NEWSLETTER

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Technical Memo's

- Nil

Coming up -

- Association Meeting
- Easter
- Anzac Day

MARCHING NEW ZEALAND

It is now 6 weeks since the big quake and the earth still tremors in Canterbury. When will it stop? Will there be another big one?

Our marching families still live unsettled lives, though it was pleasing to hear that Marching Canterbury had a Marching 'get-together' Day and are now making good steps back from the disruption and devastation of that life changing day.

The NZ Championships Organising Committee in Canterbury have advised they are arranging refunds for payments for Souvenir and Pass orders for the cancelled Championships and ask that Teams please allow up to the end of April for your refund to arrive in the mail. If not received by then, please contact the Association Secretary by email at canterbury@marching.co.nz

Teams will by then also have received from Marching New Zealand the team entry refund which will be sent to the Association Secretary.

MARCHING CANTERBURY

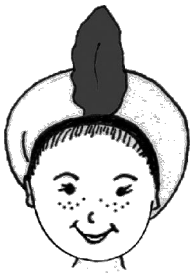
We are still thinking of you Marching Canterbury -

Marlborough - at there Saturday competition day did a minutes silence for Christchurch, and also had a donation bucket taken around for donations for Marching Canterbury. When it had finished Team leaders released red and black balloons.

Otago – started their competition with a complements- March Pass, national anthem, and a minutes silence for our marching friends and people of Canterbury in the wake of the Earthquake

'kia kaha' Canterbury

KIDS CORNER



A message from

Marching Molly

Hi Everyone, I am still very sad about the earthquake. My cousin lives in Christchurch and she came to visit afterwards and told me all about her experience. It must have been so very scary for everyone in Christchurch. She is still scared of earthquakes and wishes she could go back home but her families house is not liveable now and they are staying with friends. Her cat Spook has been found so she is a little bit happy now. She has gone back to school and is starting to play netball. I hope too that all my marching friends are back at school. We have finished marching for the year but still have our break up party. It is being held on Sunday and we all have to dress up in something special – like going to a really posh place, so don't know where will be going but sounds exciting. I will tell you next month, take care till then.

Marching Molly

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Did you no –

- Not only the fur of the **tiger** is striped, but also it skin
- Paraguay and Moldova are the only countries with **national flags** with different emblems on the obverse and reverse sides
- If a native **Hawaiian** woman places the flower on her right ear, she is available
- **Apples,** not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning
- **Coco Chanel** started the trend for sun tans in 1923 when she got accidently burnt on a cruise
- **Barbies** full name is Barbie Millicent Roberts
- Eating a **pack of crisps** a day is the equivalent to drinking five litres of cooking oil a year
- **Lips** are 100 times more sensitive than the tips of the fingers
- **Music** can help reduce chronic pain by more than 20% and can alleviate depression by up to 25%
- The **egg** came first
- **Iceland** has the highest concentration of broadband users in the world

To everyone having a birthday in APRIL

HaPPy BiRThdAy

Word Find – Can you find the following 'marching' words –

MARCHING	KIWI	EASTER
MARCHPASS	PARADE	REVIEW
ANZACDAY	MUSIC	COACH
RANK	BOOTS	HOPE
PACES	WHEEL	SALUTE

M	U	S	I	C	X	R	T	E
P	A	O	L	E	E	H	W	A
O	N	R	Z	B	O	O	T	S
E	Z	L	C	W	Q	P	R	T
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A	A	E	H	C	L	O	G	N
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V	N	E	M	C	K	L	L	K
M	A	R	C	H	P	A	S	S

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Kiwi Jump & Jive

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Congratulations to all the marchers who participated in the

Weet-Bix

Tryathlon

Awesome achievement everyone

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Friends……

When you move you find out who your true friends are by the ones who make an effort to keep in touch with you

No matter how many friends you have, there is always room for one more
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OUT 'n ABOUT

Where have all the marching girls gone…. are they Out n About?

In **Marlborough** when Teams did the cancer society 'relay for life' at Landsdown Park recently

In **Wellington** when the Association held a fun day and invited parents and supporters to march once the competition proper had finished. Three teams took up the challenge - a team of Stewart Royales supporters, a team of Glennette supporters and an Association team (who preferred to be known as The A Team). The A team was made up of coaches, judges, chaperones, recorders and committee members. The judging was done by a panel of eight girls – two from each competing team and the A Team won the day and the inaugural competition for the Arthritis Foundation Rosebowl.

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COACHING as a career…
Some frequently asked questions …

- Who do I contact to become a Coach?
- How old do I have to be before I can become a Coach?
- Can a marcher or Judge be a Coach?
- Can I Coach beside an experienced Coach first?
- Who do I contact to do the accreditation exam?
- How can I up-skill and update my accreditation?
- I have Coaching Level One is there Level Two
- Can you tell me what coaching courses or workshops are coming up this year?
- I am interested in furthering my coaching accreditation; can you suggest any courses or ongoing education that I could undertake?
- Who do I contact to do the accreditation course?
- When and where do I do the accreditation course?

For the answers – contact the Association Coaching Co-ordinator or any Team coach in your area

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Volunteers for March

Special thanks to all our March Volunteers-

Jen Van Sypp - Waikato
Senior Moments Open Grade Team - Marlborough
Chris van Stijn – Otago

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Jen Van Sypp
(Marching Waikato)

Jen Van Sypp was appointed our trophy custodian this season. Wow what a job she has done. In September all our trophies were off loaded into an already overflowing household but with storage cabinets, and a keen attitude Jen had these all sorted, in next to no time. Our trophies are finally all listed on a data base, a job that was long overdue, and a system we have failed to instigate over the past years: will make things easier now for tracking trophies. Each week our trophy table glistened. Jen also found time each competition day to help lay the plan and set up the field. She is the very proud Mum to two daughters currently marching in the Under 16 grade, so has been a convenient taxi driver, raffle ticket seller, kitchen hand assistant to many fundraising catering jobs over the season. Jen is certainly another hard working volunteer in Marching Waikato. Always there when needed, and nothing too much trouble, for her. Her sense of humour and fun outlook helped keep us all going.

1st-3rd April Red Puppy Appeal
Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind

Red Puppy Appeal 2011

From 1 to 3 April 2011, the Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind will be running its annual Red Puppy Appeal, raising funds for the Guide Dog Services programme. The RNZFB is New Zealand's main provider of sight-loss services to blind and partially sighted people. With your help, we are aiming to raise $1 million for the breeding and training of these special puppies to become qualified guide dogs.

The need for public donations has never been greater since the Canterbury Earthquake. RNZFB staff are working tirelessly to support more than 1,200 blind and partially sighted members affected in the Canterbury region. Specialist assistance is needed once the disaster response has ended to help our working guide dogs and their owners get back on their feet again.

Bright Idea

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Put your clock back one hour this Sunday, daylight saving ends 2am April 3rd

2011 WORKSHOPS

MNZ Accreditation Level One
Date/Venue to be confirmed- Northern Plate
Date/Venue to be confirmed- CNIS
Date to be confirmed- Mainland @ Invercargill
Judge Workshops
Technical A Judges
Saturday Sept 3rd @ Brentwood Hotel, Wellington
Display Judges
Sunday September 4th @ Brentwood Hotel, Wellington
Recruitment Seminar
Sunday 7th August @ Brentwood Hotel, Wellington
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It brings brightness to each day to have a friend like you and I know our friendship will last a lifetime through

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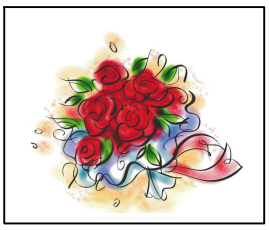
BOUQUETS an' BRICKBATS



MARCHING SOUTHLAND – have a big thank you to our Kiwi Coaches. You guys are doing a wonderful job and your girls are having so much fun. Seeing their big smiles on the field is so great. These wee kiddies are the future of our sport and without your help there would not be a future for our other grades. So THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MARCHING MARLBOROUGH - The Senior Moments Marching team is Marlborough's newest and 1st registered Open Grade team. Recently we held (in conjunction with Marching Canterbury) our very first Coastline Competition in Kaikoura. The Senior Moments ladies were absolutely fantastic in volunteering their time and effort into making this event possible! They ensured that there was entertainment for all age groups at the competition, along with a cafe, barb-b-que, outstanding raffles, (Swim with the Dolphins & seals, Whale Watch tour etc) in which they made the effort to get donated. Window displays, features in the paper, beautifully presented posters, advertising throughout the schools, dignitaries to present awards and were the duty team (as well as put on a display of marching!) They arranged accommodation for MMA personal; made all the arrangements for the venue, changing facilities, etc. They really made Marching Marlborough's job effortless and so much less stressful with it being held so far out of town. This would have to have been one of the most enjoyable competitions we have had this season.

HEALTH TIP

A BETTER SLEEP FOR A BRIGHTER TOMMOROW

It is estimated that, on average we spend one-third of our lifetime with our head on a pillow, far away in Dreamland.

This shows the enormous dependence our body places on sleep. However, with a good night's sleep increasingly losing out to longer working hours, the internet, TV and other distractions of a modern life, more people are finding it difficult to turn off their internal mental chatter and get a full night's sleep. The question is – what constitutes a lack of sleep? Generally, most people need somewhere between 7 and 9 hours of sleep to function and feel they can manage life adequately. However, this isn't the case for everyone: some people need more or less sleep.

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NZ MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIP

Associations are invited to make application to host the 2013 NZ Marching Championship as outlined in ROP NZC1-2

All applications are to reach the CEO no later than 30th April 2011 for consideration by the Board at the Board Meeting on 28/29 May

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MNZ SERVICE AWARD

Does your Association have members whom they would like to recommend to the MNZ Board for consideration for a MNZ SERVICE AWARD - refer to ROPA23, recommendations to the CEO no later than the 30th April 2011 for consideration by the Board at Board Meeting on 28/29 May

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BOARD APPOINTMENTS

As per ROP A7.4, applications in writing close with the CEO on 10th May 2011 for the following Board Appointments.

Technical Manager
Director of Coaching
Director of Judging
Coaching Accreditation Presenter
Judging Acreditor
Marketing Co-ordinator
Trophy Custodian
Publications & Merchandising Co-ordinator

All applications will be considered by the Board at the Board Meeting on 28/29 May. The term of appointment is for 12 months, effective 1st July 2011. For a copy of the Job Profile of any position contact your local Association Secretary.

variety
the children's charity

Calling for
Talented Kiwi Kids with Big Dreams

Gold Heart Scholarship

Good luck to everyone who applied for a Gold Heart Scholarship

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Marching New Zealand is very grateful to SPARC for their continued investment in our sport through till 2011

Blast from the Past

In the month of April

1947 Greymouth Associations affiliated to NZMA
1952 Blair Athol leave for trip to England via Sydney
1953 NZ Champion Team Grenadiers (Whangarei) visit Australia and compete at Australian Championships in Singleton, New South Wales.
1953 Auckland Championships held in conjunction with the Auckland Easter Show
1955 New Association formed at Eastbourne (Wellington Centre)
1979 Introductory Grade introduced for a trial period. Designed specifically to cater for new Instructors, but it will also, probably encourage larger numbers of marchers to participation in the sport
1979 Kilmarnock Midgets attend Australian national in Perth
1984 First marching team to be televised in NZ were those competing at the Auckland Association Easter Show Carnival on Easter Saturday

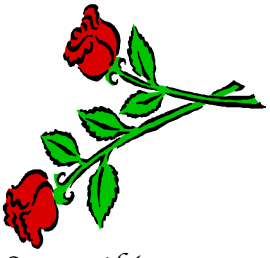
Tips from within the ***CHAPERONS KIT***

How to enjoy drinking more water:

Add fresh mint leaves, slices of strawberry, apple, lemon or lime to a jug of water. Serve chilled. Keep a jug full in the fridge

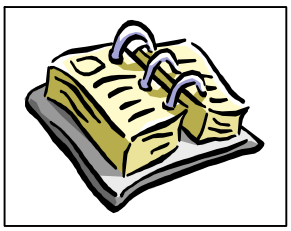
Drink herbal teas. Try green tea, chamomile, mint, raspberry leaf or cinnamon and apple. In summer you can serve them over ice.

Add a squeeze of lemon or lime to water. Warm water with the juice of one lemon taken in the morning on an empty stomach is a great liver detoxifier and may aid weight loss.



NOELINE WRATT

Sympathies are extended to the family and marching family of Noeline who passed away on 23rd March 2011. A chaperone, club treasurer, and club dressmaker, Noeline Wratt has been a part of Shontae Marching Club for just over 5 seasons now, and before that with the Renwick Marching Club. She won the sportsmanship award in Marlborough two seasons ago and has been "nana" to over 40 girls this season. She will leave a huge hole in our club, but great memories for all to treasure



Calender
of Events

April		
1	Closing Disco & Awards	Southland
3	Closing Day / Fun Day	Marlborough
May		
28/29	Board Meeting	Wellington
June		
18	Board Meeting	Wellington
19	MNZ Annual Meeting	Wellington
July		
30/31	Board Meeting	Wellington
Aug		
7	Recruitment Seminar	Wellington
Sept		
3	Technical A Judge Workshop	Wellington
4	Display Judge Workshop	Wellington

A summary of the 2010 Ethical and Integrity Issues in Australian Sport survey

The Ethics in Sport Report outlines the findings of a web survey of over 3,700 players, coaches, officials and administrators from local, state and national levels. Survey respondents were predominantly from grass roots community sport and were surveyed on issues including abuse and violence, winning beyond the rules of the game, inequity and harassment, anti-social behaviours and attitudes, junior participation, gender participation, athlete wellbeing and specific roles. Key findings from respondents identified similar issues regardless of role, type of sport or level of sport. The key issues that consistently emerged for each category have been identified as –

Issues most frequently seen within sport
- Juniors participating against more physically developed opponents
- Sledging
- Athletes being pushed too hard by coaches or parents
- Negative coaching behaviours and practises
- Juniors participating against more skilled opponents
- Negative administrative behaviours and practices

Issues that most negatively impact on sport
- Going beyond the spirit of the game
- Verbal abuse
- Negative coaching behaviours and practices
- Athletes being pushed too hard by coaches/parents
- Administrative behaviours and practises
- Negative officiating behaviours and practices

Negative coaching behaviours and practices
- A focus on winning at all costs
- Bias or favouritism
- Criticism of officials
- Verbally abusive coaching style
- Team/athlete selection
- Not managing players holistically

The negative behaviour has the most impact on the perceived culture of the sport or organisation and the enjoyment of the people involved.

Negative administrative behaviours and practices
- Conflicts of interest
- Selection process and decisions
- Favouritism or nepotism
- Lack of experience or competence
- Not following an organisations policy, process or rules in decision making
- Not giving consideration to members

Although negative administrative behaviours were not widespread, when they did occur they were seen to have a high impact on the administration of the sport, attracting and retaining volunteers, the culture of the sport or organisation, and the enjoyment of those involved.

Negative officiating behaviours and practices
- Lack of experience or competence
- Bias towards or away from teams or clubs
- Bias towards or away from individuals
- Criticism of other officials
- Misuse or abuse of power
- Inappropriate behaviour or officiating for the level of the participation

The negative behaviour has the most impact on the enjoyment of those involved, the culture of the sport or organisation, attracting and retaining volunteer, and the way the game is played.

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