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INTERMEDIATE NEWS



TAURANGA NETBALL CENTRE

Tēnā koutou katoa. Welcome to our 2024 Season. Happy New Year to you all on behalf of our Board and Staff here at Tauranga Netball Centre. We hope you have all been able to enjoy some well deserved time off with whanau and friends and are now ready for another great netball season!

We welcome back our Board Members Nicola Compton, Pam Clayton, Lynne Clay and Rick Powdrell and congratulate our newly elected Board Members John Koning and Mikaere Sydney who were elected at the Annual General Meeting. We unfortunately had to say goodbye to Maree Body who has retired from her position on the Board, but for good reason – she is now in a well-deserved paid full-time position at TNC as the Umpire Lead (a role she has held voluntarily over many years) and Leanne Emery, who after serving a term on the Board, is moving on to spend more time with whanau – thank you Maree and Leanne for your contribution to the TNC Board, it is greatly appreciated.

Affiliation Fees for Intermediate Teams in 2024

The fees for the 2022 season are as follows:

 Tauranga NC
 \$ 460.00

 NNZ
 \$ 40.00

 WBOP Zone
 \$ 93.00

\$593.00 per team due 10th May 2024

Schools will be sent an invoice to be paid by Friday 10th May

Payment can be made by:

Online banking 03-0435-0556307-00 (please use team name as reference).

Netball We live this game.



Intermediate Competition 2024

A reminder to all sports co-ordinators to ensure all team player details are correct prior to the competition start, including mobile numbers and **parent email** addresses added into the Primary Contact box. We cannot stress enough the need to have **parent's emails NOT student emails in the Primary Contact** box. Also please update your Team Manager details and Coach details. You may notice ethnicity has been added – we would appreciate this being completed as it may assist with future funding applications.

GRADING

All Intermediate teams will be grading on **Saturday 18th May 2024.**Convenors will need to enter teams into a grade that best fits their skill level.

START OF INTERMEDIATE COMPETITION

All Intermediate teams will begin their 2024 competition on Saturday 25th May 2024

INTERMEDIATE REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE

All Intermediate registrations are due by **Friday 12th April 2024**. All registrations will be completed on our Friendly Manager registrations site. **All teams will choose the grade they would like to grade for at time of registration**.

COMPULSORY ZOOM INFORMATION MEETING

All Sports Co-ordinators must attend one of the proposed information meetings outlined below. These meetings go through the registration process and to answer any questions about the upcoming netball season. Please choose one of the options below and email paula@tauranganetball.co.nz for the link

 Friday 8th March
 7pm – 8pm

 Wednesday 20th March
 1pm – 2pm

 Thursday 21st March
 6pm – 7pm

COMPETITION FORMAT

Grading Saturday 18th May 2024. First Game Saturday 25th May 2024

Five (5) weeks of round robin play.

Re-grading between sections. (There will be movement in every grade at the end of the round robin highest in each section will go up and lowest will move down) Tauranga Netball Centre discretion may be used to move further teams if score results justify this move.

Further five (5) weeks of round robin play.

Semi-finals and Finals – Saturday 31st August 2024 (Expect time changes)

Game times generally are as follows:

Year 8 will play at 8am Year 7 will play at 9am

These times may differ slightly depending on number of teams entered in 2024

Playing time is 4 x 12-minute quarters, 2 minutes at the quarter breaks and the half time break. All timing is controlled by TNC on a central sound.

Netball Convenor/Teacher in Charge

Every school must designate one person as their Netball Convenor or Teacher in Charge of Netball and their role is to liaise directly with the netball centre on behalf of all their team/s. We really appreciate only having to deal with one person. All enquiries/queries or amendments must be made through that person only.

Umpires

Every team is required to provide an umpire. It is the responsibility of the teams to fulfil this requirement **every week.** Please email Maree (Umpire Lead) at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz who may be able to match you with one of our umpires who has just completed our Learn to Umpire workshop if you are unable to source an umpire for your team.

All Umpires who umpire the Intermediate competition must register upstairs in the Harbourside Lounge their attendance with the Umpire Coaches on Duty before their game/s, and Umpires who are on the LTU (Learn to Umpire) pathway should add their game times to the Umpiring Coaching board.

<u>Please be reminded any verbal confrontations from players, coaches, spectators or supporters with umpires will not be tolerated.</u> Only the team captain may approach the Umpire for clarification at quarter/half time.

Cancellations

Please note that if we will only cancel due to **severe weather conditions that pose a Health & Safety risk.** All cancellations will be posted on the website, facebook and emailed to co-ordinators.

<u>Cancellations times:</u> Saturday from 7am

General Information for 2024

Team Registrations

All Intermediate Team Registrations are due by: Friday 12th April 2024

A team may register up to twelve (12) players. Once a team exceeds the maximum number of twelve (12) players then one player must be deleted before another player can be added on our Friendly Manager site and the school will be charged \$10 per additional player. An online additional player form will need to be completed, this form can be found on our website under About Us – official forms at www.tauranganetball.co.nz. Please also refer to TNC regulations – championship player eligibility when adding a player.

Grades

These shall be determined by Tauranga Netball Centre. Please note the following:

1. Boys are eligible to play but only a maximum of three (3) per team. One in each third of the court.

Points

Win 4 points Draw 2 points Loss 0 points Loss by 3 or less 1 points

Default Win 4 points awarded to the non-offending team Default Loss 0 points awarded to the offending team

Semi Finals and Finals

Semi Finals Format

Team seeded 1st in grade/section shall play the team seeded 4th in grade/section. Team seeded 2nd in grade/section shall play the team seeded 3rd in grade/section. Team seeded 5th in grade/section shall play the team seeded 6th to determine 5th and 6th placings. These teams will not play in the finals

Finals Format

The winner of 1 v 4 shall play the winner of 2 v 3 to determine 1st and 2nd placings. The loser of 1v4 shall play the loser of 2v3 to determine 3rd and 4th placings. There shall be no draws in semis and finals. In the event that the scores are level at full-time the game shall continue until one team has a two (2) goal advantage.

Year 7 teams semi's and finals will play at 9.30am and 12.30pm Year 8 teams semi's and finals will play at 8.30am and 11.30am

(Game times may change dependent on numbers)

Scorecards

The scorecard must be filled out prior to the game commencing. Initial and surname must be CLEARLY handwritten for all team members playing on the day. Players who have the same initial and surname, must print their full Christian name. A player, playing up for another team (within own school) must be clearly identified on the scorecard by an asterisk * beside the person's name and must state which team she/he is registered to. To eliminate any discrepancies a delegate from each team <u>must score the game together</u> – midcourt and benchside (the side facing the Centre) as directed by the umpires. The scorecard is the official score and no dispute shall be entered into. Any incorrect scorecards may result in a default loss.

Team Duties

TNC will continue with these again in 2024. All teams at some point or another during the season will be given duties which will be compulsory and if not completed the school will be fined \$30 so please ensure your team managers are made aware of this.

Defaults

Defaults are of concern and **SHOULD NOT HAPPEN**. It is extremely frustrating and inconvenient for both the centre and non-offending teams. Teams who default with less than 24 hours' notice will be charged a fee of \$30.

Deferred Games

Please refer to TNC Regulations

Playing Up

Please refer to TNC Regulations.

Unregistered Players

Please refer to TNC Regulations.

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Player Development Programme (PDP)

TNC are running various Player Development Programme days in 2024 for Intermediate aged players. These days are full of skill sessions and games to improve your game. More information and registration links are on our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz Below are the dates:

Year / PDP	Saturday 9 [™] March 9.30am – 3.30pm
Year 7 PDP	Saturday 6 th April 9.30am – 3.30pm
Year 8 PDP	Saturday 24 th Feb 9.30am – 3.30pm
Year 8 PDP	Saturday 16 th March 9.30am- 3.30pm
Year 8 PDP	Saturday 9th March 9.30am – 3.30pm
Year 8 PDP	Saturday 6th April 9.30am – 3.30pm

Coaching Workshops

The focus of Tauranga Netball Centre is to provide clear pathways for our coaches. There are a number of coaching workshops on offer at the centre during 2024. Whether you are a beginner coach, a player turned coach or a coach wanting to take it to the next level, there are many opportunities available in 2024. Check out the TNC website www.tauranganetball.co.nz for all the coaching workshops that have been planned for this season under the "Coaching Tab".

Year 7/8 Netball Season Foundation Courses 2024

All sessions are held at Tauranga Netball Centre. You only need to attend one.

Years 7 & 8 coaches workshop Saturday 27th April 9am - 11.30am

Year 7 & 8 coaches workshop Saturday 4th May 9am - 11.30am

Year 7 & 8 coaches workshop Thursday 11th April 6pm - 8.30pm

Please register your attendance through our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz/register
The success of this programme relies heavily on our volunteer coaches so please make it a priority to attend the allocated workshops.

Tournaments

Tauranga Netball Centre runs a number of tournaments played on Sundays throughout the season. Please look on our website for more information and links to register your teams for these. We are also running a one day winter tournament in 2024. Teams will be entered by the schools as it is during the week. The date is below:

Intermediate Winter tournament

Wednesday 14th August

Umpire Workshops

Tauranga Netball provides clear pathways for our umpires to develop their umpire skills. We have an Umpires Group led by our Umpire Lead - Maree Body So, whether you are just starting out in your umpiring journey or have been on the journey for a while, the TNC Umpires Group is here to support you with workshops, umpire coaching, mentoring and general guidance. Please email Maree at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz if you are wanting to join or see our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz for further information.

Learn to Umpire Workshops

TNC will be providing **LTU - Learn to Umpire workshops**, for all umpires who are wanting to umpire. Please see our website for more information about the workshops –cost etc – and to register for the workshop you are wanting to attend. There is a limit on numbers so be in quick if you are interested.

Saturday 24th February 9am – 3.30pm Saturday 9th March 9am – 3.30pm Saturday 16th March 9am – 3.30pm Saturday 6th April 9am – 3.30pm

If you have any queries, please email Maree at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz

Good Sports

Tauranga Netball in association with Hewletts Night n Day, introduced the Good Sports initiative with a focus on great behaviours while participating, spectating and officiating the game of netball.

The objective of this initiative is to reduce the number of incidents where inappropriate verbal abuse is used as the normal way we communicate during games.

Any incidents of misconduct will be dealt with in line with our Zero Tolerance and Complaint Regulations. These can be found in our Regulations which are on the website.

First Aid

Due to the cost, we do not have paramedics on site. All teams must provide their own medical kit and have it courtside each week. Ice is available from the downstairs office. First Aid kits are available for purchase at very competitive prices. Eftpos is available.

Dress Code

Correct netball uniform is to be worn by all teams at all times during play.

Players are not permitted to wear coloured stockings, rugby socks, skivvies or bike pants that hang below the uniform. Players need to set an example and take pride in the uniform they wear and the club/team they represent.

Players will be allowed to wear a black long sleeve thermal top under their uniform.

Jewellery, Fingernails and Hair

As per rule 5.1.1 (iv) of the Rules of Netball:

Players may not wear anything that could endanger themselves or other players, specifically:

- a) No adornment or jewellery may be worn other than a wedding ring which must be covered with tape
- b) A medical alert bracelet may be worn provided it is covered with tape
- c) Fingernails must be short and smooth
- d) Hair must be suitably tied back.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of every organisation and we simply could not function without their support. They are the unsung heroes, the cog in the wheel and they do it all for the love of netball. TNC attributes much of its success to these wonderful people. If you or someone you know is willing to volunteer we would dearly love to hear from you. There are numerous roles you can be actively involved with. Please give us a call if you are interested in volunteering your services this season. Please refer to our website for all volunteer roles available

TNC Canteen and Barista

We open our TNC canteen and barista during every competition and every cent goes back into the Centre. We rely on your support. Cash and eftpos (payWave) is accepted.

No Exceptions Netball Programme

Helen Dodge introduced this exceptional programme and it is now in its 16th Year. This great initiative was developed to support a special group of people. The 'No Exceptions' Netball Programme provides a lot of joy to those who participate in it. If you are keen to help or if you know of anyone who might benefit from this programme call the office 575 9917.

Netballs

To avoid any confusion Netball New Zealand recommends a size 5 netball for Year 7 & 8

Disputes

In the event of a dispute arising from a game, the protest/complaint must be lodged in writing (using the Complaints Form) and follow the Complaints Procedure as outlined in the Tauranga Netball Centre Regulations. The forms and Regulations can be found on our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz

Intermediate Competition Regulations

For the full Tauranga Netball Centre Regulations please visit our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz

This is an important document and we strongly recommend that you read it.