# INLINE HOCKEY

NEW ZEALAND



### Kia Ora

This week has brought the announcement of the 2024 IHNZ Matariki Series teams - congratulations to all and we look forward to a fantastic weekend of hockey with each of the 8 teams stacked full of talent!

We also announced the IHNZ Centre Ice 2024 **Team Mission and Team Bauer Exhibition** teams who will play off for honours at 7pm Saturday 29 June.

The schedule for the weekend is out and this week we will be giving more information about the tournament and we invite you to come and support the event and watch some extraordinary skills on display.

We are extremely appreciative to Centre Ice for their continued support of IHNZ and Inline Hockey with their sponsorship of the annual Matariki Series.

In addition, Te Puni Kōkiri, the Ministry of Māori Development have provided support through their Te Pū Harakeke Fund towards the Matariki Series.

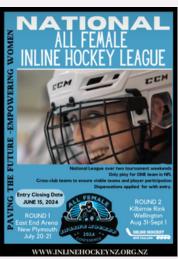
# **Epic-Warrior 16/18 Draft Weekend**

With the majority of entrants to date coming from both the Kokako and Tui regions, the venue will be confirmed as the Hamilton Devils rink on 10th and 11th August.

With almost 50 people registered, we encourage anyone else interested to please complete the Expression of Interest via Esports. Entries are due by next Friday 28 June.

Again our thanks to both Warrior Hockey and Epic Hockey for their continued support of the 16/18 grades and for their acknowledgement of the importance of providing quality hockey at this age to help us with our retention strategy.

We are very aware that here is where we are at the greatest danger of losing players as they head off to university, start working life, drive themselves to events, pay for themselves and start to take on the responsibility of being young adults. We hope that this year will provide a taste of what is to come and in 2025 we will have a full series for these players interspersed with their club and conference hockey opportunities.





NOT TOO LATE... SIGN UP NOW! CHECK WEBSITE FOR DETAILS



# All Female League Weekends

Interest is also building for the two Female league weekends, thanks to those clubs and players who have submitted entries to date.

These entries will now be reviewed and more information will come out to all registered over the next week or so.

# **Ravens School's Out Entries Open**

The New Plymouth Ravens hold their annual school holiday tournament during the July school holidays so any players and clubs interested please complete the attached link on Page 1.

Players may also register individually if keen to be placed into a team and spaces are available.

Ravens will try to arrange games for any adults attending with their younger players if time permits and there is enough interest.

4 Work IN PROGRESS 4

- Matariki arrangements finalised
- Financial Review Continues including the GST return, analysis of the 3 conference accounts from 2023
- Operational work includes
  - NARCh arrangements,
  - Female Development League,
  - IHNZ NPL
  - 16/18 Draft League
  - draft 2025 Calendar
  - pre planning for the IHNZ National Championships

### **Registration Update**

We currently have 812 active members registered. Please remember whether you are a player, referee, coach, manager or committee member, to register via Esports!



# New Board Appointments

We congratulate those who have been appointed and thank them for putting in the time and effort to help us move forward.

At this stage we are awaiting more information from the Appointments panel in regards to a meeting with the new panel, clubs as well as the handover process and the next steps.





# **IHNZ CALENDAR REMINDERS**

STICK THIS ON YOUR FRIDGE OR NOTICEBOARD!

### **KEY DATES**

**IHNZ NPL** 

Round 3 - 24-25 August - New Plymouth

Matariki

28 - 30 June - New Plymouth

**Ravens Junior Tournament** 

13-14 July - New Plymouth

### FEMALE AND 16/18 LEAGUE WEEKENDS

**FEMALE League weekends** 

Round 1 July 20-21 - New Plymouth

Round 2 Aug31-Sept1 - Kilbirnie

LINK: www.inlinehockeynz.org.nz

16/18 League Weekend

August 11-12 (entries by June 28)

Venue: Hamilton

#### NARCH

July 11-22 Los Angeles

New Zealand 16U - 18U - 21U

Teams leave in July - Watch out for results .



### **GET READY-NZ CLUB CHAMPS**

September 30 - October 6 New Plymouth

All Grades Offered

Open Entry

Check out the key dates below



• July 14, 2024

Last date for dispensation applications that require a decision by July 31, 2024 (last-minute dispensations can be entered up to 31 August).

July 31, 2024

Last day for players to be registered with IHNZ (if they wish to compete at Nationals)

• July 31, 2024

Last day to enter teams for Nationals and pay registration fee

(team grades being entered only, not the roster of players)

• August 7, 2024

Block Schedule confirmed for each grade (eg what days a particular grade is likely to compete during the Nationals period)

August 31, 2024

Last day for last-minute dispensation applications

• <u>7 September, 2024</u>

Clubs to submit team rosters for Nationals using the prescribed format

• 10 September, 2024

Nationals draw released 28 Sept - Oct 6, 2024 National Club Championship

### **WE ARE GAINING MOMENTUM!**

For any questions you may have, please send via the usual channel to gm@inlinehockeynz.org.nz. Enjoy your week and we look forward to bringing you our further updates as soon as able.

Willy Harvey

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