

13 May 2024

Dear Members and Clubs,

Hope you are all having a great week.

A quick thank you is in order to those working hard across the clubs and conferences who are enabling everyone to play! Its fantastic to see so many people putting up their hands to help support the sport and do what we all want – play hockey!

Our new Kōkako Chair Jarrod Finlay has jumped straight into the deep end with the first round of hockey last weekend across all their clubs proving very successful. This weekend sees teams travelling north to Kerikeri across a number of grades and having to navigate a large detour with the slip on the Brynderwyns still being fixed from last years weather events. Thanks all for the efforts to travel over 4 hours each way to play games!

This weekend Hamilton holds the New Zealand Secondary School Champs at their rink – good luck to all playing and travelling!

A busy week this week with a large amount of time spent on:

- Matariki registrations and confirmations – Clubs have been asked to provide the names of our players to be invited for potential selection to one of our 8 stars/teams
- Registrations drives and conferences are continuing
- Esports – continuing to use and integrate the system with IHNZ processes and clubs.
- NARCh Camp 3 and finalising of arrangements
- Financials – Xero, GST and annual return documentation as required by the Charities office.
- Event Notice and associated reviews for Nationals criteria
- Better play options (JW and 16/18 in particular)
- Female League Play Weekends format, budget etc.

The focus for our next few days involves:

- Matariki Event planning and preparation
- Continued work with the conferences
- Continuing the transition of our IHNZ website across to the Esports platform to allow us to run events, scoring etc in a more streamlined professional sporting platform and format.
- Further development of the Female League Play weekends.
- Preparation of answers to the AGM list of questions asked
- Financials

A club presidents meeting will be held on Wednesday 15 May at 7.30pm to provide an update on where we are at to date in particular around Nationals and grade updates. We will share the update to all after the clubs have been informed and provided feedback.

A reminder that Dispensations must come via clubs – link attached

<https://secure.esportsdesk.com/login.cfm?leagueID=34462&clientID=7022®EventID=64367>

For any questions you may have, please send via the usual channel to gm@inlinehockeynz.org.nz.

Enjoy your week and look forward to bringing you our further updates as soon as able.

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