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*Hope you all had a great Christmas,
a fantastic holiday season and the
New Year was a blast.*

*Good luck if you made some New
Year resolutions and all the best for
a brilliant year in health and
happiness.*

*Festive season behind us it is now
back to Team practices, Association
Committee Meetings, Championships,
Judges Training.*



Balance is Better

In a nutshell, what we've learned is its better to play the long game. By focusing on helping athletes achieve their potential – not just in sport, but in life – we're much more likely to achieve the outcomes we want

It's all about balance.

Young people need balance. Rather than pressuring them to perform, they'll do better if we encourage them to play; to explore a range of sports, to develop a range of skills, creativity and decision-making. If they are to become high-performance athletes, they need time and encouragement to develop more than their physical ability; we must also support their social and emotional, cognitive and spiritual needs. At Sport NZ, we call this physical literacy*.

Talent development needs balance. Talent alone does not deliver sustainable success; when we're looking for future high performers we should be looking for talent and character. Critical to fulfilling their athlete potential will be their commitment, their willingness to learn and their mental toughness.

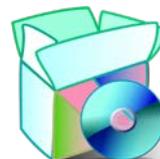
Athletes need balance. If we are to develop athletes who perform consistently as senior athletes, for longer, our development programmes have to be more holistic. They must recognise and cater for all four physical literacy quadrants; develop the person as well and the athlete.

*Some call this the '4 Corners' approach. To learn more, go to sportnz.org.nz/physicalliteracy.

Copied from Sport NZ publication 'Balance is better'

JUDGES TRAINING KIT

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





Ethical Behaviour

These days, coaches have to deal with a range of ethical issues, including drugs in sport, abuse of power, harassment, sportsmanship, cheating, eating disorders, respect for officials and knowing when an athlete should return to sport after an injury. These types of issues have a serious impact on athletes.

Coaches often have enormous influence over athletes and their sense of self-esteem. If used recklessly, irresponsibly or illegally this influence could cause great harm. An athlete's experience and enjoyment of sport and life can be enhanced or destroyed by the coach-athlete relationships.

There are extra ethical considerations for coaches to consider when they are coaching children. It is essential that they develop skills in the following areas: dealing with parents, discipline issues, giving equal opportunities to all children despite ability levels, encouraging sportsmanship and having fun rather than over-emphasising serious competition.

Coaches must apply ethical principles to all aspects of their working life and in all aspects of sport.

Treating athletes and others in sport well will clearly bring its own rewards, but treating them badly creates all sorts of problems. At their most extreme these problems manifest themselves in damage to coaches' and athletes' health, performances and professional reputations.

Respecting the rights, dignity and worth of every human being helps coaches to avoid acts of discrimination of any kind.

Copied in part from Better Coaching - Advanced Coaches Manual produced by the Australian Sports Commission

NEXT BOARD MEETING, 26/27th January

On the agenda

- Group for Change, next steps
- Reportage from the Technical Working Party
- NZ Championships
- Coach Accreditation Level One
- Association Mentor reports
- Board Effectiveness Test

Tips for Officials

Practical ideas to help you become a better official



Your Role and Responsibilities and Knowing what your job is and how to do it well.

Officials must be fair-minded and courageous and are critical to the health of organised sport. Officials ensure that games are played fairly and by the rules, within the spirit of the rules and in a safe manner. Officials then, in differing capacities, will complete some or all of the following tasks.

- Officiate at sports events, games or competition to maintain standards of play to ensure that game rules are observed.
- Judge performances in sporting competitions in order to award points, impose scoring penalties and determine results.
- Signal participants or other officials to make them aware of infractions or to otherwise regulate play or competition.
- Inspect sport equipment and/or examine participants to ensure compliance with event and safety regulations.
- Keep track of event times, including race times and elapsed time during game segments, starting and stopping play when necessary.
- Start races and competitions, resolve claims of rule infractions or complaints by participants and assess any necessary penalties, according to regulations.
- Verify scoring calculations before competition winners are announced.
- Direct participants to assigned areas such as starting blocks or penalty zones.
- Report to regulating organisations regarding sporting activities, complaints made and actions taken or needed such as fines or other disciplinary actions.

Copied from Sport NZ publication 'Officials Calling the Game'

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New Zealand Coach Magazine

Read online at

www.sportnz.org.nz/get-into-sport/coaching-guide

A Coach is someone who can give correction without causing resentment.



In the Diary Competitions & Events

JANUARY

- 26 Board & TWP Meeting in Wellington
- 27 Board & TWP Meeting in Wellington

FEBRUARY

- 4 Local Competition @ Petone Rec, Petone
- 4 Otago Contest (AM) Masters Games (PM)
- 5 2 in One Competition at Marewa Park, Napier
- 10 Waikato Competition at the Waikato Hockey Turf
- 10 Nelson Double Day Competition
- 10 Canterbury, Marching & Go @ Nunweek Park
- 11 Taranaki Championships + Closing Day
- 11 March Twice Competition in Invercargill
- 15 Valentines March at Renwick School, Blenheim
- 17 Waikato Competition at the Waikato Hockey Turf
- 17 Local Competition @ Walter Nash Stadium, Taita
- 18 2018 Challenge Competition in Auckland
- 18 Canterbury March & Stay @ Nunweek Park
- 18 Southland Championship in Invercargill
- 24 Nelson Championships in Nelson
- 24 Canterbury Trophy Day @ Nunweek Park
- 25 Hawke's Bay Championships in Napier
- 25 Wellington Championships, Petone Rec, Petone
- 25 Southland/Otago Combined Competition in Gore



Christchurch TOP10 Holiday park are taking bookings now for the 2019 Marching Nationals.

Christchurch Top10 Holiday Park offers a variety of accommodation including basic cabins, self-contained rooms and fully serviced motels. We also have kitchen and dining areas especially designed for groups, as well as free BBQ areas in the park. For the younger teams, we have a large playground and jumping pillow, as well as an indoor kids zone and an indoor heated pool. The park is close to many places that could be used for training grounds and there is a grass field on site that you are welcome to use for training or even mark your own field out on. We are already receiving enquiries for teams, so get in quick!

Please be in contact with the groups coordinator Sarah for more information and to book your accommodation:

E: sarah@christchurchtop10.co.nz

P: 0800 396 323

2019 NZ Championships to be held on
14/15 March 2019, indoors at the
Horncastle Arena, Addington, Christchurch



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Finances of Major Contests

A decision to pay a subsidy of £20 next season to Centres conducting Nationals and Island Championship contests, providing all the usual conditions were observed, was made by the Dominion Executive at its August Meeting. Last season the subsidy was £25. The annual report of the Association gave details of the results of last season's contests, in the following terms over the signature of the National President, Mrs Norma Mangos –

'For the first time, these events were conducted under the revised financial arrangements which appeared to prove satisfactory. All organising Centres were paid the £25 subsidy by the Executive although in some cases there was not complete compliance with the conditions governing the conduct of National and Island Championships'.

The financial results were as follows –

NZ Senior Championships (West Coast SI Centre) profit £25/3/8

NZ Junior Championships (Auckland Centre) loss £2/12/4

North Island Senior Championships (Dominion Executive) loss £2/12/4

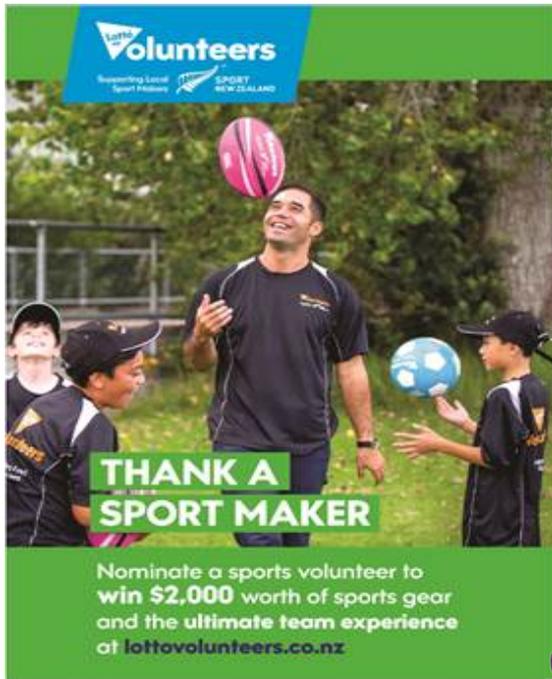
North Island Junior & Midget Championships (Waikato Centre) profit £11/4/3

South Island Senior Championships (Otago Centre) loss £2/17/7

South Island Junior & Midget Championships (Otago Centre) profit £39/9/8

'Owing to the reluctance on the part of Centres to apply for the North Island Senior Championships, this event had to be conducted by the Dominion Executive and for a similar reason, both South Island Senior and South Island Junior & Midget (jointly) Championships had to be conducted by the Otago Centre. This reluctance on the part of Centres to apply for these important events is a little difficult to understand, especially in view of the new favourable financial arrangements. In my view, the holding of a NZ or Island Championship is most beneficial to a Centre as it cannot but provide a wonderful stimulus to the sport as well as to the personnel of the Centre. I would like to see keen competition for these events and I am confident that every Centre is capable of organising them with great efficiency and enthusiasm'

I think sportsmanship is knowing that it is a game, that we are only as good as our opponents, and whether you win or lose, to always give 100%. Sue Wicks



THANK YOU to all our Volunteers

Tania Hill
Marching Southland

After two years on Southland Association Committee, Tania has taken on the role of Promotion and Publicity. Tania was Souvenir Convener for the NZ Championships and the South Island Championships as well as organising much of the publicity for both events. Tania has also taken on the role of Chief Recorder – a pressure task that is often not appreciated because it is 'behind the scenes'. Tania, along with Amanda Martin and Renee Morgan, has been instrumental in getting the 'Marching in Schools' up and running in Invercargill. With three schools involved this season, Tania hopes that more schools will participate next season, perhaps extending to other towns in Southland also. Thank you so much Tania, for all that you do for marching in Southland.

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Marching New Zealand is very grateful to
Sport New Zealand
for their continued investment in our sport

Running your Club



ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE JOB PROFILES

Key Tasks/Expectations in brief for -

MEMBERSHIP/PRIVACY OFFICER

- Maintain an up-to-date register of the current and immediate previous season's Members.
- Present membership application and renewal application to Association Committee.
- Complete all documentation and procedures in accordance with the Membership and Registrations Paper issued by the MNZ Board each season.
- Ensure prompt handling of all Registration applications, new and renewals.
- Set a high standard of professional conduct and undertake any other duties required by the Association Committee.

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY OFFICER

- Contribute to the management of the affairs of the Association.
- Maintain regular communication with the MNZ Marketing Co-ordinator/CEO.
- Maintain all social media options utilised by the Association and contribute regular to social media.
- Develop and provide for Association Committee approval, a Marketing Plan and assist the Association to implement the Marketing Plan.
- Submit budget for Association Committee approval and monitor expenditure against the budget.
- Meet the requirements and timeframes of the Marketing Plan.
- Create an environment which is conducive to profiling the Sport and the Association via social media.
- Set a high standard of professional conduct and undertake any other duties required by the Association Committee.

COMMITTEE MEMBER

- Contribute to the management of the affairs of the Association.
- Contribute productively and in a positive manner at all meetings.
- Attend appropriate Professional Development programmes.
- Set a high standard of professional conduct and undertake any other duties required by the Association Committee.

Full Job Profiles including position summary, person specifications and reporting lines, are available from the MNZ Website

RESULTS SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

UNDER 12- Champion Team; Eclipse (Canterbury)
 Technical 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Hokonui Militaires (Southland)
 3rd Southern Stars Blue Jay (Southland)
 Display 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Onyx Militaires (Otago)
 3rd = Hokonui Militaires (Southland) +
 Southern Stars Blue Jay (Southland)

UNDER 16- Champion Team; Eclipse (Canterbury)
 Technical 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Onyx Militaires (Otago)
 3rd Ashton (Nelson)
 Display 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Onyx Militaires (Otago)
 3rd Ashton (Nelson)

SENIOR- Champion Team; Eclipse (Canterbury)
 Technical 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Empire (Canterbury)
 Display 1st Eclipse (Canterbury)
 2nd Empire (Canterbury)

MASTERS- Champion Team; Rosedale (Southland)
 Technical 1st Rosedale (Southland)

RESULTS NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

UNDER 12- Champion Team; Glennette (Wellington)
 Technical 1st Glennette (Wellington)
 2nd Buckingham Guards (Hawke's Bay)
 3rd Railfreight Cavaliers (Waikato)
 4th Ignite (Waikato)
 Display 1st Buckingham Guards (Hawke's Bay)
 2nd Glennette (Wellington)
 3rd Ignite (Waikato)
 4th Railfreight Cavaliers (Waikato)

UNDER 16- Champion Team; Glennette (Wellington)
 Technical 1st Glennette (Wellington)
 2nd Railfreight Cavaliers (Waikato)
 3rd TeAramaku Crowne Guards(Taranaki)
 Display 1st Glennette (Wellington)
 2nd Burlington (Hawke's Bay)
 3rd TeAramaku Crowne Guards(Taranaki)

SENIOR- Champion Team; Storm (Wellington)
 Technical 1st Storm (Wellington)
 2nd Storm Lancers (Wellington)
 3rd Militaires Waikato (Waikato)
 Display 1st Storm (Wellington)
 2nd Buckingham Guards (Hawke's Bay)
 3rd Ignite (Waikato)

MASTERS- Champion Team; Bandolier (Wellington)
 Technical 1st Bandolier (Wellington)
 2nd Argent (Auckland)
 Display 1st Bandolier (Wellington)

Congratulations to all Teams, Judges & Officials who participated in the Island Championships and a big Thank you to Host Associations Marching Southland & Marching Wellington & all the volunteers

NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

2018 NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS
 to be hosted by **Marching Waikato**
 Thursday/Saturday 15/17th March 2018
 at **Claudlands Event Centre, Hamilton**

\$ ENTRY FEE
 Under 12 - \$430.00
 U16, Senior & Masters - \$535.00

OFFICIAL HOTEL



IBIS HOTEL
 Alma Street, Hamilton

TIMETABLE

DRAFT ONLY

Thursday 15th March – Official Opening

Welcome, Official Opening, Leaders & Coach Meeting

Friday 16th March - Qualifying March

Masters, U/12, U/16 and Senior Grade

Saturday 17th March – Championship March,

Bowl/Plate March, Championship March Masters, U/12, U/16 and Senior Grade followed by Presentation of Awards, Parade of Champions and Flag Ceremony

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

ENTRY FORM & INFORMATION

is available on the MNZ website Events Page.

Entries close 31st January 2018

JUDGING PANEL

Technical A Mrs Jenny Cox (Canterbury)
 Technical B Mrs Kaylene Mokotupu (Canterbury)
 Mrs Gay Cubitt (Waikato)
 Technical C Mrs Victoria Law (Canterbury)
 Mrs Robyn Powell (Southland)
 Technical D Ms Sue Cornelius (Nelson)
 Mrs Pauline Ward (Southland)
 Compliance Mrs Barbara Newman (Technical Manager)
 Display Mrs Brenda Potter (Waikato)
 Mr Robert Gibbsion (Wellington)