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NZU21 Netball Team Named

The Emerging Talent Selection panel today named the NZU21 team to play against the Australian 19 & Under Squad, the Australian Institute of Sport and a touring England U19 Squad in Canberra, 13 – 22 July.

NZU21 coach Janine Southby says the team of 12 has a mix of both previous NZU21 squad players and new players into the National programme. “The trials were highly competitive, with all players contesting strongly for a place in the team with the final 12 selected performing well not only at the trials but also in other competitions over the last year.

“Gaining International experience is crucial for these young players at this stage of their Netball development.” Southby said. “This tour will offer that and will help this exciting group of players push for future National selection as well as places in ANZ Championship sides next season.

NZU21 TEAM 2010

Name	Region	ANZ Champs Team	NZU21 Squad	NZSS Team
Jodi Beaumont	Western		•	
Amber Bellringer	Western			
Alanah Cassidy	Western	Pulse	•	
Emily Close	Otago		•	
Kayla Cullen*	Auckland/Waitakere	Mystics	•	
Sophia Fenwick**	Canterbury		•	•
Shannon Francois	Otago		•	
Ellen Halpenny	Canterbury	Tactix	•	
Jess Moulds (Captain)	Otago		•	
Juliana Nauopu	Southland	Steel		
Hayley Saunders	Southland		•	
Sulu Tone-Fitzpatrick*	Auckland/Waitakere	Mystics	•	•

NZU21 Coach: Janine Southby

NZU21 Assistant Coach: Adrienne Morrin

* Kayla Cullen, Sophia Fenwick & Sulu Tone-Fitzpatrick will also be eligible for next World Youth Champs in 2013

** Sophia Fenwick is also a member of the Emerging Talent Accelerant Group.

NB: The average age of the NZU21 team 19 years old

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