

# JULY BULLETIN



## NZIHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The 2007 Annual General Meeting took place in April 2008 and with it came some changes to the NZIHA Executive. Diane Thomsen, Doug Elder and Phil Smith retired from office after serving several years for the association on committee. Their volunteer service to the sport of inline hockey has been appreciated and can't be underestimated. Diane for her leadership as President and forward direction, Doug for his supportive role as Vice President and development of the NZIHA website and archive and Phil for his liaison with the NZIHA Referee sub-committee.

The "new" executive will continue the good works already established and endeavour to work on ways of increasing membership and skills development for players and coaches.

**Your NZIHA Executive are:** (new members)

Sue Roulston, President, based in Wellington.

Rob Henry, Executive Committee, based in Auckland.

Pete Shields, Executive Committee based in Paeroa

### And existing members

Krys Beardman, Vice President, based in New Plymouth

Alethea Stove, Executive Committee, based in Nelson

Rhys Oldham, Executive Committee, based in Hamilton

The new executive met for the first time in June to welcome "aboard" new members, discuss committee operation and future direction and operational responsibilities.

Krys Beardman will continue as Executive Officer responsible for the management and administration of various areas of operations

Alethea Stove and Rhys Oldham will jointly hold the Coaching Committee portfolio liaising with the NZIHA Coaching Committee.

Rob Henry and Pete Shields will jointly hold the Referee Committee portfolio liaising with the NZIHA Referee Committee.

Communications from Clubs and Members to NZIHA Executive should in the first instance be directed to the Executive Officer, at email [krys.beardman@xtra.co.nz](mailto:krys.beardman@xtra.co.nz) for forwarding on to the Executive Committee.

## NZ 18U WOMEN WIN GOLD



**Back Row** Anna Carrington (Coach), Jasmine Horner-Pascoe (Auckland), Abby Bridgeman (New Plymouth), Kimberley McCormick (Nelson), Amy Sulzberger (New Plymouth), Kylie Taiapa (Wellington) Diana Bridgeman (Official - New Plymouth) Julie Scott (Manager - KeriKeri) **Middle Row:** Adele Costello (Palmerston North), Renata Gottgroy (Auckland), Michelle Webb (Palmerston North), Jessi Scott (Keri Keri), Rebecca Smith (New Plymouth), Helen Murray (Auckland), Mary Hancock (Hamilton) **Front Row:** Elise Sinclair (Levin), Kendra Manning (Wellington)

**New Zealand 18U Junior Women win Gold in the 18U International Div; Silver in the 18U in Women Div II; and Bronze in the 18U Club Div. at the AAU Junior Olympics in Philadelphia, USA.**

The Junior Women team have returned home after an excellent result in Philadelphia at the Junior Olympics.

**Congratulations** to all team members and their Coach, Anna Carrington; Manager, Julie Scott and Team Official, Diana Bridgeman.

**New Zealand 18U Men's entered the FIRS 18U World Championships and 2 additional AAU events, these were the AAU Junior Olympics 18U International and the 18U "AAA" events.** The team have met some stiff opposition and not placed in any of the 3 events they have entered. However from all reports they have played very well with most games within a one goal difference. The skills these young men have gained will greatly assist their further development. The team have reported a few injuries during their time away as they competed at a level & style of play not experienced before.

Thank you to the players, Coach Matt Chan and officials, David and Robbie for your great efforts.

## NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DATABASE

Clubs are reminded that numbers for all participating players, officials, supporters, social & school league players are required by NZIHA to ensure reporting and compliance requirements can be met by NZIHA. Database information is critical to annual funding provided to developing sports to assist with the various aspects of running the sport. Please send information to NZIHA using the 2008 registration spreadsheet as soon as possible.



## NZ SENIOR MEN'S TEAM

### IIHF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

### BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

The New Zealand Senior Men's team have just returned after competing in the 2008 IIHF World Championships in Bratislava, Slovakia. The IIHF are extremely pleased with the way this event is developing with the two divisions becoming stronger and the level of play between the divisions getting closer.

The temperatures inside the rink were extreme with no air conditioning and the players diet at the hotel consisted of "deep fried cauliflower" as the main meal! Not exactly normal choices for our young men.

The NZ Senior men trained together as a team for a week in Slovakia prior to the event starting, an initiative that worked well last year in Germany providing the team training time and exhibition game time prior to competition.

Although finishing 7th in their pool, the team performed admirably with some very close games. **Congratulations** to the team, Dion and John for representing New Zealand at this prestigious event in 2008.

## CHARITIES ACT

Clubs will have already received copies of information from the Charities Commission. Clubs will need to make a decision on whether registration is beneficial to the individual club situation. NZIHA can not advise either way, however it does appear in some instances clubs have been asked to provide "proof" of registration when applying for funding. More information can be found by visiting the Charities website at [www.charities.govt.nz](http://www.charities.govt.nz). There is also a facility to request information and assistance.



On behalf of the NZIHA and the NZ Senior Men's team thanks goes to Ice & Inline 2000 for their support by providing a team set of helmets & gloves to each player and to Stars Travel International for supplying tee-shirts to each team member.

## SENIOR MEN FORMAT

NZIHA Executive are continuing to seek feedback regarding alternate formats for National Competition in this grade division.

Clubs will be contacted in due course to request views on the best format for the Open division teams attending National Championships .



## 2008 OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Oceania Confederation of Roller Sports

Way to go NZ Teams! Oceania was a tremendous success for our NZ teams this year. Coaches, Players and Officials did a wonderful job in bringing the Tasman Trophy back home! New Zealand won **7 of the 8 GOLD medals**. There were some very close games.

The opportunity for some of our referees to attend a FIRS refereeing seminar was well attended. In future all Oceania Inline Hockey Championships will use the FIRS playing rules regardless of which country is hosting. The referee seminar will allow our referees to participate on both sides of the Tasman at future events.

A special thanks goes to the Manawatu Dragons club for their supportive "ground" work and to Les & Linda Jones for their tireless commitment when providing First Aid / Medic services to all teams.

## NZIHA WEBSITE

The NZIHA website is currently still being managed by Doug Elder. Doug kindly offered to continue as "webmaster" until a decision was made by the new executive on the direction of the website. A review will take place soon.

[www.nzih.com](http://www.nzih.com)



Dion Bunt, Coach, New Zealand Senior Men (Bratislava, Slovakia June 2008)

## NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2009

The NZIHA as the National Sporting Organisation (NSO) for Inline Hockey in New Zealand opened tenders for the 2009 NZ National Secondary School Inline Hockey Championships on receipt of tender documentation from the NZ Secondary School Sports Association. Tenders have now closed and as there was only one applicant for the 2009 event, the event will be hosted by the New Plymouth Boy's High School in 2009.

New Zealand Inline Hockey acknowledges the work the Hamilton Devils Inline Hockey Club have done in setting up and hosting this event over the past four years. The event is now firmly established on the annual calendar of Inline Hockey events in New Zealand.

Tenders will be called for again in 2009 for the 2010 event using the process that has been sanctioned by the NZSSSC.

In addition, there is an opportunity for Secondary Schools to also enter teams into the "2008 College Games" being held in Hamilton in December (10th to 14th). This event is only held every four years and coincides with an Olympic year. Information can be found at

[www.nzcg.co.nz](http://www.nzcg.co.nz) if your school team is interested.

## 2009 NZ COACH & SELECTOR APPLICATIONS

Applications for Coaches & Selectors will open shortly. Application forms will be emailed to clubs and are available on request. Closing date will be August 31st, 5pm.

Oceania 2009 details and grades are still being finalised. An indication of grades being competed for follows:

14&U	All Stars (Senior Men)
16&U	Legends (30yrs to 40yrs)
18&U	Masters ( 35+)
20&U	Junior Women & Senior Women

Venue discussions are still taking place with Australia at present and will be advised as soon as finalised.

Trial dates will most likely take place towards the end of November/ early December with a decision on a trial venue being made once the Oceania venue is known.

## REFEREE EQUIPMENT



NZIHA have now received stock of referee jerseys in various sizes. These jerseys have been sourced from the USA as they were on sale. The sale pricing has allowed the NZIHA to pass on a cost saving to NZ referees and / or clubs wishing to purchase them.

The referee shirts will cost: \$ 65 (GST inc) each plus freight. These jerseys are the same style as the current NZIHA jersey.

NZIHA also have stock of "finger-grip" whistles ranging in price from \$8 to \$13.

Please contact NZIHA if you require either of these items.



**2008 AAU  
18U Women  
International  
Division  
Trophy  
Presented to  
New  
Zealand  
18U Junior  
Women  
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