

INLINE HOCKEY

NEW ZEALAND

TEAM BULLETIN

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION—PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

This is a combined team bulletin to let you all know how the organisation for the three trips away has progressed. I also apologise, to you all for the delay in sending this information out. There have been some delays in getting some information and as you will know there has been a very successful qualification held for our Senior Men's team and then I became unwell. Things are back on track, it is hoped to get finalised invoicing out to you (minus the insurance costs until I get the numbers of days confirmed) over the next day or two. First up...

UNIFORM

You will be aware there has been a lot of discussion about uniform. The decision now is that **Senior Women** will wear the new branded design in black and white for FIRS Worlds, with the TOUR pant and street uniform being made in NZ based on the player jersey design. This is underway now.

Veterans will be wearing a team specific jersey for their World Championship (due May 20) and a TOUR designed player pant. Polos and black shorts / long pants will be the official off rink uniform. The players are expected to purchase and supply their own knee length black shorts or long pants. Polos are being embroidered with specific wording for the event.

All clothing will be branded with the new logo released at the AGM and now showing on the IHNZ website.

AAU teams will wearing the alternative new branded player jersey in charcoal (dark) and light grey (light) with TOUR player pants in black. In addition the official travel uniform will be a polo, but this year we are only purchasing one for each player - this is also embroidered specifically for the event. Players will be expected to purchase BLACK knee length unbranded shorts or long pants. There will also be a new IHNZ branded tee shirt (one per player) and the option of a sleeveless tee / basket ball style shorts as well.

The priority at the moment is to ensure Veterans and Senior Women uniform needs are met by May 20 for distribution before their departures. The AAU uniform will be distributed at training camp in June.

ACCOMMODATION

Details for all teams as follows

BORDER CONTROLS and VISA REQUIREMENTS

New Zealanders visiting Europe

New Zealanders should be aware that border controls have been eliminated among European countries that are full members of what is called the "Schengen area". Once you enter one of these countries from outside the Schengen area, you can move to other countries inside the Schengen area without going through border controls. To enter the Schengen area you will need a return ticket and passport, which has 3 months validity from the date of your intended departure from the Schengen area. Schengen area countries are: [Link to web](#)

ALL NEW ZEALAND PASSPORT HOLDERS ENTERING THE USA (HAWAII)

You MUST all individually apply for an ESTA (visa entry for USA) BEFORE you leave NEW ZEALAND.

The correct link to do this is here: [ESTA LINK](#)

The process takes a few minutes and you should receive your confirmation very soon after making your payment. Cost is US\$14 paid by Visa online only. DO NOT leave this until departure day - you will not be allowed to board your flight. **Passports must have a minimum of six months validity from departure date.**

Veterans accommodation:

Weblink: <http://www.fourpointsbolzano.com/>

Name: Four Points by Sheraton , Bolzano

Address: Via Bruno Buozzi, 35, Bolzano-Bozen, 39100,
Phone: +39 (0471) 1950000

Senior Women Accommodation:

Weblink: <http://www.hotelcrocebianca.it/>

Name: Hotel Croce Bianca Asiago

Address: Corso IV Novembre, 30, 36012 Asiago(VI)
Phone: +39 0424 462642

AAU All Teams Accommodation

Weblink:<http://www.outrigger.com/> (then select hotel)

Name Airport Honolulu Hotel

Address: 3401 Nimitz Highway, Honolulu 96819

Phone: +1 808 836 0661



TRAINING CAMPS

Women are training in Hamilton May 20/ 21. It is hoped that all uniform will also be available to distribute at this camp. If there are any delays, we will make sure you received your orders BEFORE departure.

Veterans are having a camp in Auckland prior to departure, this will be the distribution point as well.

AAU teams (not 18U girls) have a weekend camp in New Plymouth June 18 & 19. Scheduling will be advised. 18U Girls have moved to the following weekend in New Plymouth due to some of their players still returning from FIRS Worlds in Italy. Schedule to be advised.

INVOICES

Once you receive your invoicing, it is important that the balances are paid urgently. It is hoped to have invoices to you, with updated deposits applied as of May 8. If there are any discrepancies please advise by email. The account to pay your balances into is NZIHA - ASB Account Number; 12-3152-0082141-51. Please clearly state your player name for tracking and allocation to your account.

INSURANCE

The number of days you are travelling need to be advised via your manager. These days are counted from the departure date to the day you land back in New Zealand. The days are notified to our group travel provider to put the cover in place. This insurance is compulsory for all players, managers, coaches. If family members wish to use NZIHA group insurance policy, the cost is the same per player. Policy details can be found on the NZIHA [website](#). This information will be added to invoice as soon as the information is supplied to your managers and returned to operations.

Please note that insurance is comprehensive travel and medical group policy held by NZIHA. There is however, an excess of \$1000 for any on rink related injury before the insurance covers costs. Existing medical conditions also need to be notified to insurer to ensure you are covered or assessment is made on additional costs. Family members can be covered, at the same cost as the player. Insurance is "individual" - the day rate is \$10/ day.

We will have personnel with first aid training on hand for minor injuries for all teams.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED IN HAWAII

Would anyone have a spare bed in family or private accommodation booked, for one person looking to stay on and watch for a few days. Dates are 9—15 July. If you have something available please contact urgently and we can pass on the contact details.

PLAYER SHORTS

As discussed some time ago the AAU teams are to purchase their own player **BLACK** shorts as part of their off rink uniform. **Please note these shorts should be "dress" shorts/ knee length/ unbranded / tidy shorts to wear while travelling and for any official ceremony purposes. Players and officials may wear black full length trousers instead of knee length shorts if they wish.**

AAU Camp in June

At Camp in June for AAU teams we will collect final details, collect player agreements not already submitted, distribute uniform and meet with teams to discuss team protocols while away representing New Zealand. You will meet your Manager and Chef de Mission (if not already) and be expected to attend trainings and meetings as required as per weekend schedule when released. The AAU scheduling will not be available until later in June.

Travel itineraries will also be available. It is important that you abide by baggage allowances on Hawaiian Airlines, any excesses will be the passenger's responsibility.

SWAP JERSEYS

This year all uniform ordered only covers players needs for competition. This means there are no "extra" jerseys being ordered as in the past for swapping. You are free to "swap" your own jerseys and if you wish NZIHA have some obsolete stock we will have available to sell to player for swapping on a first in basis. The "swap" jerseys are from various previous campaigns, some are numbered/named etc some are not. A variety of sizing. Cost will be reduced to \$30 per jersey. If they need to be couriered to you—a courier fee of approx. \$9 will apply as well. Please advise by email if you wish to purchase prior to departure (end of May). For AAU players jerseys can be available at camp in June.

