# nz inline hockey bulletin

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#### **OPEN TRIALS**

IN ALL GRADES BEING CONTESTED IN 2014

New Zealand Passports

NZ Passports are required for all NZ teams being selected this year.

Selection to a regional team does NOT require a NZ Passport.

#### **OCEANIA 2014**

Hosted by NZIHA in Hamilton in July

**Oceania Grades** 

12U, 14U, 17U

14UJW, Masters

**Veterans** 

Plus

12U, 14U, 17U

**Regional Teams** 

Note: Inter Regional teams will be selected by regions later in the season for NZ Inter Regional Championships

# **Acting Chairperson New Appointment to Board**

Please join the NZIHA Board in welcoming Barbara Baker as Acting Chairperson. Barbara took on her role from January 25 and will lead the association through until the AGM in April.

Paul Cameron will remain in place as an independent advisor to the NZIHA Board continuing his "to build the game" focus after delivering his governance report early in 2013. Paul has been appointed as CEO for Volleyball NZ, but is committed to assisting the NZIHA Board as necessary.

International Competition in 2014 includes FIRS World
Championships in France and Oceania Championships
being hosted in Hamilton

### **Selection for NZ Teams FIRS World Champs**

An open trial for eligible players for selection into teams attending the World Championships in France will take place in New Plymouth over the weekend of February 22/23. A detailed trial schedule is attached to the end of this bulletin.

A reminder that coach applications for both Oceania and FIRS teams close this weekend. A PDF application form is available on the NZIHA website. If you would like a "word" version please email krys.beardman@xtra.co.nz

Please note that Oceania coach appointments may be held off until after NZ (FIRS) team trials.

## Oceania 2014 Hosted by NZIHA in Hamilton

The 2014 Oceania Championships will incorporate games for regional teams in the 12U, 14U and 17U grades with the NZ teams in these grades only playing a best of three against their Australian opponents. The 14U Junior

Women, Masters and Veterans will play against Australia in a best of five series as in the past.

Regions will shortly be hosting trials for their regional teams. The expected date in each region is March 22/23. Player selected for NZ 12U, 14U, 17U will also play in their regional select teams.

Your region will provide more details on timing and venue.

The remaining three grades, **14U Jun Wmn**, **Veterans** will trial for NZ selection in March in Hamilton and **Masters** will take place in Lower North.

#### **Information for Trials**

NZIHA encourage all players interesting in seeking a place on a New Zealand team to trial this year. Please note, however that trial fees and deposits will be required.

The expectation is that if you attend trials and subsequently you are placed in a team you are committed to attend all trainings and make payments as required for costs associated with the team selected into.

At this stage there is no organised event for 21U age grade. Players are encouraged to trial for Senior Men as an alternative.

All participants will pay a trial/training fee of \$60 to NZIHA at each trial/camp

Deposits are required from participants at the first trial.

- FOR FIRS EVENT TEAMS Participant deposit is \$500 (refundable if not being placed in a team) We believe the overall cost will be approx 4.5k to 5k based on reduced accommodation found.
- FOR OCEANIA EVENT TEAMS Participant deposit is \$200 (refundable if not placed in a team)

Special Note: Due to the timing and notification requirements, NZIHA advise that only those players committed to seeking a place into a NZ team and prepared to take on the financial and training requirements should attend trials. Deposits should be made by cheque wherever possible.

If a player wishes to discuss deposit payments you are welcome to email or phone. (krys.beardman@xtra.co.nz / 021845977)

# Oceania Overview



An exciting opportunity for Oceania in 2014 will see regional representative teams in the 12U, 14U and 17U also compete against Australia in a separate competition but held alongside the Oceania Championship. This initiative will give more players the opportunity to play at this international level.

The New Zealand Oceania teams in these grades will be selected from the regional teams .

Watch out for information from your region about trials taking place over the March 22/23 weekend at various venues.

**AGM Notification for your calendars** 

NZIHAMD IN-LINE HOCKE

Date: April 19

**Venue: Panthers Rink** 

Time: TBA (mid morning)

Francis Douglas Memorial College,



Winners NZ Secondary School Champs 2013

Events on the 2014 Calendar

> 3 on 3 Tournament Hamilton Feb 7, 8, 9

Queens Birthday
Weekend
May 31 – June 2
<u>Hamilton</u>
U10/ U12/ U14
<u>New Plymouth</u>
U16, U18, Seniors
(men & women)

FIRS June 26 – July 12 OCEANIA July 3-8

NZ Secondary School Champs
July 12 & 13
Hamilton
Ravens Invitational
New Plymouth
July 12 & 13
U10. U12, U14 & JW

Training and Trial

Camp

**Schedules** 

**Attached** 

2014 forms are all available from the website under the "forms" tab.

http://inlinehockeynz.org.nz/documents/forms

Explore the other information loaded over the summer!