

CENTRE CIRCLE

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Welcome to the first newsletter for 2009. It is hard to believe that the Netball season is nearly upon us again!

We have had some changes within the Netball Counties Manukau Regional office, Nicole Terrill-Regional Manager is currently on maternity leave after giving birth to a beautiful baby girl, Hayley Laura. Nicola Waite is the Acting Regional Manager whilst Nicole is on maternity leave and Denise Toetoe has joined the team as our Office Administrator. The office is open between 9am and 3pm weekdays, outside of these hours staff are contactable via mobiles. Our Development Team is back with Temepara George, Development Officer, Robyn Garner, CoachForce Officer and Debbie Shoebridge, Umpire Co-ordinator.

Netball NZ Service Award Recipient—Sue Miller

Congratulations to Sue Miller who was presented with a Netball New Zealand Service Award at the NNZ AGM in Wellington in February. Sue has given 38 years of outstanding service to netball from 1970 to the present day and has taken a variety of leadership roles in all aspects of netball. Sue is the current Bench Official Co-ordinator for Netball Counties Manukau Region.

High Performance Programme

The High performance programme has carried on from 2008, with sessions starting again in January. The programme has focused on getting players to train outside of the gym and netball court, both for the variety and the extra fitness. This was definitely the case when both players and umpires attended a beach session at Eastern beach, with Former World Surf Live Saving Champion Cory Hutchings. Cory put the girls through a series of timed sprints and relays through water which pushed them to their fitness limits.



Talent Academy Programme

Temepara George and Robyn Garner have been busy off-season travelling around the netball centres delivering an U15 & U17 development programme. Mangere Otahuhu Netball centre enjoyed an "Attacking" session with Yvonne Willering.



Lois Muir Challenge 2009

Netball Counties Manukau Region are excited to be competing in the Lois Muir Challenge for 2009. This is a fantastic development opportunity for our players, umpires and officials. Ana Noovao and Dave Booth have been appointed as the Co-Coaches for the Lois Muir Challenge team. The team will be selected from players that have participated in the High Performance Programme. Games will be hosted at Strathallan College on Sunday 5 April from 10am.

Super 12 Club Competition

The Super 12 club competition will be continuing in 2009. Teams that will be representing the clubs of Counties Manukau are Papatoetoe Rangers, Aztec Premiers and H&W United 1. The competition kicks off on Friday 3 April, with at least one game per week within the region. All home games for our teams will be held at Strathallan College gymnasium (Karaka).

Play for Counties Manukau in 2009

Trials for the Age Group Teams begin in April. For trial dates and venues visit our website or for further information, please contact Temepara George, our [Development Officer](#). In order to trial you must be an affiliated member of a club of one of our six netball centres in Counties Manukau. Your club must put your name forward to the Centre in order for you to trial. **Nominations close 25 March 2009**

Coaching courses on offer:

- **Player Centred Coaching Workshop**-10 March, 6.30-9.30pm, Pukekohe Netball Centre
- **NNZ—Reaching for the Stars**-25 March, 6.30-9.30pm, Manurewa Netball Centre
- **Starting Out In Coaching** Courses are being held over the next couple of months, contact your local netball centre for dates.



Upcoming Events

NETSKILLS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

23 & 24 March, 9am-3pm
Botany Downs College
and
Pukekohe Netball Centre

Bench Officials Introductory Seminar

Sunday 15 March
9.30am-12.30pm

Netball Legacy Programme 2009

15 March 2009 9am-1pm
Papakura Netball Centre

Player Centred Coaching Workshop

Tuesday 10 March 2009
Pukekohe Netball Centre
6.30pm-9.30pm

Netball Counties Manukau Region AGM

Monday 30 March 2009
7pm

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