NEW ZEALAND INLINE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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E-BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 2008

To the {LastName} Club, club executive and members

E-BULLETINS DIRECT to YOUR INBOX

One topic resulting from the club surveys is access to current information for all members. The NZIHA Executive have agreed to trial a new e-bulletin format and will distribute bulletins direct to members as well as emailing to club and committee contacts.

The bulletin will allow you to <u>opt out of future issues</u> in line with the new anti-spam legislation and also allows you to forward to other members you may wish to share the information with.

Please note <u>this</u> is a trial and you are encouraged to provide feedback on this method of keeping all members informed. We realise that not all people have access to email and will be seeking ways to ensure that these members are informed as the latest updates become available. It is hoped that clubs will also make sure copies are available to their own members and advise updated email contacts for future bulletins. All members are able to request to be added to the mailout list if they want to be included in the distribution list.

If you wish to received future e-bulletins please advise here. Please state in the subject header " Add me to the NZIHA bulletin database"

The NZIHA website will also have bulletins uploaded, adding to the already excellent archive of information available on this site (www.nziha.com)

Bulletins have been released monthly since June. If you would like to view past issues these can be accessed via this link. (click here)

2008 Inter Regional Championships

A very successful Inter Regional Championship was held in Wanganui this year with Lower North Region once again taking out the overall regional trophy with 19 grade points.

Full points and all game results can be viewed on the NZIHA

Important Reminders

- NZIHA Coaching Committee Meeting to be held in Wellington on November 29, 2008
- SPARC PM
 Scholarship
 Applications close
 on December 1st,
 2008 (scroll down
 for further
 information)
- NZIHA NZ Team
 Trials to be held in
 New Plymouth as
 follows: Dec 6 & 7
 for 14 & Under, 16
 & Under, Senior
 Women, Junior
 Women and
 Veterans(40+) and
 Dec 13 & 14
 for
 18& Under, 20 &
 Under, Senior Men
 and Masters (3039yrs)
- 2009 NZ Nationals Champs Venue Tender closes January 10, 2009
- 2009 Club Event Sanctioning closes January 5th, 2009
- NZIHA Club Forum will be held in WELLINGTON on JANUARY 31st

website at the following link: <u>Click Here</u> for game results and <u>HERE</u> for Points Tally.

(Venue and Registration details will follow)

There were some remarkably close games with excellent competition over the long weekend. Congratulations to all teams.

Due to the rotation policy, NZIHA will be contacting the Northern Region regarding hosting this event in their region in 2009.

Thanks to the Lower North Regional Committee and Lightning Wanganui Club for hosting Inter Regional Championships this year.



Photo Details

Corey Down (back) Lower
 North Captain and Devon
 Kay (front) Southern
 Captain - Senior Men's
 grade Inter Regionals 2008.
 Both players have been
 appointed as NZ coaches
 for Oceania 2009, Corey
 (senior men) and Devon
 (18&Under)

Allan Christie - hangs up his skates!

Allan Christie has contributed a huge amount of his time and energy to develop and train referees in New Zealand.

Allan has also provided many hours of service on the rink officiating in New Zealand. His skill has taken him to international events both in Australia and Europe representing New Zealand. He has advised that he is hanging up his skates and taking up a new and completely different interest; fishing. I am sure you will all join the NZIHA Executive in wishing Allan a well earned retirement from his officiating duties.

Allan has advised that he will still be available to run referee courses.



Photo Details

 Allan Christie pictured with son Daniel at Inter Regionals, October 2008 in Wanganui

NZ TRIALS AND TRAINING CAMPS

During the latter part of Labour Weekend the NZIHA Executive met to decide on the venue and dates for trials and camps for Oceania 2009. The Executive discussed options and agreed that trials and training camps will take place in New Plymouth. Trials will take place over the first two weekends in December. The first weekend (December 6th & 7th) will cover Junior & Senior Women, Veterans (40+yrs), 14 & Under and 16 & Under grades. The second weekend (December 13th & 14th) will cover 18U/ 20U, Masters (30-39 yrs) and Senior Men. Players invited to trial should now all have their invitations by mail. Clubs have been sent player lists for their own members as a double check that invitations have been received. The New Plymouth club are seeking families who can offer billeting for individual players not travelling with family and will organise a shuttle service from the airport for players travelling by air. Invitations will also provide information on accommodation. Training camp dates will be advised to players successful in being placed in a New Zealand team. These will take place in February/ March and April.

New Masters and Veterans Grades for OCEANIA 2009; In the NZIHA October bulletin there was notification that these two grades were being looked at and numbers of players in each of the age grades were being checked to establish if it was viable to field teams in 2009 in Australia. Players have now been invited to trial and NZIHA are seeking an additional coach. The applications close on November 18th. Contact your club executive for a copy of the application form.

Players invited to trial are asked to advise urgently if they are unable to accept their invitation. Contact details are included in invitation documentation.

SPARC PM Scholarship Applications

Applications must now be made online via the SPARC website. Details have been sent to all clubs. The process for application and eligibility has changed from previous years. Individuals are encouraged to read the information provided to determine their eligibility before applying.

Details can be found here

NZIHA CLUB FORUM

January 31st, 2009

The NZIHA Executive will host the Club Forum in Wellington on January 31st. Tentative timing is from 9.30am - 4.30pm. All clubs are encouraged to attend. More information will be sent to clubs shortly along with a registration form to nominate your two attending club delegates. Venue will be advised shortly.

NZIHA Special Meeting

The NZIHA special meeting called on October 26th, 2008 to discuss the remit concerning nominations for Executive vacancies was unanimously accepted by clubs attending. The updated NZIHA Constitution will be lodged with the Companies Office shortly.

Photos from both National & Inter Regional championships can be accessed from Picture Perfect Photography.

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