



**NETBALL
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REPORT**

GROW & STRENGTHEN NETBALL



NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE



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CHAIR & CEO MESSAGE

The 2022 Financial Year began much like the previous year with Covid-19 a constant presence and everyone in the sport having to navigate traffic light settings and what that meant for us all.

Thankfully that is largely behind us now, albeit with Covid-19 still being an active illness in our communities. What that meant for our sport was a lack of summer netball in late 2021 and early 2022, impacting our participation numbers.



Mary Gardiner, Board Chair



Phil Vyver, CEO

All of our Centres did an amazing job to get back into netball when they could, and this did mean being able to complete a full season right through to the end of the year. 2023 is looking equally as promising and our collective aim is to get participation numbers back to the levels of 2019 and grow from there.

The ANZ Premiership in 2022 was a start stop affair with Covid-19 first requiring games to be played with only very small crowds and then teams being directly impacted forcing the postponement of a number of matches. For the MG Mystics it was a year that promised so much but ultimately led to a third place finish. The season started with three players unavailable for the first match and then injury and further illness stopping our charge towards the grand final. We admired and acknowledged the grit and resilience shown by the team in response to the disruption experienced.

We farewelled MG Mystics Head Coach, Helene Wilson after 6 years with the Zone and Mystics. Helene's dedication, commitment, and unwavering desire to make the Mystics the best possible team was outstanding. More importantly Helene was driven to make the people within the team the best they can be – not just players but all the support staff as well. We were delighted to appoint Tia Winikerei, another Northern Zone grown talent into the Head Coach role, to build on the legacy left by Helene.

The Northern Marvels had a similarly disrupted season with Covid-19 decimating the squad at various times through the season. This made it difficult to build combinations and put out good performances on court.

The introduction of the Mystics Men and Stars Men invitational matches was also well received. This was the first step in trying to increase the awareness and exposure for the men's game in our Zone. We hope to continue this process in 2023. It is great to see a number of Centres also offering boys and men's competitions throughout the season.

We were pleased to get the Centre Advisory Group underway and we thank those Centre representatives who participated in the various discussions. At a governance level we were able to bring together the Centre Board Chairs to share knowledge and information with each other. Both of these activities will continue in 2023 as we look to strengthen our relationship and way of working with each Centre.

Congratulations to the Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre for hosting a very successful UNISS tournament in late August, early September. The commitment of the staff and volunteers at the Centre along with the organising committee was wonderful to see. I know the participants enjoyed a fantastic week of competitive netball.

The Manurewa Netball Centre completed the installation of a cover for three of their netball courts with the official opening held in early August. Congratulations on this excellent facility that is now available for the Manurewa community and visitors.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

The net surplus for the year was \$86,385 (2021: \$104,099), improving our equity to \$157,087 (2021: \$70,702) as at 30 November 2022. It has been another positive year financially and has enabled the equity position to return to a more satisfactory level.

Whilst we were impacted by Covid restrictions which limited revenue from Mystics home matches, this was largely offset by a growth in sponsorship revenue. If home game revenue returns to expected levels then the outlook for the franchise in 2023 is very positive.

Overall revenue comprised grant funding of 25% (2021: 30%), cash and contra sponsorship and events of 29% (2021: 25%), Netball NZ funding of 26% (2021: 27%) and gross membership fees (including Netball NZ portion) of 18% (2021: 17%).

The major expense of the Zone is personnel costs which makes up 58% (2021: 63%) of total expenses.

STRATEGIC PLAN

During 2022 the Board updated the Strategic Plan holding consultation with Centres as part of this mahi. The plan is included later in the annual report for your information and forms the basis of our work as we head into the next couple of years.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The first acknowledgement and thank you must go to netball centres. Your staff, volunteers, boards and committees worked really, really hard, in what was another challenging year.

We thank our Zone staff, board and volunteers who worked tirelessly throughout the year to grow and strengthen netball in the Northern Zone. We also appreciate the staff and Board of Netball NZ for their support throughout the year.

FUNDING PARTNERS

Netball Northern Zone would like to acknowledge the funding support received from the following organisations. Without this support we would be unable to partner with our Netball Centres and their communities in assisting to **grow and strengthen netball** across our Zone.

Our Regional Sport Trusts and Funders appreciate the value in the netball system and the role that the Zone plays in linking the strategies from Netball New Zealand and the delivery of quality experiences to our members and schools.

We are extremely appreciative of support from PIC Insurance, who provide the insurance for all of our Community Netball vehicle fleet.

THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



MG MYSTICS PARTNERS

The MG Mystics would like to thank and acknowledge the support received from our Partners. Without this support our team would be unable to take the court and participate in the annual ANZ Premiership.

THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE BOARD & STAFF

NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE BOARD

Mary Gardiner	Board Chair	Elected
Sue Brewster	Board Deputy Chair	Appointed
Lynette Gubb	Board Member	Elected
Maria Sopoaga	Board Member	Elected
Michele Teague	Board Member	Appointed
Rawinia Newton	Board Member	Appointed
Kurt Tyson	Board Member	Appointed
Anna Richards	Co-opted Board Member	From April 2022
Raewyn Henry	Board Member	Until March 2022
Murray Lockwood	Board Member	Until March 2022
Dianne Williams	Board Member	Until March 2022

NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE STAFF

Phil Vyver	Chief Executive Officer	
Chris Tennant	Operations Manager	
Trish Harkins	Admin & Finance	
Karyne Ross	Community Netball Manager	
Amanda Dyason	Centre Relationship Manager	From January 2022
Chonaire Huriwai	Coach Lead – Auckland	Until April 2022
Rachel Browne-Cole	Coach Lead – Shared role	Until July 2022
Tania Heap	Coach Lead – Auckland	From July 2022
Sharleen Morrell	Umpire Lead	
Briana Valgre	Auckland Umpire Development Officer	From January 2022
Rhonda Martin-Raharuhi	Northland Coach Development Officer	
Ala Dysart	NetballSmart Officer	From January 2022
Katie Adamson	NetballSmart Officer	Until August 2022
Amelia Pasco	NetballSmart Officer	From November 2022
Helene Wilson	Mystics Head Coach	Until June 2022
Tia Winikerei	Mystics Head Coach	From October 2022
Rob Wright	Mystics Assistant Coach / High Performance Coach Development Lead	
Tia Winikerei	Athlete Development Lead	Until September 2022
Peter McInnes	Athlete Development and Pathways Lead	From November 2022

STRATEGIC PLAN

		Strategic Plan 2021-2024					
OUR PURPOSE:		To grow and strengthen netball					
SYSTEM SHIFTS:		Game - Community	Presence	Financial	Partnerships	Game - Performance	
STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:		<i>Delivery, Formats, Participants</i>	<i>Story, Brand and Voice</i>	<i>Excellence, Efficiency and Share</i>	<i>Relationships, Creativity and Collaboration</i>	<i>Performance</i>	
STRATEGIC INITIATIVES: Together with Centres focus on increasing participation, and initiatives that will improve the quality of the experience for both participants and volunteers. Grow and develop organisational capability and strength of Centres. Includes governance, organisation structure, volunteer management and promotion of Balance is Better principles. Grow and develop the capability of coach/umpire developers, volunteers & netball programme delivery personnel. Ensure NetballSmart Programme is incorporated within activities.		Build the profile, engagement and appeal of netball in the Zone.	Improve the financial sustainability of the zone - growing members equity and ensuring the Mystics are not cross subsidised by the community game.	Collaborate and enhance meaningful relationships with Centres, Netball NZ, other Zones, other codes and community organisations	Successful elite teams that set the standard in the NNL and ANZP Competitions, winning regularly.		
		Build the profile and appeal of the MG Mystics.	Provide benchmarking and support that will help to improve the financial sustainability of Centres.	Collaborate with HP partnerships and service provision (HPSNZ, NNZ, Sky and other HP codes) for mutual benefit	Identify, develop & support potential high performance coaches aligned with Netball NZ HP Strategy.		
		Create connection with the netball community by celebrating the achievements of our people.	Provide resources to enhance awareness and knowledge of funding opportunities	Advocate for enhanced netball facilities for both community and performance, including a 'home base' environment to support & deliver high performance outcomes.	High quality athlete development system in place. Dominant zone in Silver Ferns, U21's and NZSS Representation.		
By November 2024 we will achieve		Participation numbers grow to 5% above pre-covid levels - 50,000 participants	Increased satisfaction and engagement from our Mystics fans year on year	Minimum equity of \$150,000 and Mystics profitable	Partners report greater satisfaction and engagement with the Zone year on year	Mystics Win ANZP	
		Coach and Umpire Coach Developers Active in minimum 14 Centres	Year on year increase in stories told and shared through various media platforms	Growth in the amount of funding netball receives across the system (base to be agreed)	Facilities Plan refreshed with key projects identified	Marvels players transition to higher level (2 per year)	
		Good Sports Programme active in minimum 14 Centres				Zone players represented in national squads (Min 60%)	
Embed an internal culture of one team including respect for Tikanga Māori and Manaakitanga in all that we do.							
OUR PRINCIPLES:		Embodying the Wairua of Mana Wāhine and their whānau. Culturally aligned and cohesive organisation which embraces diversity. Being local, affordable and accessible. Empowering dynamic leadership, innovation, performance and excellence.					

AWARDS

NETBALL NEW ZEALAND AWARDS 2022

Congratulations to the following members of our Zone that received awards this year.



GRACE NWEKE – Dame Lois Muir Supreme Award (Joint winner with Kelly Jury)

The NZ Netball Awards' most prestigious title recognises the best netballer across all elite competitions and Silver Ferns campaigns.

Nweke has made a meteoric rise in all aspects of her game, the sensational shooter proving that she's a quick learner and well on the way to becoming the complete package.

A scoring machine for the MG Mystics under the hoop, Nweke's commanding form in this year's ANZ Premiership was dealt a blow at the business end when she missed several matches due to injury. But when on court, she was a pillar of strength with her 92 percent accuracy return and rebounding ability.

GRACE NWEKE – MYOB Silver Ferns Player of the Year



Awarded to a Silver Ferns player who has displayed consistent, outstanding performances throughout the international season. Decided by a panel of her peers and coaching staff, shooter Grace Nweke was awarded the MYOB Silver Ferns Player of the Year.

RACHEL SMITH – Outstanding Contribution to Netball by a Technical Official

Rachael has been an important part of bench official development in the Zone for a number of years. She is a Nationally qualified bench official officiating for National League games, ANZ Premiership in Northern Zone and at National and Regional tournaments for many years. She is now also a statistician on the bench for the ANZ / NNL games.



Rachael came on board the Northern Zone Bench Official Committee in 2020 to support the organisation, development and allocation of bench officials in the zone. This has also involved connecting with coordinators from the other zones in reviewing the national qualifications and development of bench officials in NZ.

VOLUNTEERS – the heartbeat of community netball

2022 CADBURY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Highly commended

Coach: Rachel Browne-Cole (Northern Zone)



Cadbury Volunteer of the Month – Most engaged Centres

Waiuku Netball Centre

Northern Wairoa Netball Centre

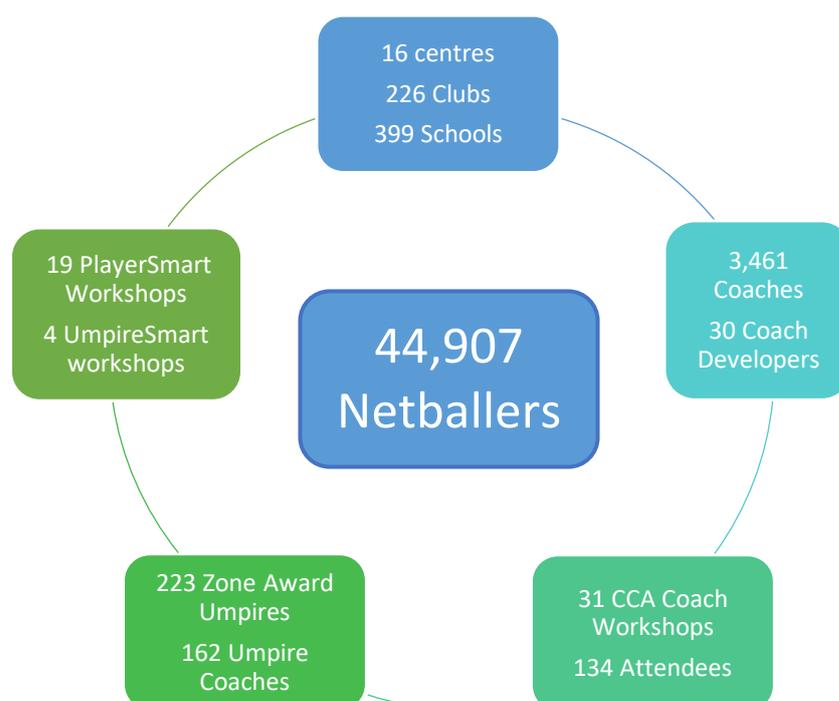
Both received a signed framed silver ferns dress from Netball New Zealand



COMMUNITY

The Northern Zone Community Team continued our Centre Relationship Model with mahi firmly focused on identifying priorities with our Centres and meeting regularly to review progress. Responsibility for our 16 Centres is split between Karyne and Amanda, who work collaboratively with our Zone community team, CEO Phil Vyver and RST partners to actively engage and support Centres in delivering their priorities.

We welcomed new members to the Community Team in January with Amanda Dyason appointed to the Centre Relationship Manager role, Ala Dysart beginning her NetballSmart Development Officer journey, and Briana Valgre launching into a new role as Auckland Umpire Development Officer. Change was not far away with Chonaire Huriwai moving on to a He Oranga Poutama role at Aktive and Katie Adamson heading back to Europe to play professional volleyball. This saw Tania Heap return to the Zone as Coach Lead, quickly re-connecting with netball colleagues alongside re-acquainting with life in the big smoke. The vacant NetballSmart position was filled by Amelia Pasco, a Strength and Conditioning coach making the move from Hawkes Bay, who has quickly built relationships with our Centres and key personnel.



Centre Engagement

Centre Advisory Group

The Centre Advisory Group was established in 2022, meeting four times, with members from Netball Waitakere, Pukekohe Netball Centre, Whangarei Netball Centre, and Netball North Harbour.

A review undertaken in September confirmed its purpose was to feedback to Northern Zone and Netball NZ about Centre challenges, connect with other Centres to take a collaborative and cohesive approach to address similar barriers, identify key projects to work together on and gather as a Zone to support each other. This aligned with the original Terms of Reference and Scope as outlined below.

PURPOSE:

- To provide strategic feedback and input to Grow and Strengthen netball in the Northern Zone.

SCOPE:

- Focus on zone initiatives and concepts for:
 - Community/Centre Development
 - Participation
 - Programme development – e.g., Umpires, Coaching, Youth etc.

- Performance development (transition space) strategy for Centre into Zone
- Initiatives and agreement of support for Mystics and Marvels/Comets
- Sharing of best practice

The 2022 CAG identified a considerable list of topics from which the following were identified as priorities. Task forces were to be set up to address each topic before bringing back to wider group. The topics of priority were Umpires and Volunteers and Funding and Collective Purchasing. With netball pressure on the members of the CAG no further action was taken. The review identified a need for commitment and accountability to the mahi and outcomes desired by the group.

Northern Zone wishes to acknowledge our independent facilitators for their time with this project: Shirley Hooper, World Netball Board; Lynette Adams, Past CEO Sport Waitakere; and Ruth Stanley, Community Manager, Netball NZ.

Auckland Regional Centres Rep Working Group

The Zone convened and facilitated a working group from the Auckland Regional Centres to review the purpose and validity of existing representative programmes and rep circuit. A huge thank you to everyone that worked together to ensure the best outcomes for netball, and for all the administrators/draw stewards a special thank you for the extra time collaborating on tournament draws.

A decision was made that all local rep circuit tournaments would move to two x 40-minute games only. This reduces loading on players and umpires, allows coaches to test their teams in the longer game and better prepare their players for tournament. The removal of “winning” the circuit tournament drives the development philosophy for coaches ensuring better opportunities for all squad players to get game time. Centres will now look to award prizes for things like good umpiring, sportsmanship awards; thank you to travelling teams, and the best NetballSmart warmup.

The Working Group met to review the 2022 rep season and agreed the new 40-minute game format worked well for all participants – players, coaches and umpires and was agreed this will remain the format for 2023. Other recommendations in the umpiring space are that umpires hold a minimum of Centre Award for U14/16 grades, and Zone theory for U18 age groups. We appreciate the extra load on umpires, as with coaches and players, but the 2 x 40-min games are especially helpful in injury reduction, load management and time for coaching umpires.

The boys’ game is growing and whilst it would be ideal to have an U17 Boys team from each Centre, if this is not possible, we encourage Centres to look to create cluster teams to increase the number of teams entered in tournaments. An increase in teams would send a strong message to Netball NZ advocating for Under17 Boys to be included in the National Under18 Championships.

Northland Centres Rep Cluster Working Group

Northland Netball Centres have been working collaboratively to form a Northland Cluster U18 team. Spearheaded by Northern Zone a working group with a representative from each of the 6 netball centres worked together to sort through policies and procedures to build a solid programme for Northland.

A massive thank you to the small, committed treasures of the Working Group who put in countless hours of volunteer time to bring this project to life. Tanya Proctor, Rebecca Simper and Lynette Gubb were the stalwarts at every meeting and netball is grateful to all you contribute. Thank you also to Rhonda Martin-Raharuhi and Natalie Moon for support with trials and logistics.

With each centre contributing to the start-up Terms of Reference were completed and mahi began. Coach, manager and trial selectors applications went out with the successful appointment of Trina Henare as Head Coach and Sophy Tua as Manager. Trials were held at Bay of Islands College in a development setting with 16 girls attending. The team were taken through the NetballSmart warmup followed by activities that promoted whanaungatanga and then into skill development and ended with fitness testing and trial games. Selections were made as a squad with travelling and non-travelling reserves, with the team attending Auckland area pre-season rep tournaments only.

First up at North Harbour they played two hard games that tested the team, however some nice play and connections were made – a great effort considering it was their first time out on court together. Their second tournament was at Papakura and we thank all the whanau that travelled to support on the sideline. Congratulations and thank you to Northland Centres for the mahi and collaboration to make this team happen and open up a pathway for their athletes. Congratulations to all those selected to represent your centres and Northland.

NORTHLAND CLUSTER

is excited to announce the Northland U18 Squad for 2022

Alicia Absolum – Bay of Islands NC	Mikayla McKenzie – Northern Wairoa NC
Alyssa Hughes – Bay of Islands NC	Nicole Moon – Kerikeri NC
Atea Rush – Kerikeri NC	Ocean Turdeich-Gilmour – Whangarei NC
Caitlin Heke – Rodney NC	Parehula Allen – Bay of Islands NC
Charlotte Atkinson – Whangarei NC	Shauna Power – Whangarei NC
Daisy Seabourne – Kerikeri NC	Tamzin Bamber – Mangonui NC
Diarvion Kukutai – Bay of Islands NC	Telina Nathan – Whangarei NC
Kilani Brophy-Pomare – Bay of Islands NC	Walorangi Thompson – Rodney NC
Leilani Dephoff – Kerikeri NC	

Coach - Trina Henare | Manager - Sophy Tua

A travelling team of 12 will be selected to attend Regional tournaments, with the squad part of the U18 Development programme.

for more information on the Northland Cluster visit WHANGAREINETBALL.CO.NZ/NORTHLAND-CLUSTER/CLUSTER-INFORMATION-1

The cluster campaign was rounded out with the Northland Development Day in November. Trina Henare was re-appointed Head Coach for 2023, with Northern Zone providing Ripeka Pirie as her Coach Mentor to build a performance-based campaign.

Northern Zone Development Day – Northland Rep Cluster

Following the establishment of the Northland Rep Cluster and running an Under 18 Squad in 2022, it was exciting to progress to this development day for any potential 2023 Under 18 or Open Grade eligible players. Northern Zone and the Mystics management delivered the day collaboratively with Northland Cluster Under 18 Coach, Trina Henare. Northern Zone have provided Trina with a Coach Mentor to support her personal coach development journey.

Thanks to Whangarei Netball Centre for hosting the day, and to key members of the Cluster Working Group – Lynette Gubb, Tanya Proctor and Rebecca Simper, for all the behind scenes mahi undertaken this year. Saturday 12th November was a full-on day for the players attending who were treated to expertise from Trina, alongside Mystics Head Coach, Tia Winikerei, Coach Mentor, Ripeka Pirie, and three Mystics players, Sulu, Phoenix and Peta, who also happen to be Silver Ferns!

Our thanks also to Sophy Tua, NetballSmart Centre Activator for providing support and education on effective warm-up and warm-down techniques. Players were put through their paces with selective skill sessions followed by game play to round out the day, all delivered to elevate these players beyond club netball in preparation for their journey to performance netball.





Our sincere thanks to our funders who continue to support netball in Northland:



Northern Zone Development Day

Sunday 27th November saw 27 scouted players accept an invite to attend Northern Zone's Development Day.

These players were treated to expert coaching from a special group of coaches who were simultaneously undertaking a weekend of coach development.



Eleven coaches undertook a weekend to complete their Composite Coaching Qualification, who were extremely fortunate to be under the guidance of Netball NZ Coaching staff – Tania Karauria and Leigh Gibbs, alongside Stars Head Coach Kiri Wills, and Mystics Head Coach Tia Winikerei and Assistant Coach Rob Wright. They developed the programme of skills and activities for players, who were kept on their toes with skill sessions then game play.



Tia Winikerei commented “Both development days were a wonderful opportunity to see our young talent across the Zone shine!”

Umpires with Zone Award and higher were invited to attend alongside the athletes and coaches. They took part in a workshop on their umpiring techniques with Cory Nicholls while the NZ Umpire Coaches that also attended worked on their coaching skills and planning with Umpire Lead, Sharleen Morrell, before supporting and coaching the umpires on the games in the afternoon session.

The 2022 Zone scouting pilot identified players from Regional and National Age-Group Representative tournaments, Netball Centre competitions, and the 2022 UNISS tournament. The zone has ranked the players who have been identified using a 3-Tiered ranking system which is described below.

Tier 1	At NNL level or 1 year away from trialling – Potential for National Development Camp
Tier 2	2-3 years away from NNL level – Potential for National Development Camp
Tier 3	Future potential– keep tracking

Tier 1 players were invited to the Northern Zone Development Day. For players who have been identified in Tier 1 and 2 the zone scouting group will consider their potential for the National Development Camp in 2023 and made nominations to NNZ on behalf of these players. For players identified in all Tiers we will continue to track them throughout 2023, to observe their progress.



We are super grateful to our volunteer scouts for their commitment to netball in our Zone, who travelled to tournaments, stood on Centre courts watching countless games, then spending hours entering information and analysing data to produce these Scouting Lists. Our sincere thanks go out to Liz Page, Amanda Dyason, Rachel Rasmussen and Kathy Henry, 2022 Volunteer Scouting Group.

Thanks to everyone that attended to stretch themselves on their development journey, it was great to have you all there.

Many thanks to New Zealand Community Trust (NZCT) and Four Winds Foundation for their continued support which allows us to make these Development Days happen!



UMPIRES

2022 was the first full season in a while and many of our umpires and umpire coaches made the most of every game and opportunity.

2022 – Northern Zone Umpire numbers

New Zone Award Umpires	47
Zone Award Endorsements	23
Total Zone Award Umpires	223
New NZ Award Umpires	6
NZ Endorsed Umpires	3
Total NZ Award Umpires	36
IUA Umpires	1
New Umpire Coaches	31
Total Umpire Coaches	162
Umpire Coach Developers	14
Zone Theory Passes	34
NZ Theory Passes	21



2022 saw almost double new zone awards and zone endorsements achieved than 2021 as well as a large number of new umpire coaches. There was a drop in number of Zone Theory candidates which we hope will pick up again in 2023.

Tournaments – Northern Zone umpires appointed

EnviroWaste North Island Junior Netball Championships



Northern had about 20 umpires attend the North Island Junior Netball Championships held in Taranaki from 10th-12th July along with three umpire coaches on the coaching panel to support and develop the umpires at the tournament.

Well done to everyone that braved the weather and officiated over the three days - they represented themselves well while working on their own goals. Special congratulations to Laura Mallon (Auckland) who umpired the Mixed Grade Final, Julia Lim (North Harbour) who umpired the U14 A Grade Final and Zayna Patel (Auckland) who umpired the U14 B Grade Final.



NNZ U18 Champs

Congratulations to the below Northern Umpires who were selected to travel to Christchurch for the 2022 Celebration Box NNZ U18 Champs from 18th-21st July.

Mckynlee Breen	Maddison Oliver-Coffey
Natasha Mouat	Kian Manilal
Greg Albrecht	Kira Morrison
Daryl Cathro	



NNZ Selected Tournament Umpires

Congratulations to these umpires that were selected by NNZ to attend two national tournaments recently. We are excited that these tournaments have taken place (11-14th October for NZSS) as the umpires for these pathway events missed out after a difficult 2020 and 2021.

NZ Open Champs

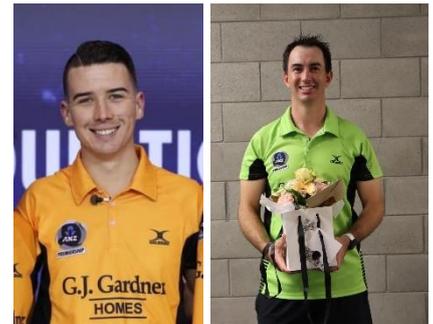
Scott Bailey
Roger Rota
Glendon Carter
Shaz Papesch
Kiani Smit (injury)
Matt Davis

FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs

Scott Bailey
Mckynlee Breen
Kian Manilal
Kira Morrison

Umpire Achievements

Congratulations to Zak Middleton and Cory Nicholls who were re-selected in the National Umpire Squad in 2022. Cory has continued his growth in the ANZ Premiership over the past two seasons. Zak Middleton this season has made the step up to ANZ Premiership. Congratulations also to Zak Middleton (Auckland) who was endorsed for his NZ A Award during the ANZ Premiership season.



Kiani Smith was included in the National Umpire Squad for the first time in 2022. This followed five years of continued growth and development in the NNZ Zone Watchlist where Kiani excelled at NNZ Domestic Tournaments.

Scott Bailey, Matt Davis and Shaz Papesch were all re-selected in the NNZ Zone Watchlist for 2022.

World Netball announced IUA status for Northern's Cory Nicholls from Netball North Harbour. They also announced the officials selected for the Oceania Regional Netball World Cup 2023 Qualifiers taking place in Suva, Fiji from the 16th to the 23rd July 2022. Cory Nicholls was selected as an umpire and Fay Meiklejohn as an UAP, both from Netball North Harbour.



Near the end of the year World Netball announced the officials selected for the FAST5 Netball World Series, Christchurch 2022, that took place from the 5th – 6th November.

Congratulations to Cory Nicholls who was selected to umpire and Fay Meiklejohn that was part of the umpire panel. Zak Middleton was also selected to umpire the men's games that were part of the FAST5 tournament.

Extra Congratulations to Cory Nicholls who was selected to umpire the Grand Final. Well deserved!

Umpire Coach Developers

Umpire Coach Developers (UCD) are an integral part of the umpire structure. To have the greatest impact on developing community and performance umpires they focus on helping develop our umpire coaches to be effective in the coaching of umpires.

We have 14 UCDs in Northern Zone, including three new UCDs in 2022. They provided many development opportunities for our umpire coaches throughout the season.

Workshops & Observations

24 Workshops run by 18 different UCDers and facilitators compared to 14 run by 7 in 2021. A huge step up most notably in the number of different UCDers used.

27 observation opportunities provided by 8 UCDers compared to 16 by 6 in 2021. Again, another big step up aligned to the priorities in the Technical Officials Ops plan.

Bench Officials



Our bench officials not only work hard throughout the year at the Synergy Hair Netball League, ANZ Premiership, local tournaments and in their local netball centres, they are also selected to go to national tournaments.

Congratulations to Bobby-Jo Buchanan (unable to attend), Carollynn Frew, Darren Beattie and Denise Neal who were selected to the NZ Open Champs and Maree Wallace who will travel to NZ Secondary School Champs.

NetballSmart

The Healthy Heart of Netball was back in 2022 for its fifth year. Despite initially starting the year in “Red COVID Level” we were able to host plenty of workshops within Centres. Once we moved to “Orange” we were able to hit the ground running in schools around the Zone. Our two Northern Zone Development Officers have supported Centres, schools, clubs and communities with a variety of workshops and preparation programmes. We have also been involved in several development days, “Have A Go Days”, Hauora days and many other events both at a Zone and Centre Level. These educational programmes included but were not limited to:

- 4 UmpireSmart Workshops
- 40 AIMS work shops
- Preparation (Pre-Season) Programmes across 3 Centres
- 10 Centre Event Collaborations – including Have A Go Days, Hauora Days, Development Days and Mass Warm-Ups
- 19 SmartPlayer Workshops

Our NSDO’s had a great year and really enjoyed being able to string together a full year and embed NetballSmart into all levels without too many COVID interruptions. We were able to deliver workshops from Kerikeri all the way to Pukekohe.

Third time seemed to be a charm in 2022 with both the AIMS and UNISS tournaments being able to be held. It was amazing to see these two tournaments get off the ground after a 2 year hiatus. We were able to run 40 tournament preparation workshops with AIMS coaches and we were quite impressed with the level of the NetballSmart Warm-Ups at AIMS. At UNISS we were part of research study group which looked at the quality and content of teams’ warm-ups – we were impressed with elements of them but some were missing key elements such as stopping, jumping and landing – this is the game of Netball. Don’t be afraid to reach out to your NSDO on how you can make YOUR warm-up more NetballSmart. We can’t wait to be involved in these tournaments again in 2023.

As the healthy heart of Netball, NetballSmart are very pleased with how well we have managed to reduce injuries in our secondary school space and bring awareness to the community in every aspect.



We want to give a huge thanks to you, our community, players, coaches, managers, teams and Centres for trusting and believing in what we do and getting behind the programme. Without your support, it would not be possible to spread our NetballSmart web so far and wide. As the year 2023 begins, we are feeling very optimistic about the year ahead. We are looking forward to hitting the ground running and sharing our knowledge and skills with our communities and working together to keep our players performing optimally, thriving in the sport and staying injury free. We can’t wait to get back out on the court and have fun with workshops and supporting our Centres. See you out there and don’t be afraid to ask for help!

Coach Development

Coaching Courses delivered in 2022

	Modules	Attendees
Foundation	61	1025
CCA	31	134
PD for CD's	5	

Coach Development Hui

Coach Development in our zone is in a good space. In 2022 the Netball Northern Zone can boast that we have very experienced coach developers with several of them stepping into the coach training space.

We had two Coach Developer Hui (Trainings) to support and train our coach developers, one in Te Tai Tokerau facilitated by our very own Netball Northern Zone super star duo, Rhonda and Sharleen. They ran a fun and valuable day of learning for new Coach Developers.

A Coach Developer is someone who coaches the player coaches, or umpire coaches, so a coach for the coaches! Coach Developers, when fully trained, can deliver workshops from the NNZ Coach Framework and Umpire Modules, but this is only part of their role. Coach Developers can provide on the spot live coaching support at your Centre. This is one of the reasons we aim to have Coach Developers localised at every Centre. They get to know your people, can help give direct support and connect your coaches/umpires within your community. A huge thank you to the eager learners that attended, and we look forward to supporting you as you embark on your Coach Developer journey. Particularly fun was the paper plane exercise – certainly brought out the competitive spirit.



The other Coach Developer Hui (training) took place in Tamaki Makaurau and was organised and facilitated by our awesome trainers throughout our zone, along with the support of the Netball Northern Zone Team. Our trainer sessions included:

Rachel Brown-Cole from Waiuku Netball Centre got us started with a challenging ice breaker on the 'Art of Questioning.' We had the lovely Trina Henare from Te Tai Tokerau who educated us on Māori Tikanga. Karen Aulelio from Auckland Netball Centre got us all to think about our goals, fears of delivering and the advantages of self-reflection. Pete McInnes from Waitakere Netball Centre and Michelle Wallace from North Harbour Netball Centre facilitated 'What is a Coach Developer?' and provided us with ideas and resources that we can use when facilitating modules. And the wonderful Leah Lazarus extended us and got us to understand the advantages of the art of questioning and the how to. We also had Leigh Gibbs from NNZ come along to explain the roles we find ourselves in and Game Sense Philosophy.



The highlight and certainly a very useful session was presented by our very own Netball Northern Board Member Michele Teague, who shared her expertise and knowledge on marketing and how we (Coach Developers) can transfer these skills to getting more coaches involved in workshops and seeing real value in them.

We had over 30 plus current and newbie coach and umpire developers along with trainers and Netball Northern Zone Staff attend the day. And we are very grateful to everyone who got involved and took time out of their busy lives to make this day successful.

This puts us in good stead for 2023 where we will ensure we provide ongoing support, guidance, and education opportunities to all our coach developers and trainers to ensure they're confident to support coaches at their local Centre.

Coaching Modules

We had over 1200 coaches attend futureFERNs foundation coaching workshops. futureFERNs is a brilliant program for our young players, as they learn our wonderful game as they develop.

We also had several Centres deliver the Year 7 & 8 Player Development Programme (PDP) which focuses on the 'Balance is Better' Philosophy, culminating in attendance at Festival Days around the Zone.



Pohutukawa Coast futureFERN players loving their netball.



Kaipara Netball Centre PDP Programme Players doing the NetballSmart Warm up.



Peta was a big hit at the Mangere Otahuhu Netball Centre PDP.





Pukekohe futureFERNs having fun on their last night of games.

The Community Coaching Awards follow Foundation Awards and it is pleasing to see 260 coaches attend the CCA Level 1 and Level 2 modules throughout the Zone. Improving the quality and pedagogy of our coaches is imperative to ensuring a quality experience for participants.

A big congratulations to Dwayne McNeil and Jody McCort for completing the CCA 1 and 2 Qualification. Both were able to accomplish this with the support of Kat West, Coach Developer at Pukekohe Netball Centre.

Jody and Dwayne coach Maramarua Netball Club Teams at Pukekohe Netball Centre, as well as Dwayne coaching Mt Albert Grammar Team at Auckland Netball Centre.

A special acknowledgement to Dwayne who was accepted into the Performance Coaching Qualification Programme, the next step in the NNZ Coach Framework.



*Waiuku Netball Centre Coaches attending CCA 1:
Selecting/Formatting Team Module*

COMPOSITE COACHING QUALIFICATION (CCQ) PROGRAMME, 25 – 27 NOVEMBER 2022

The Northern Composite Coaching Qualification is a workshop that takes part over two weekends, twelve months apart, starting Friday night.

The programme is aimed at elite players who remain in the game by transitioning successfully into coaching roles and for experienced coaches who have been supported by former coach development pathways who have the desire to continue upskilling and being the best they can be.



This year was the first time the Netball Northern Zone has run the CCQ workshop, and we would like to congratulate the 12 coaches that took part.

The CCQ Programme aims to:

- Create a player-centred environment that will allow learners to achieve their potential.
- To provide the tools and systems to ensure effective planning for the season, session, and tournaments.
- Understand and demonstrate contemporary coaching practice and pedagogy.
- To gain an understanding of skill acquisition, skill development and decision making in a competitive environment
- Understand the value of game analysis and how to use it to enhance the performance of players and the team.
- Plant seeds for continued growth and development and support systems required for coaches.

In 2022 Waitakere Netball Centre was our host, and we are very grateful to Murray and his team for their gracious and generous hospitality.

The coaches were very lucky to have a high calibre of performance of coach developers who included Leigh Gibbs, Tania Karauria, Rob Wright, Tia Winikerei, Ruta Tai and Kiri Wills. NetballSmart Development Officers, Ala and Amelia upskilled coaches on the NetballSmart resources, and a big thank you to Amanda Dyason who organised the kai and did the behind the scenes organising.

2022 MG MYSTICS



Left to right: Monica Falkner; Grace Nweke; Fa'amu Ioane; Michaela Sokolich Beatson; Sulu Fitzpatrick (c); Tayla Earle; Claire O'Brien; Phoenix Karaka; Peta Toeava; Filda Vui.

2022 MG MYSTICS SQUAD		
Player	Position	Coach
Grace Nweke	GS	Helene Wilson
Filda Vui	GA GS	Assistant Coach Rob Wright
Monica Falkner	GA GS	
Tayla Earle	C WA	Apprentice Coach Tia Winikerei
Claire O'Brien	WA C	
Elisapeta Toeava	WA C	Manager Meghan Robinson
Fa'amu Ioane	WD C	
Michaela Sokolich-Beatson	GD WD	Strength & Conditioning Pera Gibbs
Phoenix Karaka	GK GD	
Sulu Fitzpatrick (Captain)	GK GD	Physio Pat Hunt
Carys Stythe	Training Partner	
Dani Binks	Training Partner	

2022 ANZ Premiership Results

13 th March	Northern Mystics		43	v	46	WBOP Magic	
19 th March	Northern Mystics		66	v	60	Central Pulse	
21 st March	Northern Mystics		70	v	50	Southern Steel	
27 th March	Northern Mystics		62	v	61	Central Pulse	
2 nd April	Northern Mystics		67	v	59	Southern Steel	
17 th April	Northern Mystics		59	v	64	Southern Steel	
24 th April	Northern Mystics		68	v	44	Northern Stars	
2 nd May	Northern Mystics		56	v	44	WBOP Magic	
7 th May	Northern Mystics		70	v	51	Mainland Tactix	Played at Pulman Arena
8 th May	Northern Mystics		54	v	51	Northern Stars	
14 th May	Northern Mystics		69	v	58	Mainland Tactix	Rescheduled from 10 th April
16 th May	Northern Mystics		47	v	48	WBOP Magic	
21 st May	Northern Mystics		49	v	54	Mainland Tactix	Rescheduled from 3 rd April
22 nd May	Northern Mystics		38	v	59	Northern Stars	
3 rd June	Northern Mystics		40	v	58	Central Pulse	Rescheduled from 28 th May
	Northern Mystics	EF	57	v	63	Northern Stars	

Overall Placing: 3rd

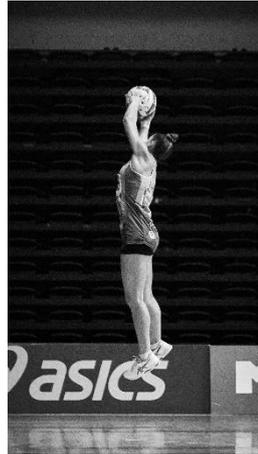
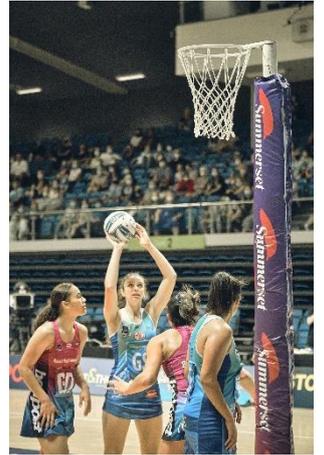
The 2022 season will go down as one of the most challenging in Mystics history. The season started and finished with significant Covid-19 impacts resulting in 3 games needing to be rescheduled, pre-season games and tournaments being cancelled and needing to use an addition 10 players throughout the season just to be able to field a team for every game.

Living with COVID-19 day to day in a performance environment was a constant balancing act of protecting our people while still preparing them to perform. We once again proved we were well practiced at adapting at short notice. Connection and resilience were heavily relied upon as we forged ahead into the 2022 season and leveraging off the standards and values set out in 2021 with the bulk of the team remaining the same. New shooting blood in the form of Monica Falkner brought a dynamic fast paced competitor to the team.

Pre-season games were few and far between but in early February we managed to play games against WBOP Magic and Mainland Tactix. These proved to be invaluable as the only games we played against other ANZ Premierships teams prior to the first round. The opportunity this did afford our team was the necessity for us to force training standards to the highest levels. Standards and targets were set higher to push us to be the best team we could be leading into competition.

Even with the COVID-19 disruptions, playing in empty stadiums or with small masked crowds, rescheduled games and replacement players the team proved competitive throughout the first two rounds of games, with Mystics sitting top of the table after 11 games and securing the Barfoot and Thompson Northern Challenge Trophy for another year. However, things took a turn during the final round. A combination of injuries and COVID-19 impacts on players resulted in losses for our final 4 games of the season. Still placed third we had the chance to play off for a Finals spot against the Northern Stars at Pulman Arena on Wednesday 8th June. Unfortunately, the injury and illness toll was too much to bear with Stars securing a 63-57 victory.

At the end of a rollercoaster season we sadly said goodbye to Helene Wilson after 6 years as Head Coach. The Northern Mystics and Northern Zone are so grateful for all the hours of service Helene has given to growing athletes and staff within the zone and we wish her all the best in her new venture at High Performance Sport NZ.



NATIONAL LEAGUE NETBALL



The Northern Marvels had a tough season impacted heavily by Covid. The first two games which were due to be played over a cluster weekend had to be cancelled due to many NNL teams impacted by Covid. The team had to reach out to many additional players and bring them into the squad to help field a team over the following 6 weeks. A season ending injury for Addi in our game against Mainland was another blow to the team.

Determination to put a team out on court was the priority for Management and although only two wins and one close loss for the season the squad certainly showed their resilience and adapted each week to what was a new environment, as we never had the same players for 2 consecutive games.

Overall Placing: 4th

2022 NORTHERN MARVELS SQUAD		Coach
Holly Mather	Kenza Taele	Natalie Milicich
Braxton Te Riini	Jazmin Tufuga	Assistant Coach
Jessie Taylor	Rebekah Roache	Waana Araroa
Carys Stythe	Catherine Hall	Assistant Coach
Grace McCarthy (TP)	Addi Albert-Jones	April Ieremia
Jessica Milicich	Laura Overton	Manager
Christie Anderson	Tamara Leoni	Amanda Dyason
Alyssa-Jean Savelio	Le'Oxeayn Maiu'u (TP)	Physio
Danielle Binks	Serina Daunakamakama (TP)	Strength & Conditioner
Marissa Grey (TP)	Seroya Nankivell	Caleb Carey
Lisa Lin		
<i>TP = Training Partner</i>		

RESULTS					
Northern Marvels		0	vs	0	WBOP (Draw due to Covid)
Northern Marvels		0	vs	0	South (Draw due to Covid)
Northern Marvels		59	vs	49	WBOP
Northern Marvels		51	vs	55	Mainland
Northern Marvels		38	vs	59	Central
Northern Marvels		55	vs	54	Mainland
Northern Marvels		49	vs	63	Comets
Northern Marvels		37	vs	64	Comets



2022 MYSTICS MEN

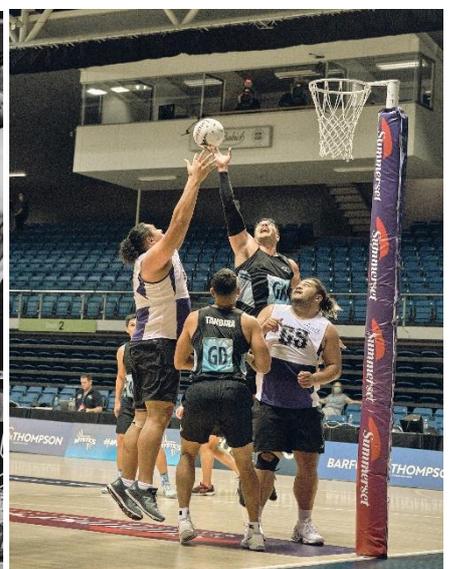


In February 2022 the Northern Zone and the MG Northern Mystics formed a Mystics Invitational Men's Team. Trials were held in February, and on April 2nd and May 22nd, 2022, the Team competed in two games against the Northern Stars Invitational Men's Team.

These games gave us the opportunity to celebrate Men's netball, and thank them for their long-serving contribution to our game. Before the first game the MG Northern Mystics presented the men with their playing singlets, in what was an emotional and momentous event.

The men then showcased their talent, skill and brilliance on a televised stage for the first time in any club's history. Mystics won the first game (55-45), and lost by only one point in game two (43-44).

2022 MYSTICS MENS SQUAD		Coach Tia Winikerei Assistant Coach Ripeka Pirie Manager Nikola Kemp Physio Emma Mackie
Caleb Vercoe #8	Kruze Tangira #1	
Dennis Napara #6	Quintin Gerber #4	
Ephraim Ormsby #10	Thomson Matuku #5	
Hikoirangi Paki #9	Wiremu Britton-Rua #13	
Joseph Tukaki #3	Joshua Vercoe #7	
Kevin Bell #2	James Brown #11	
Jordan Lameta #12		



PERFORMANCE

In December 2021 we offered a pre-Christmas skill development programme to the next tier of young athletes who aspire to play high performance netball. This served as an introduction to the MG Northern Mystics collective skill set, and preparation for Northern Marvels trials in January 2022. Following these trials, 11 positions were taken up to join the 2022 Northern Zone Performance Programme (NZPP). Within this group, three were named in the NZ Under 21 squad, two in the NZ Secondary School squad, and two as MG Northern Mystics two as apprentice training partners.

Over the past 5 years we have built this longitudinal programme to include strength and conditioning, athlete support - including individual planning, and weekly netball skills session, which are focused on individual development and coached by the MG Northern Mystics coaches.

In 2022 NZPP successfully transitioned Danielle Binks and Carys Stythe into the MG Mystics as training partners. Carys Stythe was then fully contracted into the 2023 MG Mystics team. These two players were also selected for the NZ Under 21s and the NNZ Young Internationals squad.

2022 NZPP Level 2 squad

Addi-Albert Jones

Braxton Te Riini (NZU21s squad / Mystics apprentice training partner)

Catherine Hall

Christie Anderson

Grace McCarthy

Holly Mather (NZU21s squad / Mystics apprentice training partner)

Jessie Taylor (NZU21s squad)

Kenza Taele

Le'Oxeayn Maiu'u (NZSS squad)

Marissa Grey

Serina Daunakamakama (NZSS squad)

NZPP Lead Coach: Tia Winikerei



FACILITIES

Auckland Regional Facilities Working Group

The Regional Facilities Working Group continued to provide targeted support to Centre projects, alongside advocating to key stakeholders, Active and Auckland City Council on the needs and future thinking for netball facilities in our Zone.

The Auckland Council Facilities Investment Fund saw three netball projects approved. Centres, Northern Zone, and the Regional Facilities Working Group took considerable time and effort to submit detailed, worthy applications that have the best chance of success. The two-stage application process is intense, complex and time consuming – so a huge amount of gratitude and respect to the Centres involved. We are forever grateful to the services of members of the Regional Facilities Working Group whose expertise has been invaluable in actively supporting these applications.

From the 103 initial expressions of interest, only 36 were approved for stage two from which 34 applicants were granted funding. Netball Projects successful are:

Mangere-Otahuhu Netball Centre	\$545,000 for court rubberisation
Rodney Netball Centre	\$100,000 for court redevelopment
Waiuku Netball Centre	\$230,000 for facilities upgrade



Netball Rodney current courts due for refurbishment.

In Northland support has been provided to Mangonui Netball Centre in liaising with Te Hiku Sports Hub providing a future focus and long-term plan for this Centre. Mangonui committee have been fearless and committed in advocating to Far North District Council, with success finally seeing a much-needed upgrade to the courts including fencing and lights being undertaken at the end of 2022. This is a huge relief for this Centre as courts became near unplayable this season. Thank you to Far North District Council for your continued support of netball.

With newly elected Local Boards holding the key to funding for facilities and sport initiatives at a community level, it is imperative Centres connect strongly with new

For Rodney Netball Centre the court redevelopment has been many years of council lobbying, and with only three of six courts left playable extremely relieving to know new courts are on the horizon.

Mangere-Otahuhu will relish a new rubberised surface, and Waiuku continue to upgrade their courts and facilities implementing their long-term asset management and improvement plan.

The Regional Facilities Working Group along with Zone Community Netball Manager, Karyne Ross, continue to provide support to these Centres through the implementation phase to bring their projects to life.



Manurewa Local Board members at the opening ceremony of Manurewa's completed court project.

councillors. Post-election boards will be completing their new three-year budgets and plans with the opportunity for submissions and consultation which Centres, and their members, need to be actively engaged with.

It is strongly recommended that Centres present to their Local Board at least annually, ensuring the value of sport to their communities remains top of mind for councillors. Building relationships with boards and councillors can be enhanced by inviting them to Board or Executive meetings, prizegivings and events of importance at your Centre. If you are unsure or have never done this, please contact your Centre Relationship Manager for advice. The Zone can also support you with, and at the presentation.

The Regional Facilities Working Group are investigating a refresh of the 2015 Auckland Regional Netball Facilities Strategy in 2023, subject to securing funding to resource this project. This refresh will include input from centres and key netball stakeholders to provide guidance across the facilities environment for the future.



Manurewa Netball Centre Covered Courts, Opened 6 August 2022

FESTIVAL DAYS

Participation – Festival Days

Netball Northern Zone with the support of Netball NZ was super excited to bring Festival Days to five of our Auckland regional centres. A fun day for Year 1-6's to learn new skills, play netball and meet some of the Northern Mystics 💙



This wonderful initiative has generated interest from many youngsters now wishing to take up netball – an awesome outcome to grow participation in the junior space. Whilst timing was tricky with winter season already been well underway, flexibility was required to accommodate new players, or provide opportunities in upcoming summer programmes.



Netball participation, like many traditional organised sports, is suffering from decline and still feeling the impact of Covid shutdowns. New Zealand's economy with high increases in cost of living creates another challenge and sometimes difficult choice for parents when it comes to sport fees. Netball is pretty simple in that it really just requires shoes! However, fees to play and transport to venues is a real cost.

Centres, Zones and Netball New Zealand are working collectively on ways to promote our game, providing flexible opportunities to meet local needs and a quality sporting experience for every netballer.



Thank you to the five Centres for all your hard work to make the festival days such an enjoyable experience:

Netball Waitakere, Waiuku Netball Centre, Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre, Manurewa Netball Centre and Auckland Netball Centre.

MYSTICS IN THE COMMUNITY



Year 6 Students & Staff at Sherwood Primary School annual Staff vs Students Match



Manurewa Marlins netball team - MG Motors Train with the Mystics competition winners



Year 3 & 4 Players at Hibiscus Coast Netball Centre



Barfoot & Thompson's 'Dinner with the Mystics' winners



Fujifilm Netball Experience Day at Netball North Harbour



CENTRE STORIES



NETBALL LEADERS – YOUTH LEADERSHIP COURSE

The first Netball Leaders workshop was run at MONC as a two day workshop in April. The aim of the Netball Leaders programme is to grow leadership potential in young netballers through a series of leadership learning workshops. We had a small group of exciting, committed and passionate leaders.

The two day workshops saw the team take part in a series of practical and theory based activities to enhance and grow their leadership and continue to support their netball centre. Watch this space as this group of leaders continue to shine within their netball centre and their wider community!

WHANGAREI NETBALL CENTRE – GOOD NEWS STORY

We love a good news story, and this gives us all the feels - thanks Jess from Waiotira School for sending this through to us, and to Bella's whanau for letting us share.

"Waiotira is a small rural school with a roll of 28 students, but we manage to organise 2 Junior netball teams. One of these teams is a Yr 1/2 team that has 7 players and plays on Monday nights.

In this little chicks team we have one student/player for which this format of netball is making a huge difference. Her name is Bella and she has Cerebral Palsy. Being able to participate in a sport alongside her peers means so much to her, her friends, our school and her whānau.

Monday 16th was her first night and she had an absolute blast. She was able to participate fully in the warm up, skills session and join in the game. Just the fact that it is a rubber ball with grips makes it easier for her to catch but then the 'adjustable' hoop which means every player in the team and their ability can be celebrated. The inclusiveness of this format is something we think should be valued and we have noticed how much of a difference it is making to our tamariki.

This is all because of the format of the game for this age group and we hope that it creates some wonderful memories and an attitude that 'anything' is possible, especially for Bella."

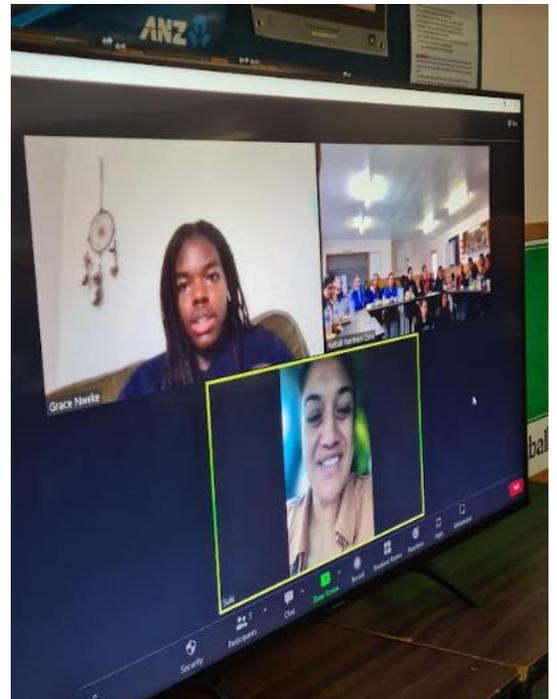


MANGONUI NETBALL CENTRE – PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Estelle Thompson at the Mangonui Netball Centre is the PDP (Player Development Programme) Facilitator and in her 4th season in her role. They have had steady numbers over the past years with around 36 players both male and female participants. They will send 3 teams to Festival days around the motu this year with help of the Far North Rural Travel fund they acquired for the first time this year.

They have 3 dedicated coaches, who are as passionate about the development of our players as Estelle is. As well as coaches and players, we are using the opportunity to develop their umpires under our Centres Coordinator Renee Walters. Together they are using this as an opportunity to develop as a Centre. They see these players are the future of their centre and we plan to bring through a really high quality of players, coaches and umpires.

Estelle arranged to have Guest speakers lined up to spend time with the PDP group every weekend. In conjunction with Netball Northern they arranged Mystics players Sulu Fitzpatrick and Grace Nweke to zoom in. They answered many questions the girls had and spoke about “Early Specialisation & the Pressures of Performing at a High Performance levels”. Ala from NetballSmart who spoke about Netball Tournament Preparation, Joanne Urlich from Te Hauora o Te Hiku o Te Ika on focused on nutrition and Far North Physio, the importance of avoiding injury and recovery.



The goal for the season is to extend knowledge as well as building a Netball Community focused on development. Estelle hopes that the programme will grow throughout older age groups and retain players as they get older and provide the pathway for them in the Far North. Well done Estelle and Sarah for you innovation and passion for development!!

GOVERNANCE

Corporate Governance

The Board is responsible for governing Netball Northern Zone Incorporated and carrying out the objectives, responsibilities and obligations as described in our Constitution. The Board is responsible for determining strategies, policies and financial arrangements for the Northern Zone.

The Board will govern Netball Northern Zone with emphasis on:

- serving the legitimate collective interests of the members and other stakeholders of Netball Northern Zone Inc. and accounting to them fully for the performance of Netball Northern Zone and for the Board's stewardship;
- remaining up to date in terms of key stakeholders' concerns, needs and aspirations;
- developing a future focus;
- providing leadership in the exploration of strategic issues rather than administrative detail;
- behaving proactively rather than reacting to events and others' initiatives;
- bringing a diversity of opinions and views to bear on its decisions;
- expressing collective responsibility for all aspects of the business of netball in the Northern Zone; and
- ensuring there are positive conditions for the motivation and conduct of the Chief Executive.

Committees

The Board has three standing Committees described below. Each Committee has a terms of reference describing how it is to operate and its responsibilities.

Finance and Risk Committee

The Committee comprises four Directors, one of whom is appointed Chair. The Chair of this Committee may not be the Board Chair. The Chief Executive attends meetings and the external auditors may attend by invitation of the Chair. The Committee currently comprises Michele Teague (Chair), Rawinia Newton, Maria Sopoaga and Mary Gardiner. The Committee met 6 times during the year.

The purpose of this Committee is to assist the Board with its responsibilities with respect to overseeing all aspects of financial reporting, control and audit functions and organisational risk.

Funding Committee

The Committee comprises at least two Directors, one of whom is appointed Chair and up to three independent advisors. The Chief Executive and Operations Manager along with a representative of Netball NZ attend meetings. The Committee currently comprises Sue Brewster (Chair), Rawinia Newton, Michele Teague and Kurt Tyson. The Committee met 6 times during the year.

The purpose of this Committee is to support development of the funding strategy, monitor and review its implementation and to support the Board to give sufficient focus to the funding strategy.

Appointments Committee

The Committee comprises two Directors, one of whom is appointed Chair. The Committee currently comprises Mary Gardiner (Chair) and Sue Brewster (Deputy Chair). The Committee met once during the year.

The purpose of this Committee is to assist the Board in planning the board's composition, assess the competencies required, identify prospective board members and develop succession plans for the board.

Directors Interests

Organisation	Position
Member: Sue Brewster	
Bethels Beach Surf Life Saving	President
Member: Mary Gardiner	
Mangere Mountain Education Trust	Trustee
Orakei Tennis Club Inc	Treasurer & Life Member
Auckland Regional Indoor Court Facilities Working Group	Member
Southern Cross Pet Insurance Limited	Independent Director
Radius Residential Care Ltd	Independent Director
Women in Sport Aotearoa	Board Member
Unity Credit Union	Director
Member: Lynette Gubb	
Netball Rodney Centre	Vice President
Tomarata Netball Club	President
Wellsford Districts Sport & Recreation Collective	Coordinator
Wellsford A&P Society	Coordinator
Port Albert Church Preservation Society	President
Tomarata Public Hall	Treasurer
Member: Michele Teague	
Kinetic IT (Australia)	Non-Executive Director
Child Fund	Board Member
Member: Maria Sopoaga	
Harbour Sport (RST)	Trustee
Oxfam NZ	Board (non-voting)
MinterEllisonRuddWatts	Solicitor
Pacific Lawyers Association	Executive Committee
Member: Kurt Tyson	
SkyCity	Marketing Manager
Member: Rawinia Newton	
Cartology	Head of Operations
Member: Anna Richards	
Auckland Rugby	Auckland Women's Player Development Manager
Auckland Rugby / NZRU	Manager Auckland HUB (Black Fern contracted players)
New Zealand Barbarian Rugby Club	Committee Member

SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE INCORPORATED
For the year ended 30 November 2022



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Netball Northern Zone Incorporated

Report on the Audit of the Special Purpose Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Netball Northern Zone Incorporated ('the Society') on pages 4 to 8, which comprise the special purpose statement of financial position as at 30 November 2022, and the special purpose statement of financial performance and special purpose statement of movements in equity for the year then ended, and the special purpose notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying special purpose financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at 30 November 2022, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Basis of Reporting per Note 1.

Our report is made solely to the Members of the Society. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Members of the Society those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Members of the Society as a body, for our audit work, for our report or for the opinions we have formed.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) ('ISAs (NZ)'). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)* ('IESBA Code'), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, Netball Northern Zone Incorporated.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Preparation

We draw attention to Note 1 of the special purpose financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The special purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in page 7. As a result, the special purpose financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Society and the Members of the Society and should not be distributed to parties other than the Society or the Members. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Those Charged with Governance for the Special Purpose Financial Statements

Those Charged with Governance are responsible on behalf of the Society for the preparation and fair presentation of the special purpose financial statements in accordance with the Basis of Reporting per Note 1, and for such internal control as Those Charged with Governance determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the special purpose financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the special purpose financial statements, Those Charged with Governance are responsible on behalf of the Society for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Those Charged with Governance either intend to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Special Purpose Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the special purpose financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these special purpose financial statements.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the special purpose financial statements is located at the External Reporting Board's website at:

<https://www.xrb.govt.nz/assurance-standards/auditors-responsibilities/audit-report-8/>



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Auckland, New Zealand

7 March 2023

NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE INCORPORATED

SPECIAL PURPOSE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the year ended 30 November 2022

		NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Operating Revenue	Note 4	2,705	2,635
Operating Expenses	4	2,619	2,531
Operating Surplus		86	104
Net Surplus for the year		86	104

The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of, and should be read in conjunction with these special purpose financial statements.

NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE INCORPORATED

SPECIAL PURPOSE STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY for the year ended 30 November 2022

	NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Members Equity at beginning of year	71	(33)
Net Surplus for year	86	104
Members Equity at end of year	<u>157</u>	<u>71</u>

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NETBALL NORTHERN ZONE INCORPORATED

SPECIAL PURPOSE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 November 2022

	Note	NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		403	278
Accounts Receivable	3	29	101
Prepayments		23	17
Total Current Assets		455	396
Plant and Equipment	6	16	12
Total Non Current Assets		16	12
Total Assets		471	408
Members Equity		157	71
Liabilities			
Creditors and Accruals	5	141	141
Income Received in Advance		165	188
GST Payable		8	8
Total Liabilities		314	337
Total Equity & Liabilities		471	408

Signed for and on behalf of the Board:



Mary Gardiner (Board Chair)

Date: 7 March 2023

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Netball Northern Zone Incorporated
Notes to the Special Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 November 2022

1 Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Netball Northern Zone Incorporated (NNZI) is an Incorporated Society in New Zealand, incorporated in November 2012. NNZI is a Public Benefit Entity. The special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with s23(i) of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted in the preparation and presentation of the special purpose financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated:

Basis of Reporting

The special purpose financial statements have been prepared applying the accounting principles of accrual accounting. The special purpose financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost.

The special purpose financial statements comprise of Special Purpose Statements of Financial Position, Financial Performance, Movements in Equity and Accounting Policies as well as the Notes to these statements. The special purpose financial statements are presented in New Zealand Dollars (NZ\$).

Going Concern

The special purpose financial statements have been prepared on a going-concern basis, which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The Board consider it appropriate for these special purpose financial statements to be prepared on a going concern basis.

Goods & Services Tax

Figures shown in these special purpose financial statements are exclusive of GST, with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable.

Revenue Recognition

The revenue from Sponsorship contracts is allocated over the term of the contract. Where the Sponsorship relates to a specific event the revenue is recognised when the event occurs.

The revenue from Grants that are project specific is recognised when the project occurs.

Contra

Contra received is to recognise in-kind contributions. They are recognised as sponsorship revenue when amounts are quantifiable in terms of the sponsorship contract.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are recognised at net realisable value.

Plant, Equipment and Depreciation

Plant & Equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Plant & Equipment have been written off over their estimated useful lives on a straight line basis to calculate the depreciation charge for the year as follows:

IT Equipment	2-5 years
Furniture & Fittings	2-15 years

Uniforms

Uniforms are expensed at the time of purchase.

Taxation

NNZI is a Non-profit body for taxation purposes under section CW 46 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and as such no taxation is payable on the surplus for the year.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and at banks.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There has been no change in accounting policies during the year and they have been applied on a consistent basis.

2 Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

Commitments under non-cancellable operating leases

Not later than one year
Later than one year and not later than five years

NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
69	62
56	68
125	130

Netball Northern Zone Incorporated
Notes to the Special Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 November 2022

3 Accounts Receivable

	NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Total Accounts Receivable	29	144
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts	-	(43)
	<u>29</u>	<u>101</u>

4 Operating Surplus

	NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Operating surplus includes:		
Income		
Membership Fees	492	463
Sponsorship Cash and Contra	693	446
Gate/Hospitality	100	216
Funding	1,393	1,499
Expenses		
Audit Fees	-	-
Depreciation	11	6
Rental and operating lease expenses	109	86

Audit Fees for the audit of these special purpose financial statements have been paid for by Netball New Zealand.

Membership Fees income includes Membership Fees passed through to Netball New Zealand of \$137,706 (2021: \$121,480).

5 Creditors and Accruals

	NNZI 2022 \$000	NNZI 2021 \$000
Trade Creditors	38	38
Accruals/Other Creditors	103	103
	<u>141</u>	<u>141</u>

6 Plant & Equipment

	NNZI 2022 \$000				NNZI 2021 \$000			
	Cost	Deprn	Accum Deprn	Book Value	Cost	Deprn	Accum Deprn	Book Value
Furniture & Fittings	3	-	3	-	2	-	2	-
IT Equipment	55	11	39	16	41	6	29	12
	<u>58</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>12</u>

7 Subsequent Events

There have been no events subsequent to balance date that would have a material impact on the special purpose financial statements (2021: nil).

8 Related Party Transactions

During the year the Zone recognised sponsorship of \$63,729 (2021: nil) from an organisation where a board member has a management role.



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