



## Hi from the front desk

In light of the recent tragedy in Christchurch we all hope that friends, family and colleagues are safe and accounted for at this stressful time. Our thoughts and deepest condolences to those who have lost loved ones. We have been receiving many messages of support from our basketball friends within New Zealand and from abroad. We have started a tribute page on our website to show support to our friends in Christchurch. To read these messages please visit our website

<http://www.basketball.org.nz/news/message-to-the-people-of-christchurch-4/>. We have also donated three boxes of basketball clothing to a charity supporting victims of the earthquake.

Radio Sport has launched an auction on Trade Me of sports goods and sporting memorabilia, with the proceeds going towards the victims of the Christchurch earthquake, through Red Cross. We have donated a signed Tall Blacks t-shirt to be auctioned off. Make sure you get online and check out the bids.

### Tournament Changes

BBNZ in consultation with Canterbury Basketball Association have made a collaborative decision that the below tournaments originally to be hosted by Canterbury Basketball Association will be relocated. The affected Tournaments have been assigned to new Tournament Hosts; we thank these Associations for stepping in and covering these Tournaments:

- ♦ U19 Zone 4 Premiership – Saxton Stadium, Nelson Basketball Association
- ♦ U21 National Championship – To Be Confirmed
- ♦ A/AA Secondary Schools Women's Zone 4 Premiership – The Edgar Centre, Basketball Otago

Please make all the necessary changes to your bookings and advise all those involved with your teams. The Tournament Calendar has been updated and is available on the BBNZ website. We hope these changes will give our Canterbury Basketball Association colleagues some breathing space and time to recover, rebuild and again take its place as the strong basketball city it is.

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### Association Reminders

- ♦ AGM board and award nominations are due April 6
- ♦ All associations should have:
  - synchronized their FIBA Organiser by now (this was due January 31, 2011)
  - filled out their association contact details form by now
  - paid their Basketball New Zealand affiliation fees (which were due March 1, 2011)
- ♦ Associations should be synchronising their FIBA Organiser monthly
- ♦ Updated versions of the FIBA rulebooks are now available online at [www.fiba.com](http://www.fiba.com) under 'useful downloads'

### Road Show

In regard to our recent road show around New Zealand 10 workshops in total were run in North Harbour, Auckland, Hamilton, Rotorua, Napier, Wanganui, Wellington, Dunedin, Christchurch and Nelson. 22 Associations were represented at these workshops and 83 people attended. Attendees comprised of board members, association staff, RST reps, CE's of arenas, NBL reps, Breakers reps, gaming funding reps and Life Members. Themes expressed at the workshops will be posted on our website during March.

Wishing you all the best,  
The Team at Basketball New Zealand





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## Ken heads to Chile



Ken Coulson (NZL) will be a FIBA Technical Commissioner at the FIBA U19 World Championships for Women in Chile latter this year. Basketball New Zealand is delighted with Ken's appointment to such a prestigious tournament.

Ken, who began his refereeing career in 1977 in Queensland,

moved to New Zealand in 1980 and has never looked back, going from strength to strength in the officiating world. Ken achieved his FIBA status in 1988. Ken still heads the team of New Zealand referees who officiate at the "Koru Tour" and chairs the Basketball New Zealand Technical Commission.

This FIBA opportunity is a great achievement and reflects the pinnacle of FIBA opportunities for officials while providing recognition of the success of the programs within our federation. We should be reminded that FIBA only invites the 'best of the best' to its World Championships so with FIBA Oceania receiving an invite for four officials to take on duties - our officials are in elite company.

Participating in a FIBA World Championship is an important opportunity for officials to see the basketball world outside their national borders. Ken has refereed at international and this will be his first overseas appointment as Technical Commissioner. But such duties are not new to Ken who was Technical Commissioner here in Auckland, New Zealand for the FIBA U17 World Championships in 2009.

Ken says he is "Very excited and proud to be asked to be a Commissioner at the World U19 Women's Championship in Chile. After being a Commissioner at the Men's U17 in Auckland in 2009, it is a satisfying acknowledgement by FIBA."

He also adds that "It will be a challenge to be in Chile where Spanish is the main language and I don't speak it.

So I guess, I will have to start learning it." As a teacher we think he will be ok.

"One thing remains the same, the demands and expectations placed on the officials is no less than that placed on the players and teams, so our Oceania officials have plenty of preparation to do between now and June to make sure they are ready to perform at their best and meet the needs of the Championships." Steve Smith, Secretary General, FIBA Oceania.

Article from [www.fiba.com](http://www.fiba.com)

## Upcoming Junior Development Events

### 4-6 March

Event: U18 Women's Team Preparation/Selection Camp  
Venue: North Canterbury

### 11 -13 March

Event: U18 Men's Team Preparation/Selection Camp  
Venue: Location: Auckland – Massey HS

### 5 – 17 April

Australian U18 State Champs  
Venue: Ulverstone, Tasmania, Australia  
Note: actual tournament dates 9 - 16 April

### 18 – 21 April

Event: U16, U17 Selection Camp  
Venue: Hamilton – Fraser HS

### 14 May

Event: U17 & U15 Cluster Camp 1  
Venue: Mid-North –Tauranga - QEC

### 15 May

U17 & U15 Cluster Camp 1  
Venues:  
North – Auckland - Massey HS  
Central – Wanganui - Springvale Stadium  
Upper South – (Nelson - Nayland College  
Mid-South – Christchurch - Pioneer Leisure Centre  
Lower South –Invercargill - Southland Boys HS





## New Court Markings Reminder

From 1 October 2010 new court markings of a basketball court have come into effect. Changes are reshaping the restricted area from a trapezoid to rectangle, extending the three point line and adding a no-charge zone under the hoop. Basketball New Zealand has stipulated a timeline for these new court markings:

- 1 Venues hosting games at national tournament level or above (including NBL, CBL, WBC, FIBA Oceania or international games) must have the new court markings permanently marked by the start of the 2011 season (defined as the first national tournament or league fixture).
- 2 Venues staging zone premierships and below must have the new court markings permanently marked by the start of the 2013 season (defined as the first national tournament or league fixture) but must mark the new three-point arc using tape for such tournaments in 2011 and 2012.

It would be good to see the new court markings by the start of 2013 so that any schools, clubs, teams, players using the basketball courts can familiarise themselves through the transition.

For more information please visit <http://www.basketball.org.nz/local-associations/new-court-markings/>

## Basketball Coaching Clipboards Available

We have coaching clipboards with the new court markings available for sale. The front of the clipboard is a miniature sized basketball court and the back of the clip board is a miniature half sized basketball court. The clipboards are 39.5cm long and 25cm wide.

The clipboards are \$36 each plus postage. To order a clipboard please email [bbnz@basketball.org.nz](mailto:bbnz@basketball.org.nz) or ring 04 498 5950.

## In Memory of Allan Barrett



Allan Barrett, a former Secretary of Basketball New Zealand (1975-1981) passed away late January. Allan was involved in basketball for over 33 years and his accomplishments range from an administrator to vice president at club level to national councilor and secretary at a national level. Allan was also involved at board level for the Basketball Referees Association of New Zealand.

Allan was also appointed as Executive Secretary of the 1974 British Commonwealth Games Organising Committee, served on the 1<sup>st</sup> New Zealand Games Committee in 1975 and was Secretary-Manager of the Victory Park Board, Lancaster Pack, Christchurch (1986-1997). Allan's contribution to basketball and sport in New Zealand was unique and somewhat legendary.

Allan Barrett (24 October 1934 – 26 January 2011)



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## Upcoming Tournament Reminders

DATE	U17 PREMIERSHIPS	CITY	HOST ASSOCIATION	ONLINE ENTRY, ROSTER, PAYMENT DUE (5 WEEKS)
April 15-17	U17 Premierships Zone 1	Waitakere	Basketball Waitakere City	<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>
April 15-17	U17 Premierships Zone 2	Tauranga	Tauranga City Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>
April 15-17	U17 Premierships Zone 3	New Plymouth	New Plymouth Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>
April 15-17	U17 Premierships Zone 4	Nelson	Nelson Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>
DATE	U19 PREMIERSHIPS	CITY	HOST ASSOCIATION	ONLINE ENTRY, ROSTER, PAYMENT DUE (5 WEEKS)
April 29-May 1	U19 Premierships Zone 1	Whangarei	Te Tai Tokerau Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 23</b>
April 29-May 1	U19 Premierships Zone 2	Tauranga	Tauranga City Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 23</b>
April 29-May 1	U19 Premierships Zone 3	Wellington	Wellington Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 23</b>
April 29-May 1	U19 Premierships Zone 4	Nelson	Nelson Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, March 23</b>
DATE	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	CITY	HOST ASSOCIATION	ONLINE ENTRY, ROSTER, PAYMENT DUE (5 WEEKS)
May 18-21	U21 National Championships	TBC	TBC	<b>Wednesday, April 6</b>
June 3-6	U17 National Championships	North Harbour	Harbour Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, April 27</b>
June 3-6	U19 National Championships	Tauranga	Tauranga City Basketball Association	<b>Wednesday, May 11</b>

**Please note:** Due to the Christchurch earthquake Zone 4 U19 Premierships will no longer be hosted in Christchurch and it has been relocated to Nelson. Venue for the U21 National Championships that was to be originally held in Christchurch is yet to be confirmed.

