

NEWSLETTER

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- ◆ Waitangi Day
- ◆ Association Championships
- ◆ NZ Championships



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OUT 'n ABOUT

Marching has been out n about in



Hawke's Bay when Burlington Knightz

Under 16 Grade Team were asked to March at the Diabetes Fundraiser at the Sound Shell back in November

Southland at Winton Open Day early in December when Blue Jay Senior Team were marching in full uniform and Teams were invited to march at the Browns Sports Day early in January also.

Hawke's Bay when the Buckingham Under 12 Team were asked to march at the AMP show where they performed a couple of displays and also marched in their Grand Parade.

Canterbury where the Allstars Marching Teams entered the Christmas Parade in Rangiora and the Allstars Under 16 Team also appeared live on the Adam and Eve Show.

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**THANK YOU to all our volunteers**  
**THANK YOU – THANK YOU – THANK YOU**



## ~~~~~ JANUARY BOARD MEETING in brief;

- Board/TWP Meeting was a two-day meeting held on 27/28 January at the Brentwood Hotel, Wellington
- Membership statistics down on last year, Board Members tabled strategies for Board Mentors to share with Associations
- 46 coaches who renewed their membership for the 3<sup>rd</sup> successive season as a Team Coach received a Warehouse Voucher through the Coach initiative from the 10 Pillars
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**KIDS CORNER**

*Marching Molly*



Hi Marching Friends,  
 Back at school now, and already have got some homework projects. One is on Butterflies – the White Butterfly, which is causing a problem for our gardens and I have seen them in Dad’s vegie garden already. Next week is school sports day and I have chosen swim sports instead of athletics or ball sports. We started marching practice last night and our Coach was very pleased with us so that was good. We did a little on the basics and all passed the test and was able to move onto display. I like display best, it is such fun. My friends Riley and Lacy both came along to practice and joined in the basics training. They think they will both join marching. I am so excited they are going to be in my marching team. Hope you have fun with your friends at marching too. Molly  
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**MARCHING WORD FIND**

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ANSWER NEXT MONTH  
 ANSWER LAST MONTH –MARKTIMES



May you be proud of the Work you do, the Person you are and the Difference you make.



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To everyone having birthday in February



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Traditionally, a birthstone is associated with each month of the year. The origin of birthstones is believed to date back to the breastplate of Aaron which contained twelve gemstones representing the twelve tribes of Israel. The current list dates back to 1912 with only one addition since then, tanzanite was added to December January Birthstone is

**GARNET**

This beautiful stone, which is most commonly red but can be found in a range of other colors, symbolizes peace, prosperity and good health. Some say it even has the power to give the wearer eternal happiness, health and wealth. The word “garnet” comes from the 14<sup>th</sup> Century Middle English word “gernet” meaning dark red. The word is derived from Latin “granatum” which means seed, and is called so because of the gemstone’s resemblance to the beautifully red seeds of the pomegranate. Garnet is actually the name of a group of minerals that comes in a rainbow of colors, from the deep red of the Pyrope garnet to the vibrant green of Tsavorites. Some rare garnets are even blue, colorless, or, most rare of all, change colors in different lights. But the most common color is a beautiful range of reds, from rust colored to deep violet-red.



The 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017 is Children’s Day. Join in the fun and do something special for the young people on this national day! Children’s Day – Te Ra O Te Tamariki, provides New Zealanders with an opportunity to give time to children. Children’s Day has been running since the early 2000’s and is on the first Sunday of March each year. Hundreds of events happen all over the country, some big and some small. Children’s Day is about treasuring our children, including:

- Giving time
- Praising and encouraging
- Listening and talking
- Sharing Love and affection
- Exploring new experiences

**CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S DAY**

## Volunteer for January

### Association Secretaries

Thanks to all Association Secretaries who, over the Christmas/New Year break remained 'on duty' to sign off Team entry forms for the NZ Championships.

Good Luck to all the marchers taking timeout to do the

**Weet-Bix**  
**Tryathlon**

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Auckland – Central East   | 12 <sup>th</sup> February |
| Hawke's Bay - Hastings    | 15 <sup>th</sup> February |
| Waikato – Hamilton        | 19 <sup>th</sup> February |
| Canterbury – Christchurch | 24 <sup>th</sup> February |
| Otago – Dunedin           | 5 <sup>th</sup> March     |
| Nelson – Nelson           | 12 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Wellington – Hutt City    | 16 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Wellington – Kilbirnie    | 19 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Auckland – Hibiscus Coast | 29 <sup>th</sup> March    |

## CHAMPIONSHIPS

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|-------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Southland   | 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb | Invercargill |
| Nelson      | 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb | Nelson       |
| Canterbury  | 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb | Christchurch |
| Hawke's Bay | 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb | Napier       |
| Wellington  | 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb | Wellington   |
| Auckland    | 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar  | Auckland     |
| Otago       | 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar  | Dunedin      |
| Waikato     | 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Hamilton     |
| NZ          | 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Invercargill |
| NZ          | 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Invercargill |

## Bright Idea

host an Association TWILIGHT EVENT and invite Parents/Caregivers and Marchers to BRING A FRIEND. Include a BBQ (could be a fundraiser) and after Teams have presented their Marching Display have some fun game challenges like Cricket and Softball for Teams or individuals in Frisbee throwing.

## TECHNICAL CORNER



### Emails ....

- No emails since the announcement of the Judging Panels for NZ Championships on 24<sup>th</sup> December

## Coaches' Code of Ethics

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every individual athlete as a human being
2. Maintain high standards of integrity
3. Be a positive role model for your sport and athletes and act in a way that projects a positive image of coaching
4. Professional responsibilities
5. Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your athletes
6. Provide a safe environment for training and competition
7. Protect your athletes from any form of personal abuse

## New Zealand Coach Magazine

Read online at

[www.sportnz.org.nz/get-into-sport/coaching-guide](http://www.sportnz.org.nz/get-into-sport/coaching-guide)

## JUDGES TRAINING KIT

a new resource for judges contains DVD's and a folder of judging sheets. Both new and experienced judges will benefit and should contact their Chief Judge for more information.



## Judge Group Advisors

Technical A - Sue Stenning  
Technical B - Kaylene Mokotupu  
Technical C - Vicky Law  
Technical D - Sue Cornelius  
Display – Viki Kingsley-Holmes

# Volunteer Management

Where do you find your Volunteers?

- Organised Volunteer schemes
- Past and Present Membership
- New Members via Information Kits on Club Volunteering
- Letter of invite to existing members
- Approach Leisure Teams
- Approach Golden Oldie/Senior Citizen Clubs
- Promote your Club at retirement organisations
- Offer younger members the chance to Volunteer
- Implement a mentoring scheme
- 'Bring a Friend' social events
- Organise recruitment drives
- Community Notices
- Advertise on Club Facebook or web-site
- Promote your Club at Secondary Schools
- Approach Tertiary Institutions who require their students to complete a practical component within their course
- Talk to Service Clubs and other Sports Clubs

*If your Club can create an atmosphere where everybody works together for the common good of the Club and its members, then your Volunteers are going to be happier, more willing to help and will enjoy being involved.*

## HEALTH TIP

You could save a life – learn the symptoms of an allergic reaction. Anaphylaxis is a serious, potentially fatal allergic reaction. Symptoms of an allergic reaction can range from mild to severe, and can include one or more of the following;

**MOUTH:** swelling (tongue and/or lips), itchy mouth, blue-tinged lips

**THROAT:** trouble breathing/swallowing/speaking, tightness, hoarseness

**LUNGS:** repetitive cough, shortness of breath, wheezing

**HEART:** faintness, weak pulse, dizziness, confusion, paleness

**SKIN:** hives, itchy rash, swelling, flushing

**GUT:** vomiting, diarrhoea, crampy pain

**OTHER:** sense of impending doom, loss of consciousness



QUICK MARCH #112 – September 1960

## Sargettes' Cup for Fiji

In 1958 the Sargettes (Wellington) marching team visited Suva, Fiji for the Hibiscus Festival and when the team learned that marching was being started in Fiji they promised to donate a trophy for competitions. Last July their promise was fulfilled when Mrs L Ferretti of Lower Hutt presented a handsome cup to Mr V Hugo, President of the Fiji Marching Association.

The occasion was an informal one which took place at Mr & Mrs Hugos home in Suva. Unfortunately, Mrs M Wendt, one of the originators of the sport in Fiji was unable to be present. Mrs Ferretti was visiting Fiji on holiday and was looking forward to a display to be given by the Suva marching teams in aid of the combined Red Cross and St John Building Appeal and also to seeing some of the teams in training.

## Fiji Teams marched creditably...

The first Fiji Marching Championships attracted a crowd of about 1000 people. The contest was originally scheduled to be held at a park in the suburbs of Suva, but torrential rain literally 'washed out' this idea. Thanks to some snappy work by members of the Executive another ground was arranged for the Monday. Executive members cut the grass and marked out the ground with the help of Suva City Engineer.

The 'emergency' ground had no facilities for gate collection, but it says a great deal for the enjoyment of the large crowd present that the (particularly for Suva, where the basic wage is under 4 pound per week) large sum of 15 pound 15 shillings and 8 1/2 pence was collected in a blanket taken round by 2 marching girls.

The Trophy for the Championship was given by Mrs L E Willoughby and another splendid shield was given by Mr & Mrs Hugo for the Display. Lady Maddocks, Patron of the Fiji Marching Association, has also given a Trophy, but as this had not yet been received from England it will be handed to the winners of the uniform contest at a later date. Three sets of medals had also been donated.

Judges positions covered were for No 1, No 2, No 3, No 4, Leader on the March Leader at Halt, Fall In and Inspection, Pace Counter, Display and Costume.

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Calendar of Events

February

5	Local Competition	Wellington
5	2 in 1 Competition	Hawke's Bay
5	Dunedin Contest	Otago
11	Field Day & Picnic Twilight)	Auckland
11	Competition	Waikato
11	Competition	Nelson
11	March & Go	Canterbury
11	Competition	Southland
12	Local Competition	Wellington
18	N.A.M.E	Waikato
18	March & Stay	Canterbury
19	Championships	Southland
25	Championships	Nelson
25	Championships	Canterbury
26	Championships	Hawke's Bay
26	Local Competition	Wellington
26	Combined Contest	Otago
27	Competition	Waikato

March

2	Otago/Combined	Southland
4	Competition	Waikato
4	Competition	Nelson
4	Trophy Day	Canterbury
5	Championships	Auckland
5	Championships	Wellington
5	Championships	Otago
11	Championships	Waikato
17	NZ Champs Qualifying	Invercargill
18	NZ Championships	Invercargill
26	Closing Day	Southland

More

JANUARY BOARD MEETING in brief;

- Reports received from the Technical Working Party, movement changes to U/16 and Masters Grade Drills & Routines and U/12 R&I approved. Two Trainee Judges attended North Island Champs 'shadow Judging' to upskill. Three Judges achieved National Accreditation and four Local Qualifying.
- Coach Training/Workshops confirmed – 'New' Coaches Workshop next season, Coach Roadshow following season, Coaching Co-ordinator next and National Coach/Judge Workshop in 2020-21 season
- Agreed the President respond, with the Boards support, to 'letters of concern' re the Judging Sheets
- Group for Change topics reviewed by Board Members. Agreed to forward to Maree Sharland, facilitator of 'Group for Change', for input and clarification before proceeding with presentations.
- Risk Register review added new Risk Mitigations for Lack of Coaches, MNZ/Association Finances and Associations at Risk
- Board to continue with same Sport NZ Evaluation

ASSOCIATION NOTES.....



Snippets from Association Minutes

(that other Associations may find helpful as tips or topics for them)

Marching Otago 'judges' had a Christmas dinner in lieu of a meeting (tremendous fun) so will be getting back to business in the New Year.

Marching Auckland opted for no Association Meeting in December and the committee invited all Coaches, Managers & Chaperones to join the committee for dinner before Christmas.

Marching Otago competitions have been running well, it has been great to see all the teams progressing. It was also nice to be at Alhambra again, as this always draws a good crowd of people just stopping to watch.

We were lucky to have exceptionally good travelling to Nelson and return, and would like to thank Marching Nelson for running a great contest in a wonderful venue (great to see South Islands indoors).

Can we all be mindful of how we talk to each other at contests in times of stress, especially when dealing with different personalities. We are all here for the teams, and remember that everyone is a volunteer.

A Big thank you to Bandolier Masters Ladies and Wendy for inviting us for a joint training and the opportunity to perform for each other. We all enjoyed the get-together and I'm very grateful that we were able to go home having achieved something, despite the competition being cancelled citing weather as their reason. The girls were in awe and found out there is still great sportsmanship within our sport.

Marching Hawke's Bay applied on behalf of the Buckingham and Burlington Teams for funding for Air fares for Nationals

Sportsmanship - to try and ensure we are teaching our teams and parents to ensure they are supporting each other, maybe look at some fun games at end of competition to encourage mixing.

Skill Certificates for Open Grades

Marching Canterbury applied for funding for Judges travel and uniforms.

Michael Jordan said

"You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them".

NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

2017 NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS
hosted by
Marching Southland



Thursday/Saturday 16/18th March 2017

CHAMPIONSHIP VENUE
SIT Zero Fees Velodrome



ILT Stadium Invercargill

OFFICIAL HOTEL –



ENTRIES CLOSED with 38 Team entries -10 Senior, 11 Under 16, 14 Under 12, and 3 Masters Teams

MARCHING FORMAT –

Qualifying March is 'March n Go' and Coach/Judge Interviews to ask clarifying questions only, will be held at the conclusion of the Qualifying March morning and afternoon sessions (MNZ Rule of Participation NZC13-1). At the conclusion of Coach/Judge interviews, a copy of the Contest Draw for the Team Championship, Plate or Bowl March will be available from the Director of Coaching. Results from the Qualifying March will determine allocation into the Championship, Plate or Bowl March (MNZ Rule of Participation NZC3-4)



All Marching is indoors on a carpet laid floor.

Timetable

Thursday 16th March – Official Opening

Welcome, Official Opening and Leaders & Coach Meeting at the venue

Friday 17th March - Qualifying March,

All grades –Under 12, Masters, Under 16, Senior,

Saturday 18th March – Bowl/Plate March and Championship March,

Bowl/Plate March (if applicable)-Championship March for All Grades –Under12, Masters, Under16, Senior followed by Presentation of Awards, Parade of Champions and Flag Ceremony

**FREE ADMISSION TO THE VENUE
FOR ALL TEAMS AND SPECTATORS**

Souvenir List and Order Form have been circulated, also available on the MNZ website

CONGRATULATIONS

Judging Panel for NZ Championships to be held in Southland in March

Technical A	Sue Stenning (Southland)
Technical B	Kaylene Mokotupu (Canterbury) Dianne Cox (Canterbury)
Technical C	Nikki Rillstone (Nelson) Vicky Law (Canterbury)
Technical D	Sue Cornelius (Nelson) Katherine Simonsen (Otago)
Display	Victoria Kingsley-Homes(Otago) Bob Gibbison (Wellington) Brenda Potter (Waikato)

Grades applicable to Judges will be advised at a later date.

