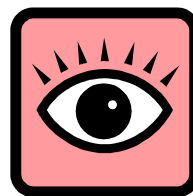




NETBALL NEW ZEALAND
Poitara-whiti Aotearoa

FOCUS



on

NETBALL UMPIRING

February
2011

Prime Minister Scholarship awarded to Umpire.

Dates to remember:

1 March—first fitness testing of year completed

31 March—applications to umpire at National Events to be with NNZ

31 March—applications for Event Panels

23 April - Regional Theory Exam applications due

13 May—NZ Theory Exam applications due



Hold yourself responsible for a higher standard than anyone else expects of you. Never excuse yourself.

Henry Ward Beecher.



ANZ Championship Squad Umpire Faye Meiklejohn is a recent recipient of a Prime Minister's Scholarship and is currently Umpiring games in the England Super League.

Faye says she applied for the scholarship as she was disappointed not gaining the International Umpire Award in 2010 .

"With World Champs in 2011, and ANZ Champs early as a consequence, the chance of gaining this during ANZ Champs is limited. So I thought if I could go to England and gain some experience in the Super League and gain some vital experience (with coaching from other international testers) it might heighten my chance of gaining my IUA and therefore open the door to possibly attend WNC."

All umpires being assessed for IUA need to be screened (observed and considered ready to be assessed) As the screening from World Youth Champs expired at the end of 2010 Faye's goal is to at least be screened in England.

Faye has been allocated 4 games in the England Super League.

29th Jan = Loughborough vs Celtic dragons

31st Jan = Mavericks vs Leeds

3rd Feb = Celtic Dragons vs bath

7th Feb = Surrey Storm vs Mavericks

She will be coached by International Testers Bill Alexander, Margaret Deighan and International Cadet Jo Kelly.

Time is right

When asked why this opportunity is important to her at this stage of her career Faye says " I have been in the international talent ID group for 3 years and have only 1 year left. I want to achieve my IUA this year and then hopefully attend pinnacle events like WNC, Commonwealth Games, World Youth Champs. I feel the time is right for me to be an international umpire."

Faye was introduced to umpiring as a young girl in Northland by her mother who was a very competent umpire. For some time she focussed on playing and after a playing career where she was a representative player (Counties/

Manukau -Senior team) she had two daughters and wanted to still be involved in the game that she loves. So she went back to umpiring and loved it.

She gained her NZ Badge in 2002 and since then has regularly appeared at National and International events

What is the best/most useful advice you have ever received as an umpire and who from?

I think the most important advice came from Bronwyn Meek , IUA, who said...it takes time to become an international umpire and you learn as much from your lows as you do from your highs. You will have a lot of disappointments and you need to use these as motivation to be better in your next game. If you want it enough and you are tough enough to stick it out through the hard times...it will happen.

Faye's Favourite Recipe

I often eat what I call a "monkey roll" which is a banana wrapped in a slice of wholemeal bread. It has high levels of carbohydrate and a low GI index so it replaces energy lost and gives me energy for my next game or training session.

A good meal recipe is Orso pasta mixed with pesto and chicken pieces. Very quick and simple. Good Carbohydrate and Protein and low in Fat.

NetballSmart Pre-Season Umpire Conditioning & Test- ing Workshop:

A series of workshops for umpires are being held around the country this month and next.

Megan Crockett, NetballSmart Co-ordinator is presenting them

The workshop will consist of 3 components:

- * A classroom / theory based session looking at pre-season conditioning for umpires. With plenty of Q & A and discussion time. (45mins)
- * A Yo Yo intermittent test session – introduction to the test, how it works and why we are using it. A run through of the test. (30 – 45mins)
- * A practical pre-season conditioning session that the umpires can take away with them to keep using as part of their conditioning. (30mins)

Auckland Waitakere, Counties Manukau, North at Auckland —12 February

Otago, Southland at Dunedin —27 February

Wellington, Tasman—6 March

Western at Palmerston North—19 February

Any queries regarding these workshops please contact diannem@netballnz.co.nz or your local umpire co-ordinator.

Theory Exam dates for 2011.

Dates have been set for this year's Theory Examinations.

Regional: 23 May and 8 August

NZ: 13 June and 12 September

Regions will be reminded of closing dates for applications and notifying details of supervisors.

Theory Tutors should note there is an excellent resource available from Regions for planning preparation sessions with candidates. Or you can contact Umpire Development Manager, diannem@netballnz.co.nz for a copy.

Tutors should also consider using a mix of theory and practical situations to assist candidates with their understanding of the rules and their application.

Event Panels

Netball NZ provides development opportunities for Regional Panels in various ways—workshops in regions, workshops at National events, positions on event panels, observations with NZUP during Round Robin games in Lion Foundation National Championships, Coaches and Umpires Seminar (CUDS) are some of the ways.

These provide opportunities for Panel members to update their knowledge and skills and assist with moderating the assessment process around the country.

Regional NZ Umpire Panel members may apply for positions on Event Panels for the following events in 2011:

- NZ Age Group U19/21 Championships, 18-21 July, Nelson
- NZ Age Group U17 Championships, 25-28 July, Christchurch
- NZ Secondary Schools Championships, 11-14 October, Napier.

For all events the panel is required to arrive the day before the first game to attend workshops.

i.e. U19/21 17 July

U17 24 July

NZSS 10 October

Event Panels will have 2 NZUP plus the regional panel members.

Applications close March 31.

(Application form is available on NNZ website <http://www.mynetball.co.nz/netball-nz/library.html> Appendix R)

Sheena Tyrrell, NZUP, will conduct a workshop Pre Event for the Event Panel and will mentor the panel throughout the event.

The pre event workshop will also be open to any other Regional NZ Panel members who wish to attend.

More details re registering for these workshops will be available soon.

If you are interested you may contact
D i a n n e
McTigue, diannem@netballnz.co.nz
or 021 750 344

Coach & Umpire Development Seminar Christchurch, 19/20 November 2011

Put this date in your diary

More details coming soon.

Collegiate Curtain Raisers to be umpired by U19s

The following umpires have been selected to officiate the Collegiate Curtain Raiser matches during the ANZC competition in 2011.

The NZTD Under 19 Squad of 8 will be announced by the end of February and they will attend the NZSS camp in Christchurch in April.

NZTD Under 19 Umpires are:

Bridget Bresnehan	North
Christina Matthews	North Counties
Olivia Caldwell	Manukau
Vicki-lee Walker	Waikato
Siobhan Keating	Waikato
Sarah Robson	Western
Alex Chester	Wellington
Buddy Nuku	Wellington
Hayley Whiting	Canterbury
Georgia Robertson	Canterbury
Joyce Andrew	Otago
Eva Brown	Southland

YO Yo Test
If any Centres would like a copy of the Yo Yo test please contact Dianne McTigue
diannem@netballnz.co.nz

ATTACK with Leigh Gibbs and Belinda Colling

Covering key principles for inside and outside goal circle attack

7 Clinics Nationwide, February early March

Auckland—Netball Auckland Waitakere

Blenheim—Netball Tasman

Gore—Netball Southland

Hutt Valley— Netball Wellington

Napier—Eastern Netball

New Plymouth—Western Netball

Tauranga—Netball Bay of Plenty

Cost \$35.00

UMPIRES

This is an opportunity to learn more about the game and understand skills and tactics players use.

Keep an eye on the NNZ website at mynetball.co.nz or your Region's website for dates and booking information