

# NEWSLETTER

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



# In the Diary

Competitions & Events
Due to the unknown times we are
facing, we have nothing confirmed
in the Diary. Once we have settled
back into normal routine will be –

MNZ Board/TWP Meeting, MNZ 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Admin Workshop and Coach Workshops.









#### 2020 ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

**South Island Championships** 

to be hosted by Marching Otago on 6<sup>th</sup> December at the Lion Arena Dunedin

#### **North Island Championships**

to be hosted by Marching Taranaki on 12<sup>th</sup> December at the TSB Stadium, New Plymouth

## **CORONAVIRUS – COVID-19**

Alert Level 2 ...now Alert Level 1 and the goal is still to eliminate Covid-19 from New Zealand, which thus far we collectively have achieved a lot toward that goal. The run of days with no cases is reflective of our efforts



to stay at home, personal hygiene / handwashing, physical distancing and restricting our contacts. The quicker than anticipated move to Alert Level 1 was great news for everyone and our bubble living, but we must not become too complacent and be prepared should a move backwards be forced upon us. Whilst being a challenge for many, bubble living has also provided some enjoyable and fun family times to remember. For all Covid 19 information go to the Governme. It's Covid-19 web site and Sport NZ's website Covid-19 page.

# **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

At the recent Board Meeting the following appointments were made (effective 1st July 2020)

Director of Judging; Kaylene Mokotupu (Canterbury)
Director of Coaching; Jodie McLuskie (Waikato) \*
Technical Manager; Barbara Newman (Canterbury) \*
Judging Accreditor; Sue Stenning (Southland)
Trophy Custodian; Sherryn Wells (Auckland)
Publication/Merchandise Co; Diane Burton (Canterbury)
Social Media Administrator; Diane Burton (Canterbury)
(\* 2nd and 3rd year respectively of three-year term)



## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

#NVW2020 - 21-27 June 2020

Te Hua o te Mahi Tahi - the benefit of working together



Te Wiki Tūao ā-Motu

national volunteer week

AO NOA, PŌ NOA, WHÂIA TE PAE TATA







# Getting through together

Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand

Need to talk? Call or text 1737 or visit www.allright.org.nz/campaigns/getting-through-together

# THANK YOU to all our Volunteers

# Deon Evans & Phil Newton

(Marching Cantrbury)

Deon and Phil are two of our newest volunteers to Marching Canterbury, coming on board and learning the ropes of doing the job of Marshalling. They both have done an amazing job this season for us and have fitted in with the rest of the competition crew perfectly. We love your sense of humour gentlemen and look forward to seeing you both out there again next season.



THANK YOU – THANK YOU – THANK YOU

# **TECHNICAL CORNER**



# **COACH**

Information and resources for both beginner and experienced coaches. www.sportnz.org.nz/get-into-sport/coaching-guide



KeepUpWithThePlay.org.nz

Marching New Zeland sincerely thank the Southern Trust who have funded new laptop computers for the Techcncial Working Party



Funding Your Community



MNZ Annual Workshop ..... even though it's still early days, we believe the right option for now, is to put our MNZ Annual Workshop ON HOLD, we are working through alternative options for later in the year but will update you further as the next few weeks unfold.

UPDATE COMING SOON

## 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 too?



- 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 current 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?
- When and where do I do the accreditation course?
- Does the Regional Sports Trust have courses for coaching?
- Can I start coaching before doing accreditation courses?
- How much does it cost to become a coach?

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

# JUDGING as a career .....

Some frequently asked questions ...

- Who do I contact to become a Judge?
- How old do I have to be before I can judge?
- Can I still be a marcher and a judge at the same time?



- Can I be a Judge for my Association only?
- How much does it cost to become a Judge?
- Do I need to buy a Judges Uniform?
- Where can I get a uniform from?
- Who do I contact to do the accreditation exam?
- When and where are the accreditation exam?
- How can I update my current accreditation?
- I am interested in furthering my judging accreditation; can you suggest any courses or ongoing education that I could undertake?
- Can you tell me what judging courses or workshops are coming up this year?

For the answers – contact the Association Chief Judge or any member of the local Judging Panel

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Coaches and Judges who completed and achieved accreditation during Covid-19 lock-down.



Coach LEVEL ONE

Nicole Griffiths (Marching Waikato)
Alyssa Thompson (Marching Canterbury)

Judge QUALIFIED

Kylie Olsen (Marching Auckland) Ema Wihapi-Solia (Marching Wellington) Victoria McDonald (Marching Wellington)

Congratulations - Well Done - Congratulations





# What is Character?

People are often described as either having good character or bad character. Such perceptions represent traditional, limiting views of character. In reality, character is more complex than this. In this article, Dr Ralph Pim introduces us to how he conceptualises character.

In the webinar, <u>Transforming Character Strengths</u> <u>into Productive Results</u>, we talk about how sport doesn't build character, it reveals character. It takes skilled leaders with purpose to use sport as a vehicle for developing character in young people. Having a good grasp on what 'makes up' character is the first step in being able to become a skilled leader capable of helping young people and athletes to develop their character.

#### **Continue Reading**

Register with Balance is Better for regular informative updates direct to your In Box. <a href="https://balanceisbetter.org.nz/">https://balanceisbetter.org.nz/</a>





New season Technical Drills & Routines will be released on 1st July





# ASSOCIATION NOTES.....

# Snippets from Association Minutes

All is great, girls are training very well and looking forward to a very exciting part of the season, beginning with this Saturday's Champs especially the fun activities after we have finished competing, and then followed by a fantastic few days away in Auckland attending the New Zealand Championships.

Thank you to all who helped, recording, music, marshal and all the visiting judges.

We have achieved so much this season, we have been training from 5:30-6 pm Wednesday's at one of the parents house where they have a big driveway, afterwards we have had bonding time for the girls and families to have a swim and us adults start the bbq.

I have been super blessed to have such amazing parents this season.

Our team has had some positive results with training and fundraising. A sausage sizzle & a few extra 1on1 trainings have taken place to build marchers confidence. Looking forward with Nationals in 2 weeks in Auckland.

Lastly, I do hope the committee enjoyed the little Thank You surprise I organized on Sunday. I believe that we all work very hard to do our committee jobs in the spare time we have from having family's, work, coaching teams, managing teams and so much more. So again, thank you without you all we would not exist.

The goal is to keep improving into nationals.

We would like to thank the Association and all volunteers for all the work you have put into this season.

Minor changes have been made to the Strategic Plan but will be typed up and given to President for approval before circulating to all.

The Secretary has purchased Good Luck Cards for all teams attending Nationals. All committee members will need to sign these on Saturday.

Firstly, wanted to say a big well done to everyone for a fantastic competition on Sunday. Lots of awards presented, heaps of fun had with the blind folded RNI and each club swapping teams displays.

We are very lucky to have great volunteers running competitions and the association. A big thank you on behalf of all the girls to you all.

I want to thank all the judges who have taken the time to travel and judge our teams this season, we appreciate the effort that goes into travelling and judging at our competitions.



# **VOLUNTEERS**

the importance of Leadership

Research has identified that leadership has a central place

in the management of volunteers, especially at a community level. It is important for organisations to identify their leadership style that will best take account of volunteer needs and provide support for leaders to develop these competencies. Volunteers see strong leadership within an organisation as the way for them to focus on their roles. Good leadership results in some or all the following -

- ✓ provision of a safe environment
- ✓ a well-run organisation
- ✓ manageable volunteer roles
- ✓ a supportive and encouraging environment
- ✓ clarity and certainty about the commitment required from volunteers
- ✓ volunteers feeling respected and listened to
- √ clear processes and systems for managing volunteers

Without good leadership volunteers may be uninspired and unsure about what is expected of them and may eventually lack commitment, which will see them discontinue their volunteering. Sport and recreation organisations must create a motivating environment for volunteers so that volunteers can achieve their own goals, as well as those of the organisation.

Copied from Finding and Keeping volunteers, what the research tells us (SPARC Report)

# NZ MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIP

2021 in Dunedin @ More FM Arena

**2022** in ??????? @

Associations are invited to make application to host the 2022 NZ Marching Championships as outlined in Rule of Participation NZC1-2. All applications are to each the CEO no later than 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DEADLINE DATE

# WANTED ASSISTANT to the Social Media Administrator

Do you have a Facebook profile?
Are you keen to promote Marching?
Do you administer the Association FB page?
Are you a member of a North Island Association?
Do you have photos to share?
Are you interested?

Contact the CEO at ceo@marching.co.nz

#### MNZ ANNUAL MEETING



#### 75th ANNUAL MEETING

# 19th July 2020

The Board formally resolved at the Board Meeting on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020 to hold the MNZ 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting electronically.

Due to Covid-19 the MNZ Annual Meeting will be conducted electronically via Microsoft Meeting.

The Board has also voted to postpone any Remit for rule changes and Notices of Motion until next year when it is envisaged the meeting will be face to face. Similarly, there will be no General Business this year. For purposes of this virtual meeting Observers will **not** be invited to attend this year.

Voting will be made by way of an email or text to the Independent authority and will be carried out during the meeting. All Delegates, Board, Technical Working Party, and Life Members will have to register prior providing both an email and cell phone contact.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Nominations for President and one Board Member must include a precis penned by your nominee and reach the CEO no later than 30 June 2020

#### MNZ SERVICE AWARD

Does your Association have members whom they would like to recommend to the MNZ Board for consideration for an MNZ SERVICE AWARD? Recommendations including an outline of the service as per ROP A23 to reach the CEO no later than 30 June 2020

## REGISTRATION

Registration forms MUST be completed by those attending and reach the CEO no later than 30 June

#### **AGENDA**

The Agenda, including reports will be emailed to registered attendees on 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

NO - NOTICE OF MOTIONS/REMITS NO - GENERAL BUSINESS NO - REGISTRATION FEE



## MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES

# SHARED SUBSCRIPTION

Will again be available this coming season. 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 into the Sport of Marching, and that that person is a full paying member, Marching NZ, through the Association Membership Officers, will refund 50% of their Marching NZ subscription in the following year conditional upon both the existing and 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, will continue next season.

# CHIEF JUDGE INCENTIVE



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

#### BOARD MEETING in brief ...

- Due to Covid-19 restrictions the May Board Meeting was postponed until Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June, when it was rescheduled and conducted via Microsoft Teams
- The TWP were not in attendance
- Working Party-Simplification of Judging following up on discussions at the February Meeting and working through draft sheets and when and where they can be trialled. Will present full report to August Meeting including a summary of completed and outstanding that will complete the work.
- Working Party Level Two Accreditation (Coaching Programme) - working with the framework presented with stage one, Coaching Induction, ready for release 1<sup>st</sup> July and now working on a Master Copy for a Coaches Portfolio.
- Balanced Scorecard summary –
   Membership Good end of year result, no 'red'
   flags, membership retention been consistent
   Volunteer –Coaching exceeded new Coaches
   accredited Introduction to Coaching though not
   achieving in Level One accreditation or Workshops
   Judging exceeded Trainee Judges report good
   result of Trainee Judges moving through to Local
   Qualifying.
  - Processes Volunteer numbers down, missing from four Associations.
  - Finance Income/Expenditure budget variations reflect NZ Championships no income against expenses.
- TWP funding application successful through Southern Trust for purchase of laptop computers for the TWP, sincere thanks recorded for the work done by Technical Manager to achieve this. Minor change to Under 12 Q/C/M and R&I approved

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  - Changes to Replacements was not clear to the Board and CEO follow-up with TWP for clarification Coach and Coaching Co one day workshops previously approved for August 2020, recommendation changes approved for Sept/Oct 3 more Trainee Judges have now Qualified
- End of Year Financial Reports received from all Associations, with three showing a deficit
- Unaudited year end accounts show small net profit
- Membership stats a 8% decline in membership and overall 11 less Team numbers, (74 compared with 85 last year). Missing data for School /Community activities and Volunteers. Retention level has been consistent and this year at 67% compared with 70 and 68 the previous two years.
- Coach Incentive where Coaches completing 3 consecutive years Coaching after first registering as a Coach will receive a reward voucher to continue next season,
- Shared Subscription incentive to continue
- Judge Incentive for Chief Judges to receive a reward voucher when they progress a Trainee Judge to Qualified Judge status and full membership of MNZ to continue next season
- New Judge Incentive approved.
- CEO performance appraisal carried over to Aug

- TWP Performance appraisals to be undertaken via Microsoft Meetings
- Annual Plan almost complete, no discussion
- MNZ Appointments confirmed
   Judging Accreditor Sue Stenning
   Publications & Merchandising Diane Burton
   Social Media Administrator Diane Burton
   Trophy Custodian Sherryn Wells (Auckland)
   Director of Judging Kaylene Mokotupu
- Board are seeking an Assistant from a North Island Association to assist the Social Media Administrator with 'north island' input for FB
- The 'Impact and Changes' Covid-19 to be a Blue- Sky Thinking session at the August Board Meeting to explore what the future might look like, what can we do different and better that will create more opportunities for our Sport.
- The Board considered the options and agreed, due to Covid-19, to proceed with the Annual Meeting via alternative means. The 2020 MNZ Annual Meeting be held electronically on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Business of the Annual Meeting will not include Notice of Motions to make changes to the Constitution, Remits to make changes to the Rules of Participation or to the Policies or General Business.
- Admin Workshop scheduled for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August deferred until August 2021.
- Application date for NZ Championships 2022 changed to 30<sup>th</sup> June due to Covid-19 restricting opportunities for Association personnel to meet/communicate with potential venues during lock-down.
- Next Meeting; Brentwood Hotel, Wellington, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2020

### NEW MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE

#### JUDGE INCENTIVE



To encourage recruiting,

the ongoing growth and development and retaining existing Judges by acknowledging their contribution and commitment to the Sport.

#### How it works:

After Judging for two consecutive years after qualifying as a Judge receive a \$50 Gift Reward Voucher

