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NEW ZEALAND**

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



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The home of youth sport in New Zealand

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Southland	16 th Feb	Invercargill
Nelson	29 th Feb	Nelson
Taranaki	1 st March	Stratford
Wellington	1 st March	Wellington
Marlborough	1 st March	Blenheim
Canterbury	1 st March	Christchurch
Auckland	8 th March	Auckland
Hawke's Bay	8 th March	Napier
Waikato	14 th March	Hamilton
Otago	15 th March	Dunedin
NZ	26 th March	Auckland
NZ	27 th March	Auckland
NZ	28 th March	Auckland

CORONAVIRUS – NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

It is paramount that the health and well-being of everyone attending the NZ Championships is not at risk. Marching New Zealand is receiving regular updates from Sport NZ and are following guidelines and recommendations given from the Ministry of Health. To assist, anyone not feeling well, especially if having recently travelled from affected and notified countries, to not attend. And everyone to be vigilant with personal hygiene, maintain good coughing, sneezing and hand washing habits and avoid people with cold or flu symptoms.



In the Diary Competitions & Events

MARCH

- 1 Taranaki Championships in Stratford
- 1 Wellington Championships
- 1 Marlborough Championship in Blenheim
- 1 Canterbury Championships
- 7 Waikato Competition in Hamilton
- 8 Auckland Championships
- 8 Hawke's Bay Championships in Napier
- 8 Local Competition in Wellington
- 8 Otago Contest in Mosgiel
- 8 Southland Closing Day
- 14 Waikato Championships in Hamilton
- 15 Local Competition at Petone Rec, Petone
- 15 Nelson Closing Day
- 15 Canterbury Competition & Closing Day
- 15 Otago Championships & Closing Day
- 22 Challenge Cup Competition
- 26 NZ Championship Qualifying Opening
- 27 NZ Championships Qualifying March
- 28 NZ Championships Plate/Championship March

APRIL

- 5 Taranaki Closing Day in Stratford

The range of what we think and do
is limited by what we fail to notice
And because we fail to notice that we fail to notice
There is little we can do to change
Until we notice how failing to notice
Shapes our thoughts and deeds.

THANK YOU to all our Volunteers

Angela McCurdy
(Marching Waikato)

Angela McCurdy is a Marcher, a mum of her daughter is also marching, and she is our current Waikato Membership Officer. This is a role that is pretty quiet most of the year but the couple of months leading up to our competition season, and then up until Nationals there appears to be lots of membership tasks going on, as marchers, join teams, change teams, etc as well as team officials doing the same. Now added to the equation is the conviction checks, following up, advising, and processing registrations is an endless task. Added to this is the accurate records Angela keeps to make the job of issuing Service Awards so much easier with all details of each member on tap.



Angela is a valued member of our committee having filled this role for the past four years, adding strength of the younger generation. This year Angela will be lining up for one of the Marchers Service Award in Waikato having completed 25 years

of marching. What an achievement. Marching Waikato would like to congratulate Angela on this wonderful achievement, and hopefully those boots will remain on your feet for a few more years yet Thanks Angela.

Shaun Dowers
(Marching Canterbury)

Shaun Dowers is the Marching Canterbury Treasurer, and he is doing an amazing job of keeping the books all in order. Not only does he do this for the Association, he has also been helping a lot at our competitions, from filling in doing music & announcing, setting up the competition field, helping in recording and doing pretty much anything required to help where he can. Shaun is a MASSIVE asset to Marching Canterbury and is a pleasure to work with.

Tracey Penfold
(Marching Canterbury)

Tracey Penfold is one of Marching Canterbury's treasured judges, judging in the display positions. She has been doing a fantastic job again this season for us, including helping train up a new display judge. She has made us all proud with her first regional panel at the South Island Championships in Blenheim this season, of which she did a great job. She is always on hand to help where she can at competitions and other areas & is a pleasure to have on our judging panel & a member of Marching Canterbury.

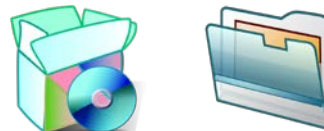
THANK YOU – THANK YOU – THANK YOU

TECHNICAL CORNER



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.



CONGRATULATION JUDGES

Recently Local Qualified Judges

Erina Mayo (Tech C) Auckland
Katie Ivamy (Tech D) Hawke's Bay
Lorraine Clemett (Compliance) Marlborough
Ayline Carey (Display) Otago
Olivia Leonard (Tech C) Otago



Recently National Qualified Judge

Anita Ireland (Tech A) Marlborough



COACH

Information and resources for both beginner and experienced coaches.

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



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



ORGANISATION VALUES - the behaviour we strive to demonstrate day to day. Whilst we cannot control the behaviour of others – we can control the behaviour that we demonstrate.



NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

2020 NZ Championships to be hosted by

Marching Auckland on 26/27/28 March 2020
at the PULMAN ARENA in TAKANINI, AUCKLAND



Official Accommodation at the Pulman Lodge

PULMAN PARK

90 WALTERS RD, TAKANINI, AUCKLAND

TIMETABLE

Thursday Official Opening, Pre-Contest Meeting

Friday Qualifying March for All grades.

Saturday Bowl/Plate March followed by the
Presentation of Awards
Championship March followed by
Presentation of Awards,
Parade of Champions and Flag Ceremony

ENTRIES CLOSED

with 50 Team entries – 19 Under 12, 10 Under 16,
12 Senior and 9 Masters Grade.

INFORMATION

Marching Auckland information on Tickets, Souvenirs
etc available on the MNZ website

DISPLAY MUSIC

Please forward your Display Music direct to
marchingaucklandmusic@gmail.com by way of
either Wave or MP3 format by 20th March

JUDGING PANEL

Technical A	Jenny Cox & Sue Stenning
Technical B	Dianne Cox & Gaylene McRae
Technical C	Clare McKissick & Nicky Rillstone
Technical D	Pauline Ward & Katherine Simonsen
Compliance	June Smith
Display A	Victoria Kingsley-Holmes & Robert Gibbison
Display B	Benda Potter & Maryan Zentveld

Judging Panel circulated to Teams and
available on the MNZ website

ADMISSION TO THE VENUE

Friday

All spectators \$5.00
Under 5 yrs FREE when no seat required
Team Members FREE in Team Seating area only

Saturday

Adults \$35 in Main Grandstand
\$20 in Upper Level Seating
Child 5-12 yrs \$20 in Main Grandstand
\$10 in Upper Level Seating
Under 5 yrs FREE when no seat required
Team Members FREE in Team Seating area only

SOUVENIRS

Souvenir List & Order Form on MNZ website



Blanket \$16



Teddy Bear \$16



Charm \$16



Badge \$12



Badge \$12



Souvenir Programme \$5

Souvenir Pen \$2.50

order now to guarantee order for pick up at Champs
or pay extra to have them couriered to you now

ACTIVITY PACK

Activity Pack and Colouring Competition entry for the
Under 12 Grade. The Packs are \$5.00 each and
contain: Activity colouring in book, 12 pk colouring
pencils, sharpener, blowing bubbles, popper,
glowstick, shrink art personal tag, colouring in
competition entry and a little surprise.

A great team activity – be a part of the fun!
The Pack includes entry to the Colouring In
Competition with prizes valued at \$60!
Entries to be received at the Opening Ceremony.
Winners announced on Qualifying Day.
*Activity packs will be distributed directly to your
accommodation on your arrival

Draw for Qualifying March and **Timetable**
available on the MNZ website

RENTAL CAR HIREAGE

Marching Auckland have negotiated a Discount Rental number for the hire of Vehicles. Vans, Cars, all sizes and People Movers for those attending NZ Championships Auckland 2020 & Otago 2021 and Island Championships New Plymouth 2020 & Dunedin 2020.

Contact Marching Auckland direct for the Code Number prior to making your bookings with HERTZ RENTALS NZ & AUSTRALIA



2020 ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

South Island Championships

to be hosted by Marching Otago on 6th December at the Lion Arena Dunedin

North Island Championships

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



VOLUNTEERS

Recognising Volunteers

An important way to encourage your volunteers to remain with your club is to give them adequate recognition. To be effective, recognition should be consistent and ongoing. Volunteers can quickly lose motivation if they feel their work is not valued. It is important that recognition is given to the volunteer soon after the work is performed, is personal and specific, is positive and upbeat and does not favour certain volunteers. How to recognise volunteers -

- Encourage volunteer participation in the planning that affects their work
- Enable volunteers to 'grow with the job'
- Give additional responsibility (where appropriate)
- Include volunteers in special events
- Recommend volunteers to prospective employers and provide letters of reference
- Take time to listen to volunteers' ideas/concerns
- Recognise and accommodate personal needs
- Acknowledge and celebrate achievements and effort
- Organise awards with certificates, plaques, medals
- Offer personal praise to volunteers and write letters and postcards of thanks
- Offer them complimentary tickets to special events
- Present volunteer awards at presentation nights or annual meetings
- Farewell people when they move out of the area
- Acknowledge and present award for years of service



ASSOCIATION NOTES.....

Snippets from Association Minutes & Reports

Thank you everyone. It was a great day and for the public it was great to see marching again. It was nice to connect and catch up with past marchers and offer the sport of marching to new marchers.

There is an emphasis to participate in the parades of region as this would support our showcase of marching in the province and hopefully recruit and promote funding at all levels. As an incentive there is a street march trophy that could be awarded at closing day to the best marching parade team of the year.

Chaperones, please make sure your marchers are watered and sun blocked. We don't want them collapsing on the field.

We are now coming to the busy part of the season as we build up to New Zealand Champs. Take the time to listen to what judges are telling you

Be patient with your marchers.

Remember hot weather tends to make us a bit more frazzled and impatient, however there is no excuse to take it out on marchers at training or competitions.

I came away (from North Island Champ) very proud of our association and how every team supported each other. The looks of awe on the Under 12 marchers watching the older, more experienced marchers was nice to see.

I would also like to say that, if you are not sure, no question is too silly to ask me. So many times, I have heard coaches say; 'if only I had asked.'

.....have permission to travel to New Zealand Championships, on condition that the appropriate form is completed and submitted, along with the team's bank statement.

members considered that the chair kept everyone focused on the matters being discussed, and that time was not wasted on trivia.

All committee members are asked to have a think and talk to the membership to gather ideas to submit to MNZ for the General Business and Remit items for the Annual Meeting in June.

We need to find more judges for next season. The shortage of judges throughout the country is causing problems for most associations. Importing judges is not a cheap exercise, and perhaps the teams might consider contributing towards this.



Sport NZ has developed the evidence-based philosophy to inform and provide a framework that puts the needs of the participant first. Balance is Better has now become a broader conversation underpinning Sport NZ's overall approach to youth sport for the dual purpose of developing talent and maximising participation.

WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

Balance is Better is an evidence-based approach. The focus of the philosophy is on why young people play sport – to have fun, be challenged, develop and improve, be part of a team or group, and enjoy time with friends. Sport NZ works with the sector to provide quality experiences in sport for all tamariki and rangatahi (young people aged 5-18), including for those who enjoy competition as well as those who just want to have fun.

There are three myths in youth sport that have been identified through research and are supported by evidence. The Balance is Better philosophy pushes back against these myths to stress that:

- ❖ Childhood success is not a reliable predictor of future success
- ❖ Identifying athletes early and specialising early is taking its toll on young people
- ❖ A focus on winning rather than development is a problem for young people, because it can have unintended consequences on their wellbeing and affect their motivation to take part

WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE?

Sport NZ encourages anyone responsible for delivering youth sport to adopt the Balance is Better philosophy. That means sport leaders, coaches, administrators, teachers and parents – all can make a difference. This is about supporting the sport system in leading change and committing to:

- Ensuring all young people can receive a quality sport experience, irrespective of the level at which they are involved.
- Leading attitudinal and behavioural change among the sport leaders, coaches, administrators, parents, and caregivers involved in youth sport.
- Providing leadership to support changes to competition structures, participation, and athlete development opportunities.
- Sports and schools identifying young talent later in their development, rather than sooner.
- Reviewing the role and nature of national and regional representative selections and tournaments to ensure skill development opportunities are offered to more young people.

- Supporting young people to participate in a range of activities and play multiple sports.
- Raising awareness of the risks of overtraining and overloading and proactively managing workload.
- Working collaboratively to encourage the widest possible change for the wellbeing and sport participation of young New Zealanders.
- All New Zealanders having the right to participate in sport in an inclusive, fair and safe environment.

WHAT ARE SPORT NZ DOING?

- **Advocating within the sports sector**
Sport NZ is raising awareness of the Balance is Better philosophy by working through system partners. This includes the work we're doing with our national sport partners in signing up to a *Statement of Intent* with nine commitments. So far, it's been signed by the country's five largest participation sports – Cricket, Football, Hockey, Netball and Rugby – and more sports will be encouraged to sign up and commit to the philosophical approach.
- **Keep up with the play #keepup**
A marketing campaign based on the Balance is Better philosophy is coming soon to assist with broader public education to anyone responsible for delivering youth sport, be it sport leaders, coaches, administrators, teachers or parents.
- **Balance is Better website**
- balanceisbetter.org.nz This website powered by Sport NZ, provides tools and education for anyone involved in delivering youth sport. There are articles, interviews and case studies to give you the latest advice and coaching tips from trusted sources.
- *Sport NZ Balance is Better Champions* The Balance is Better Champions help spread the word and drive change, as well as support organisations to put the needs of the participant first and adopt a Balance is Better philosophy.



BOARD APPOINTMENTS

As per Rule of Participation A7.4 applications in writing close with the CEO on 30th April 2020 for the following Board Appointments;

- ❖ Director of Judging
- ❖ Judging Accreditor
- ❖ Marketing Co-ordinator
- ❖ Trophy Custodian
- ❖ Publications/Merchandising Co-ordinator
- ❖ Social Media Administrator

All applications will be considered by the Board at the May Board Meeting. The term of appointment is for 12 months, effective 1st July 2020 except for the Director of Judging which is for a 3-year term.

GOOD LUCK to all Officials officiating & **GOOD MARCHING** to all Teams competing at the NZ Marching Championships being held at the Pulman Arena, Auckland.



Outcome Goals

versus

Performance Goals

Athletes during competition should be focused on their performances and specific game responsibilities, they should not be overly concerned about the outcome as it will distract their focus. Athletes have more control over their performances within the race or game than the actual outcome. Performance goals allow for success even if they lose e.g. a tennis player can finish the match without winning – but feel pleased because they achieved 80% of first serves in Outcome goals focus on winning or losing. However, the outcome of a sports competition does not always reflect the athletes' ability or improvement, as the outcome can be determined by luck, the officials, and especially by the other athletes. For example, an athlete may achieve a goal of beating an opponent in a cycle race, but if that opponent got a puncture or had the flu at the time, what is the value of that result? If athletes achieve their performance goals, there is every chance (though no guarantee) that they will achieve their outcome goals. *"You forget about the outcome. You know you are doing the right things. So, you relax and perform. After that you can't control anything anyway. It's out of your hands, so don't worry about it."*

Michael Jordan, 1994

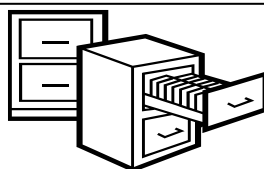
NZ MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIP

- 2020** in Auckland @ Pulman Arena
- 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 30th April 2020 for consideration at the May Board meeting.

Some of the best lessons we learn, we learn from our mistakes and failures. The error of the past is the wisdom and success of the future

MNZ ANNUAL MEETING



75th ANNUAL MEETING

to be held at the **BRENTWOOD HOTEL, WELLINGTON**
Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th June 2020

NOTICE OF MOTIONS-REMITTS

Does your Association have any proposed changes to the Marching New Zealand Constitution to be presented to the Annual Meeting, notice of motions must be received by the CEO no later than the 30th April 2020 and must be endorsed at an Association Meeting first. There will be no remits for changes to Policies or the Rules of Participation as per Rule 7.1

ITEMS FOR GENERAL BUSINESS

Does your Association have any item to be included for discussion in General Business? All items to be to the CEO no later than 30th April 2020

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD

One Board Member
(Rule 53.2 Commencing with the Annual Meeting in year 2016, one (1) of the existing elected Board Members (other than the President) (together with any replacement Board Member) shall retire by rotation at each Annual Meeting. Election shall be for a period of three (3) years.

A précis penned by your nominee must be included with the nomination and be received by the CEO no later than 30th April 2020

You can't fly a kite unless you go against the wind and have a weight to keep it from turning a summersault.
The same with man. No man will succeed unless he is ready to face and overcome difficulties and is prepared to assume responsibilities.

END OF SEASON

Invite the nearest **SCHOOL** to attend your **CLOSING DAY** Competition.
TEAMS can present their Displays and everyone can join in the **Maze March**.
Marchers can show off their Championship Medals and share season experiences and highlights.
Add some **fun game challenges** like Cricket and Softball where everyone can join in.