

Hi there NETBALL coaches!!

The past month has been hectic for everyone

CoachForce have been busy all over the Country with a variety of workshops. The **Silver Fern Coaches** had a tough series in England and now busy planning for the next series coming up soon here in New Zealand.

The **Silver Ferns, New Zealand A and New Zealand U21 coaches** took time on their way back from England to call in to the United States and spend time observing Hugh McCutcheon coaching the US Volleyball team. The **New Zealand Secondary School coaches** led a hard fought Trans Tasman series. **National Bank Cup coaches** prepared their teams for their last games in the national competition.

Regional Under 21 and 19 coaches are preparing their teams for National Age Group Championships and **Scottwood Trust Championship Coaches** are on the look out for talent for their teams to be selected soon.

Secondary School coaches are preparing their teams for regional tournaments and club coaches are busy week in week out at grassroots level.

WOW what an exciting country of **netball coaches** we have and all so committed to making it the best experience possible for the players.

Congratulations Coaches for giving your time so willingly (?!)

"Enthusiasm can't be taught, it must be caught" Has your team caught it off you?

Connecting Coaches Convention

Many netball coaches from around the country joined the 500 plus coaches from all sports who attended SPARC's inaugural Connecting Coaches Convention in Wellington recently.

The weekend included panel discussions, workshops, one on one mentoring sessions with any of the speakers.

The presenters notes are all available on the SPARC website.

It is well worth a look at these. They include presentations on: Team Culture, Talent Development Programmes, Coaching Effectiveness, Leadership, Coaches as Volunteers, Motivating Athletes and much more.

Visit SPARC website and download them.

A few thoughts-

- The measure of success of an organization is how well they treat their least talented player
- Just Let the Kids PLAY
- Give Sport back to the kids
- Athletes own the team, the environment, the decisions
- How to communicate with players. Players, aged 2-18years, average 4 hours of "screen time" a day
- Look at player development from THEIR point of view

- Coping with parents—Coaches should only coach orphans
- P=p-i. P=performance, p = performance potential, i=interference. Make sure $P \neq U!$
- I CAN UNTIL I CAN'T
- You don't learn from experience, you learn from reflecting on the experience
- How do we make better kids through sport, and eventually better citizens?
- When someone "chooses" to do something they are more likely to be persistent!
- Understand who/what you are dealing with. The raw material is a "kid".
- Pre puberty ability has no relation to ability post puberty

Dates to Remember

July 14/15	Coach/Umpire Seminar (L2 and above)
July 20	Apprentice Coach Applications
Oct 12/14	Level 3B Christchurch
Nov 11/14	Coach Workshops- World Champs
Nov 23-25	Level 2 Hamilton

Ask your Regional Co-ordinator about these or contact any of the CoachForce team:

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" Read, every day, something no one else is reading. Think, every day, something no one else is thinking. Do, every day, something no one else would be silly enough to do. It is bad for the mind to be always part of unanimity. "

Christopher Morley, American Journalist, novelist and poet (1890-1957)

Tell us about a book you are reading or have read and think everyone else might be interested in. They won't know about it because it is something no one else is reading!!

Share your thoughts with readers of CoachForce Newsletter. Write an article about something that interests you (preferably to do with sport and coaching, or mildly related)

Let us all know of something you do that you think no one else could possibly be doing.

If you are a coach we want to know what makes you tick.

As Leigh Gibbs once said to me "we have to do something scary every now and then".

Send all your interesting stories to **dian-nem@netballnz.co.nz** and make this THE MOST INTERESTING Coaches Newsletter in the World!!

Congratulations

To Peter Wright, coach of Burnside High School . Christchurch, on completing the Level 2 Coaching Award.

Can you match someone to each of these?

Some People are.....

- a lot like wheelbarrows
- ..not good unless they are pushed
- A lot like kites
- ...if you do not keep strings on them, they fly away
- A lot like footballs
- ...you cannot tell which way they will bounce next
- A lot like trailers
- ... they have to be pulled
- A lot like good watches
- ... open face, pure gold, quietly busy, and full of good watches.

Talking Tactics

Two of the World's Most successful Coaches entertained and enriched the coaching knowledge of about 175 coaches around New Zealand in May.

Lois Muir and Jill McIntosh were the expert coaches for the Talking Tactics series held in Whangarei, Whakatane, Kaiapoi and Dunedin.

The game they had to analyse and give feedback on was a test. between NZ and Australia in 2006.

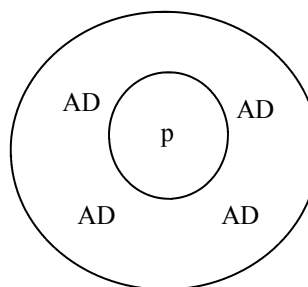
This in itself provided many interesting moments but the

Talking Tactics series became more interesting as the week went on as it coincided with the Silver Ferns series in England. This provided opportunity for the two guest coaches plus participants to discuss these games as well.

All coaches who attended enjoyed the interaction between Lois and Jill and the opportunity to get tips from them both on how to enhance their own coaching.

Again this was a great series organized by CoachForce and one that must be repeated in 2008.

Teaching Games for Understanding



Two Team, two circles, 1 ball. Passer in middle—could be injured player. Could have a passer for each team depending on numbers.

1) P passes to A team one by one until 6 consecutive passes received successfully by As. If Ds intercept then they become attacking team and try make 6 consecutive passes

2) Attacking player must go in to inner circle and out again before receiving ball

Q. how does the P know where to place the ball

Q what sort of movement will the A do to go forward and back

Q when should the P release the ball, what type of pass

3) attacking player must go outside the outer circle and back in to receive pass

4) attacking player starts in either circle and receives in other

Q what movement did the A do to be available for safe pass

Q what can D do to make it hard for A

5) divide circle into 1/4s. Attacker starts in one, moves into another and back again before receiving pass

6) same as above, but can stay in another 1/4 if that attacking player already in there changes places

Q what was difference between this option and the one before

Q what could Ds do to make this difficult for A.

Q when would Ds work together on this

6) get players to make up a sequence

TOUGHNESS is in the soul and spirit, not in muscles. Are you tough?

Lecturer / Senior Lecturer in Coaching - salary up to £40k approx. - to commence September if possible .

Suitable for someone who could perhaps lecture but if possible someone who might also contribute to the University Netball structure and Super League etc.

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