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Chief Executive



I hope everyone is keeping warm and dry as we move into the colder months of the year.

This month, you will read about a

number of exciting developments that have occurred over the past month, including the naming of the NZ MacRobertson Shield Team, announcing the NZ participants to compete at the 2022 GCWC, further work being completed around the Inclusion Project, the

launching of a partnership with Classic Uniforms and Sportswear, and much more.

Sadly, I also tendered my resignation during May to take up the role of General Manager at Hockey Manawatu. While it is a very exciting opportunity for me, it is tough to leave a great sport, and organisation, with so many exciting projects currently happening.

My last day with Croquet New Zealand is the 23rd of August, so we will continue to busily get ready for the 2022-23 season in the meantime.

Jake Inwood

Farewell to Jake Inwood

It is with regret that the Board has accepted Jake Inwood's resignation as Chief Executive of CNZ.

Under his stewardship CNZ has continued to grow in spite of Covid with a new governance structure and projects such as broadening the membership base and improving our performance on the world stage.

We wish Jake all the best in his next career step with Hockey Manawatu.

The Board is currently working through the appropriate steps to advertise for the next Chief Executive. More information will be shared on our website when available.

Tony O'Donnell

CNZ Chair

MacRobertson Shield

CNZ is proud to announce the team selected to compete in Australia later this year:

Greg Bryant (Captain) – Wellington

Paddy Chapman – Waikato-King Country

Jenny Clarke – Canterbury

Edmund Fordyce – Canterbury

Felix Webby – Wellington

Aaron Westerby – Auckland

Steve Wardle (Manager) – Auckland

Chris Shilling (Reserve) – Otago

You can find out more about our team [here](#).

Board Meeting

Last weekend (28th & 29th May), the CNZ Board met for their annual Board meeting in Wellington. During this meeting, a lot of items were discussed including:

- The Inclusion Project;
- The new High-Performance Plan;
- Reviewing the 2021-22 year; and
- Planning the 2022-23 year.

More information about what was discussed, and how it will impact the 2022-23 season will be shared shortly.

CNZ Tournaments

Tournament Committee

The CNZ Tournament Committee met in Hamilton on the weekend of 21-22 May to discuss the upcoming season and the feedback from the past season.

CNZ is working through a number of recommendations for the 2022-23 season, and these will be announced on our website shortly.

Inclusion Project

dsport Day at Wellington Municipal CC



CNZ, in association with [dsport](#), held an introductory session to croquet on 25 April at Wellington Municipal CC. Young players with various disabilities, and their family members, were welcomed warmly to the club.

Participants were introduced to the basics, given coaching advice from the club members and some competed in a 7-hoop match.

The full-family experience was topped off by a BBQ at the end of the day. CNZ would like to thank WMCC for all its support and we look forward to hosting more inclusion events within the region.



Our Inclusion Project will continue to have events around the country. Our next two sessions are:

Saturday 11 June – Tasman GC, New Plymouth with [Parafed Taranaki](#).

Sunday 24 July – Leamington CC, Cambridge with [Parafed Waikato](#).

Inclusion Page on CNZ Website

CNZ is pleased to announce that we now have a dedicated page to Disability Inclusion on our website.

The page contains information about our upcoming programmes, information for clubs, resources and more. This page will be updated throughout the year as we continue our journey.

You can find the link to the page [here](#).

CNZ Awards

Nominations for the 2021-22 Awards are now open. Please find the forms [here](#).

The deadline is 5pm on 30th June 2022.

A reminder that the categories include:

- Player of the Year
- Most Improved AC Player
- Most Improved GC Player
- Volunteer of the Year
- Contribution to Croquet

Nominations can be made Associations, clubs, or two financial members of a club.

World Croquet Federation

GC World Championship

Jenny Clarke (Canterbury) and Nelson Morrow (Auckland) will be representing New Zealand at the Sussex County Croquet Club from 30 July to 7 August.

We wish them all the best. You can see who they're up against [here](#).

GC Rules 6th Edition

Following the adoption of the new rules from the WCF Council earlier this year, a reminder that these will come into effect in New Zealand from **1st June 2022**.

You can find the new GC Rules [here](#).

Partnership with CUS



CNZ is excited to announce a partnership with [Classic Uniforms and Sportswear](#) (CUS) as our main apparel supplier.

CUS will be supporting our players in international tournaments as well as supplying supporter clothing for the public.

This apparel will soon be available for purchase. Keep an eye on CNZ's communications for more information on ordering clothing.



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