

# Mainland Matters — April 2017



## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Well, winter now seems to have kicked in with very chilly starts to the mornings. I hope that the netball season has started well for you all.

I was fortunate in recent weeks to have been in Geraldine, Marlborough and Nelson for AGMs and meetings, and was yet again reminded of the wonderful work that you all do in our Centres. Giving of your time and energy to provide participation opportunities to your respective communities. Thank you so much.



It was also super exciting to see the progress being made at Lansdowne Park in Blenheim, where new Netball courts, car parking and offices are being established, replacing those at Horton Park. The courts were officially opened last Friday. They are terrific and something the community can be really proud of.....aerial photo below:



The ANZ Premiership and Beko Netball League are in full swing, with our Silvermoon Tactix and Hellers Mainland teams competing in these competitions. Make sure you get your tickets, take a friend and head along to the best Netball action!



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We are thrilled with the partnership that has developed with Silvermoon and Hellers, and ask you to remember those businesses that support Netball cross our Zone when making your purchasing decisions.

In her third season in the role, Sue Hawkins has resigned from her role as Head Coach of the Silvermoon Tactix. Assistant Coach Marianne Delaney-Hoshek, has taken over as Head Coach and we are just working through the process of appointing an Assistant Coach.

Hellers Mainland Beko Assistant Coach, Peter McInnes has stepped up into the Head Coach role, with Assistants Rachel Stead and Anna Galvan.

You will no doubt have seen some uninformed media commentary in the recent week. We are one Zone, covering a significant geographical area, not just Canterbury, with the Canterbury Netball and Netball Tasman entities having been dissolved four years ago, in favour of a national five Zone structure, in alignment under Netball New Zealand.

Contrary to media opinion we are delighted that we have players coming through our development pathways and into the Hellers Beko and Silvermoon Tactix teams from locations across our Zone, not just Christchurch e.g. Nic Mackle (Timaru), Kate Lloyd (Ashburton), Charlotte Elley (Westport), Zoe Walker (Nelson). For any aspiring Tactix or Silver Fern out there, it is a positive to know that there are no geographical barriers to selection.

**I am delighted to announce our 2017 “Pathway to Tactix Squad”;** Tali Uia (Nelson Netball Centre), Etelini and Malia Manoa (Marlborough Netball Centre), Olivia Clark, Jess Allan and Georgia Stroud (Christchurch Netball Centre). This squad has been designed to support our up and coming netballers from around the Zone

Please be assured that the Netball Mainland Board and management continually review our business practices, performance pathways, community programmes and how best to support and work in collaboration with Centres across the Zone. We are open to constructive feedback and as always, please feel free to contact me or anyone of the team at Netball Mainland.

You will see on the Netball Mainland website, photos and bios for our Board members and Netball Mainland staff [www.netballmainland.co.nz](http://www.netballmainland.co.nz)

The Board continue to look for additional support from private and commercial partners and to strive for the financial security that is needed to sustain a modern Netball franchise and Zone.

Everyone is immensely proud of our Mainland roots and we are striving to create a franchise and Zone that we can all be proud of both now and into the future.

At the end of April, we said farewell Steve Brooker (Commercial Manager) in an official capacity but he will remain with us in an ex-officio capacity, providing support in the sponsorship space. Steve may still be contacted on [steve.brooker@netballmainland.co.nz](mailto:steve.brooker@netballmainland.co.nz)

With Tammy Mehrtens now acting as Community Netball Manager while Amy Eckersley is on parental leave, we have contracted a Coach Development Manager/Coach Lead Genista (Geni) Tuilagi on a fixed term.

Geni completed a double degree at the University of Auckland, moving to Christchurch in January 2009 to take up a position with the Department of Corrections in a variety of roles, latterly as Practice Leader, coaching and training professionals in group and individual reflective practice development. She has had a lifelong love of Netball, commencing her coaching pathway with the St Nicholas Club in Christchurch, completing the

Community Coaching Award in 2016 and now in the process of working towards the Performance Coach Qualification. Geni joins the Netball Mainland family on Monday 15th May 2017.

As always, any questions, queries or assistance required, please contact any one of the friendly team here at Netball Mainland.

Kind regards, Brigit

## COMMUNITY



Nominations for Volunteer Recognition Awards close on Friday 19 May 2017. Awards will be presented by News Anchor, Mike McRoberts, on the afternoon of Monday 19 June 2017 at the Civic Offices  
Download the nomination form here:

<http://www.volcan.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Nomination-form-002.pdf>

### ANZ futureFERNs



Last week, Tori and Tamika were out and about running netball holiday programmes. First they hit Kaikoura on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> and had beautiful weather to run a year 3-8 skills programme. Next was Geraldine on Thursdays 20<sup>th</sup>. Again, the weather was put on for us and we had an awesome session with

some of the older players year 7-13. And finally we headed down to Waitmate to the new indoor Events Centre, where we had a great turn out and ran two separate programmes, a year 1-4 and a year 5-8 programme.

If you would like to see us come to your community next school holidays, contact Tamika at [Tamika.green@netballmainland.co.nz](mailto:Tamika.green@netballmainland.co.nz)



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## TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Zone/National level Bench Officials who have registered their interest and availability for NNZ U19 AGC and NZSS Tournaments has now been sent to NNZ for allocation. NNZ will be in contact early in May with further details.

## UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT

### **NNZ Umpire Modules**

Upcoming modules scheduled – please contact the Netball Centre to register to attend.

Module	Venue	Date	Time	Facilitator
Self-Analysis	West Coast Netball Centre, Greymouth	6 May 2017	Tbc	Sue James
Techniques 1	Selwyn Netball Centre, Lincoln	14 <sup>th</sup> May	Tbc	Tbc
Techniques 2	Selwyn Netball Centre, Lincoln	21 <sup>st</sup> May	Tbc	Tbc

## COACH DEVELOPMENT

### **Mentoring**

We have recently had 25 wonderful coaches attend a mentor training with Sport Canterbury and Sport Tasman where they learnt key tools to be able offer support to a coach who is wanting to learn.

We have asked them to get in touch with their centre to tell you that they are available to mentor a coach and to let you know which level of coach they are comfortable supporting. Once they have done this, the options are to:

1. Put the offer out to all coaches in your centre and select who you would like to target/who would gain the most from it
2. Target particular coaches and invite them to be part of the opportunity
  - Please start with coaches who are on the community coach award pathway as this indicates they are proactively investing in their learning already.
  - Please share with coaches the blurb below about what a mentor is so they know what they would be engaging in.

- ✚ Netball Mainland have managed to secure a small amount of funding to cover travel costs for these mentors. We can pay each mentor \$100 per coach that they work with (which consists of 3 observation sessions throughout the season). We can support 2 coaches per mentor in this way (so \$200 in total) but of course it is up to the mentor if they have the time to take on 2 coaches.



- ✚ Once you know how many mentors are keen to take this role on in your centre, please invoice NM for this funding so that they can invoice you at the end of the season. We just ask that they record their visits so that there is evidence of the 3 sessions being complete. We will provide a template for this and will just need the completed forms from you at the end of the season please.

## **What is mentoring?**

*Sport New Zealand's Coach Mentoring Programme describes mentoring as a relationship and a process entered into willingly by the coach and the mentor with the purpose of helping the coach raise their effectiveness. The mentoring process is about modifying and improving or affirming current skills and competencies, learning new skills and strategies and overcoming personal situational challenges and barriers. This is done through guidance, observations, encouragement, data gathering and feedback. The coach and mentor will develop a plan to work on selected skills and strategies in the coach's repertoire. It is up to the coach what they would like support and learning around.*

*Pat Barwick, one of New Zealand's top mentor trainers, and Sport Canterbury's Performance Coach Advance Lead, shares her thoughts about mentoring and how it works [Pat Barwick Talks Umpiring](#)*



## PERFORMANCE

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### Hellers Mainland BEKO Team:

After 6 rounds of competition  
Hellers Mainland are 5 from 6

Hellers Mainland 44 South Zone  
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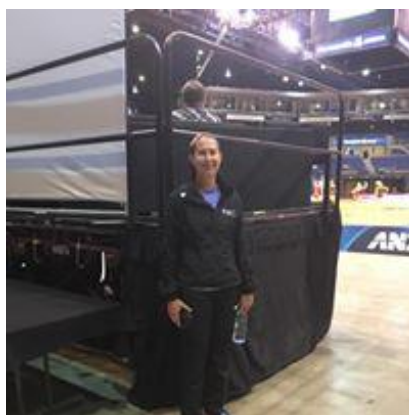
Hellers Mainland 65-Northern  
Comets 48

Hellers Mainland 48-Central 51

Hellers Mainland 52-WBOp 50

Hellers Mainland 58- Northern  
Marvels

We head to Dunedin this  
weekend to take on South Zone



### Umpires

Michell Stagg controlled her first BEKO league game over the weekend!  
We here she did a great job and we congratulate her for this.

## HIGH PERFORMANCE

### Events:



#### Calling all Netball fans!

Get yourself courtside at the Trafalgar Centre on Sunday 21 May to watch our awesome Silvermoon Tactix in action at 2:00pm in the ANZ Premiership!

We are excited to be playing a home game in Nelson against the SKYCITY Mystics – so don't miss the action!

Tickets are selling fast so get yours now at [www.tactix.org.nz](http://www.tactix.org.nz)

#### Join SilverFans, get access to preferential ticketing for Test Matches

As a valued member of the Netball family, we want to make sure you have the opportunity to secure your seat to Silver Ferns Test Matches on home soil as part of the SilverFans preferential ticketing window.

All you need to do is join the team at [www.SilverFans.co.nz](http://www.SilverFans.co.nz)!

SilverFans get to secure their seat FIRST to the Netball Quad Series and Taini Jamison Trophy. The special offer on the first allocation\* of Silver Ferns tickets will be available from 12pm, Tuesday 9 May until 10am, Friday 12 May, so you have a week to register your details (if you haven't already).

Once you've registered your details, you will receive an email with everything you need to know on Monday 8 May, including the purchase links and codes, so keep an eye on your inbox and the SilverFans online members' portal for further details.

[Click here to view the Silver Ferns 2017 International Schedule](#)

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the SilverFans team at [silverfans@netballnz.co.nz](mailto:silverfans@netballnz.co.nz)

\*Preferential ticketing for the Constellation Cup will be available at a later date.



Best wishes from us here at Netball Mainland X



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