



NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE NEWSLETTER

05 March 2014

Hello again from the 'Mainland.' It has been a hectic time here with the start of the ANZ Championship season, our inaugural Netball Mainland AGM, new NNZ Junior Netball programme launch and preparations for the first Zone Super Club competition.

You will all no doubt be well into pre-season trials and looking at the weather outside, summer has well and truly left us....it is even too wet for the ducks!

2014 NETBALL NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL AND AGM SUMMARY

A more detailed summary has been previously circulated by email to all Centre Administrators and Presidents re NNZ AGM held in Hamilton on Saturday 22 February 2014.

Key Points:

- Debbie Hodges – Netball South, was elected to the Netball New Zealand Board to replace out-going Board member Carole Maddix.
- NNZ Board Chair, Raewyn Lovett presented the 2013 NNZ Annual Report (including financial statements) – which can be viewed on the NNZ website.
- NNZ declared a 2013 Group Surplus of \$1.049 million.
- NNZ budgeting for Group Surplus of \$447k in 2014.

NNZ Priorities/Initiatives 2014/15:

- Junior netball programme
- National Player Talent Development Plan
- TTNL/ANZ Development Plan
- Shared Services Development for Zones
- Pinnacle Year for Silver Ferns (Com. games)

NNZ Service Awards:

A number of volunteers were acknowledged for their service to netball by being awarded NNZ Service Awards at the NNZ AGM. This is a wonderful way to recognise all the time, passion and commitment that people put into our wonderful sport. In general, before someone is eligible for a NNZ Service Award, they must first have been the recipient of a service award at Centre level. Please give some thought to awarding suitable people within your Centres and nominating them for recognition at New Zealand level.

2014 NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE AGM SUMMARY

The Netball Mainland Zone AGM was held on Saturday 01 March 2014 in Christchurch, attended by delegates from 13 of our 18 Centres. It was great to see you all 😊

Jan Barber was re-elected to the Netball Mainland Board for a further term of three years.

Board Chair, Anne Marett, presented the Annual Report and Financial Statements/Summary – which were adopted.

The Netball Mainland Zone Inc. Annual Report may be viewed on our website www.netballmainland.co.nz

NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE NNZ APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER

We are absolutely delighted to announce that the Board of Netball New Zealand (NNZ) has approved an extension to the appointment of the existing NNZ Appointed Director, Anne Marett, for a further two year term.

Following the Netball Mainland AGM held on 01 March 2014, the Netball Mainland Board met and appointed Anne as Chairperson ☺

ANZ CHAMPIONSHIP 2014 UP DATE



Round 1 of the ANZC has again lived up to expectations of being the toughest competition in world netball. After an encouraging pre-season build up including a win in Timaru against neighbours Steel and some good results coming out of the “Summer Shoot Out” in Melbourne, the EasiYo Tactix had all squad members excited and ready for the first ANZC game against Magic at home in the CBS Arena. Competition for the seven places on court is keen and coaches are pleased with how trainings have been progressing.

The EasiYo Tactix team was looking forward to continuing their good pre-season form so were all very disappointed with their performance and loss 70 – 46 against the Magic in front of a supportive home crowd last Saturday. They will be working hard to turn it around for our game against Swifts this coming Sunday 09 March (7.20 p.m.) at CBS Arena.

Meet the EasiYo Cow.....yep we've got a new mascot...look out for her at our home games!



11 May Game against Pulse in Nelson

We are delighted that our Round 11 ANZ Championship match against the Haier Pulse will remain in Nelson.

The original venue for the game, the Trafalgar Centre, was closed in mid-December 2013 and Nelson's Saxton Stadium has been announced as the replacement venue for the match in May.

Since the announcement of the closing of the Trafalgar Centre, we have been working with the Nelson City Council to find an alternative venue and ensure compliance with SKY Television broadcasting and ANZ Championship hosting standards are met.

We are very grateful for the support of the Nelson City Council, Sport Tasman and the Nelson Netball Centre to ensure the game remained in Nelson and look forward to playing before a capacity crowd on 11 May 2014.

The ANZ Championship match between the EasiYo Tactix and Haier Pulse will start at 7.20 pm on Sunday May 11 and is preceded by the College Netball competition's first semi-final between the winners of the Upper North Island and South Island.



Maori Television has confirmed a deal with SKY to screen the 2014 ANZ Championship free-to-air on the Te Reo Channel from March 4.

In a first for New Zealand television, the Maori language channel will screen delayed coverage of one game from each round of the 17-week competition, including the finals, on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm.

Ex-Silver Fern Jenny-May Coffin and former Maori Television sports reporter Taroi Black will provide commentary in 100 per cent te reo Maori.

The Te Reo Channel is available on SKY: channel 082 and Freeview: channel 24

EasiYo Tactix Community Engagement

During the 2014 season, the EasiYo Tactix players are getting out and about in the community with visits to; Ronald McDonald House, yoghurt tastings in New World Supermarkets and a number of schools in the zone.



Ashley School



Sefton School



Woodend School

HIGH PERFORMANCE UP DATE

Train On Squad

After their successful early February game against their southern counterparts in Timaru, the Train On Squad got into a minivan and headed inland to Glentunnel, to stay overnight at coach Nic Kelly's house.

The players had few details of the 'journey' in store for them, which started early the next morning, involving cycling and tramping for over 12 hours through the back country of Canterbury. The aim of the 'journey' was to challenge the player's individual resolve, leadership and teamwork. All came through it very tired and definitely challenged. It was a worthwhile experience, one that is not often appreciated until completion and reflected upon afterwards.



The Train On programme is now in full swing at the HPSNZ Apollo Centre with three strength and conditioning sessions and two netball sessions each week.

Emerging Talent Squad Workshop 4

Sunday 30 March has been confirmed as the date for the final workshop of the 2013 – 2014 programme. The workshop will be held in Christchurch at the HPSNZ Apollo Centre from 9.30 am – 4.00 pm. Lucy Newton (ET Coordinator) will be sending out the programme to Squad members this week.

Centre Talent Spotters

With the start of another netball season just around the corner, Centres are asked to confirm who their 2014 Talent Spotter is by completing the attached "Talent Spotter Form" and sending it to leigh.gibbs@netballmainland.co.nz by Friday 28 March.

A "Roles and Responsibilities" document is attached for further information around what is required of a "Talent Spotter."

Talent Spotters are asked to keep an eye out for new talented young players between 15 – 18 years of age in their local Centres and give the names of these players to the Netball Mainland (NM) Selector aligned to their Centre.

The NM Selectors will track their performances as well as the current Emerging Talent Squad players throughout the season at various school and centre competitions and tournaments.

The NM Selectors role is to identify talented players to invite into the 2014 – 2015 ET and Train On Squads. Invitations will be sent out to the players in October.

National Age Group Championships

If they haven't already, Centres will be making decisions in the next few weeks about the make-up of their U19 and U17 teams for the annual national age groups championships being held at the Dunedin Netball Centre and Netball North Harbour in July.

- U23 (Zone) and U19 July 7 – 10 in Dunedin
- U17 July 14 – 17 in North Harbour

Centres are asked to confirm to Leigh Gibbs whether they will be entering the championships as a 'single Centre' entry or a 'cluster Centre' (more than one Centre) entry by Friday 28 March.

Also please note that any queries related to rep teams – U15 upwards, should be directed to High Performance Manager Leigh Gibbs: leigh.gibbs@netballmainland.co.nz

2014 Super Club

With the Super Club starting in a couple of weeks, NM is really keen to get this new initiative off to a great start and appreciate the support that will be required from Centres, especially Host Centres.

All Centres will have received an update of the draw and rules details with Club team entries needing to be finalised by **Friday 7 March**.

Lucy Newton will be co-ordinating the competition. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Lucy on (03) 351 0571 or email lucy.newton@netballmainland.co.nz or the Netball Mainland office.

NM Umpire Development Squad

Congratulations to Eva Brown, Jane Hickmott, Sarah Masterton and Seonaid Palmer on their selection into the NM Umpire Development Squad.

Squad coaches Trudy Eaden and Sue James have set aside **Sunday 13 April** and **Sunday 15 June** as dates for the workshops. These will be held at the HPSNZ Apollo Centre in Christchurch. Programme and details will be sent out closer to the time.

COMMUNITY NETBALL UP DATE

Junior Netball Programme

Early last week, all Centres received an Operations Manual, Registration of Interest and a Junior Netball Update newsletter from Netball New Zealand, via our office.

Please feel free to contact Sue Harris or Amy Eckersley at Netball Mainland at any time if you require clarification, or you have any queries relating to this programme. Contact Amy Eckersley at: amy.eckersley@netballmainland.co.nz

To date, it looks like well over half of Netball Mainland's Centres will take on the Year 1 & 2 programme this year, which is fantastic ☺

NM Zone Umpire Development Group (ZUDG)

NM ZUDG members will be actively supporting our Centres this year, by working within 'hubs' of geographically-similar Centres. Sue Harris is currently working on a document which will outline what this support will look like, and how you can access it. Please keep an eye out for these documents, which will be circulated to your Centres in the coming weeks.

Centre Representative Fixtures

We have had a few enquiries from Centres re: what representative events are available for Under Age rep teams in 2014 within our Zone.

We are very keen to add all rep fixtures to our website calendar for all to access, including centres from other Zones, plus coaches of Umpires within Netball Mainland, and of course this information is vital for our Zone Talent Identification programmes.

While we did ask for Centre dates at last year's forum, we are mindful that these may have changed, and of course we are very keen to have an accurate list of opportunities available.

Would you please email ALL your CENTRE REPRESENTATIVE TOURNAMENTS/EVENTS etc. dates to leigh.gibbs@netballmainland.co.nz no later than MONDAY 10th March 2014.

NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE CENTRE FORUM 2014

It does seem ever such a long way off but pop this tentative date in your diary...Netball Mainland Zone Centre Forum **18 and 19 October 2014** 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.

REMINDER

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 (Kate Agnew) 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.

Very best wishes from us all here at Netball Mainland ☺



2014 CENTRE TALENT SPOTTERS

Netball Mainland Convener of Selections: Leigh Gibbs

TASMAN CLUSTER		
NM SELECTORS: Raewyn Thomason, Marilyn Milne, Melissa Brady		
CENTRE	NAME	CONTACT
Marlborough		
Nelson		
Motueka		
Golden Bay		
Buller		
NORTHERN CLUSTER		
NM SELECTOR: Fiona Bush		
CENTRE	NAME	CONTACT
Kaikoura		
Hurunui		
North Canterbury		
CENTRAL CLUSTER		
NM SELECTORS: Adrienne Hayes, Nic Kelly, Rachel Parkin, Julie Seymour		
CENTRE	NAME	CONTACT
Christchurch		
Selwyn		
Malvern		
West Coast		
Hokitika		

SOUTHERN CLUSTER		
NM SELECTOR: Barry Tucker		
CENTRE	NAME	CONTACT
Mid Canterbury		
South Canterbury <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waimate • Geraldine • Temuka 		

Please note:

Where there are NM Selector(s) already based in Centres, Centres may choose to use them as their Centre Talent Spotter.



2014 CENTRE TALENT SPOTTER

Role and Responsibilities

Expectations:

The Centre Talent Spotter will:

- Send or put forward names and details of talented players for consideration by the NM Selectors for the NM Emerging Talent (ET) and Train On Squads.
- The Centre Talent Spotter will give the name and details of any identified talent player to the NM Selector aligned with the Centre using the form below

Experience:

- Ideally a combination of secondary school, age group and senior centre / regional selection and / or coaching experience.

Technical Competencies:

- Knowledgeable in coaching and selection of netball players
- Can identify players with talent and potential

Players we are looking for:

Those who have the ability, attitude and desire to excel at the highest level in netball

NETBALL MAINLAND TALENT ID FORM

Please complete this form if you have any player(s) you wish the NM Selectors to consider for selection into the ET and TRAIN ON Squads.

PLAYER'S NAME:

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE (HM)

(MOBILE)

EMAIL:

AGE

DATE OF BIRTH

HEIGHT

PLAYING POSITION(S)

CLUB / SCHOOL

BRIEF NETBALL PLAYING HISTORY

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

ANY FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PLAYED SPORT AT REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL