

# NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE NEWSLETTER

**02 September 2013**

I hope all is going well for you and your Centres, as we wind down (or perhaps you've already wound down and now you're in 'recovery-mode') from another busy netball season. Player contracting for the Tactix franchise for the ANZ Championship 2014 is in full swing and we are very excited about the wonderfully talented players we have on our roster so far for next season. Speaking of talented players... South Island Secondary Schools tournament has just started here in Christchurch and I was able to pop along for a look this morning. It is very encouraging to see the huge number of teams competing and talented young players competing.

## **REMINDER NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE CENTRES FORUM - 21/22 SEPTEMBER 2013 - CHRISTCHURCH**

**Netball Mainland Zone Centres Forum** "One Zone – One Direction" is set down for the weekend of **Saturday, 21 September and Sunday, 22 September 2013** in Christchurch at the Apollo Projects High Performance Centre at Jellie Park, 295b Ilam Road. Look forward to seeing you there!

### **Registration Form**

Please make sure that you return **Forum Registration Form to Sue Harris by Friday 06 September** at the latest. Another copy of the form is attached with this Newsletter.

### **Event Planning Dates 2014**

You will recall that I asked you all to discuss some event planning/dates within your centres for 2014, with a view to tabling these at the forum to share amongst us. Having had a chat about this at an in-house forum planning session, we feel it would be most beneficial time wise if you were able to send these proposed dates in to our office prior to the 21<sup>st</sup>. Please send your proposed dates to **Sue Harris by Friday 13 September**, she will collate them and handout at the forum for discussion.

### **Strategic Plan**

The Netball New Zealand and draft Netball Mainland Strategic Plans were emailed out to all Centres on Monday 26 August for consultation and consideration. It would be great if you would discuss at your Board/Committee meeting prior to the Forum.

### **National Community Netball Plan**

This national plan has been formulated in consultation between Netball New Zealand and community development staff from each zone and will be presented at our Zone Forum. The plan is designed as a 'working' document that will outline:

- The overall outcomes for Community Netball.
- Highlight key information available to make decisions as well as identify where gaps exist/what additional research is required.

- Proposed priorities and strategies for the next three years, including rationale.
- How the plan integrates with the Netball in New Zealand strategic plan and goals.

### **High Performance/Emerging Talent Plan**

At the zone forum we will see a presentation from Leigh Gibbs, the High Performance Manager on the structure and plan for the zone high performance and emerging talent plan. Critical to the success of this plan are;

- A Shared vision
- Effective structures and planning
- Environment of continuous improvement
- Quality competitions and programmes
- Best people

### **NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE - NEW LOGO**

We are very excited here at Netball Mainland...our new logo is ready to be revealed very soon!

### **NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE - NEW WEBSITE**

Our new website is in the final 'build' stages ... watch this space!

### **SILVER FERNS CONSTELLATION CUP**



Heartiest congratulations to Tactix player Anna Thompson for gaining selection in the Silver Ferns for the up-coming Constellation Cup series between New Zealand and Australia. Netball Mainland wishes her all the very best.

### **WORLD YOUTH NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013**

Congratulations to the NZU21 team have been crowned world youth netball champions after beating their trans-Tasman rivals, Australia, in a thrilling championship final in Glasgow.

They held their composure in a thrilling second half where Australia surged a number of times before finishing strongly to claim the world youth crown, winning 52-47 early Sunday morning, Netball Mainland player Zoe Walker playing a prominent role in the final. There were jubilant scenes from the Kiwi team when the final whistles blew as

they celebrated with family and supporters in the crowd. Jamaica won the bronze medal with a 52-33 win over England. Further match details on the Netball New Zealand website.



#### NEW WORLD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARDS – NETBALL MAINLAND ZONE



Netball Mainland would like to extend a big 'CONGRATULATIONS' to Danielle Eckersley (Hokitika Netball Centre) and Rachel Stead (Christchurch Netball Centre) for winning the Administrator and Coach of the year category's (respectively) in this year's New World Netball Volunteer Awards. These awards are part of New Worlds National volunteer recognition programme, so Rachel and Danielle have been chosen from across the country!



Danielle Eckersley



Rachel Stead

Both ladies (each with a friend) will be flown to Auckland to watch the Silver Ferns play the Australia Diamonds in the Constellation Cup test match on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September, and will also receive a night's accommodation provided by New World. Netball Mainland is very proud of these very worthy recipients!!!

Congratulations to the following people who were nominated by their Centre for this year's New World Volunteer of the Year Award. It's wonderful to be able to recognise the enormous amount of work that goes in 'behind the scenes' every week before, during and after the netball season. We would also like to acknowledge the time and effort of those centres that completed the relevant documentation, to recognise their hard-working volunteers.

To all of these candidates and the countless others across our Zone, Netball Mainland adds our thanks and appreciation for all that you do 😊

- Coach
  - Rachel Stead (Christchurch NC)
  
- Youth
  - Jermaine Te Kawa (Christchurch NC)
  
- Official
  - Anne Harrison (Christchurch NC)
  - Melissa George (Malvern NC)
  - Alison Roselli (Marlborough NC)
  
- Administrator
  - Danielle Eckersley (Hokitika NC)
  - Chris Rodda (Christchurch NC)
  - Adele Davidson (Malvern NC)
  - Lynette Horn (Hurunui NC)

### **Judging Criteria**

In all categories, the person nominated must be a "volunteer" – defined as someone who does not derive a significant source of income from the role that they fulfil. They may receive honorarium or expenses in completing the role that they are nominated for. The person may cover several years of service or voluntary contribution in the category for which they have been nominated.

### **UMPIRE BADGES/AWARDS/ENDORSEMENTS**

Congratulations to the following Umpires for gaining their below-mentioned New Zealand Badge's and Zone Awards/Endorsements this year:

<b>NZB Endorsed</b>	Anna Sheen	Christchurch NC
<b>NZC</b>	Sarah Higgins	Christchurch NC
<b>NZC</b>	Eva Brown	Christchurch NC
<b>NZC Endorsed</b>	Tania Shankland	Christchurch NC

<b>NZC Endorsed</b>	Jane Hickmont	Christchurch NC
<b>Zone Qualifying</b>	Jose Zandbergen	Sth Canterbury NC
	Annie Ewers-Kennedy	Nelson NC
	Jill Robinson	West Coast NC
	Kelsey Bush	Mid Canterbury NC
	Jamie Smith	Christchurch NC
	Renee MacDonald	Christchurch NC
	Rianna Oosthuysen	North Canterbury NC
<b>Zone Endorsed</b>	Jan Lee	Mid Canterbury NC

### **Zone Theory Exams – Successful Candidates**

Centre:	Name:
Christchurch	Danielle Burns
Christchurch	Kerriann Gardner
Christchurch	Kimberley Twine
Christchurch	Caitlin Rains
Christchurch	Caitlyn Siggelkow
Christchurch	Ian Stothers
Christchurch	Kristina Wilkinson
Selwyn	Amanda Dobbie
Selwyn	Michelle Tate
Selwyn	Renee Spriggs
Selwyn	Victoria Roxburgh
South Canterbury	Brittany Cannell
Mid Canterbury	Irene Anderson
Mid Canterbury	Angela Chudleigh
Marlborough	Lesley Wilson

**Special Mention:**

We would like to offer special congratulations to Irene Anderson (Mid Canterbury Netball Centre) who had the joint highest mark in New Zealand during the May Zone Theory exam – awesome work Irene!

**NETBALL NEW ZEALAND AGM 2014 - HAMILTON**

The NNZ AGM for 2014 will be held in Hamilton at the Novotel Hotel and Sky City Casino Convention Centre on Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 February 2014.

Kind regards,

Brigit Hearn

Netball Mainland CEO

