

# NEWSLETTER

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## Technical Memo's

- ◆ Nil



## Coming up -

- ◆ Association Remit Meetings
- ◆ Applications for Appointments
- ◆ Easter
- ◆ Anzac Day



Kiwi Jump & Jive

# MARCHING NEW ZEALAND

Our prayers and love go out to our marching family at Marching Canterbury. Tuesday last week sent us all into shock at what had happened in the Cathedral City, Christchurch. The media coverage showed us the physical damage of that 6.3 earthquake and the numerous aftershocks but the emotional damage remains unseen to us all. We know you are all suffering in your own way, please be assured you are in the thoughts of all marching personnel throughout the country.



MARCHING CANTERBURY



At the Board Meeting in Wellington on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February the decision was made to cancel the 2011 N.Z. Championships. Due to the devastation of Tuesday's earthquake it is obvious that the Championship could not be held in Christchurch. This decision was not taken lightly and the Board deliberated on possible alternatives. Consideration was given to relocating the event to Timaru but in the interest of our Canterbury members, particularly the organising Committee who are experiencing personal loss and emotional trauma, this was deemed inappropriate. The limited timeframe (3 weeks) remaining until the Championship weekend restricted options for relocating elsewhere. After a long and in-depth discussion, it is with deep regret that the Board has unanimously made this decision but we do feel that there is no feasible alternative. Our thoughts and prayers are with our marching family and the people of Canterbury at this time.

**2011 NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS  
CANCELLED**

## KIDS CORNER

A message from

*Marching Molly*



Hi Everyone, I had an awesome holiday on the farm with my cousins Kate and Murray. We made a game in the maize crop. It was so much fun running between the rows of crops which were so tall: it was far over my head and even over my Dad's head. We have started practise again but only for 1hour after school because it has been so hot, we practise an hour then swim in the school pool before going home. My team was not marching at the NZ Champs but I was going to watch all the good teams marching and go to the Gala march for the first time. It is sad there will not be a Championship in Christchurch now after the big earthquake but I just hope all my marching friends are safe. Love you all in Christchurch.

Marching Molly

### Did you no –

- The word **checkmate** in chess comes from the Persian phrase "Shah Mat" which means "the king (shah) is dead (mat)"
- Your **thumb** is the same length as your nose
- The new **787 Boeing** was revealed on 7/8/07 or July 8<sup>th</sup> 2007
- **Honey bees** never sleep
- **Chocolate** contains an ingredient called 'theobromine' which can be toxic to dog's central nervous system and cardiac muscles
- The Germans tried to copy Coca Cola but came up with the drink **Fanta**
- **Venus** is the only planet that rotates clockwise
- The **national orchestra** of Monaco (a nation in Europe) has more individuals than its army
- **Earthworms** have five hearts
- Fingerprints of **koalas** are similar (in pattern, shape and size) to the fingerprints of humans
- The **lion costume** in the film Wizard of Oz was made from real lions

To everyone having a birthday in MARCH



**HaPPy BiRThdAy**

### Word Find - Can you find the following 'marching' words -

NZCHAMPS	TEMPO	SUN
GALAMARCH	WHISTLE	ANGLE
SOUVENIR	DISPLAY	COACH
CANTERBURY	UNIFORM	FILE
CBSARENA	MUSIC	SHADE

N	W	A	C	E	R	M	R	G
C	Z	C	M	L	U	U	I	A
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U	M	F	S	C	O	A	C	H
R	W	H	I	S	T	L	E	J
Y	P	H	D	L	H	S	U	N
C	B	S	A	R	E	N	A	K



**Kiwi Jump & Jive**



Good Luck to all the marchers who are taking timeout to do the

**Weet-Bix  
Tryathlon**

## OUT 'n ABOUT

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

## TECHNICAL CORNER



Congratulations to the Trainee Judges who are now ready to complete the local Qualifying level.

## WANTED

Interested persons to train and deliver **Kiwi Jump & Jive marching programme** into schools. Contact the CEO at [ceo@marching.co.nz](mailto:ceo@marching.co.nz)

## TO GIVEAWAY

**Push Play T-shirts** in size 10, 12, 14 for Kiwi, Fernz or new Under 12 Teams

Contact [ceo@marching.co.nz](mailto:ceo@marching.co.nz) and in 20 words say why your team should get these giveaway T-shirts.

## CHAMPONSHIP DATES

AUCKLAND	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
MARLBOROUGH	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
WAIKATO	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
CANTERBURY	13 <sup>th</sup> march 2011
WELLINGTON	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2011

## PUSH PLAY T-SHIRT GIVEAWAY

CONGRATULATIONS -

### KALANI UNDER 12 TEAM

Coach Tania wrote –  
"We are a new under 12 team with 10 dedicated and enthusiastic girls who are competing at their first nationals"



**MARCHING OTAGO** held the Otago Association Championships on 26<sup>th</sup> February and included a March Pass, the playing of the National Anthem followed by a minutes silence for our marching friends and people of Canterbury in the wake to the earthquake



## Volunteers for January

Special thanks to all our January Volunteers

Jill Charlton – Waikato  
Karen Bedingfield – Bay of Plenty  
Sean Worthington – Taranaki  
Pauline Gray/Len Foster – Wellington  
Mary Rapley – Southland

# VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

## Pauline Gray/Len Foster (Marching Wellington)

Pauline and Len are co Vice Presidents of the Wellington Association.

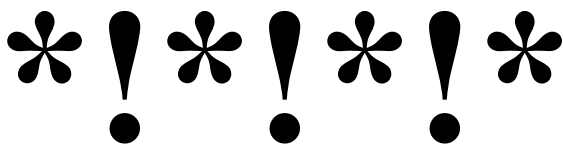
Between them they have been volunteering in one way or another for many years in the Wellington region. Both of these people contribute significantly to the Wellington Association.

In addition to his VP hat, Len manages an Under 12 team, is the ground marker and course layer for all our competitions and any team in Wellington that needs it. He has also been known to travel to other Associations and assist with course-laying. He houses association trophies and other equipment such as the Association barbeque, tapes, marching music etc. Despite being a manager of a specific team, every team in Wellington knows he is available if they ask for assistance. At CNIS this year, he assisted with replacing the heel on a boot – he has a toolbox for everything in his car and everyone in Wellington knows him as Lenny or Uncle Len.

As well as doing a great job as a VP, Pauline is the chaperone for Storm and Secretary for Stewart Royales. This means she is constantly submitting grant applications for both teams as well as being very active in their fundraising ventures. This is in addition to the role she plays in the Association where she is also involved in fundraising recently running our quiz night which raised \$600 to assist with paying for venues for competitions. She is constantly asked for bobby pins, needles, safety pins, plasters and advice. As well, she is happy to step in and look after secretary of the day duties and she is a staunch supporter of every Wellington team. Judges look forward to the days when her teams are rostered on for refreshments – Pauline can be relied on to whip up a magnificent feast.

Wellington is fortunate to have a number of wonderful volunteers – Len and Pauline are certainly in that number.

## Bright Idea



Too much sun is not a bright idea, but  
SLIP-SLOP-SLAP- WRAP is.

### CHANGES TO NATIONAL DIRECTORY

#### MARCHING CANTERBURY

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### 2011 WORKSHOPS

#### MNZ Accreditation Level One

Date/Venue to be confirmed- Northern Plate  
Date/Venue to be confirmed- CNIS  
Date/Venue to be confirmed- Mainland Challenge

#### Judges Workshop

Display Judges - Date/Venue to be confirmed  
Technical A Judges - Date/Venue to be confirmed

#### Recruitment Seminar

Date to be confirmed - Wellington

## NORTHERN AREA MARCHING EXTRAVAGANZA



Congratulation Marching Waikato,  
from all reports another well  
organised, awesome fun event



*Friendship can start in  
childhood and follow you all  
through life*

## BOUQUETS an' BRICKBATS



MARCHING MARLBOROUGH – who reduced a recent Competition March to 'one march only' when temperatures soared into the high 30's

## CHILDRENS DAY

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2011

New Zealand's Children's Day is a national, non-commercial day to celebrate how special and important our children are. It is marked on the first Sunday of March every year but of course you can make any day a special children's day!

This year the theme will be 'love and affection'



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## 2013 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 30<sup>th</sup> April 2011 for consideration by the Board at the Board Meeting on 28/29 May

### HEALTH TIP

### Too much sun isn't a bright idea!

Too much sun can lead to premature ageing, freckling, broken blood vessels and melanomas. So it's important to take the time to know your SPF's.

Sun Protection Factor (SPF) indicates how much protection from the sun the product will provide. To determine the best protection for your circumstance, multiply the SPF by the amount of time it normally takes you to burn. For fair to medium skins in a summer sun this can be around 10-15 minutes.

So an SPF 15 multiplied by 10 minutes equals 150 minutes. In other words you can be in the sun approximately two and a half hours without getting burned.

Of course swimming, exercise and sweating, sunscreen can easily rub off or wear thin before the SPF time is up. So you need to reapply sunscreen every two hours, even if it is waterproof. And reapply straight after swimming or heavy perspiration.

An SPF of 15 is best for daily use by people who spend the majority of their day indoors. An SPF 30 or greater is better for those who are out in the sun for extended periods.

A few bright ideas to protect you from harmful UV rays are –

- Stay inside or in the shade during the hottest part of the day usually from 11am – 4pm
- Apply sunscreen half an hour before you go out in the sun
- Remember that a tightly woven fabric offers more protection than a loosely woven fabric which could still allow radiation to pass through
- Wear a wide brimmed hat to protect your head and neck
- Remember caps don't protect your neck, the sides of your face or your ears.
- Apply sunscreen generously and reapply every two hours as well as immediately after swimming or exercise

## February Board Meeting

in brief

- The Board Meeting was held at the Conference Centre, Wellington Airport on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb
- The decision was made to cancel the 2011 N.Z. Championships due to the devastation of Tuesday's earthquake in Christchurch.
- CEO is investigating the addition of a forum facility to the MNZ website
- International Challenge – a presentation is being considered for the Australian Marching Association
- Director of Finance sort feedback from Association visits of sufficient cash reserves and financial management
- Budget reflected a 9% income loss and a 2% expenses increase
- Technical Survey completion rates very pleasing
- The technical changes requested by the TWP for new season approved
- Two Judges have completed local Qualifying – a possible three more before season ends
- Two Judges workshops approved for Aug/Sept covering Display and Technical A
- Volunteer and Events statistics not being supplied by all Associations – numbers needed to complete SPARC Investment Report
- Annual Administrative Review not completed – deferred to next Board Meeting (27/28 May)
- Reports of Board visit to Marching Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, and Canterbury were received and discussed



### Calling for Talented Kiwi Kids with Big Dreams

#### Gold Heart Scholarship

If you are a high achiever striving to reach a long-term goal in music, the arts, education or sports, but are challenged by illness, disability or financial circumstances, **Variety-The Children's Charity** may be able to help. Go to [www.variety.org.nz](http://www.variety.org.nz) now for more information. Up to \$5,000 each per annum, for a maximum of three years, is available to New Zealand children with special needs for projects to help them reach their full potential. Applications close 31 March 2011. Scholarships are strictly limited. Conditions apply



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

**MARCHING ON TV GOOD MORNING PROGRAMME**



Well done Glennette Under 12 Team on the Good Morning Show, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February

### MNZ Annual Meeting

Brentwood Hotel, Wellington

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2011  
(commencing at 10am and concluding 4pm)

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**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

As per ROP A7.4, applications in writing close with the CEO on 10<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011. For a copy of the Job Profile of any position contact your local Association Secretary.



### In the month of March

- 1947 Bulls and Wairarapa Associations affiliated to NZ
- 1948 The NZ Senior Championships held in Wellington were abandoned halfway through the competition when the weather changed to a north westerly gale accompanied with torrential rain.
- 1952 Blair Athol give performances in Canterbury, Wellington and Auckland before leaving for tour of England
- 1952 The 'Aulsebrook Rose-bowl' was donated for 3<sup>rd</sup> Championship March
- 1952 Balmoral of Timaru were the NZ Champion Team
- 1953 Australian Marching Association invite Grenadiers (Whangarei) and Balmoral (Timaru) – Island Champion Teams - to visit in April and compete in Australian Championships against two best Australian Teams in an 'inter-dominion' contest
- 1953 Grenadiers (Whangarei) took 1<sup>st</sup> place in all sections at NZ Championships – Parry Cup (Championship), Bock Shield (Display March), Hannan Shield (Aggregate), Richard Hudnut Trophy (Best Costume), Association Cup (Instructor), Lustre Shield (Champion Leader) and Stanton Medal (Marker)
- 1953 Crowd attendance at NZ Championships in Auckland at Carlaw Park was 15,000
- 1954 NZ Championships held at Carrisbrook in Dunedin
- 1955 Formation of the Marlborough Marching Assn
- 1962 243 teams registered
- 1980 Naumai Escorts Juniors from Hawera competed in the City of Sydney Championships, placed 1<sup>st</sup> Champion Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Leader, 3<sup>rd</sup> Display, 3<sup>rd</sup> Aggregate
- 1981 First combined NZ Midget, Junior & Senior Championships were held in Hawke's Bay

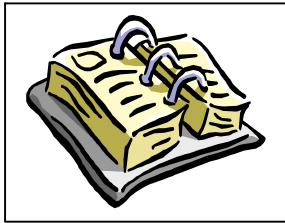
Tips from within the **CHAPERONS KIT**

### The BIG Squeeze!

Juices really are simple summer drinks that always look and taste impressive!

Squeeze a selection of fruits (citrus fruits work well together, as do apples and feijoas) and serve on ice.

Hand squeezing provides the same result as juicers, but will take longer, no doubt burning up a few calories on the way! Carrot juice is surprisingly tasty when combined with fruits, particularly apple and orange, and adding a dash of lemon juice changes the taste altogether. If you prefer weaker juices, dilute with sparkling water or ginger ale.



## Calendar of Events

### March

5	Competition	Marlborough
6	Championships	Auckland
6	Competition	Wellington
6	Championships	Marlborough
6	Combined Gore (march twice)	Southland
12	Championships	Waikato
13	Closing Day	Nelson
13	Championships	Canterbury
13	Championships	Wellington
27	End of Season	Auckland
27	End of Season Awards	Otago

### April

1	Closing Disco & Awards	Southland
3	Closing Day / Fun Day	Marlborough



**MARCHING CANTEBURY** 

**NZ MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS  
CHRISTCHURCH - 18-20 March 2011**

**CANCELLED**

An email from my In Box –

As we ‘Silver Surfers’ know, sometimes we have trouble with our computers.

I had a problem yesterday, so I asked Eric, the 13year old next door (whose bedroom looks like mission control) and asked him to come over.

Eric clicked a couple of buttons and solved the problem.

I asked him what was wrong and he replied “it was an ID ten T error”. I didn’t want to appear stupid altogether, but nonetheless inquired. “An ID ten T error, what’s that in case I need to fix it again”

He grinned....and replied. Have you not heard of an ‘ID ten T error’ before? Write it down and I think you’ll figure it out.

So I wrote it down. **ID10T**.....

**Messages forwarded to Marching Canterbury**  
Don't know what to say; of course our thoughts go out to all the people in Christchurch at this sad time and especially our close friends within Marching. I have decided to send this to you as not to clog up any communications down there. Please send our best wishes if you can.

**We definitely feel for the poor folk in Canterbury ...Kindest regards**

..... man I feel so sorry for everyone it will affect everyone at some part or stage of their lives.

... please pass on the thoughts of Wellington marching to our marching family in Christchurch. We are all thinking of them and if there is anything we can do to help, please let them know they should feel free to ask.

**What a horrific tragedy for Christchurch, our thoughts are with those worse off than us, for we have our loved ones coming home for a few weeks of respite from the constant shaking.**

Please pass our very sincere thoughts, prayers and aroha to our Marching friends and family in the Christchurch area.

**Thoughts are with them all**

God I hope all the marching personnel are safe though I do wonder looking at the damage.

My best wishes and thoughts go to the Canterbury members and hopefully they are all okay

I would like to open our home (spare bedrooms include, 1 double bed, 2 single beds, double fold out couch and two cots) to anyone from marching Canterbury who would like a break. We can be contacted directly on 03 546 6974 or [mtpockets@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mtpockets@xtra.co.nz) or through Marching Nelson.

*Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, a day that will be remembered forever by those who experienced the horrors of that moment now etched in New Zealand’s history.*

*Our thoughts and prayers remain with our marching family and the people of Canterbury following that devastating earthquake*

*May this month of March bring hope and happiness to you all!*

**Diane Gardiner**

CEO MARCHING NEW ZEALAND