

SMOG Snippets

Edition 1: 18 December 2008



Welcome to the first edition of *SMOG Snippets* – a club newsletter set up in response to players' feedback that they want more ways of keeping up to date what's happening with the club.

This will come out weekly during the NWC competition. I'm planning to pop along to games, so I can include write-ups on how the teams are going.

Trials 2009

Dates for SMOG trials in 2009 have now been set:

- ✚ Prem1 - 3: 17,19 & 21 Feb
- ✚ Prem Reserve: 24, 26 & 28 Feb
- ✚ Senior: 3, 5 & 7 March

All trials will be at Hataitai courts, with further details and registration forms available from the website in the New Year.

NWC 2009 Season

Changes are in store for the 2009 season, with NWC introducing a new Regional Super League for Premier 1. This will start following the first round of the NWC competition and see the Centre's top 5 Premier teams move into a regional competition. More details to come....

Coaches' corner

We are excited to announce that Marianne Delaney has been confirmed as coach of SMOG 1 for 2009, with Lisa Norton as Assistant Coach.

Lena Meinders is our fabulous SMOG 2 coach and we look forward to another great year with her on board.

Coaches are still needed for many other teams, so if you are interested, please email: Rebecca.Leslie002@msd.govt.nz

New website

As some of you may have noticed, our website is currently undergoing a revamp. Big thanks to Cara Anderson who's come onboard to help us with this. Keep an eye on www.smognetball.org.nz in the New Year to see the new look.

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Board update

The Board are working hard this year to set the goals for 2009 and how we are going to achieve them. They have carefully considered comments from the club surveys and thank everyone who participated in this. (Survey results will be up on the website in the New Year).

The Board have made some hard decisions around the strategic direction of the club for 2009, to ensure we use our limited funding more effectively and provide the best playing experience for all smoggies. We will be reducing the club size to 13 teams and will not be accepting any self-entered teams, focusing solely on teams selected through the trialling process.

The Board are looking forward to a successful and exciting 2009 for SMOG.

Kylie Bulling is the Chair of the Board, with Rebecca (Becks) Henderson taking on the secretary role. The Board can be contacted via smogboard@gmail.com

Committee update

It's no rest for the wicked as the committee held its 2009 planning meeting in mid November. All jobs have been allocated and the countdown to trials has begun. Committee profiles and responsibilities will be up on the web soon....

Key dates to note

- ✚ 26 Jan: Twilight netball competition starts at Hataitai
- ✚ 18 April : Senior Grading day
- ✚ 2 May: Netball competition begins

If you have any feedback on this newsletter or ideas for future info to include, please send me an email on smogclubcaptain@gmail.com.

I wish you all a great Xmas day and a relaxing holiday break.

Look forward to seeing you all next season,

Karen

