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**SPORT  
NEW ZEALAND**

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

#### Kay Smith (AKA 'Mumma Kay') (Marching Canterbury)

Marching Canterbury would like to acknowledge one of our very special and treasured members. Kay was incredibly supportive and very passionate about the sport of Marching. She supported her three girls throughout the years in the sport and supported many more adopted girls on and off the field along the way. She was made a Life Member of Marching Canterbury in July 2019 for her services and commitment for all her years in/around marching, and acknowledgement that was truly well deserved. Sadly, shortly after in August we were all devastated of the news that we had lost our 'Mumma Kay'. We wish she was still here with us now, to know how much we valued her as a Judge, a Chaperon, a Volunteer, a Supporter, a Friend, and Mumma Kay. May you rest in peace and love Kay, a treasure that will never be forgotten. Xx



#### ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS  
hosted by Marching Hawke's Bay  
7<sup>th</sup> December, Pettigrew Green Arena  
Gloucester Street, Taradale, Napier



SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS  
hosted by Marching Marlborough  
15<sup>th</sup> December, Lansdowne Park, Blenheim

#### THANK YOU to all our Volunteers

Claire McKissick  
(Marching Waikato)

What a find we had when Claire McKissick stepped back into the marching world. Buying a raffle ticket at North Island Champs in Auckland, was the day it all happened. Swiftly she was snatched up and introduced to the world of judging under the watchful eye of our then Chief Judge, Jill Charlton, and helped along the way with other judging members. Claire sat her exams and passed with flying colours, and was immediately introduced to the NZ National Marching Judges Panel for last season. We are so fortunate to have found you Claire, this year you have once again stepped up and taken on the role of Chief Judge for our Waikato Panel. Lots for you to learn and take on Claire but we know that while some of us are taking a breather and preparing for the new season you are hard at it sorting out what you have to do. Providing judges for our local teams suddenly becomes a job that you will take great care and do your best at. We look forward to you being involved on our committee and working alongside you will be a pleasure for us all. Welcome aboard Claire. Here's to a great season!! We thank you so much.

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy.  
You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer,  
you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."





## In the Diary Competitions & Events

### OCTOBER

- 5 Field Day in Canterbury
- 6 Judges Field Day in Taranaki
- 12 Opening Day in Canterbury
- 13 Field Day in Wellington
- 19 Field Day in Waikato
- 19 Field Day/Open Day in Marlborough
- 19 Display Day (informal competition) in Canterbury
- 20 Field Day in Hawke's Bay
- 20 Double March Competition in Taranaki
- 20 Field Day in Nelson
- 20 Training Day in Otago
- 27 Local Competition in Wellington

### NOVEMBER

- 2 Auckland Field Day am & Competition pm
- 2 Waikato Competition
- 2 Canterbury March & Go
- 3 Local Competition in Hawke's Bay
- 3 Taranaki Double March Competition
- 3 Local Competition in Wellington
- 3 Opening Day in Otago
- 3 Opening Day in Southland
- 9 Double March in Marlborough
- 9 Competition in Waikato
- 9 March & Stay in Canterbury
- 10 Nelson Opening Day in Nelson
- 10 Otago/Southland Champs in Balclutha
- 16 Waikato Competition in Hamilton
- 17 Auckland Competition & Major Effort Leisure Day
- 17 Taranaki Double March Competition
- 17 Local Competition in Wellington
- 17 Southland Foveaux Championships
- 23 Auckland Competition
- 23 Double Day in Nelson
- 23 Canterbury March & Go
- 24 Local Competition in Hawke's Bay
- 24 Wellington Local Competition
- 24 Marlborough Double March
- 24 Otago Contest
- 30 Waikato Competition
- 30 March & Stay in Canterbury

### DECEMBER

- 1 Marlborough Double March
- 1 Southland Christmas March
- 3 Twilight Competition in Nelson
- 7 North Island Championships in Napier
- 7 Trophy Day in Canterbury
- 8 Christchurch Santa Parade
- 8 Otago Christmas Championship in Dunedin
- 14 Marlborough March & Go in Blenheim
- 15 South Island Championships in Blenheim

*It is a funny thing about life; if  
you refuse to accept anything  
but the best, you very often get it.*

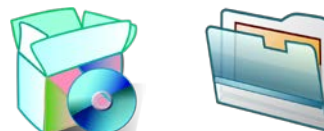
## TECHNICAL CORNER



- **TECH A JUDGE SHEET page 2** – email of 13<sup>th</sup> September with amended version of page 2 of the Technical A sheet for Under 12 Grade. Nothing too much has changed but, for those of you who experienced the original sheet printing off on two pages the bottom of the page has been amended to avoid this happening. (It appears that this is something to do with various computer and printer settings so may not have happened to everyone, but for the sake of saving your paper this amended version will help.)
- **Technical B Under 16 Grade** - amended score sheet emailed 20<sup>th</sup> September, amendments are at Disc 8 and Disc 11.

## JUDGES TRAINING KIT

contains DVD's and a folder of judging sheets. Both new and experienced judges will benefit and should contact their local Chief Judge for more information on how to utilise this training tool.



## COACH

*Information and resources for both  
beginner and experienced coaches.*

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



[www.balanceisbetter.org.nz](http://www.balanceisbetter.org.nz)

*The home of youth sport in New Zealand*

## CARE & PROTECTION OF YOURSELF

- \* Consent to Vetting
- \* Evaluate and manage risks
- \* Maintain ethical practices
- \* Avoid 'compromising' situations
- \* Get permission before taking photos or videos
- \* Undertake Coach and Safeguarding training
- \* Be aware of the Social Media Policy
- \* Report and record injuries/incidents

## CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Play by the Rules
- Never argue with a Judge or Official. If you disagree, have your Team Coach approach the Judge or Official after the Competition
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of Officials or other Team Members, deliberately dis-tracking or provoking another Team member is not acceptable.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your Team. Your Team's performance will benefit, so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good movements/drills whether they be by your Team or the opposition.
- Treat all Team members as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully, or take unfair advantage of another Team member.
- Co-operate with your Coaches, Chaperones, Team members and opposition. Without them there would be no competition.
- Perform for the fun of it, not just to please Parents or Coaches.

### PARENTS/SPECTATORS

- Remember children play sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children to always participate according to the Rules.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or not winning. Positive comments are motivational.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Applaud good movements/drills by all Teams.
- Congratulate all participants of their performance regardless of the Competition outcome.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by Spectators, Coaches, Chaperones, Officials or Team members.
- Respect Judges and Official's decisions and teach Team members to do likewise.
- Show appreciation of Volunteer Coaches, Judges, Chaperones and Competition Day Officials.
- Do not use foul language or harass Team members, Coaches, Chaperones, Judges or Officials.

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**VOLUNTEER -VOLUNTEERS-VOLUNTEERS**  
**NEW TEAMS – NEW TEAMS – NEW TEAMS**  
**BETTER COACHES – BETTER COACHES**  
**MORE JUDGES – MORE JUDGES**  
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Is your FIRST AID certificate current?  
Does your Team have a certified FIRST AIDER?  
Has the Association a FIRST AID KIT?



## ASSOCIATION NOTES .....

### CONDUCT OF ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Underlying principles of what is expected of an Association Committee. It appears to the outsider that often Officers of the Associations are working in isolation. The Association needs to work as a Team to ensure efficiency and achievement of the common goals. We have some Committees where Association Officers are not sharing information.

At each Association Meeting there are a number of reports which are received. All too often these reports are written 5 minutes before the meeting and don't fully reflect work done, or not done and don't advise the Association of communications received and responded to. Any report needs to be circulated to Committee Members prior to the Association Meeting, this is standard practice and provides for better and informative decision making by Committee Members.

All reports should be read and acted upon. They should be used, as the financial reports are, to monitor the progress of the Association and to signal areas which may need extra support and assistance, e.g. applying for funding for Coach/Judge Workshops.

Communication flows from the Technical Working Party to the Association Chief Judge and Coaching Co-ordinator. But, does your Association Secretary and your Committee Members know what is going on in your Sport? Does your Committee get full reports from these Officials on your Committee? Do they report on the information they receive direct from the TWP? Often when information is not shared from these Officers the Secretary and Committee Members know nothing about a subject when approached e.g. dates and deadlines for Coach/Judge Workshops required for funding applications.

One Person may have been designated befitting of their particular position, but it is the responsibility of the whole Association Committee to support their Officials to ensure that the best possible results are achieved. The Committee can only do this if open and frank communication is received from the Official concerned. All too often we elect people to positions and then leave them to 'sink or swim'. The most successful Association will be the one who is provided with good and full reports and works together to meet common and shared goals.

All members of the Association Committee should be loyal to each other. Open and frank discussion should be held at meetings but when a decision is reached by a majority of those present, all members of the Committee should respect that and remain loyal to the Association.



## SHARED SUBSCRIPTION

An incentive to 'introduce a friend' to marching. To encourage not only new membership but also retention. Where an existing Marching NZ member introduces someone new in to the Sport of Marching, and that that person is a full paying member, Marching NZ, through the Association Registrars, will refund 50% of their Marching NZ subscription in the following year conditional upon both the existing and the new member renewing after one year. A full paying member is represented by way of an individual registration other than as an Associate Member, and the 50% discount is to apply to the type of membership paid in year one. A members' discount is limited to 50% only regardless of the number of new members introduced.



## COACH INCENTIVE

After COACHING for THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS after first registering as a COACH and receive a \$50 VOUCHER.



An incentive scheme for Coaches, to recruit new Coaches and more importantly retain existing Coaches by acknowledging their contribution and commitment to the Sport.

## CHIEF JUDGE INCENTIVE

The Chief Judge Incentive was introduced by the Board in May 2019. How it works: Association Chief Judges who, through applied training and ongoing support, progress a Trainee Judge to Qualified Judge status and full membership of Marching New Zealand will receive a \$50 Gift Voucher. A pro-active and successful Association Chief Judge can receive more than one Gift Voucher

PROGRESS A TRAINEE  
JUDGE TO A QUALIFIED  
JUDGE (AND FULL  
MEMBERSHIP) AND RECEIVE  
A \$50 VOUCHER



## NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

2020 NZ Championships to be hosted by Marching Auckland on 26/27/28 March 2020 at the PULMAN ARENA, TAKANINI, AUCKLAND. Official Opening Thursday, Qualifying March for all Grades Friday, Championship/Plate March Saturday. ENTRY FEE U/12 \$425, U/16/Snr/Masters \$530



## VOLUNTEERS

How can we add value to the lives of our volunteers and make sure that their experience is not only enjoyable and fulfilling, but also fits in with modern lives and needs? How can we make sure that our volunteers don't end up feeling drained, unappreciated and de-motivated? Volunteers need to inspire other people to be part of our organisation either as a member or a fellow volunteer. If they are having a terrible experience, you can be sure that this will be reflected in how they portray us. There are increasing and widely held negative perceptions associated with volunteering, so we need to try to address why people are having bad experiences and why they are reluctant to put their hand up to volunteer. Because in fact – there are heaps of people who want to help! People generally want to help each other. It contributes to life satisfaction and well-being, but it does need to be in a way which is meaningful to them and fits with their lifestyle. As an organisation, we need to recognise this, accept it and offer those opportunities. Research identifies fun and enjoyment as a huge motivation for volunteering. Therefore, if we don't intend to create a fun and enjoyable environment then we're probably going to struggle to inspire anyone to want to volunteer in our organisation.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS

North Island	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Napier
South Island	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Blenheim
Southland	16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Invercargill
Canterbury	29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Christchurch
Nelson	29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Nelson
Taranaki	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Stratford
Wellington	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Wellington
Marlborough	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Blenheim
Auckland	8 <sup>th</sup> March	Auckland
Hawke's Bay	8 <sup>th</sup> March	Napier
Waikato	14 <sup>th</sup> March	Hamilton
Otago	15 <sup>th</sup> March	Dunedin
NZ	26 <sup>th</sup> March	Auckland
NZ	27 <sup>th</sup> March	Auckland
NZ	28 <sup>th</sup> March	Auckland