



# SIDEOUT

SEPTEMBER 2020



## WELCOME

Now the weather is improving and the majority of the country is back in level 1 with Auckland hopefully following soon, it is the perfect time to get back outside with friends and family to play some volleyball.

After the disappointment of having to cancel the Club Championships, we are looking forward to the next few months filled with lots of volleyball activity, from training and development camps to the AGM in October and the Junior Secondary School Championships in November.

Keep an eye on our website for any updates.

## WHAT'S ON NEXT MONTH

**Indoor development camp,**  
Wellington, 5-6 Oct

**Beach development camps**  
South Island, Tahunanui Beach,  
7-8 Oct  
North Island, Mt Maunganui,  
10-11 Oct

**Indoor Junior trials,**  
South island, Christchurch, 17-  
18 Oct  
North Island, Hamilton,  
24-25 Oct

Online AGM, 28 October



## THE CE'S MESSAGE

TONI-MAREE

Volleyball play in New Zealand continues to be at the whim of covid-19 alert levels which means the club season and social volleyball has again been impacted by the recent outbreak, causing the cancellation of the Club Champs for 2020. Volleyball (and other sports) will need to continue to adjust our formats to prosper in an everchanging world.

We look forward to the VNZ AGM at the end of October which will be held online. This is an important process for accountability, so it is important that all Associations are represented.

Volleyball New Zealand continue to work with the community with our 'reimagining volleyball, transformational project which we hope to have ready as a draft to Sport New Zealand by the end of October. Please do not hesitate in filling out this survey and sharing your thoughts on how we can reimagine volleyball for the future:

<http://www.123formbuilder.com/form-5647278/form>.



## NEW BOARD MEMBER

SILA AUVAA

As a keen and passionate sports follower, I am excited about the opportunity to join the Board of Volleyball NZ (VNZ) and help grow the sport to a new level. My earliest involvement with volleyball was as a player at family gatherings and at my college. After participating in other team sports such as rugby and cricket, I believe that volleyball is one of the best team sports for enabling positive outcomes for players, coaches, administrators, and supporters in our communities. I am therefore grateful for the opportunity to re-connect with volleyball to make a difference for its supporters and the community.

In particular, my aim is to add value to the Board so that we focus on the right things, identify roadblocks and opportunities to meet the expectations of our key stakeholders. I also have an interest in supporting the development of pathways to positive outcomes for health, well-being and education for Maori and Pasifika communities.

My professional background includes leadership roles at strategic and operational levels in public and private sectors, across a range of industries.

In more recent years, I have enjoyed lead roles in strategy development and planning to help management teams monitor and report performance against strategic plans. I take great satisfaction in seeing plans in action and achievement of targets through motivated people and simple processes. The best part is celebrating success!

I was also a Board Member of a private training establishment in the sports and fitness industry for almost 20 years so I will draw a lot of learnings from that experience to add value at VNZ.

I am married to Sarah and we have lived in Auckland for 11 years after moving from our hometown of Wellington. In my spare time, I love travelling on overseas holidays to see different places and cultures.

# EVENTS

The 2020 VNZ North and South Island Junior Secondary School Volleyball Champs will commence 23-26 November in Tauranga and 23-25 in Invercargill. Registration will open mid-October.

Follow this link for updates:

<https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/events-competitions/schools>

## **NZ PROVINCIAL BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021**

This will be held from January 19-21, 2021 at Ruakaka Beach, Northland. Athletes must be selected and registered by their Association as these divisions are Provincial representation.

Under 17 (an athlete cannot turn 17 in 2021) -  
Born in 2005 or later

Under 19 (an athlete cannot turn 19 in 2021) -  
Born in 2003 or later

As part of the NZ Beach Volleyball Championships Week at the stunning Ruakaka Beach we are also offering the following National competitions: (These competitions are not Provincial so partners can come from anywhere in NZ)

For Tertiary Champs: players must be from the same tertiary institution and must be attending that institution full time. Those entering 1st year in 2021 ARE eligible.

*Thursday January 21 - Under 15s*

*Friday January 22 - Under 12s, Over 35s, Tertiary Championships, Social 4s*

*Saturday January 23 - Sunday 24 Open National Championships*

Athletes can enter more than one division but only one division per day. Entries for all divisions close midnight Wednesday January 13th (except the Open which closes midnight Sunday 17). For more information, check out this webpage: <https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/beach-volleyball/new-zealand-provincial-beach-volleyball-championships>.

## **NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Will be held at Mt. Maunganui Beach from February 6 -7, 2021.

Check out this page for a full list of Local Beach Tournaments (2 and 3 star events): <https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/beach-volleyball/vnz-beach-volleyball-series>.

## **Key dates for upcoming events**

5-6 October	Indoor Development Camp, Wellington
7-8 October	South Island Beach Squad Training Camp, Tahunanui
10-11 October	North Island Beach Squad Training Camp, Mt. Maunganui Beach
17-18 October	South Island Indoor Junior Trials, Christchurch
24-25 October	North Island Indoor Junior Trials, Hamilton
28 October	AGM
23-26 November	North Island Junior Secondary School Volleyball Champs, Tauranga
23-25 November	South Island Junior Secondary School Volleyball Champs, Invercargill
19-21 January 2021	NZ Provincial Beach Volleyball Championship Venue: Ruakaka Beach, Northland
21 January 2021	Under 15s
22 January 2021	Under 12s, Over 35s, Tertiary Championships, Social 4s
23-24 January 2021	Open National Championships
6-7 February 2021	NZ Secondary School Beach Volleyball Championships. Venue: Mt. Maunganui Beach



# ATHLETE DEVELOPEMENT

We have several opportunities coming up in October for volleyballers around New Zealand.

## JUNIOR INDOOR TRIALS

Are you looking to be a part of the New Zealand Junior Volleyball programme and looking to become a future VolleyFern or VolleyBlack?

We are excited to begin the Junior programme for 2021/2022 with open trials in Christchurch October 17th/18th and Hamilton October 24th/25th.

Newly announced coaches Sam Ryburn and Kim Smith (Women's), and Andy Campbell (Men's) are looking forward to getting a chance to work with the best athletes in the country.

To register please use the following Junior Trials Link:

Men:

<https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/performance/junior-men-s-indoor-development-and-performance-calendar-page>

Women:

<https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/performance/junior-women-s-indoor-development-and-performance-calendar-page>

## BEACH VOLLEYBALL DEVELOPMENT CAMPS

Beach volleyball development camps are a great way to kickstart your summer of beach volleyball. An exciting two days of volleyball where you will learn from current national beach coaches with guest appearances from our current Beach Blacks and Beach Ferns.

South Island Beach Development Camp (Nelson) 7-8 October.

North Island Beach Development Camp (Mt Maunganui) 10-11 October.

An opportunity not to be missed! For more information please follow this link:

<https://www.volleyballnz.org.nz/performance/development-camps>

# VNZ LIFE MEMBER AWARD

Jock Murley has been awarded with the Life Membership Award. This was presented to him in Christchurch by Gilbert Enoka.

Jock has been a member of the volleyball community for many years and has dedicated his time and knowledge to supporting and developing the sport.

Jock has a profound past in sport as the President and board member of the VNZ Board, President of Volleyball Otago and Vice-president of the Scorpion Volleyball Club as well as coaching there. Jock has been coaching for over 40 years leading the Scorpion Women to the World Qualifying Championships in Taiwan in 2009, as well as regularly taking school teams from Otago Girls' High School to the Secondary School Championships.

We would like to thank Jock for his fantastic service to Volleyball.





# COMMUNICATIONS TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

## AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday 28th of October as an online event. If you would like to attend this meeting please register by sending an email to [vnz1evolleyballnz.org.nz](mailto:vnz1evolleyballnz.org.nz) by the 11th of October 2020.

## NEW BALL SUPPLIER

We're excited to announce that Mikasa is going to be the official ball of Volleyball NZ from November 1st 2020. We are in the process of finalising the online shop with Mikasa and Vaughan Sports, which will make it easy for our community to buy the balls and other equipment they need. We will send out the details for how to access this when this shop is launched. We are sincerely grateful to Molten for their support and partnership over the last 14 years. We have really enjoyed and valued working with them. We will still be using Molten balls at the North and South Island Juniors this year.

## STRENGTHEN AND ADAPT

We are in the middle of a significant piece of planning work as part of the Sport NZ strengthen and adapt process. We have had several focus group meetings which have been invaluable in helping us identify the key strengths that volleyball has that we can amplify, and some new opportunities that we can focus on to help volleyball be 'reimagined'. The feedback we are getting from Sport NZ is, by the end of October, they want us to have real clarity on what our purpose is as an organisation, what is our role, and what are the roles of our key partners, and what are some key areas we feel we need to focus on to 'reimagine' volleyball in New Zealand. So that is the focus for us to answer between now and Oct 31st. We will keep you updated on this process in the coming months.

## BEACH EQUIPMENT

A reminder for anyone interested in Beach Volleyball nets or lines to contact Dave Miller on 02041284584 ASAP if wanting these for this summer.

- Adjustable Court Lines \$120/set.
- Nets \$300 (estimated to include shipping from Europe) (all ex GST)

### Court Side Signage

The NZ Beach Tour will be getting more court side signs printed before Christmas and the more we print the better the price. With interest from others we are looking to get enough to reach the cheapest price of \$150/banner (ex GST) (instead of up to \$260/banner).

These banners are double sided printed on washable material with stretch side bands to hold the banner tight over the frame. We made our frames very simply with plumbing pipe. If interested in getting some of these banners printed along with ours and take advantage of these prices please speak to Dave Miller on 02041284584 to discuss time frames etc.



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