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**SPORT  
NEW ZEALAND**

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

## NZ MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIP

- 2021** in Dunedin @ More FM Arena  
**2022** in Hamilton @ Claudelands Centre  
**2023** ??????

Applications closed 30 April and the Board will be considering applications received at the May Board Meeting. The successful host Association will be announced at the MNZ Annual Meeting in June

## VOLUNTEER AWARENESS WEEK



**20-26 JUNE 2021 | #NVW2021**

**RECOGNISE. CONNECT. REIMAGINE.**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR MARCHING AND MARCHING TEAMS. WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU. THANK YOU TO ALL OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS. THANK YOU

## COVID-19

It is very important to remain vigilant and continue to practice good hygiene to minimise the risk of community transmission. It is also very important that we as part of the team of 5 million 'play by the rules' to keep the spread of COVID-19 under control. What we all need to do to keep safe

Unite  
against  
**COVID-19**



**Stay home if you're sick →**

If you're feeling unwell, isolate wherever you are and call Healthline about a free COVID-19 test. By getting a test, you're helping keep your community safe.



**Use the NZ COVID Tracer app →**

Scan QR codes everywhere you go, and turn on Bluetooth tracing. The more we scan the safer we'll be.



**Wear a face covering →**

Wear face coverings on public transport, domestic flights and when you cannot maintain physical distance in crowded places.



**Wash your hands →**

Washing your hands is 1 of the easiest ways to keep yourself safe. Wash often. Use soap. 20 seconds. Then dry. This kills the virus by bursting its protective bubble.



**Cough or sneeze into your elbow →**

It will keep the virus off your hands, so you won't spread it to other people and make them sick too.



**Clean surfaces →**

Regularly clean surfaces that get touched frequently.

For more information go to <https://covid19.govt.nz/alert-system/current-alert-level/>

**STAY SAFE - WASH YOUR HANDS - BE KIND**



## In the Diary Competitions & Events

### May

- 7 MNZ Board & TWP meeting in Wellington.
- 8 MNZ Board & TWP meeting in Wellington.

### June

- 10 Marlborough Annual Meeting in Blenheim
- 20 Volunteer Awareness Week
- 26 MNZ Annual Meeting in Wellington
- 27 MNZ Annual Meeting in Wellington

### July

- 14 Wellington Annual Meeting in Wellington

### August

- 6 MNZ Board & TWP meeting in Wellington.
- 7 MNZ Board & TWP meeting in Wellington.
- 8 Admin Workshop in Wellington
- 28 Coach Workshop in Christchurch
- 29 Coach Workshop in Christchurch

### September

- 11 Judge Workshop in Christchurch
- 12 Judge Workshop in Christchurch

## SAVE THE DATE

### COACH WORKSHOP AUGUST 2021

**MARCHING  
NEW ZEALAND**

**Continuing Coach Development Workshop**

Start Time Saturday 28th August 2021 10:00am  
Finish Time: Sunday 29th August 2021 3:30pm  
St Margaret's College, Christchurch

**Included in this workshop:**

- New QCM Demonstrations
- Movement Breakdown - Structure
- Display
- Motivational & Emotional Needs for your Marchers
- Tips & Tricks

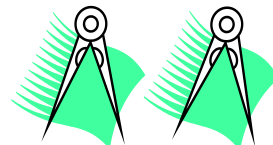
**WORKSHOP**

GOALS TEAM  
COACH  
SUCCESS RESULTS  
PROGRESS IDEA  
MOTIVATION

Objective: Continuing coach development in their mental skill and technical knowledge base moving into the 2021/22 season  
Outcome: That coaches will feel empowered through workshop facilitators and guest speakers

## St Margaret's College Christchurch

## TECHNICAL CORNER



### SPORT NZ's BALANCE IS BETTER

philosophy is about keeping young people in sport. It focuses on meeting the needs of young people, and the reasons they play sport; to develop and improve, experience challenge, be part of a team, and most importantly have fun with their friends.

#### FIVE QUESTIONS sport parents should ask themselves at the start of every season.

With the start of another sport season just around the corner, it's a great time for parents to equip themselves with the skills and knowledge to ensure that this season is a positive one. As a busy parent, it is often hard to get time to think. Nevertheless, we would encourage you to take a moment, pause and reflect on what you can do to make sure the upcoming season is a great one for your child and yourself. We've outlined and explored five questions below that we think will help parents to reflect on how they can have and support the best youth sport season yet.

#### Continue Reading

#### RAISING THE BAR in coaching youth sport webinar replay.

Sport NZ had plenty of enquiries asking when this webinar replay would be available and are pleased to announce it is now live. For those that missed the live event, it is highly recommended you take the opportunity to watch this webinar replay with international youth coach expert, Dr Sergio Lara-Bercial.

#### Key takeaways from the webinar:

- Coaches should not aim to replicate the adult form of the competition until it is appropriate for the age and stage of the young person.
- Competition does not mean you have to play against someone else.

#### Watch Now

**Balance is Better is a way for you to keep up with the play on the latest help, advice and coaching tips from trusted sources.**

An initiative by **SPORT NEW ZEALAND**

# COACHING

## 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 Level One is there a 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.

## E Learning Modules – FREE

There are 3 E-Learning Modules available on the Sport New Zealand Website.

1. Child Protection in Play, Active Recreation & Sport
2. Inclusion: A Response to Discrimination
3. Protection Against Competition Manipulation

## CONGRATULATIONS

to all Coaches and Judges who have achieved accreditation this the 2020/21 season.



### 2021 ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### South Island Championships

to be hosted by Marching Canterbury on 5<sup>th</sup> December, venue to be confirmed.

#### North Island Championships

to be hosted by Marching Auckland on 11<sup>th</sup> December, venue to be confirmed.

## Sport NZ's Balance is Better philosophy

is centred on ensuring all young people, regardless of their ability, have a quality experience playing sport. We want young people to stay in sport and realise their potential, not be turned off before they get the chance. An important enabler of this are kiwi coaches. So, with the start of another sport season now upon us, here are some tips for coaches on bringing the Balance is Better philosophy to life in the work you do with your youth team.

### #1 Prioritise the love for sport over learning the sport.

A small proportion of young people will aspire to be elite athletes. An even smaller number will become one. All young people have the potential to love sport and remain physically active for life. Creating healthy and active adults who love and remain in sport is a coaching legacy worth striving for. *So, what does this look like?*

Coaches who prioritise the love for sport and physical activity ask themselves “what am I doing to make sure the young people I coach want to come back for more?”. Key to this is making sure your coaching sessions are 1) fun, 2) social, 3) novel and varied. In any given coaching session, you will likely have some form of coaching objective/s. Consider, if one, two, or three of the above were a coaching objective, what might this practically look like in your coaching session?

### #2 Look beyond the scoreboard to measure success.

Yes, a core part of a coach's role is supporting athletic development and striving to win. However, great coaches also have a holistic approach to supporting youth development and believe in positively impacting young people more broadly in areas such as family, schooling and character development. *So, what does this look like?*

Coaches who look at more than the scoreboard might define success as:

- My athletes progress against development goals set at the start of the season.
- My athletes display great sportsmanship.
- My athletes can learn lessons from sport that they can then apply to other areas of their life.
- My athletes are happy & want to keep playing sport.

### #3 Coach for all young people - understand that one size does not fit all.

Great coaches are inclusive and know how to cater for all levels of abilities, motivations and aspirations. Great coaches are versatile in their approach so that their actions best meet the needs of the young people they coach. This starts with getting to know young people, their families and the community they belong to. *So, what does this look like?*

Great coaches know that applying a one size fits all approach often neglects or doesn't work for many of the young people they coach. This means they:

- Don't just focus on the most talented athletes.
- When necessary, adjust their coaching style and approach based on the individual.
- Take a constraints-based approach to work with groups of young people with mixed ability at the same time. To do this, great coaches will provide different rules for different individuals in a training-

session, so that a session's objective is easier for some and harder for others.

- Design sessions and activities that promote a learning environment focussed on building young people's Confidence, Competence, Connection and Character.

**#4** Value competition and know how to use it in a developmentally appropriate way. There is nothing wrong with competition. Great coaches ensure the format and atmosphere of competition are built around the developmental stage of young people and appropriate for their needs. These coaches facilitate quality competition experiences to support growth and development. At the same time, great coaches know where the line lies between quality competition and competition experiences that are detrimental for development and ultimately might turn young people off sport. *So, what does this look like?*

When it comes to using competition well, great coaches:

- Avoid replicating the adult-version of competition for young people, and only introduce it when its developmentally appropriate.
- Understand how competition incentivises and influences different behaviours around selection.
- Strategise, such as positioning and game-time.
- Are aware of parent behaviours.

Ultimately, great youth coaches will continue to ask themselves "is the will to win getting in the way of providing great developmental experiences and supporting the young people I coach to learn to love the sport?"

**#5** Work with parents positively. Great coaches view parents as part of the team. As opposed to being a hindrance, great coaches know how to turn parents into the biggest resource at their disposal. Great coaches know that parents want the best for their kids. They know how to partner effectively with parents to support young people. *So, what does this look like?* You won't know what the parents of the young people you coach can offer until you talk to them. Ways in which great coaches connect with parents include:

- Pre-season meetings, where you outline your coaching philosophy, approach and vision for the season. This could be 30 minutes before a training or a game.
- Texts and emails throughout the season with athlete-updates – try to make a goal to send a text or email to each parent at least once during the season providing an authentic update about their child – what they're excelling at and what have they developed or progressed in?
- Sharing articles and message from Balance is Better – helping parents with their own youth sport learning journey.

### In summary

The start of the sports season is a great time to think about how you coach, what your goals are for the season and how you can develop your skills to do even more for the young people you support. We believe following the tips outlined above will help foster a great sport environment for the young people you work with. If you are interested in progressing your coaching journey, we would encourage you to sign-up to Balance is Better.

# JUDGING

## 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.

## SAVE THE DATE

### JUDGE WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 2021

**MARCHING NEW ZEALAND**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Continuing Judge Development Workshop**

Saturday 11th September  
Sunday 12th September

St Margaret's College, Christchurch

Included in this workshop:

- New QCM Demonstrations
- Judges Sheet Analysis
- Standard Drills,
- Policy Ops Manual - Section 12 References
- Chief Judge Session
- Group Advisor Session

ALL Judges A, B, C, D, Compliance and Display Session.

Draft Timetable will follow after May TWP Meeting.

**PERSONAL GROWTH**

Motivation, Vision, Planning, Learning, Training, Creativity, Develop, Goals

**St Margaret's College  
Christchurch**

# THANK YOU

## to all our Volunteers



### Secretaries (Marching Associations)

Sherryn Wells – Auckland  
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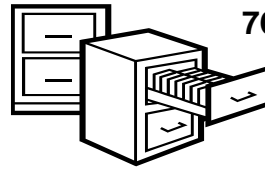
### Sheree McAnelly (Marching Southland)

Sheree has been a keen supporter of her daughter's marching for some seasons, and last year she willingly offered to fill the role of Competition Secretary. Before every competition, meetings were well run and always on time and Sheree ensured that the competitions were kept well on track being that all important go-to person, and the go-between for the Recording Room and the Chief Judge on the field. Thank you to Sheree, for all you do for Marching Southland.



Thank you everyone for putting your hand up to volunteer for your Association. Marching is certainly blessed with many and valued volunteers who throughout the season assist in providing the fun and enjoyable experience of marching to our many marchers and participants.

## MNZ ANNUAL MEETING



**76<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**  
to be held at the  
**BRENTWOOD HOTEL,**  
**WELLINGTON**  
26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021

The Annual Meeting is a Two-Day-Meeting and will commence at 1 pm on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June and conclude at 4 pm Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

### NOTICE OF MOTIONS-REMITTS

36 remits proposing changes to the Constitution.  
72 remits proposing changes to the Rules of Participation, No remits proposing changes to the Policies.

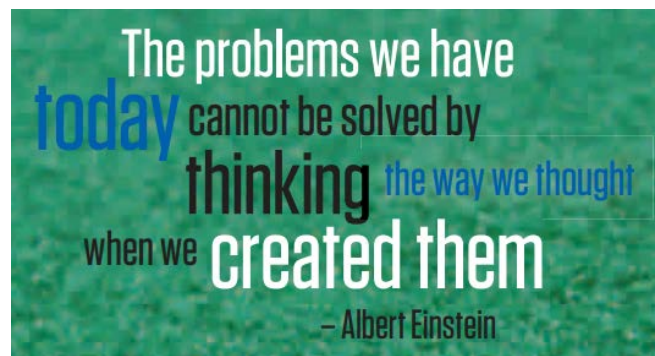
### ITEMS FOR GENERAL BUSINESS

12 topics received for discussion in General Business.

### NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD

2 nominations for the One Board Member vacancy

**AGENDA** will be sent out on 15<sup>th</sup> May to all registered Delegates and Observers.



### 2021 NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

Medals/Badges/Bars have been ordered with ETA 1<sup>st</sup> May. Getting the orders correct from a new supplier has been a challenge. Thank you all for your patience and check for a Courier delivery soon.



## ASSOCIATION NOTES .....

**PLANNING IS THE KEY TO THE FUTURE** of your club no matter the level or size. Whether at national or local level, your club needs to make long term plans in order to progress and grow.

Good planning -

- Looks at where your club has come from and where it is now, where it wants to go and how it is going to get there.
- Identifies the main objectives of your club.
- Encourages your members to get involved in the development of your club.
- Adjusts to the changes that happen around you that have an impact on your club.
- Ensures that resources (human, physical and financial) are used properly.
- Evaluates your club and brings order into the hectic business of running a sporting club.

### SMART GOALS

Goal setting involves the development of an action plan designed in order to motivate and guide a person or group toward a goal.

SMART GOALS are -

Specific, be specific about what you want to achieve. The less defined your goal is, the more difficult it is to know how you will go about achieving it.

Measurable - make the goal measurable and be sure that you measure your progress.

Achievable – make goals achievable, take into account what you're prepared to do in order to achieve the goal and how you will reward yourself once you've achieved, you will deserve it.

Reassessing as you go, good goals are set in sand, not in concrete. If you get stuck or your circumstances change then reassess. Focus on feeling positive about progress made, not negative about missing out.

Timed - establish the deadline to meet. Setting 'deadlines' can be important for motivation too.

### SETTING TARGETS

Target setting should be a structured process that starts by setting the club goals.

Good practice in setting targets

- Involve all levels of the club and learners in the process of setting targets.
- Monitor regularly the progress your club and learners are making towards achieving targets.
- Identify and deal with any club weaknesses that might prevent achieving the targets.
- Base your targets on information drawn from a wide range of sources, including national benchmarking and value-added data, as well as sources within the club.

## BUY- SELL- EXCHANGE

Wwanting to buy, sell or exchange uniforms, training kit, display accessories... send details (including a Team contact) to the CEO [ceo@marching.co.nz](mailto:ceo@marching.co.nz) for inclusion in the next Newsletter.

## VOLUNTEER AWARENESS WEEK



20-26 JUNE 2021 | #NVW2021

**RECOGNISE. CONNECT. REIMAGINE.**

National Volunteer Week honours the collective energies and mana of volunteers in Aotearoa. They grow our people, open minds, open hearts and create joy. National Volunteer Week 2021 runs from June 20-26. This year's theme is Recognise, Connect, Reimagine. Join us this National Volunteer Week to celebrate how our communities are stronger when working together.

## OUT 'n ABOUT

Thank you to the Teams and Association Officials who were out n about at Anzac Parades on 25<sup>th</sup> April.



HAPPY MOTHERS DAY – HAPPY MOTHERS DAY