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NEW ZEALAND INLINE HOCKEY ANNOUNCEMENT

2009 INTER REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratultions to the Northern Region for winning the trophy in 2009. There were some very tight games and great competition over Labour Weekend in Auckland.

Thanks to Mt Wellington Panthers, Northern Region Committee and all helpers for hosting another great event. Special thanks to Richard Lewis, Angela Predergast, Rob Henry and Liz Pomare for making this year's Inter Regionals a memorable one.

The efforts of all our volunteers, scorekeepers, referees, goal judges are very much appreciated. A full run down of game results can be found on the www.nziha.com website along with a photo stream and grade winners.

TELEVISION FEATURE

The NZIHA Executive have been working with Fever Pitch Productions in an effort to promote Inline Hockey to the public through the use of television media. The opportunity to have inline hockey included in this new "magazine" sports programme being hosted on Sky Sports has allowed NZIHA to have several interviews set up covering different aspects of our sport over the last few months with the final filming taking place at Inter Regionals.

Each week the show will focus on 4 - 5 different sports covering athletes and sports that generally do not receive public recognition outside of Olympic and Commonwealth Games.

Also included in the programme will be contact information, tips on fitness and health for sport. Initially the programme will air on SKY SPORTS with the first inline segment showing on NOVEMBER 4th. It will later be aired on "free to air" PRIME.

There are several areas of our sport that were of interest to the producer; these included girls playing in male teams, complete families involved in the sport, interviews with the NZ Head Coach, filming of game segments (including Brazil), details of the equipment required to play and information about school and social leagues along with the volunteer aspect of our sport.

The programme is called

OLYMPIC SPORT - ALL IN THE GAME

You will need to check your TV guide to confirm timing and which Sky Sport channel it will play on each week. As above, the first **INLINE SEGMENT is NOVEMBER 4th** - **SKY SPORT 3 AT 8PM**The programme will air for approximately 30 episodes with additional free to air showing giving around 210 broadcasts over the period.

Have a look!

INVITATIONS FOR NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS 2010

Invitations will be mailed on Monday (November 2nd) For those who have supplied emails with registrations, an emailed PDF will also be sent. By end of the week (November 6th) clubs ill be advised of their members who have received an invitation. It would be appreciated if you could check with your own players to ensure theshave been received.

TRIAL DATES and VENUE

December 5th and 6th for Junior Women, Senior Women, Veterans and 14 & Under December 12th and 13th for 16 & Under, 18& Under, 20 & Under, Senior Men and Masters Trials will commence at 8am each Saturday and be completed by 4pm on Sunday VENUE: New Plymouth More details will be included in letters of invitation.

BULLETIN DATABASE

Please forward this to anyone you know who might be interested in receiving these information bulletins. If you need to update your contact details please use the sign up form on the www.nziha.com website on the "hockeyline" page. New recipients can also sign up from the NZIHA website also.

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