



NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE NEWSLETTER

16 June 2014

Hello from the team here at Netball Mainland.

You may have seen the recent articles in magazines, Press and TV regarding EasiYo Tactix player Mwai Kumwenda and her desire to help the people in her homeland of Malawi. Mwai particularly wants to help the woman and children of her village by getting them involved in sport. Mwai is raising funds to build a netball court and buy sporting equipment for the children in her village so that she can run coaching sessions with the children.

"A lot of the girls get married very young, like at 14. If they saw me and see a Malawian girl can come here and do well, that would be great," Mwai says.

As well as raising money for equipment, Mwai's friends and family at the EasiYo Tactix have collected clothes, furniture, toys and books for the families in Mwai's village and are arranging for this to be shipped to Malawi. Mwai will then distribute these when she returns to home after representing Malawi at the Commonwealth Games.

If you would like to contribute to help cover the costs of shipping these goods or to help Mwai in her quest to provide sporting opportunities in her village then donations can be made into the following back account:

06-0837-0150625-002

It would be appreciated if you put this info on your Centre websites also, thank you.

Footnote: NM is delighted that Mwai has re-signed with the EasiYo Tactix for the 2015 ANZ Championship season.





NETBALL MAINLAND SURVEY

In the coming weeks you will be asked to take part in a BRIEF survey. We are looking to capture some information that will help us gauge how we are currently performing from a Zone perspective. We will be seeking feedback from various communities/individuals within our Zone, from Centre Boards and Executives, to individuals who play, coach, umpire or officiate or volunteer in another way across Netball Mainland's Zone.

We PROMISE this will not be a draining or onerous task for you; our aim is to create something that will take a maximum of 10 minutes for you to complete.

Thank you in anticipation, for your involvement in/with this process 😊

ANZ CHAMPIONSHIP



2014 Wrap Up

After 3 years at the helm, Leigh Gibbs retires with very fond memories of an enjoyable and challenging tenure in charge of coaching the Tactix in the world's toughest netball competition.

While the team did not achieve the goal of a top six finish this year the team culture and environment has continued to develop and is heading in the right direction. Highlights have been; working with the players to improve their capability at ANZC level, their response to the hard work ethic demand and growing self-responsibility. Despite the disappointing results, the players maintained a positive team environment throughout the season and can take credit for playing an attractive style of game and contesting well up against world class defensive units.

Leigh has enjoyed immensely working with Assistant Coach Julie Seymour, Manager Leanne Harris, Physio Marion Meates and Video Analysts Al and Jane Wilson-Fouracre. HPSNZ staff and support services personnel; John Wilson (S & C), Jonny Rea (Nutrition), John Quinn (Mental Skills), Anna Simcic (Athlete Life) have provided excellent support for the team and programme.

Thanks to umpires; Damon Ruki, Jayne Dewe, Michael Wyllie, Anna Sheen, Marise Stuart, Canterbury Men's team and Train On team and management for their support with the Tactix training sessions.

Leigh sincerely thanks everyone for the support during her three year tenure as EasiYo Tactix Head Coach. She is looking forward to concentrating on her on-going role as HP Manager and working with the Centres throughout the Zone to grow our pool of talented players, coaches and umpires.

EasiYo Tactix Awards

An enjoyable end of season Awards evening capped the season off with the announcement of the following recipients:

Development Player of the Year: Chloe Williamson (Train On Squad)

Players's Player: Mwai Kumwenda

Members Player of the Year: Jade Clarke

Premiere award: Player of the Year: Mwai Kumwenda



Player of the Year presentation:

(Left to right) Leigh Gibbs, Mwai Kumwenda, EasiYo Board Chair Raelyn Lourie

Tactix Head Coach Recruitment

The recruitment process is underway for a new Head Coach, applications close Tuesday 17 June 2014, details and a position description are on the Netball Mainland website www.netballmainland.co.nz

NZSS TEAM ACHIEVES 3-PEAT IN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL GIRLS CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Netball Mainland's Julie Seymour (Assistant coach), Jess Shaw (Marion College) and Charlotte Elley (St Andrews College) on their success at winning the International School Girls Netball Challenge in Adelaide last month. Beating the Australian Secondary School team in the final 39 – 30, meant the young New Zealanders kept up the team's sequence of winning three years in a row.

Portia Barcello (Marlborough Girls College) also attended the tournament with the Aotearoa Maori team who were placed 3rd.

NATIONAL AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS

Netball Mainland wishes all teams and match officials attending National Age Group Championships a successful and enjoyable time. It is really pleasing this year to see that the Zone has an increase in the number of teams attending the various events:

Under 17: North Harbour, Auckland 14 - 17 July 2014

South Canterbury – Coach: Jen Hooper, Assistant Coach: Amanda O'Brien, Apprentice Coaches: Nic Cormick, Anita Davie, Manager: Tracy Walden.

Mid Canterbury – Coach: Kylie Kjestrup, Manager: Rosemary Adlam.

Selwyn – Coach: Lou Dierck, Assistant Coach: Leah Keown, Manager: Kiri Thomson.

Christchurch – Coach: Brenda Bickerstaff, Assistant coach: Katrina Williams, Manager: Margaret Western.

Combined Canterbury Country Centres – Coach: Lisa Armstrong, Manager: tbc.

Marlborough – Coach: Brenda Chilvers, Manager: Tracey Fitzpatrick.

Nelson – Coach: Mandy Whiting, Manager: Vanessa Smith.

Under 19: Edgar Centre, Dunedin 07 - 10 July 2014

Selwyn – Coach: Deb Johnson, Assistant Coach: Kim Tallot, Manager: Sandra Tait.

Christchurch – Coach: Tania Hoffman, Assistant Coach: Bev Gordon, Manager: Lee McKenzie.

Tasman – Coach: Robyn Leonard, Manager: Sonia Masters.

Under 23: Edgar Centre, Dunedin 07 – 10 July 2014

Netball Mainland – Coach: Nic Kelly, Assistant Coach: Rachel Parkin, Manager: Mandy Anderson, Physio: Rowan Parsons

Team

NAME	Squad/Club
Olivia Coughlan	Train On's, St Nicholas A
Kate Day	Emerging Talent, Lincoln Uni A
Jess Drummond	Train On's, Lincoln Uni A
Alice Eddington	Train On's, Hearts A
Sophia Fenwick	Tactix, St Nicholas A
Lucy Gunn	Train On's, Lincoln Uni A
Elizabeth Hayman	Lincoln A
Sarah Hayman	Train On's, Lincoln Uni A
Hannah Poff	Hearts A
Nic Mackle	Tactix
Zoe Walker	Tactix
Chloe Williamson	Train On's, Technical A

Umpires:

Congratulations to the following umpires from across our Zone who have been selected to attend the following National events:

Under 17 - Jill Robinson (Hokitika), Olivia Kennedy (Mid Canterbury), Annie Ewers-Kennedy (Nelson), Sarah Jane Paki (Christchurch), Jamie Manual (Christchurch), Kimberley Twine (Christchurch) and Jess Power (North Canterbury).

U23 / U19 - Jayne Dewe (North Canterbury), Seonaid Palmer (Christchurch), Kate Smith (Nelson) and Anna Sheen (Christchurch).

NETBALL MAINLAND HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAMME

With the completion of the 2013 – 2014 Train On and Emerging Talent programmes, NM is in the process of reviewing and planning for 2014 – 2015.

Sincere thanks to players, coaches and umpires for their involvement and Centre personnel who have assisted with the delivery of the programme. There are some exciting programme enhancements being planned and once dates and venues have been confirmed these will be communicated to all.

It is great to see the large number of players from the Train On and Emerging Talent squads that have made 2014 representative teams:

TRAIN ONS	EMERGING TALENT
NM U23: Jess Drummond, Olivia Coughlan, Lucy Gunn, Sarah Hayman, Chloe Williamson	CHCH U19: Lily Fletcher, Anteisha O’Connell, Laura Axcell, Hayley Lee, Shaani Temata-Frost, Natalie Allen, Jess Prosser, Katelyn Inch
CHCH U19: Charlotte Elley	SELWYN U19: Ali Doig
	TASMAN U19: Portia Barcello, Ellie Bell, Ashley Stuart
	DUNEDIN U19: Rosa Edwards
	SOUTH CANTERBURY U17: Laura Dorgan
	CHCH U17: Jess Shaw, Sarah Boomer, Lucy Thompson Umpires: Jamie Manuel, Kimberley Twine
	CCCC U17: Claudia Lewis, Petro Stewart, Sinead Henderson, Kiana Gallon Umpire: Jess Power
	NELSON U17: Abbey Franklin, Makaila Powick

SPORT NEW ZEALAND - PERFORMANCE COACH ADVANCE

Netball New Zealand in partnership with Zones and Sport New Zealand is excited to announce the selection of eight coaches into the inaugural “Sport New Zealand Performance Coach Advance Programme.”

NM congratulates the selection of coaches Nic Kelly and Rachel Parkin into the programme 😊

Performance Coach Advance is a new coach development programme designed to improve the overall quality and understanding of Performance Coaching within New Zealand and promotes the importance of coaching in the pre-elite performance area. It is designed to be delivered alongside the “Pathway to Podium Programme” through a network of regional coach development Centres led by Regional Programme Leaders appointed by Sport New Zealand.

The programme is based upon Lynn’s Coach Learning Model with a mix of learning mediums used to maximize impact. Coaches will be in the programme for a year and will attend a series of seminars, have access to mentoring support and be part of small group of coaches from across a variety of sports.

JUNIOR NETBALL

16 Centres from across our Zone are now running NNZ’s Year 1&2 Junior Netball Programme, with amazing success. Amongst these 16 Centres, five have also chosen to run the Year 3 & 4 programme this year. Feedback received to date has been fantastic not only from a programme perspective, but also from a delivery perspective.

More than 1000 children are benefitting from this new programme in its first year of roll-out ☺ what a great achievement for us as a Zone!!

On behalf of Netball Mainland we would like to say a massive 'Thank You' to all the Centres who have taken up this opportunity, and also to the amazing band of Development Officer's, Junior Coordinators, Star Helpers, Year 3/4 Coaches and other volunteers who are helping make this programme happen; your enthusiasm and energy has meant our young players are thoroughly enjoying a new Netball experience in 2014.

COACH DEVELOPMENT

Jennie Hooper has been very busy going up, down and across our Zone in recent months. 267 Coaches attended NNZ modules in April and May alone, which is a fantastic number reflecting not only Jennie's commitment to up-skilling coaches, but also reflects the commitment of our coaches, in up-skilling themselves ☺

In addition to the formal delivery of NNZ Modules, Jen has also worked with 95 coaches during this 2-month period by running informal workshops and delivering skill-based sessions.

We're very lucky to have someone like Jen working alongside us; her enthusiasm and energy levels are second-to-none as I'm sure those of you who have been to one of her workshops or modules can attest to.

Coach Development Opportunity for students

Netball Mainland and NNZ CoachForce are offering University of Canterbury students the opportunity to attend 5 Coach Development Workshops aimed at increasing their netball specific expertise so they can deliver quality netball sessions to their players or students in the school environment. Registrations are open this week for the Netball Coaching Workshop for UC students studying Sports Coaching, PE or Education. Follow this link for more information <http://www.mynetball.co.nz/zones/mainland/community-netball/coaching.html> and details on how to register to take part in this programme that starts on Wednesday 23 July. **PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO ANYONE WHO YOU THINK MAY BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.**

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME FOR 9 – 14 YEAR OLDS

Need your netball fix for the school holidays? Then register for the Netball Mainland 'Skillz Queen Clinic' that's running in the next holiday period.

Details are as follows:

Date: Thursday 17th July
Time: 9am – 1pm
Venue: Lincoln Events Centre
Cost: \$20

Check here: <http://www.mynetball.co.nz/zones/mainland/community-netball/junior-netball/2014-holiday-programme.html> for further details and to download a registration form.

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY INTERN PROGRAMME

Our Canterbury University Sports Coaching Degree intern Elzinor Crozier, has been out and about in primary schools this term delivering netball skills sessions followed by a Fast 5 Netball Tournament. Sessions and games have been really well received and we look forward to continuing the introduction of this exciting version of the game to primary schools within our Zone.

NNZ UMPIRE THEORY EXAM RESULTS

Congratulations to the following Umpires for passing the Zone Theory Exam in May this year:

Lisa Miree Gordon	Christchurch Netball Centre
Ruth Keir	Christchurch Netball Centre
Laura Muckle	Mid Canterbury Netball Centre
Christine Curtin	Selwyn Netball Centre
Kiani Smith	Selwyn Netball Centre

And NNZ Theory Exam:

Rianna Oosthuysen	North Canterbury Netball Centre
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Umpire Theory Exam Reminders

NZ Zone Exam (2) will be held on July 7th

NZ Theory Exam (2) will be held on August 11th

NB: NNZ are trialling an online registration and payment process for both of these exams.

It is important to note that payment **MUST BE MADE** during the registration process. In the event that your Centre does not have online payment capability, you will need to ensure your applicant is with you and has a valid credit card to complete payment requirements at the time of registration. Sue Harris will contact Centres with further information relating to this.

KEY DATES

Netball Mainland Zone Centres Forum – 18 and 19 October 2014 - Christchurch (Apollo Projects Centre)

Centre Stage:

See dates below, information needs to be to Sue Harris for “Centre Stage” feature as follows:

Waimate	13 th June
North Canterbury	20 th June
Geraldine	27 th June
Motueka	4 th July
Temuka	18 th July
Kaikoura	25 th July
Selwyn	1 st August
Mid Canterbury	8 th August

Good luck to all Centres who have teams competing this coming weekend at the “Top of the South” tournament being hosted by the Marlborough Netball Centre.

All the best from everyone here at Netball Mainland Zone 😊