) and Grant James (Canterbury Rugby referee) together with coaches Sue and Trudy contributed to a successful and worthwhile day.

## NM U15 Championships planning

Jan Whitehead, Lyn Miles and Leigh Gibbs are meeting in early May to progress the planning for these inaugural Zone championships. At this stage ten Centres (18 teams) from throughout the Zone have expressed interest in taking part. NM will let Centres know shortly what the proposed format and venues could look like based on the interest shown so far.

## Lincoln University Sports Scholarship Graduation

Congratulations to Lucy Gunn and Kelsey Hamilton who graduated recently from Lincoln University after 3 years of study. Lucy and Kelsey both graduated with the Bachelor of Sport and Recreation Management degree. They have stayed in Christchurch with Lucy working for the Brandex and Kelsey for NZ Young Farmers.



L – R Callum Brown( Strength & Conditioner), Kelsey Hamilton, Lucy Gunn, Leigh Gibbs

## **COACH DEVELOPMENT**

Jennie Hooper, Netball Mainland Coach Development Manager, continues 'out and about' in our Zone, please do not hesitate to make contact with her for any coaching support or enquiries:

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Mobile: 027 485 6615

**Congratulations to all those coaches who have completed their Community Coaching Award over the last few weeks 😊**

### Christchurch NC

Sara Weeks  
Laura Stephen  
Lee Mckenzie  
Kate Weir

### Malvern NC

Melissa George  
Maria Townsend  
Tania McKay  
Rachel Peddie  
Filipa Payne  
Ariana Batsone

### Nelson NC

Dayna Whiting

### Buller NC

Trudi Zampach  
Hannah Millings  
Raewyn Davis  
Haidee Ward  
Paige McGrath  
Jenny Keenan  
Matthew Keenan  
Nikki Roche  
Carmel Skinner  
Dallas Clementson  
Katrina Millings

### Hokitika NC

Rebecca Pearson  
Brianna Keenan  
Belinda Dempster  
Karen Gwaliasi  
Sharon Wilson  
Anthony Jones

### Mid Canterbury NC

Zoe McCormick  
Nicole Hands  
Melanie Wareing  
Maree Macphail  
Sonia Waddell  
Joanne Tallentire  
Anna Mckeown  
Angel Ede

NM have also had seven coaches who have taken the next step and have applied to be part of Netball New Zealand's Performance Coach Award, having gone through the process of being endorsed from the centres and an interview with Leigh Gibbs, Netball Mainland's Performance Manager. **Congratulations to Nicole Lloyd** who has been the first coach from Netball Mainland Zone to be accepted into the award for 2015 the rest are now waiting to hear from Netball New Zealand on their acceptance.

Nelson Netball Centre also run a number of Netball New Zealand Modules around the Super Club finals with Game Analysis being run on the Super club semi-final with 11 coaches able to see the difference between just watching a game and analysing a game there were some very intense conversations had by all. 30 coaches in all attended the 4 different Modules run over the weekend.

Coach Observation of the Tactix home games has also seen **"Straight from the Horse's Mouth"** run alongside each of these, Leigh Gibbs works with a group of coaches who meet at Spectators Restaurant and Bar (Addington Raceway) for a few nibbles before the game then Tactix assistant coach Maryanne Delaney-Hoshek comes to speak to the group. The coaches have tasks to complete during the game with discussion and then they meet in the Tuck Shop at Horncastle Arena after the game to discuss what they have seen. Coach's feedback so far has been that this is an awesome opportunity.

**"Apprentice Coach for the Day"** has run again around all Tactix's home games with one coach per game getting to be a 'fly on the wall' and see what it is like behind the scene on game day, Performance Coach Award participants are eligible to apply.

## COMMUNITY NETBALL UP DATE

### Junior Netball – ANZ futureFERNs



The 2015 season sees the continued roll out of the Year 1 & 2 and Year 3 & 4 programmes and all Netball Centres should be starting their roll out of **ANZ futureFERNs**.

This programme is designed to provide the best possible experience for our young players, as well as essential support to Centres, coaches and volunteers.

**ANZ futureFERNs** is Netball's official junior Netball programme for girls and boys from Year 1- 8. The **ANZ futureFERNs** initiative will replace all current programmes as the name, brand and programme for Junior Netball.

**ANZ futureFERNs** is an umbrella brand designed to unify grassroots junior Netball in New Zealand. We believe all players in New Zealand are **FERNs**, the very best being the Silver Ferns. The name **futureFERNs** reflects that our young Netballers are players of the future and the programme encourages them to AIM HIGH and develop a lifelong love of the game.

It has been a very busy time here at Netball Mainland ensuring that all 18 Centres are endorsed to deliver the **ANZ futureFERNs** programmes in their relevant areas. This has included facilitating numerous workshops, taster and info sessions across the Zone and we are looking forward to the programmes commencing soon.

The Starter Kits have begun to arrive at the Zone office this week and we will begin distributing to Centres ASAP. Please note, the netball bibs are on back order and will arrive in the next couple of weeks. Thank you for your patience with the arrival of these kits.

If you have not already done so, would all Centres please ensure they send through the “**Expression of Interest Form**” to Amy Eckersley. Please also contact Amy if you don’t have this form; [Amy.eckersley@netballmainland.co.nz](mailto:Amy.eckersley@netballmainland.co.nz)

### **Holiday Programmes**

Netball Mainland holiday programmes ran through the second week of the school holidays in Darfield and Culverden. We were fortunate to have the services of 2 interns from NZIS to plan and deliver these programmes with some great feedback received. Special thank you to Laura Conti and Courtney Houston.



*Culverden – Amuri Area School*



*Darfield – High School*

### **Umpire Development**

The Zone Umpire Development Group will meet this week.

### **Umpire Coach Assessor Training Workshops – 2015**

All Christchurch workshops have been completed with the Nelson workshops to be delivered in the next couple of weeks. We have had a great turn out at the workshops and look forward to seeing the Umpire Coaches/Assessors in action around the courts this season.

May-09 Intro Nelson - Saxton Stadium 9am

May-10 Level 1 Nelson - Saxton Stadium 9am

May-12 Update Nelson - Saxton Stadium 6.30pm

If you have not already done so, please ensure registrations are completed ASAP via the Sportsground website [www.sportsground.co.nz/netballmainland](http://www.sportsground.co.nz/netballmainland)

To remain current, all Umpire Coaches and Assessors are required to attend one workshop a year. Please contact Amy if you require further assistance.

### **Umpire Theory Exams – 2015 dates**

The dates for 2015 Umpire exams are as follows:

	<b>Exam Dates</b>	<b>Applications Due</b>	<b>Cost</b>
<b>ZONE Exam 1</b>	18 May 2015	17 April 2015	\$55
<b>ZONE Exam 2</b>	3 August 2015	6 July 2015	\$55
<b>NZ Exam 1</b>	8 June 2015	11 May 2015	\$55
<b>NZ Exam 2</b>	7 September 2015	7 August 2015	\$55

Please note applications must be correctly completed with all appropriate paperwork including matching Supervisor & Venue notification forms. Applications must be received by Netball New Zealand by 4pm on the above application due date to be eligible to sit the exam. Applications are available via the Sportsground website.

### **Centre Stage – 2015**



#### **We're very excited!!!**

Our 'Centre Stage' feature is up and running on our website (under "Community Netball" tab, choose "Centre Stage" from drop down menu ).

Please make sure you are compiling some great stories and photos to show off your Centre 😊

If you are unsure of the cut-off dates for YOUR Centre to send information in for this feature, please contact Amy Eckersley [amy.eckersley@netballmainland.co.nz](mailto:amy.eckersley@netballmainland.co.nz)

### **REMINDER NM AND NNZ REQUIREMENTS**

Many Centres have had, or are about to have, your AGM - please remember to send a copy of your Annual Report including Audited Financial Statements for the last financial year to Netball New Zealand (Jennie Wylie) and Netball Mainland Zone (Brigit Hearn) within one month of holding your Centre AGM, and send to the Incorporated Societies office for them to download on their website. Many thanks.

Your latest Constitution (post 2012 formation of Zones) should be visible on your website and uploaded onto the Incorporated Societies website. A recent audit revealed that only one of our 18 Centres were compliant.

## REMINDER FOR CENTRES ON INCORPORATED SOCIETIES REQUIREMENTS

It is important a Centre remains up to date with its legal requirements to maintain incorporated society status. A Centre is only an official legal entity if it remains registered. If a Centre does not meet the compulsory requirements, they have the potential to be struck off the incorporated society register.

As a reminder to all Centres to remain incorporated, there is a compulsory requirement of uploading an Annual Financial Statement. The financial statement should be filed with the Registrar when financial statements have been approved at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The deadline for filing is the end of the month after the AGM. For example, if the AGM month is January, the financial statements are due to be filed before 28 February.

Failure to file a Financial Return one month post your AGM gives the Registrar the potential to strike your Centre (become struck off) from the Registrar.

There is also a requirement to upload a copy of your Centre's constitution. If your Centre has not updated its constitution following the Netball restructure in 2012, your constitution is now out of date. All Centre constitutions should have been updated after 2012.

In line with the Whole of Netball Plan, we want to develop a strong and sustainable delivery system for Netball and ensuring all organisations are meeting incorporated society requirements is an important part of this.

If you have any questions or queries please contact Community Netball Manager Amy Eckersley or CEO Brigit Hearn.

## NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE CENTRE FORUM 2015

It does seem ever such a long way off but pop this date in your diary...Netball Mainland Zone Centre Forum **17 and 18 October 2015** in Christchurch. Again, we will look to put together an informative and interesting two day programme. Any suggestions you may have with regard to the format or content would be most welcome.



**Please remember to support those businesses that support us, the netball community!**

**Very best wishes from us all here at Netball Mainland 😊**