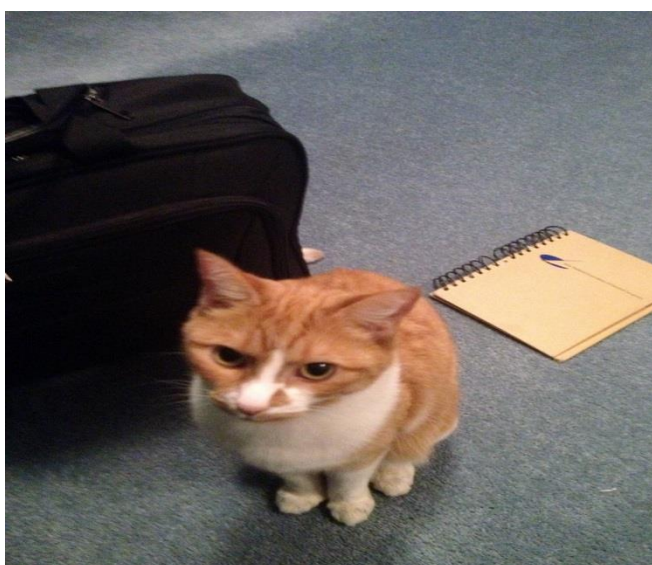


Hello and welcome to the next quarterly newsletter to keep you informed with what is the latest happenings in the Men's and Mixed versions of the great game we all love Netball. I hope everyone has been keeping nice and warm with this sudden cold snap that has creep up on us all. I know my pussy has been looking for something to keep her nice and warm, meet Maisey ☺.



#### **What's happening around the different region's:**

##### **Regional Contact details on the Netball NZ website**

**Auckland** – Exhibition Mixed Match between North Harbour and Auckland

**Christchurch** – Weekly Wednesday men's competition

**Taupo** – Queens Birthday weekend tournament

**Wellington** – Weekly Sunday men's competition.

Many of the regions have started trainings and or local competitions, for more information go to the Netball NZ website for a list of the currently active affiliated clubs and the contact people for these clubs. I am sure they will welcome your interest, support and participation in what is going on locally.

**Men's Nationals September 2013** are in Wellington and entry form cut off dates are fast approaching please get your entry forms in ASAP. Grades available being Under 23's, masters (over 35's) and open men's grades. Entry forms are available from the Netball NZ website.

#### **Rarotonga Tour December 2013**

There is also the potential for NZ teams (Under's Mixed, Opens mixed and Masters Mixed) to go to Rarotonga in December, more details around this will be forthcoming at Men's Nationals. If you would be interested in making yourself for the Rarotonga tour in December please let your association know so they can make a note on the team entry form. This will be dependent on having enough people interested in going and then selecting a team from there probably over the mixed nationals tournament. A Tentative costing would be a ballpark figure of around \$2500.

#### **Special Mention - Men's Nationals 2014**

This will be the 30<sup>th</sup> year of Men's Netball nationals in New Zealand and we are going back to where it all started back to Rotorua. We hope to see some life members there, along with current players and hopefully some new faces too. I know that the players from that region are busy organising it and looking forward to hosting us all in 2014

#### **Netball NZ Fitness Session**

The week of age groups nationals in Wellington, Sian fitness provider for Netball NZ will be holding a session for men's netball players from around the greater Wellington region. Dates, times and Venue to be confirmed but if you would be interested in attending please contact Association contact people from Wellington, Wellington North or Cook Strait (details on Netball NZ website).

**Mixed Nationals March 2013**

This year saw even more teams entered and the first time we have had enough teams for a Masters final. It was also a tournament where we saw North Harbour dominate across the grades and take home all four titles well done to Michelle, North Harbour and all of the individuals who contributed to your success.



**Mixed Under 23's**

This grade just keeps getting bigger and better it is great to see so many young ones enjoying the game. North Harbour dominated in the round robin play and continued that into the finals as well. Congratulations to Counties Manukau for making the final but eventually went down to North Harbour 60 to 41



**Masters** – There were only two teams in this grade as this grade is only in its second year. The two teams Auckland and North Harbour got to know each other very well playing each other twice a day in round robin play with Auckland winning 2 games North Harbour winning one and both teams having a draw. However when it comes to finals netball it is anyone's game and there can only be one winner which went to North Harbour 38-33



**Mixed B**

This grade saw a new association making an appearance under the name South Taranaki, I hope to see them again at Men's Nationals in September. Like their unders North Harbour dominated in round robin play and continued this form into the play offs. Meeting Auckland in the finals and taking it out 61 -32



**Mixed A** – This saw a number of close results in the round robin play of the tournament between the teams. The final was a game of two halves contested between North Harbour and Canterbury, with the first half being very close, before North Harbour ran away with it in the end to win 63 – 42 and take away the Mike Siave trophy. Congratulations to both teams for reaching the final.



Uniform (Life Members trophy) Trophy went to Canterbury, congratulations.

### Umpires

Often the most thankless job in tournaments, the villains or the heroes depending on their calls and what team you are supporting. Quite often the umpires come off the court sweating almost as much as some of the players. But the New Zealand Men's and Mixed Netball association would like to offer you our sincerest thanks as we are aware that without officials and volunteers there is no tournament. With the support of Netball New Zealand at this years Mixed Nationals we had an umpiring coaching panel, which allowed umpires to progress through the different levels of certification. We had visiting umpires from around the pacific islands as well as some of our regions more local umpires. Congratulations to those umpires that received higher certification we are pleased to offer a tournament where the play on court is of such a standard to allow you the opportunity to further your umpiring career.

A special thank you goes out to the umpiring panel – Angela Armstrong-Lush, Gareth Fowler, Pam Clayton, and Dianne Mctigue. We hoped you enjoyed the tournament and hope to see you again in Wellington for the Men's Nationals.

To the umpires from across the pacific:

Luci Matenga, Punanga Kaveao, Jona Saturu, Raijeli Raibetu, Jackie AINU'u, Angela Jowitt, and Ioane Isefo, a big thank you for taking the time and making the trip and thank you for your contribution to our National tournament, we hope to see you again in the future.

To our local umpires:

Gareth Fowler, Kate Smith, Sarah Masterton, Teresa Andrews, Maru Delamere, Greg Barbet, Angela Armstrong-Lush, Dwayne Paul, Keely Chaprione, Fiona Woolf, Linda Sprangers, Zak Middleton, Catherine Lapwood, Norton Reuben, and Jessie Tapatahi, who also took time out to contribute to our tournament again a big thank you goes out to you.



And last but not least to the team at **Physio by Design** thank you for your time and efforts over the weekend to keep everyone's bodies functioning despite the punishment that we put it through, the hits that players had to take, and the rolls of strapping tape that we no doubt went through. Your presence and professionalism was greatly appreciated and we hope to see you again.



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Next Newsletter will be out 1<sup>st</sup> October, after men's Nationals keep your eyes out for it.

### **Calendar of Upcoming Events:**

August 5th **Men's Nationals Entries close**

August 30<sup>th</sup> **Team Individual Player Registration form**

September 2<sup>nd</sup> **Umpires (Names and badge level )**

September 6<sup>th</sup> **Entry Fees Due**

September 11<sup>th</sup> **Men's Nationals in Wellington starts**

December Cook Islands tour mixed teams. Tentative at this stage.