

NEWSLETTER

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Meeting the Need

Before considering what young people are looking for from our own sport, its worth considering what they want from any sport or active recreation experience. When you think about it, people don't participate in community sport for its own sake. Rather, it is a way of meeting some of our fundamental human needs. It follows that the better a community sport experience is at meeting these needs, the more relevant it will be and the more likely people are to keep participating. Sport NZ's 'physical literacy' approach show the way. It groups these fundamental needs into four distinct but aligned quadrants – physical, social/emotions, cognitive and spiritual – and it explains that the way people have those needs met changes as they go through life.

When we are thinking about attracting more young people – let's use young adults as an example – the physical literacy approach helps us see that 'being with friends and making new friends' (social and emotional quadrant) is likely to be at least as important to them as the opportunity to pursue competitive, intense sport (physical quadrant). And that 'choosing for themselves why and how they participate' (cognitive quadrant) and 'the confidence to express their own beliefs, attitudes and values' (spiritual quadrant) will influence the kind of opportunity they are attracted to.

The key point is that physical literacy is multi - dimensional. The better we understand this, and the better we evolve our sporting or active recreation 'offer' to align with people's needs – at their life stage – the more successful we will be at attracting and retaining participants in community sport.

Copied from Sport NZ publication 'Let's get fun'



Coach Incentive

After three consecutive years as a practicing Coach, receive a \$50 voucher in recognition of your time, energy and leadership in this role. (Coaches rewarded last year will be eligible again after three consecutive years commencing this season).

The Skeletal System

The human skeletal system consists of approximately 206 bones which vary considerably in size and shape.



The skeleton has five important functions in the body;

- Support; the skeleton gives shape and rigidity to the body. Without the support the skeleton we would be shapeless lumps.
- 2. Protection; bones protect the inner organs of the body (e.g. the skull, or cranium, protects the brain).
- Movement; the skeleton provides attachment for muscles, thereby serving as levers in pulley systems where movements can be produced by muscles at the moveable joints in the body
- 4. Blood cell production: blood cells are manufactured in the narrow within bones. Red blood cells transport oxygen in the circulatory system while white blood cells are responsible for the body's defence system to fight infection.
- Calcium storage; bones are storehouses for minerals, calcium. This is important for strength of bones for if these minerals are depleted, it may lead to stress fractures or osteoporosis (brittle bones)

SHARED SUBSCRIPTION

Congratulations to the Members who have a SHARED SUBSCRIPTION this season from introducing a new member last season and both registering again this season. Good luck for an enjoyable season to you all



THANK YOU - THANK YOU



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A coach will impact more young people in a year than the average person does in a lifetime



ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

South Island Championships to be hosted by Marching Southland and held at Stadium Southland on 3rd December. Entry Forms available on MNZ website. Entry Fee \$250, entries close 10 November. Late entries will incur a \$50 fee.

North Island Championships to be hosted by Marching Wellington and held at the Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua on 9 December

REGISTRATION of the Association is now due, especially for any new Association Committee Member who MUST be a registered member prior to attending the first Committee Meeting after they are elected. (Rule 16.4.2c). All Membership registration renewals are due 1 October. (Rule 4.2)



Marching New Zealand is very grateful to Sport New Zealand

for their continued investment in our sport



Roles of officials

The roles of the sports official and the code of conduct that they must adhere to links to information on the disciplinary procedures for your sport. Sports officials must be able to bring control to chaos, understand fairness, promote safety and encourage good sportsmanship. They are also someone who can be put in a position of authority and handle the responsibility without being overbearing. Along with the rules of the game they must fully understand their role before, during and after the game has ended. Being an official is an extremely important role in any sport. Without officials giving up their time, most sporting competitions would be unable to function. Officiating can be challenging, and unfortunately some officials are subjected to hostile behaviour by participants, spectators and others. They need to perform their role in a positive manner and block out the verbal comments from spectators. Officials need to ensure their approach towards officiating is in line with the aims of the competition, for example, junior competitions are usually aimed at fun and skill development rather than winning. Officials should be aware their approach to officiating can influence the participants' experience and enjoyment of the sport. Each official becomes the 'face' of officiating at competitions. People often judge all officials by how an individual official behaves, which means they need to behave in a professional and responsible way. It is important that officials present in a manner that portrays officiating in a positive/respected manner. Officials undertake an important role in the staging of competitions. They provide leadership and guidance to participants, ensuring that the competition is conducted in a safe and fair manner. Qualities such as integrity, honesty, trustworthiness and respect are integral to the role of the official. This includes how they behave and relate to others prior to, during and after competition, how they present themselves as an official, and how they go about their role. Officials are responsible for their actions and attitudes. People expect the official to be a person they can trust to control the competition.

There are a number of expectations of officials including:

- Trustworthy, honest and impartial
- Responsible, have integrity, take the role seriously
- **Prepared for their role**, prepared physically and mentally for the task
- Competent, have and are further developing the skills for the task

It is important to remember that the competition in which the official is officiating is the most important competition that day to those participating in it.



In the Diary Competitions & Events

October

- 7 Field Day Marching Canterbury at Nunweek Park
- 14 Marching Nelson Field Day
- 14 Canterbury Opening Day Nunweek Park
- 15 Hawke's Bay Field Day at Marewa Park Napier
- 15 Marching Wellington Field Day
- 15 Training Day + Opening Day in Otago
- 15 Opening Day for Marching Southland
- 28 Auckland Opening Day Bert Henham Park
- 28 Waikato Field Day at Waikato Hockey Turf
- 28 Marching Canterbury March n Go Nunweek Park
- 29 Marching Hawke's Bay 2 in One Competition
- 29 Marching Wellington Local Competition

November

- 4 Waikato Competition at the Waikato Hockey Turf
- 4 Taranaki Competition @ Taylor Park, Eltham
- 4 Opening Day for Marching Nelson
- 4 March & Stay competition in Canterbury
- 5 Taranaki Competition @ Taylor Park, Eltham
- 5 Local Competition hosted by Marching Wellington
- 5 Otago hosting combined competition @ Balclutha
- 10 Board/TWP Meeting in Wellington
- 11 Waikato Competition at the Waikato Hockey Turf
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- 12 Marching Forward competition in Auckland
- 12 Foveaux Championships at Invercargill
- 18 Waikato Competition at the Waikato Hockey Turf
- 18 Double Day hosted by Marching Nelson
- 18 March & Go competition in Canterbury
- 19 Taranaki Competition @ St Pats, Ingelwood
- 19 Local Competition hosted by Marching Wellington
- 19 Marching Southland Christmas March (twice)
- 25 Marching Auckland 'Go for Gold' competition
- 25 Double Day hosted by Marching Nelson
- 25 March & Stav competition in Canterbury
- 26 2 in One competition at Marewa Park, Napier
- 26 Local Competition hosted by Marching Wellington
- 26 Xmas March at Alhambra Union, Dunedin

TECHNICAL RESOURCES





- 1 JUDGES TRAINING KIT a 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 information.
- 2. **New Zealand Coach Magazine**. coach information online at
 - www.sportnz.org.nz/get-into-sport/coaching-guide
- 3. **Technical Drills**, released on 1st July and are available from the MNZ website



Another snippet from the 1984 CCJ/CAI Seminar

The problems of a CAI in a large Centre (Auckland)

- With so many Instructors it is difficult to assist them all. It is difficult to find a time and place when all can meet.
- There are many long and involved Centre Committee meetings plus Sub-Committee Meetings to attend, often with further responsibilities being delegated to you.
- ❖ Large Centres usually produce many high standard Teams, which often brings with it harsh competitiveness. This competitiveness usually breeds reluctance to share ideas and help each other at instructional events convened by the CAI. This reluctance to approach the CAI for advise and hesitancy to accept any advice freely given by the CAI, especially when an instructor is in the same grade as the CAI.
- With instructors varying greatly in ability and experience from the first year instructor through to the NZ Champion Instructor it's virtually impossible to provide an instructional programme catering for all needs and time does not allow for a variety of programmes to be run for the various groups.



NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE

2018 NZ Championships to be hosted by Marching Waikato on 15/16/17 March 2018 now at CLAUDELANDS EVENT CENTRE HAMILTON.

Official Opening - Thursday, Qualifying March - Friday and Championship/Plate March Saturday.

ENTRY FEE U/12 \$430, U/16/Snr/Masters \$535



It's raining again, and just as we are about to start the marching season. Has your Association Committee considered adding another one or two competitions to the calendar to mitigate against rain cancelling a competition. Teams MUST compete at 2

competitions (on two different days) to be eligible to enter the NZ Championships (ROP NZC3). Avoid the risk (and the stress) add another competition now.



THANK YOU to all our Volunteers

Carla Johnson Marching Southland

After serving on the Association Committee for seven years, Carla has decided to take a well-deserved break from the administration side of our sport, and concentrate on her little Kiwi Team. Carla served as a Committee Member, Secretary, and President, attending several Marching NZ Annual Meetings as Southland Delegate. Marching Southland thank you Carla for all you have done, and look forward to seeing you on the field with your 'little dots'. You have encouraged many little marchers in the beginning stage of their marching journey, and it must be thrilling for you to see so many carry on into the competitive grades.

Kaylene Mokotupu Marching Canterbury

Kaylene is our Chief Judge, she has been busy in the off season training new judges and getting our panel up to speed for the coming season. She has also been busy helping MNZ work on the changes to the judge's sheets for this season. Kaylene always puts her hand up to help on the committee and gives everything she has to make sure the judging panel in Canterbury is the best it can be. On competition days' she can be found judging or keeping the competition crew in line.

There are so many generous people that are willing to give of their time and talents for the betterment of our communities.

Running your Club

COMMITTEE MEETINGS



Committee meetings are designed and practiced in a manner that ensures the best use of the expertise and time of members. This assists with a positive meeting room culture and sense of accomplishment. The dominant focus of a committee meeting is the organisations future rather than its past. Ideas and issues are examined vigorously through dialogue and active inquiry. Effective leadership ensures sound group processes. Agreed decision-making protocols leads to good outcomes. Meeting papers contain only those things relevant to the governance conversations and are set in a strategic context.

Key elements

- Committee meetings are well led by a chairperson who serves more as a 'facilitator/conductor' than a 'controller' of meeting room discussion, providing leadership by modelling the behaviours required for effective team functioning.
- 2. The committee meets regularly to deliver its duties effectively.
- 3. Member attendance at committee meetings is high. Apologies are few.
- 4. The meeting room culture encourages participation and contribution from all members.
- 5. Constructive dialogue focuses on the issue rather than the person presenting the issue.
- Meetings focus on governance matters. Delving into the management and operational realm is well managed and confined to assisting members to better understand governance matters under discussion or to ensure compliance with policies and directives.
- 7. The focus of committee meetings is on the future of the organisation. Compliance monitoring is designed to be efficient, effective and brief so that sufficient time and attention can be devoted to strategic issues and to strategic thinking.
- 8. The agenda and meeting papers are distributed well ahead of committee meetings so members have ample time to read/interpret the information.
- The meeting agenda is designed to ensure that attention is best focused on the 'big' issues rather than following a traditional format, e.g. strategic matters at the front end of the agenda when member's minds are freshest.
- 10. Members meeting room behaviours and attributes demonstrate the following ideals, Members
 - Are prepared to ask inquiring questions,
 - Debate robustly but not combatively,
 - Work well with others in the meeting room and are respectful of their views,
 - Have sector/sport knowledge and awareness and bring this to committee dialogue and decision-making,
 - Have sound business knowledge,
 - Prepare for meetings and provide regular, appropriately focused contribution.