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98th Annual Report and Financial Statements for the 12 months
1 December 2021 to 30 November 2022.

The Annual Report and these Financial Statements will be presented to the 96th Council Meeting of Netball New Zealand to be held online 25 February 2023.
After two seasons severely impacted by a global pandemic, we entered this year expecting it to be back to normal much sooner than it was. We certainly faced some significant challenges through 2022, at both the domestic and international levels, and from what we’ve learned over these testing past few years, there will be more challenges to come.

Juggling COVID-19 in domestic Netball this time around proved to be our greatest challenge yet. In the 2020 season, the pandemic was like nothing we’d ever encountered, and we had the energy and enthusiasm to deal with it; by 2021, we were prepared for whatever hit us. But in 2022, playing through a Covid ravaged season was incredibly challenging on a new level.

However, we were determined to manage the return and we needed to support the wellbeing of our athletes, officials and staff in a different way. While our protocols were excellent, we didn’t want to put our players, officials and staff in a bubble. As we returned to the court, many were still not at 100 per cent fitness, and so it became about taking care of the health and wellbeing of everyone involved in the game. It also gave others opportunities to step up, and encouraged innovation in coaching – proving a coach didn’t have to be physically courtside to be involved.

While it was a tough year for everyone, the ability to see the ANZ Premiership (ANZP) through to its conclusion was a mammoth effort. Achieving this took a real toll on our NNZ and Zone staff, as well as the teams and volunteers. We know we must continue to look after our people.

Covid’s impact on Netball continued to be mind boggling internationally. The world’s response to Covid had changed dramatically since the Silver Ferns went to England for the Quad Series in January. We felt the impact on a personal level, with real concern for our team’s wellbeing. But on the court, we took a lot of comfort from seeing how the Ferns were tracking, especially leading into the Netball World Cup 2023 in South Africa.

As New Zealand stepped out onto the world stage at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, it was quite an eye-opener. Everyone was operating in a different way; we were the only team wearing masks. We were proud of the Bronze Medal our team won, especially in the light of the youth and relatively inexperienced athletes at a pinnacle event.

We saw real clarity from Dame Noeline Taurua and the High Performance team around their strategy to retain the world title. We felt really dialled in to what the intention was, and knowing we were playing the long game. The Silver Ferns found their feet as the tournament progressed – exposing some players to the African and Caribbean styles for the first time, and going on to win bronze. They then continued the momentum at home despite a disrupted Taini Jamison Trophy series against Jamaica and into the Constellation Cup. They came out firing, winning two of the four Tests against the Commonwealth Games champions, the Diamonds – showing us what they’re capable of. Dame Noeline’s strategy gave the Silver Ferns the perfect grounding for 2023, the hunger and fire in the players, coaches and management is clearly evident.

Our Netball New Zealand (NNZ) team moved heaven and earth for the Taini Jamison Trophy series against Jamaica to happen. While it was disappointing and challenging, it also gave us an insight into how we might play a different role to help other Netball nations. We would also like to acknowledge the support of our partners and the adaptability in making the games happen.

In 2022 we were able to have a full domestic events calendar for the first time since Covid struck, and it was a wonderful feeling to have our Netball whānau back together. After two years, our secondary school tournaments were able to be played again. The significance of the emotional and mental
wellbeing of our rangatahi is crucially important to us, as is the pathway through to our FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs, played in Porirua this year. Congratulations to Hamilton Girls’ High School on your victory.

And our NZ Police Netball New Zealand Open Champs finally took place, three years after we announced the concept – with North Harbour emerging as winners.

The ANZ Premiership provided another thrilling season, despite negotiating our most disrupted season yet. With all the postponements and rescheduled matches, we’re very proud of the NNZ team, our partners, Sky Sport and the resilience of our ANZ Premiership teams in dealing with constant change. The return of Yvette McCausland-Durie to guide the Te Wānanga o Raukawa Pulse saw them become the first team to win three ANZ Premiership titles. It also earned her the ANZ Premiership Coach of the Year honour at the New Zealand Netball Awards.

For the first time, we had joint winners of the Dame Lois Muir Supreme Award – Grace Nweke and Kelly Jury. Both outstanding players domestically and internationally. Through 2022, Grace won Silver Ferns Player of the Year, and Kelly was acknowledged as both the ANZ Premiership Player of the Year and Players’ Player of the Year. We are grateful to Sky Sport, who allowed us the creative solution of a studio show for our awards.

We’d also like to congratulate Dame Ruth Aitken, who was acknowledged in the Queen’s Birthday Honours this year as a Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit, for her incredible contribution to our game. She also finally received her Service Award from World Netball, alongside Shirley Hooper, the World Netball Vice President, who was awarded Life Membership of Netball New Zealand. And our long-serving statistician Todd Miller received a Netball New Zealand Service Award – in
the same year he was also honoured by Netball Australia.

We staged our inaugural Connections Conference in Ōtautahi Christchurch in November – a chance to bring together our Netball community, our Zones and NNZ to reconnect. We stepped up our game up too, inviting the phenomenal Sir Ian Taylor as our keynote speaker. The words of Sky Television CEO Sophie Maloney, Sport New Zealand CEO Raelene Castle, and our Youth Advisory group, with its incredibly diverse make-up of young people, were all really impactful. It was perfectly rounded out by Dame Noeline Taurua speaking about chasing the taonga.

There were high performance and community sessions during the weekend, which also coincided with the return of the FAST5 Netball World Series. After eight years away from New Zealand shores, the tournament was truly a breath of fresh air. It was the first time men’s sides were included in a World Netball event. Their games were electric, the crowd truly embraced them, and to see the New Zealand Men triumph was fantastic (winning them the Sky Sport Moment of the Year Award too!).

The FAST5 Ferns, coached by Debbie Fuller and Julie Seymour, won bronze, with Australia taking out the title. Who could forget the scenes of joy when Uganda beat Australia for the first time in their Netball history? And there’s nothing quite as breathtaking as a six-point shot. We’re excited to be hosting FAST5 once again in Christchurch in 2023.

Physically, NNZ moved from Parnell to our new whenua, our new whare in Ellerslie. There was an emotional and impactful blessing by Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, with whom our bond is growing. We also welcomed Robin Manihera on board to support our bicultural strategy and she has been a voice of wisdom and guidance for us as an organisation.

Our Netball New Zealand Youth Board continues to be an absolute highlight of our sport. We welcomed two new co-chairs, Isabella Galvan and Ciccone Hakaraia-Turner, who also sit on the NNZ Board, as part of our ongoing commitment to having the youth voice heard.

Our bonds, interactions and engagement with our Netball Centres have been incredibly strong in 2022. We have had a seven per cent growth in player numbers, which is phenomenal considering the challenges our sport has faced over the past three seasons. It is really incredible to see how we have bounced back.

We have 93 per cent of our Centres now on a common digital solution, which we were told could never be done. From an administration point of view, it’s a game changer.

We must pay huge kudos to our Netball Centres and Zones, for their tireless mahi and passion, their openness to innovate, and the enduring care of their people. It was a massive year for women in sport in New Zealand – with two World Cups in cricket and rugby and the IWG World Conference on Women and Sport, all held on our shores.

But we won’t forget that Netball is the original, the OG, in women’s sport in New Zealand. We have a massive legacy from the wāhine who came before us – those who created the strong pathways for women and girls we see today – and it’s our responsibility to them to take the sport even further.

Work is well underway for our Centenary celebration in 2024. We’re so excited to take our sport to the next level, using the celebration to invite fans, members and partners to help create a new legacy.

The future of Netball will be built on the back of community effort. And together we will continue to grow legends and great human beings.

Allison Ferguson  
NNZ Board Chair
**KEY STATISTICS**

**2.23M** TV Audience

**Website Visits: 3.1m**
- Silver Ferns: **1.1m** [↑ 9.6%]
- ANZP: **1.2m** [↑ 1%]
- Netball NZ: **682k** [↑ 26.5%]

**33.6M** Video Views

**Silver Ferns Brand Strength**

**Pure as 1.3M VIEWS**

**Total NNZ Affiliated Players**
- **132,406**

**World Ranking**
- **#2**

**Website Visits Growth**
- Silver Ferns: **+19k**

**Total Social Audience**
- **435k**

**75.2m** impression

**5.8m** engagements

**7.8%** average engagement rate

**Website Visits: 3.1m**

**Silver Ferns Brand Strength**

**Total Social Audience Growth**
- **+19k**

**10,261**
- NNZ Registered Coaches

**1,611**
- NNZ Accredited Umpires

**#1 sport played in SECONDARY SCHOOLS**
Jennie Wyllie
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Carole Maddix
NNZ President

Allison Ferguson
NNZ Board Chair, Appointed NNZ Board Member

Sue Gordon
Elected NNZ Board Member

Shane Harmon
Appointed NNZ Board Member

Bernice Mene
Elected NNZ Board Member

Maxine Shortland
Elected NNZ Board Member

Matt Whineray
Appointed NNZ Board Member

Pavan Vyas
Appointed NNZ Board Member

*C Finished in July 2022

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Youth Board Representative

Isabella Galvan
Youth Board Representative

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Silver Ferns Head Coach

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We live this game.
With the past two years of disruption behind us, it has been great to see club, school and representative Netball back in action this year. I thoroughly enjoyed attending some Netball Centre finals days and prize-giving ceremonies. Community netball remains strong and well supported.

We had a very exciting and successful representative season this year. Tournaments would not be able to run so successfully without the generous support of volunteers. A big thank you to everyone who has given their time to our tournaments this year – your support is very much appreciated.

A special mention to Netball Manawatū Life Members Edna Hansen, Beryl Sutherland and Jan Clough who collectively have clocked up over 150 years of volunteering, playing Netball and umpiring. This year they attended every day at the NZ Police Netball NZ Open Champs, always doing their bit to make sure the week ran smoothly. It was a great pleasure to catch up with Life Member Betty Steffensen at the tournament and spend time reminiscing about the ‘good old days’.

There have been many highlights this season including the Silver Ferns receiving the bronze medal at the Commonwealth Games and the exciting Constellation Cup. Congratulations to our umpires who officiated at the Commonwealth Games and FAST5. Special mention to those selected to umpire at the Netball World Cup 2023.

Congratulations to members of our Netball community who were recognised and acknowledged for their outstanding contribution and services to Netball: Ruth Aitken, awarded Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit (DNZM); Bev Douglas, awarded Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM); Ann Tod, awarded Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) and Jeanette Leebody awarded the Queen’s Service Medal (QSM).

Shirley Hooper was awarded a Life Membership for her outstanding contribution to Netball in New Zealand and World Netball at the 2022 Annual General Meeting. In February, Life Member Kereyn Smith was awarded the Sport NZ Leadership Award. Recently, Leigh Gibbs was awarded the NZ Sport and Recreation Award for her contribution to Netball. We are very fortunate to have these amazing leaders dedicate so much of their time, energy and expertise to our beloved game.

It is with sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Donah Shannaham, Silver Fern #8, aged 101. Donah was the captain for the first Test against Australia in 1948.

I have come to the end of my tenure as President. It has been my honour and privilege to serve our Netball community. It has been an absolutely incredible experience that I hold dear.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Netball New Zealand Board, Jennie Wyllie and her amazing team. I’m grateful for your support over the years and can’t speak highly enough of the outstanding work the NNZ Board and CEO Jennie do to advance Netball nationally and internationally. I also thank our valued Life Members for your wisdom and ongoing contribution and commitment to Netball.

I’m so pleased that despite the challenges of the past few years, Netball in our country remains strong. This comes down to the volunteers, players, umpires, officials, spectators and sponsors who give their all to the success of our game. My heartfelt thanks and appreciation to you all.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi – engari he toa takitini. Success is not one working in isolation – but the work of many working together.

Lastly, my very best wishes to the Silver Ferns for a successful World Cup in July 2023. Kia kaha, kia māia, kia manawanui.

Nō reira e te whānau, tēna koutou, tēna koutou, kia ora tatou katoa.
Celebrating 25 Years of Elite Netball

When the first whistle blew to start the 2022 ANZ Premiership, it also marked the 25th season of elite-level Netball Leagues in New Zealand (1988 – 2022).

The evolution of NNZ flagship domestic competition has crossed many frontiers. Each era has produced key outcomes in pushing Netball to new horizons what has gone before setting the platform for the finely tuned, professional, high-octane sporting spectacle that has been shaped by over 500 players.

The first franchise-based competition was set up in 1998 with the introduction of the Coca-Cola Cup, which featured nine teams: Waikato Wildcats, Bay of Plenty Magic, Otago Rebels, Southern Sting, Auckland Diamonds, Northern Force, Cometz (Auckland), Capital Shakers and Canterbury Flames.

The Magic remain the only team to have retained their original name over the 25 years in what is now a six-team competition.

The Rebels were the inaugural winners in the first edition of the new era before the Sting went on to dominate the Coca-Cola Cup and its successor the National Bank Cup, becoming the most successful team in modern times after winning seven titles between 1999 and 2007.

Between them, the Sting and Southern Steel have been the most successful region over the past 25 years after accruing nine titles while former Silver Ferns captain Adine Wilson is the most decorated player with seven titles (one with the Rebels and six with the Sting).

A new-look semi-professional trans-Tasman competition featuring five teams each from New Zealand and Australia marked the dawning of the semi-professional era for Netball in 2008 with the introduction of the ANZ Championship.

In 2017, NNZ returned to a stand-alone competition for its elite players when the ANZ Premiership was launched, the six teams continuing to grow and build their product while also developing their own unique culture.

As the longest serving partner of Netball over many years, ANZ has been a key contributor to the growth and success of the sport in New Zealand.

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It has been rewarding to see all the hard work from Centres over the past year, resulting in increased participation numbers this year.

While not back to the levels of 2019 it is a positive sign for Netball. Many of our Centres have run summer Netball, meeting an obvious interest and need from their local communities.

Men’s Netball is on the increase with men’s open teams featuring at a couple of Centres, a high level of mixed Netball in the summer space and a boys’ secondary school grade at Waitākere. The increase in mixed/boys’ teams participating in the Auckland regional rep circuit bodes well for growing Men’s Netball and we hope to see an opportunity for tāne rep teams at the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs in 2023.

Northern Centres were highly engaged collaborating on different working groups – Auckland Regional Centres in the rep space; Northland Cluster providing an U18 experience and long-term opportunity in the U18/Open Champs space; and the Northern Centre Advisory Group thinking strategically about all things Netball.

Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre were finally able to host the Upper North Island Secondary School (UNISS) and what a fantastic week of Netball. Thank you also to the umpire panel and umpire coaches for the commitment to supporting over 100 umpires during the week.

Northern Zone delivered development days for the Northland Cluster and for scouted players from across the Zone in Auckland. This was ably supported by our MG Northern Mystics management and in Auckland by 11 coaches attending the composite coaching qualification training weekend.

Our coach developers were treated to a quality experience at our annual training with 29 coach developers stretching their skills through delivery by 11 of their trainer colleagues. The day was another opportunity for connection across our Zones with knowledge shared and friendships formed.

Facilities remain a constant concern however, three Centres obtained substantial funding from Auckland Council’s Facilities Investment Fund to embark on much-needed upgrades. Far North District Council has also broken ground on the upgrade to Mangānuī Netball Centre. The regional facilities working group remains committed to ensuring quality future-proofed facilities for all Centres in our region.

The Let’s Play Netball days were a success for five of our Auckland-based Centres, encouraging new junior players to our game. It was a huge effort by these Centres to deliver mid-season and find innovative ways to integrate the new players into existing teams.

At the elite level both the MG Mystics and Marvels had frustrating seasons with Covid, general illness and injury playing an unfortunate role. The match days were curtailed with some games having to be played behind closed doors, limiting revenue. We look forward to a hopefully more stable 2023!

Thank you to our Netball Northern staff, Centres and volunteers for continuing to work so hard to grow and strengthen Netball in the north.
Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty [WBOP] are proud to support our communities to deliver positive experiences through Netball to over 26,000 players, technical officials, coaches, administrators and volunteers.

COVID-19 continued to cause disruptions to many Centres throughout the region, with extra challenges faced with different towns and cities in extended periods of lockdown. However, some key events were possible later in the season, with successful performances from WBOP. This allowed many centres to do things a bit differently. Thank you to all who once again navigated this journey.

This year, there have been some changes and additions in staff. We thanked Leanne Knox for her work in the Netball Relationship Manager role and welcomed Louise Young from May 2022 as the new Netball Relationship Manager.

Our Zone team continues to grow and develop. The Zone is thankful for Pam Clayton joining the team as an Interim Umpire Lead and for Rachel Davis for joining as the Pathways Development Lead.

The Zone farewelled NetballSmart Development Officer Jenne Jones-Poole in October and wished her well on her new endeavours.

Congratulations to Hamilton City coming third in the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs.

Congratulations to Hamilton Girls’ High School for winning the Upper North Island Secondary School (UNISS) Tournament.

In 2022 a total of 113 Secondary School teams from across the North Island played at the UNISS Tournament. Hamilton Girls’ won the A grade, being the first Hamilton team in 19 years to win. Hamilton Girls’ won the FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs, with St Peters’ coming 5th and Trident High School coming 7th.

The Zone is working with each Centre to develop a partnership plan which will be dedicated to supporting each Centre’s needs. Continuing to grow development networks offers the opportunity for Centres to support their people. Locally led support means sustainability and growth which aligns with our national strategy Poipoia.

WBOP has had 17 players named for the National Development Camp after attendance at one of our four ‘Magic in the Making’ Development Sessions, selected at several key events.

The Synergy Hair Netball Leauge Team had a turbulent season with the disruption of COVID-19 and ended the season in 6th place. Team coaches and management have been appointed for 2023 with trials underway to select the team.

The WBOP Umpire Development Programme continues to show positive results and we are delighted with strong representation at all national events in 2022. On the international stage we were delighted to see Tania Fink receive her International Umpire Award. We would like to recognise Tania being appointed to the Asia Netball World Cup Qualifiers in Singapore and FAST5 in Christchurch and Jan Teesdale appointed to the Umpire Appointment Panel at the Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham.

Our bench officials and statisticians contributed to all domestic events in 2022. Hosting FAST5 and Constellation Cup in NZ this year provided an opportunity for Edna Brown, Sandy Cassells, Belinda Clark, Hinerangi Kara, Lillian Martin, Ann Scott and Emma Smith to join the bench officiating team at both fixtures.

In higher honours, congratulations to Sam Winders and Claire Kersten for their selection for the Silver Ferns Tour to England, in January. Ameliaranne Ekenasio was selected in the Constellation Cup side. Claire Kersten, Bailey Mes and Sam Winders were named in the NZ Development Squad; Sam Winders in the FAST5 Ferns, Erena Mikaere and Oceane Maihi in the NZ Mixed team. Georgie Edgecombe was named in the NZU21s and Young Internationals Squad and Ivana Rowland in the Young Internationals Squad.

The ongoing support of several key funding partners is critical to ensuring the success of our work and we are grateful to Grassroots Trust, The Lion Foundation, NZ Community Trust, Sport Bay of Plenty, Trust Waikato, Rotorua Energy Trust and The Glenice & John Gallagher Foundation.

Without this it would not be possible for Netball to flourish.

Thank you to all who provide and support Netball throughout the Waikato, Bay of Plenty and Tairāwhiti regions. We are generously supported by the Centre committees, boards, staff and their coaches, technical officials and volunteers. Thank you to the players for loving the game and for being part of the Waikato Bay of Plenty legacy of Netball.

We live this game.
A huge thank you goes to the heart of Netball Central Zone, our Netball Centres staff, boards and volunteers who ran successful community Netball programmes within our Zone.

It was fantastic to see new initiatives being tested and representative programmes in full swing, all while championing Balance is Better and Good Sports.

Connection is key within Netball Central Zone. Our Zone forum was held in November when we welcomed everyone from around our Zone to collaborate, share and listen to the successes of 2022, as we began planning for 2023. We were grateful to Irene van Dyk, the NNZ Participation Manager, for attending and sharing the insights and participation opportunities.

It was pleasing to have Centre and Zone umpire and bench official accreditation, alongside New Zealand Umpire accreditation – congratulations to all of those recipients. With international appointments, a congratulations also go to the following umpires who were appointed to the Commonwealth Games: Gareth Fowler, Angela Armstrong-Lush and Ken Metekingi

We have continued to develop our Performance Coaching Qualification (PCQ) coaches with one new coach being accredited in 2022. Congratulations go to Tash Tawhara, who was also appointed assistant coach of the NZ Men’s and Mixed U23s teams that participated in their respective trans-Tasman competitions and more recently was the assistant coach of the inaugural NZ Men’s FAST5 team that won in Christchurch.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Netball Taranaki’s General Manager and Tongan Head Coach Jaqua Pori-Makea-Simpson on lifting Tonga’s world ranking to 8th and qualifying for the Netball World Cup in 2023.

The 2022 season created opportunities for both the Pulse and Central Manawa teams to regain the ANZ Premiership and the Synergy Hair Netball League titles. Two centralised campaigns worked closely together to achieve the successes. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our partners for always standing beside us.

We engaged the services of highly regarded local coach Yvette McCausland-Durie, fresh from her year off. And alongside her, Anna Andrews-Tasola was elevated into the assistant coach position. Our Operations and Team Manager Jill Clapcott continues to do a phenomenal job for us and we welcomed Ari Carroll as our physiotherapist.

Within the Central Manawa environment Head Coach Anna Andrews-Tasola, and Assistant Coaches Ngarama Milner-Olsen and John Atkins worked diligently throughout the campaign.

With such a successful season it was no wonder we were able to celebrate widely at the national awards with Yvette McCausland-Durie as ANZ Premiership Coach of the Year, Kelly Jury as MVP, Anna Andrews-Tasola as the Synergy Hair Netball League Coach of the Year and Ainsleyana Puleiata as Player of the Year.

I would like to thank all Netball Central Zone Board, staff, Centres and volunteers in our Zone as we continue to focus on connecting and inspiring our communities through the love of Netball.
We pulled on the 'system shift' levers in different ways to deliver Netball, seeing Centres remove restrictions from their competition policies to cater for COVID-19 and other illnesses. Despite the challenges, our total player numbers were only down one per cent.

Community Highlights
- The partnership model was implemented between clusters of Netball Centres, to maximise shared resources.
- With the support of Hustle Education and Riki Consultancy, the Zone and Centres started on a journey to build our cultural competency - developing confidence, knowledge and understanding in Te Ao Māori.
- Locally led partnership agreements/plans were implemented to address key outcomes and connect to Poipoia.
- Christchurch Netball Centre and Mid-Canterbury Netball Centre joined the Disability Inclusion Fund to deliver Netball for our disabled tamariki and rangatahi.
- A Zone-wide youth advisory group was established, with representatives from seven Centres.
- 15 youth from across the Zone achieved their Bronze Netball Leaders Award.

Technical Officials
- For the first time, the Mainland Zone appointed an Umpire Lead, Anna Sheen, who joined in November 2022.
- Michelle Stagg continues to represent Mainland in the National Umpire Squad and made her debut in the ANZ Premiership in 2022. David Pala’amo and Sheena Tyrrell represented as a National Umpire Squad coach and selector respectively.
- Morgan Craig and Rianna Oosthuysen continued in the NNZ Umpire Watchlist in 2022, coached by Sue James. Rianna is stepping away for 2023 to focus on her career, but Morgan will be joined in the Watchlist next year by Rebecca Reside.
- Netball Mainland had four Umpires attend the Netball NZ Open Champs, eight attended the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs, and two attended the FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs. As umpire coaches David Pala’amo attended the Netball NZ Open Champs, Sue James the U18 Champs and Sheena Tyrrell the Secondary Schools Champs.
- 19 umpires sat their Zone Theory Exam in 2022 with 18 successful in passing and 10 sat their NZ Theory Exam with eight passing.

Coach Development
- Community Coach Development significantly increased with more learning opportunities available, and more engaged coaches.
- Many of our Netball Centres were innovative in their approach to providing coach learning opportunities for their communities. Christchurch Netball Centre Development Roadshow was held, four Community Coach Award hubs delivered across the Zone, and four Coach Learning Labs aligned with Tactix development days.

Mainland Pathway and Synergy Hair Netball League
After a hiatus, Talent ID days were held in Blenheim, Timaru and Rangiora in September and October 2022, with an advanced day held in Christchurch. These catered for 16 to 18 year-olds who are recognised by their clubs as having proficient fundamental skill sets. This saw the integration of coach and umpire development workshops alongside the player development days.

The Synergy Hair Netball League kicked off in March 2022, despite the ongoing disruptions. The Mainland team was relatively unchanged in players and management and this experience proved to be a secret weapon throughout the season, with the team making the Grand Final, narrowly losing to a formidable Central Manawā side.

Trident Homes Tactix
The newly named Trident Homes Tactix met their first test in the pre-season with the news of captain Jane Watson’s pregnancy. Training Partner Vika Koloto was elevated into the playing group, replacing Jane.

After the success of 2021, the Tactix had plans to build on the momentum. However, the competition started with team social restrictions, return to play guidelines and no crowds – a challenging time for all involved. The team rallied, but a finals berth in 2022 was not to be. Highlights for the team would be Te Paea Selby-Rickit’s successful season elevating her back into the Silver Ferns for the Commonwealth Games and four of our Synergy Hair Netball League players making their debuts for the Tactix.

A huge thank-you to all of our amazing fans and the incredible partners but particularly Trident Homes and SKOPE for their loyalty to the team.

Mā pango mā whero ka oti te mahi – with red and with black, the work will be done.

We live this game.
Given a year long disruption to core revenue streams, it is testimony to prudent financial and risk management, and support from local funders and commercial partners, that both the Ascot Park Hotel Southern Steel and Netball South will post a modest surplus for the 2022 financial year.

When COVID-19 reared its head the Steel was hit on two fronts during the first quarter. With cancellation of the community engagement plan and reduced crowds at our first three home games, it was a financial blow to ticketing revenue. The other casualty was the Netball South Board’s plan to bring the first-ever ANZ Premiership game to Queenstown, as COVID-19 forced a transfer to Invercargill. It was good to see energy back in the stands and fans buzzing in Dunedin and Invercargill, when crowds were able to return.

On the performance front, it was a Steel season of two halves without the ending we dreamed of, coming 4th and missing out on Finals Series.

We won four of our first six games, finally beating the MG Mystics in the third tussle. We were perfectly poised to run out the season and make our way into the Finals Series, but unfortunately it was not to be. With nine games compressed into the five weeks left in the season, COVID-19 finally struck the Steel team.

A highlight in the Steel season was the performance of our young Southern Blast players coming through to support the team when players were out due to illness or injury.

The Zone has worked hard to grow the value of its partnerships with local Netball Centres. Operating and support as well as for all Centres, plus data and insights, have supported discussions about local needs, planning and delivery.

In 2022, the Zone shifted the Steel Steps Talent Development programme from a regional to Centre-based delivery model, lifting participation by 319 per cent across the Year 7 to U18 age groups. The timing and structure of each Centre delivery was tailored to the local needs of nine individual Centres, achieved through collaboration and perseverance.

Another example of quality collaboration was when two of our Netball Centres brought back Southland Country Netball. The Southland Country U18 team, along with four other teams from the South, headed to Christchurch in July to compete at the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs. It’s a record number of teams that can only increase.

It was hard to contain the excitement when Claire Malthus, Georgia Heffernan, Kate Heffernan and Kristie Simpson all featured as winners at the New Zealand Netball Awards in December. Kristie Simpson continues to lead the country as the highest-performing umpire for the second year in a row, while Claire Malthus received richly deserved recognition as Administrator of the Year. The hugest honour of all goes to ex-Netball South Board member and legendary Netball stalwart Kate Leebody. She was presented with the Queen’s Service Medal for services to Netball and the community in November.

Georgia’s award for Aspiring Silver Fern caps off a great off-season, including being a member of the Mixed Invitational team in the Cadbury Netball Series and the FAST5 Ferns team in the FAST5 Netball World Series. It was also pleasing to see head coach Reinga Bloxham and team manager Dayna Kaio at the helm of NZA for the Cadbury Netball Series and assistant coach Jo Morrison selected as assistant coach of the NZ Secondary Schools team.

At the March AGM, Netball South welcomed newly elected director Kirstin Scully of Dunedin to the Board. She replaces director Adrienne Ensor who, after nine years of service, exhausted the tenure limit of nine years set down by the Zone’s constitution.

After eight years at the helm, chief executive Lana Winders called full-time, moving into a family business leadership role. Her business acumen will be missed by a Zone that has grown financial, risk management and performance capability under her leadership.

Netball South thanks all the staff and volunteers at the Centres for their passion and commitment to Netball, and the Southern Steel family of funders, commercial partners and fans for their unwavering support in 2022. A huge thank-you to our Netball South Board and staff for a great year of hard work and success.
Casting the net wide and far, Silver Ferns coach Dame Noeline Taurua presented wide-ranging opportunities in a year which heralded budding depth at international level while providing real competition across all court positions.
Winning a bronze medal at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham was the highlight of a busy 2022 which had the Silver Ferns contesting a total of 16 Tests for a record of 11 wins and five losses.

Losing on goal differential after a competitive drawn Constellation Cup series against arch-rivals Australia to complete the year’s international calendar left the Silver Ferns in good shape looking ahead.

Not held since 2019 due to the on going impacts of COVID-19, the Netball Quad Series made a return in January, the Silver Ferns opening a busy year of pinnacle events against hosts England, Australia and South Africa in London. Missing the experience of shooter Ameliaranne Ekenasio, still working her way back to fitness after the birth of her second child, and top-notch defender Jane Watson, also on motherhood duty, the Silver Ferns hit London with a youthful and largely untried shooting division looking ahead.

Against a red-hot Australia in their opening clash, the Silver Ferns found few chinks in a sharp and well-drilled Diamonds side. The Silver Ferns trailed throughout, the Diamonds producing a rampant third quarter to prevail 53-39.

A more promising fixture followed against the vastly experienced England Roses with our young shooting combination of Wilson and Metuarau delivering plenty of impetus, while midcourters Gina Crampton and Claire Kersten controlled the Silver Ferns, attacking momentum.

With the scores tied at 25-apiece at halftime, the Silver Ferns were well in the contest before England got the jump to lead 39-36 at the last break. Starting with a five-goal run gave England all the momentum, the Silver Ferns giving themselves too much to do despite a spirited fightback, losing 49-46.

Mila Reuelu-Buchanan became Silver Fern #181 when coming off the bench to make her debut and outstanding all-round play of Kersten, the Silver Ferns bounced back with an exciting 51-50 win.

After a lengthy and in-depth process which had started the year before, Dame Noeline named her trialists and subsequent Silver Ferns team for the Commonwealth Games. In what has become a tradition in recent years, their preparation included the Cadbury Netball Series involving high-quality opposition in the form of the NZA, NZ Men and an Invitational Mixed team.

Shooters Bailey Mes and Te Paea Selby-Rickett along with midcourter Whitney Souness earned recalls to the Silver Ferns, while missing out due to injury, fitness standards and motherhood were the experienced heads of Burger, Ekenasio and Watson.

As expected, there was plenty to prove from both sides when the Silver Ferns and NZA clashed, the Ferns making multiple changes during a closely-fought first half. Turning up the heat in the second half where defenders Fitzpatrick and Jury were prominent along with improved shooting efforts, the Silver Ferns raced away to 67-48 win.

Still looking to consolidate and test combinations, the Silver Ferns made the best of starts against the NZ Men’s team to keep things all square after the first quarter. However, the longer the match wore on, the more damage the NZ Men’s team were able to inflict.

Picking up their intensity while adding to their flair, speed and athleticism, the NZ Men’s team piled on the pressure to eventuate a healthy 61-46 winners.

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With Wilson having a strong game at goal attack, the Silver Ferns led throughout against a Mixed Invitational team, a big third-quarter shift helping push them to a 68–59 win.

Unable to make any great inroads, the Silver Ferns were well-beaten again when outclassed 67–48 by the NZ Men’s team in the final before heading off to the UK and completing their Commonwealth Games preparation.

Two series before and two after the Commonwealth Games highlighted Dame Noeline’s continued quest to build depth and give as many players as possible opportunities to stamp their claim for the 2023 Netball World Cup. And with that in mind, that’s exactly what happened for the Taini Jamison Series against Jamaica and the Constellation Cup to close this year’s international programme.

This included the continued absence of Burger and Watson for the year, while captain Gina Crampton, after a hectic 18 months, was granted a sabbatical for the remainder of the year. Fellow midcourter Shannon Saunders announced her pregnancy post-Commonwealth Games, which ruled her out also.

On the flip side, Ekenasio, after an 18-month absence, was welcomed back to the fold, while also being confirmed as captain, ahead of the Taini Jamison Trophy Series against Jamaica. There were recalls for midcourters Maddy Gordon and Reuelu-Buchanan, while impressive young defender Elle Temu was named in the Silver Ferns for the first time.

Hoping to be able to accurately gauge their progress, the Silver Ferns faced disappointment when Commonwealth Games silver medallists Jamaica finally arrived in New Zealand with an under-strength team.

Visa problems impacted Jamaica’s travel plans, with the team arriving over two days but too late to save the first two Tests set to be played in Hamilton. Subsequently, the series had to be rescheduled, with the initial three Tests trimmed to two, and both played in Auckland.

The Silver Ferns made the most of the situation, honing in on their own work-ons, structures and focus. Temu was appointed Silver Fern #183 when named in the starting line-up for the first Test while Gordon got the nod at wing attack.

Temu gave a strong showing in her first Test, while the ball speed and quick movement of the Silver Ferns midcourt took its toll on the inexperienced Sunshine Girls. Shooter Nweke continued to impress with her growth and ability to learn from each outing.

With all players getting court time, the Silver Ferns ran out 70–45 winners.

Just 24 hours later, the teams lined up for the second Test, the Silver Ferns looking for variety in their game on attack, treasuring their own possession, consistency and ball-winning on defence being key work-ons.

Back at international level, Ekenasio found her groove from range while Nweke and Wilson provided clear indication that the Silver Ferns have the handy attribute of contrasting shooters, as all the scorers excelled.

Sticking to their guns, the Silver Ferns reclaimed the Taini Jamison Trophy with a dominant 75–35 win and a series sweep.

With a view to the 2023 Netball World Cup and providing maximum opportunities for players to press their claims, Dame Noeline continued her inventive approach for the Constellation Cup by naming dual teams for the four-Test series.

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New Zealand and two in Australia. Midcourters Reuelu-Buchanan and Peta Toeava along with defender Fitzpatrick joined the side for the Auckland and Tauranga Tests ahead of change for the Australian leg.

The newest Silver Fern, Temu, was added to the team for Australia along with midcourt duo Gordon and Kimiora Poi.

The Silver Ferns couldn’t have asked for a better opener, stunning the Diamonds with their quick movements and ball release to gain maximum advantage of the towering Nweke’s presence under the hoop.

Playing in her first game against Australia, Nweke excelled alongside her club team-mate Toeava, who shone with her speed, pinpoint feeds and dazzling ball work. Opening up a healthy 20-9 first-quarter advantage set the platform for the Silver Ferns to clinch the first Test 56-48.

The expected Australian backlash came in the second Test, the Diamonds taking a narrow one-goal lead at halftime before the Silver Ferns made their move.

Absorbing a mountain of pressure and showing their resilience, the Silver Ferns bounced back with a flurry of goals. The shooters had a fine outing with Nweke nailing a perfect 37 from 37, while Johnson at wing defence and goal-keeper Jury provided staunch resistance.

With the flow returning to the midcourt, the Silver Ferns completed a 52-48 win to take a 2-nil lead in the series.

It was a different story across the Tasman, the Diamonds playing at home for the first time in 1,088 days and buoyed on by large and vocal crowds. The Diamonds provided a suffocating defence in the third Test in Melbourne while delivering slick attacking movement and fine shooting to keep their noses in front throughout.

A third-quarter fightback was not enough for the Silver Ferns. Nweke again impressed in delivering 27 goals from 27 attempts during the first 45 minutes, but ultimately the team were outplayed by Australia, going down 62-47.

With the Diamonds having a superior goal percentage, the fourth Test on the Gold Coast was a winner-takes-all scene-setter.

Showing improved composure and purpose, the Silver Ferns delivered a decisive first half to take a five-goal lead into halftime. A horror third quarter undid all the good work and with the Diamonds on the rampage, the Silver Ferns were left chasing.

Trailing by six, the Silver Ferns were a strong presence in the final quarter to crawl their way back, but it proved a bridge too far, the Diamonds clinching the decider with a 57-53 win.

Although it was a disappointing outcome to end the year, the positives for the Silver Ferns are highlighted in the raft of players who gained top-level exposure and will only be better for the experience.

With the less-experienced brigade of Gordon, Kate Heffernan, Nweke, Reuelu-Buchanan, Souness and Temu building on their collective talent, the future looks bright.

And with more experienced players in Crampton, Burger and Watson expected back, Dame Noeline has increased the depth of choice across multiple positions.

This will have the flow-on effect of creating fierce rivalry for spots in the Silver Ferns team for Netball World Cup 2023.
Trials ahead of Commonwealth Games selection were impacted by illness with a number of players affected, while the roster had already taken a major hit with several frontline contenders unavailable due to motherhood or injury.

There was also the long shadow cast from the 2018 Commonwealth Games, when New Zealand failed to medal for the first time.

There was plenty of debate surrounding the eventual selections and the lack of experience, with eight athletes making their first appearance at a Commonwealth Games. But during a reasonably limited build-up prior to leaving, the common catchcry became ‘in Noels we trust,’ which spoke volumes of the ability coach Dame Noeline Taurua has in moulding a team and getting the best out of her players.

That came to fruition the further the 10-day tournament in Birmingham progressed. Each day also highlighted the popularity of Netball, with crowds in the 10,000-seat stadium at capacity for all the sessions where a colourful and boisterous audience added to the occasion.

With limited opportunities to bed-in her budding combinations, and with a demanding schedule in front of them, Dame Noeline continued to test the waters while remaining mindful of workloads throughout the tournament.

All 12 members of the team achieved valuable court minutes when the Kiwis opened their Games campaign with a dominant 79-20 win over Northern Ireland in Birmingham.

Without showing their full hand, New Zealand made great use of the opportunity to engage four different combinations in each quarter, highlighted by midcourter Kate Heffernan making her debut to become Silver Fern #182.

New Zealand were met with a bigger test in their second outing against a very promising and skilled Uganda before coming home strongly to post a 53-40 win.

Against the sixth-ranked Uganda, there were adjustments needed for the different style and competitiveness. The world champion Silver Ferns were given food for thought when restricted to just eight goals in the third quarter after the She Cranes injected dynamic shooter Mary Cholhok into the action.

In a dominant second half showing, the Silver Ferns kept their unbeaten record intact after clinching an impressive 69-50 win over the fifth-ranked Malawi in their third match.

Ambushed by Malawi on the Gold Coast four years ago, the women in black made sure history didn’t repeat when they ground down their opponents with a calm, composed and measured outing.

With both playing the full game, two standouts were shooter Grace Nweke and defender Kelly Jury. In an impressive shooting effort, Nweke continued to showcase her rising status with an influential 52 goals from 55 attempts as New Zealand delivered an overall 92 per cent success rate. Jury was a constant thorn for her opposing shooters.
With sterner Tests to come, New Zealand put the seal on their preparations with a commanding 80-24 win over Trinidad and Tobago for a fourth straight win ahead of their last pool match against defending champions England.

Looking to crack the 80-mark, New Zealand finished with plenty of intent, retaining their focus from go to whoa with a razzle-dazzle finish where midcourters Whitney Souness (centre) and Heffernan (wing defence) were shining lights.

The Kiwis were quickly brought back down to earth when soundly beaten 54-44 by England in the match-up between the two unbeaten teams in Pool B.

With multiple changes of personnel throughout, New Zealand threw everything at England but struggled to contain the experienced Roses on a consistent basis.

A strong second quarter gave the New Zealanders plenty of optimism, but England’s greater shooting accuracy and oppressive defence ensured the Roses retained overall control.

That resulted in a semi-final showdown with a super-talented Jamaica, who went on to reach their first final of a pinnacle event with a commanding 67-51 win.

Discipline was a key factor for Jamaica, who remained on task throughout, excelling on attack and defence to shut the door and expertly defuse everything New Zealand could throw at them.

An improved second half, and winning the last quarter, was of little consolation for the women in black who were never allowed to get into the match. The 20-year-old Nweke was a strong presence during her second-half efforts, nailing 24 from 24 shots, Heffernan added value from the midcourt and Jury got her hands to turnover opportunities.

Across all areas of the court, a mix of patience, ball retention and flamboyance from Jamaica kept New Zealand at arm’s-length. With tall timber at either end of the court, none was more effective than shooter Jhaniele Fowler, who often found herself in close proximity to the post and she took all opportunities on offer.

Showing their growth, fortitude and resilience, New Zealand turned the tables on defending champions England to claim the bronze medal with a clinical 55-48 win in their best outing of the tournament.

An improved start had New Zealand in the game right from the start as the relatively youthful and new-look team managed to reverse a 10-goal loss to the same opponents in pool play. For the first time, New Zealand retained an unchanged line-up from start to finish, growing in confidence and prowess as the match progressed while ending the hopes of the more highly fancied England.

With the match on a knife edge, both teams had their moments, but with their anchors at both ends, in the form of Nweke who overshadowed her more illustrious opponent, Geva Mentor, and Jury tormenting the England shooters, New Zealand didn’t flinch.

The clever play of Te Paea Selby-Rickit acting as an extra feeder, combined with an efficient and industrious midcourt of captain Gina Crampton, Souness and Heffernan, ensured they held their nerve throughout a tense match.

The bronze medal result showed plenty of character for the largely inexperienced side, highlighted by the growing presence of young guns Nweke and Heffernan. In the unfamiliar position of centre, Souness proved to be an inspiring selection, Selby-Rickit had a fine tournament and was a major influence, while Jury, who played the most minutes of any player, continued her impressive year.

The Commonwealth Games gave ample evidence of the growing strength of world Netball and the rise, in particular, of the African nations, while Jamaica have set a new standard after delivering on their long-held potential.

There is now a real ‘top four’ with a couple of others closing the gap behind them, and for a largely untired Silver Ferns to capture bronze was significant in such company.
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#1 Margaret Matangi, #2 Jean Mitchell, #3 Elva Divers (née Howard), #4 Murcel Boswell (née Howe), #5 Mary Martin, #6 Ethel Witherell (née Neame), #7 Jean Lomax (née Wilson), #8 Donah Shannahan (née Murray), #9 Azalea Sinclair (née Clark), #10 Dixie Cockerton, #11 Josie Hickey.

#12 Alison Preston-Thomas (née Hughes), #13 Mary Sullivan, #16 Dell Bandeen (née Turner), #15 Beverley Malcolm (née Avery), #16 Leslie Purvis (née Black), #17 Joyce Sullivan, #18 Thelma Turner (née Trask), #19 Rona Wooduyer, #20 Betty Plant, #21 Natalie Wicken (née Nicholls), #22 June Maru (née Waititi), #23 Judy Blair (née Dunlop), #24 Pamela Barham (née Smith), #25 Marion Law (née Johnston), #26 Colleen Fallow (née McMaster), #27 Lois Muir (née Osborne), #28 Shirley Annan (née Patrick), #29 Betty Steffensen (née Pratt), #30 Margaret Pawson (née Elliott), #31 Rebecca Chaplow (née Faulkner), #32 Betty McNamara, #33 Elva Simpson (née Tait), #34 Joan Harnett (née Martin), #35 Lesley Harris (née Baker), #36 Mirth Solomon (née Te Moananui), #37 Tilly Hirst (née Vercoe), #38 Ann Rankin (née Blair), #39 Pam Marsden (née Hamilton), #40 Billie Irwin, #41 Sandra Easterbrook (née James), #42 Margaret Filippini (née Gardiner), #43 Elizabeth Rowley (née Story), #44 Nancy King (née Carroll), #45 Shirley Langrope, #46 Lyn Gunson, #47 Frances Webster (née Hawe), #48 Brenda Rowberry (née Walker), #49 Sandra Richards (née Norman), #50 Coral Palmer, #51 Lorraine Mair, #52 Dawn McKay (née Fretby), #53 Lyn Gunson, #54 Beth Huntington (née Carrie), #55 Frances Granger (née Rawstorm), #56 Marilyn Munro, #57 Christine Pietzner (née Cottrell), #58 Georgina Salter (née Napuka), #59 Yvonne Willering, #60 Maxine Blovquist, #61 Anne Taylor (née Downey), #62 Margaret Matenga (née Kanan), #63 Pauline Knaggs (née Flynn), #64 Leigh Gibbs (née Mills), #65 Ruth Atken (née Fatherson), #66 Margaret Forsyth, #67 Lyn Robertson (née Proudlove), #68 Geane Hohipuha (née Katae), #69 Janice Waddy (née Henderson), #70 Waimarama Taumaunu, #71 Te Aroha Keenan (née Clarke), #72 Tracey Fear, #73 Rhonda Wilcox (née Meadows), #74 Rita Fatialofa, #75 Sandra Edge, #76 Annette Heffernan (née Blovquist), #77 Karen Henrikson, #78 Liz McJarrow (née Neilson), #79 Julie Carter, #80 Tracy Shortland (née Eryl), #81 Denise Felix, #83 Joan Hodgson (née Sole), #84 Angela Bell (née Pule), #85 Sharon Gold (née Burridge), #86 Cathrine Wilkinson, #87 Robin Dillimore, #88 Ana Noovo, #89 April Ieremia, #90 Louisa Wait, #91 Tanya Deams (née Cox), #92 Silver Ferns 1938–2022

Carron Jerram (née Topping), #93 Pania Papa, #94 Leonie Leaver (née Wendt), #95 Sheryl Waite, #96 Margaret Foster (née Bray), #97 Lisa Wilson, #98 Bernice Mene, #99 Sheryl Burns (née George), #100 Gael Nagalai (née Robinson), #101 Sonia Hardcastle, #102 Linda Vagana, #103 Lellani Read, #104 Teresa Tairi, #105 Belinda Charteris (née Blair), #106 Julie Seymour (née Dawson), #107 Lesley Rumble (née Nicol), #108 Noeline Taurua, #109 Debbie Fuller (née Maton), #110 Anna Stanely (née Rowberry), #111 Elisa Taringa, #112 Belinda Colling, #113 Tania Dalton (née Nicholson), #114 Donna Wilkins (née Loffhagen), #115 Dal Parata, #116 Jenny-May Clarkson (née Coffin), #117 Sheryl Scanlan (née Clarke), #118 Jo Morrison (née Steed), #119 Lorna Suafoa, #120 Adine Wilson (née Harper), #121 Temepara Bailey (née George), #122 Irene van Dyk, #123 Vilimainavai Davu.

#124 Anna Galvan (née Veronese), #125 Victoria Edward, #126 Angela Mitchell (née Evans), #127 Daneka Tuiitau (née Wipiti), #128 Anna Harrison (née Scarlett), #129 Leana de Bruin (née du Plooy), #130 Jodi Brown (née Te Huna), #131 Joline Johansson (née Henry), #132 Amigene Metcalf, #133 Laura Langman, #134 Maria Fidau (née Tutia), #135 Casey Kupua (née Williams), #136 Jessica Tuki, #137 Debbie Christian (née White), #138 Maree Bowden (née Grubb), #139 Paula Griffin, #140 Katrina Rora (née Grant), #141 Liana Leota (née Barrett-Chase), #142 Wendy Few (née Telfer), #143 Anna Kennedy (née Thompson), #144 Larrissa McAllister (née Wilcox), #145 Grace Kara (née Rasmussen), #146 Camilla Poyser (née Lees), #147 Kayla Johnson (née Cullin), #148 Cathrine Tuivatiti (née Latu), #149 Solu Fitzpatrick, #150 Bailey Mes, #151 Courtney Tairi, #152 Shannon Saunders (née Francisco), #153 Te Huinga Reo Selby-Rickit, #154 Katarina Cooper, #155 Phoenix Karaka, #156 Ellen Halpenny, #157 Ameliaranne Ekensasio (née Wells), #158 Temalisi Fakahokotau, #159 Malia Vaka (née Paseka), #160 Jane Watson, #161 Te Paia Selby-Rickit, #162 Storm Purvis, #163 Maia Wilson, #164 Gina Crampton, #165 Samantha Winders (née Sinclair), #166 Kelly Jur, #167 Whitney Souness, #168 Claire Kersten, #169 Michaela Sokolich-Beatson, #170 Elisapeta Toeva, #171 Karin Burger, #172 Aliyah Dunn, #173 Erika Katers Pedersen, #174 Kimloria Poi, #175 Erena Mikaere, #176 Monica Falkner, #177 Maddy Gordon, #178 Tiana Metuara, #179 Grace Nweke, #180 Georgia Tong, #181 Milla Reuelu-Buchanan, #182 Kate Heffernan, #183 Elle Temu.

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National Squads and Teams

Silver Ferns: Commonwealth Games Team

Maia Wilson
Te Paea Selby-Rickit
Grace Nweke
Gina Crampton
Shannon Saunders
Whitney Souness
Kate Heffernan
Kayla Johnson
Phoenix Karaka
Kelly Jury
Sulu Fitzpatrick
Bailey Mes

Silver Ferns: Commonwealth Games Team

Maia Wilson CNS, TJ, CC
Te Paea Selby-Rickit CNS, TJ, CC
Ameliaranne Ekenasio TJ, CC
Grace Nweke CNS, TJ, CC
Whitney Souness CNS, TJ, CC
Mila Reuelu-Buchanan TJ, CC
Kate Heffernan CNS, TJ, CC
Kayla Johnson CNS, TJ, CC
Phoenix Karaka CNS, TJ, CC
Sulu Fitzpatrick CNS, TJ, CC
Kelly Jury CNS, TJ, CC
Elle Temu CNS, TJ, CC
Gina Crampton CNS
Shannon Saunders CNS
Maddy Gordon TJ, CC

Silver Ferns Development Squad

Peta Toeva CC
Kimiora Poi CC
Kristiana Maun’a
Tiana Metuarau
Samantha Winders
Jane Watson
Karin Burger
Kate Burley
Claire Kersten
Bailey Mes CNS

FAST5 Ferns

Filda Vui
Aliyah Dunn
Tiana Metuarau
Kristiana Maun’a
Elle Temu
Georgia Heffernan
Kate Burley
Tayla Earle
Samantha Winders
Kimiora Poi

KEY:
CC  Cadbury Netball Series playing for Constellation Cup
TJ  Cadbury Netball Series playing for Taini Jamison Trophy
CNS  Cadbury Netball Series
COVID-19 was, once again, a major player in the first half of the year. Other unforeseen circumstances had an impact but the delivery of events remained front and centre in returning all our competitions to the participants and wider public.

We cannot deliver the events without the wonderful support of our volunteers, team officials, contractors, partners and suppliers. Everyone went above and beyond in what was the most challenging year of events yet.

**ANZ Premiership**

Into its sixth season, the 2022 ANZ Premiership proved the most challenging season to date with all teams being impacted by COVID-19 at some point during their campaigns. In the early stages of the season, six matches were delivered with restrictions of 100 spectators (Rounds 1 and 2) while another six matches were delivered with restrictions of 200 spectators (Rounds 3, 4 and 5). Pleasingly, 33 matches were delivered with full capacity allowed.

During the round robin, 22 per cent of matches were postponed while 78 per cent were played at the scheduled time. In a fantastic outcome, we were still able to deliver 100 per cent of our matches.

With teams severely restricted at times due to ill health and injury, large numbers of replacement players were called up to fill the breach. Former ANZ Premiership stalwarts Leana de Bruin, Storm Purvis and Jess Maclennan returned to the court while personnel from sister Synergy Hair Netball League teams played a strong hand also. In a fitting finale, the Grand Final between Te Wānanga o Raukawa Pulse and Robinhood Stars was played in front of a sold-out crowd.

**Synergy Hair Netball League (NNL)**

Following the cancellation of Round 1 games, it was heartening that all other games in the Synergy Hair Netball League proceeded without mishap. After missing the play-offs for the first time in 2021, Central Manawa went on to scoop their fourth title in seven years beating Mainland in the 2022 Grand Final.

**Domestic Events**

It was great to welcome back a full calendar of the three domestic events for the first time since 2019.

With 38 teams in attendance, a new champion was crowned when Christchurch A Red won the second edition of the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs on home courts.

Replacing the former Netball NZ U19, the inaugural NZ Police Netball NZ Open Champs finally took place in 2022. Cancelled for the previous two years, the event proved a great success with winners North Harbour playing Hamilton City in an absorbing and tight final.

The FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs also made a welcome return for the first time in two years. With the cream of New Zealand’s rising talent on show, Hamilton Girls’ High School went on to win the title for the first time.

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International

It was terrific to have a full year of Silver Ferns events on show and the opportunity for post-match engagement with fans and autograph signing.

The Cadbury Netball Series provided the perfect testing ground for the Silver Ferns as their final preparation ahead of the Commonwealth Games. In a world first, a Mixed Invitational team joined NZA and NZ Men for the series.

Visa problems for Jamaica caused a major revamp of the Taini Jamison Trophy with the three original matches reduced to two, both being played in Auckland in front of strong crowd support. With the first two matches of the Constellation Cup series against Australia played in New Zealand, we enjoyed the return of large crowds in both Auckland and a sold-out Tauranga, backed up by the Silver Ferns winning both. The NZ and Australian Men’s teams created history by playing a televised curtain-raiser in the first Constellation Cup match in Auckland.

Four years after it was last held and eight years since it was hosted in New Zealand, the FAST5 Netball World Series made a triumphant return with Christchurch staging a fantastic finale to the events calendar. With the world’s six top-ranked women’s teams on hand, the tournament made history with the New Zealand, Australian and England Men’s teams also involved for the first time. Colourful crowds turned up in their droves across both days to celebrate the vibrant nature of the shortened version of the game.

Connections Conference

Held on the same weekend as the FAST5 Netball World Series in Christchurch, so participants could make it a weekend of Netball, the inaugural Netball Connections Conference provided a unique opportunity.

Leaders in our sport from grassroots to the elite were able to connect, learn from each other. Challenge themselves and each other while seeking opportunities to grow participation and grow the quality of Netball experiences in our sport at all levels. A variety of inspirational speakers and networking opportunities during the weekend proved invaluable.
Adaptability was the key word for all teams during 2022 as COVID-19 had a major impact from start to finish in what proved to be the most challenging ANZ Premiership to date.
No one, including players, coaches and management personnel, was left unscathed as COVID-19 swept through all teams at varying times, causing major disruptions. But there was an admirable attitude from all involved as the six teams displayed a unified response throughout to collectively get on with the job.

The willingness from everyone to do what it would take for the showpiece of the domestic competition to play out in 2022 was testament to the resilience, fortitude and good will of the Netball community.

The cancellation of the popular pre-season Te Wānanga o Raukawa-hosted tournament in Ōtaki set the scene for what was to follow, with teams consequently having a limited build-up programme before navigating a season that threw on going challenges in their way for the duration.

Because of the Commonwealth Games following in July-August, a condensed season became even tighter with some teams facing a hectic finish and having to do their preparations in unusual settings also, and call on back-up when isolating at home. With the relaxing of COVID-19 restrictions, the gathering limits for crowds at indoor events were removed in time for the ANZ Premiership to welcome full crowds for the first time in 2022.

In a creditable effort, the season was completed with all 45 matches being played, but teams were forced throughout to show their resourcefulness to field full-strength and healthy line-ups when struck down by illness. In this respect, a wide-ranging group of players received unexpected call-ups to fill the void in the time of need. The value of the next tier, players from the Synergy Hair Netball League, showed its worth and many from New Zealand’s budding depth of emerging talent received earlier-than-expected opportunities at the elite level.

At the other end of the scale, previous stalwarts of the league in the form of defenders Leana de Bruin and Jess Maclellan (née Moulds) showed that age and time in retirement had not diminished their capabilities when answering the call to help out.

During the season, de Bruin, 44, turned out for two of her former teams, the Robinhood Stars and Splice Construction Magic, with impressive showings. Along the way she posted her 229th national league match, in the process breaking Laura Langman’s record of 226.

Despite not having played for four years and having two children in the interim, former Trident Homes Tactix captain Maclennan didn’t miss a beat when returning to the red-and-blacks in their hour of need.

All coaches, at varying times, were forced to do their preparations in unusual settings also, and call on back-up when isolating at home. With the relaxing of COVID-19 restrictions, the gathering limits for crowds at indoor events were removed in time for the ANZ Premiership to welcome full crowds for the first time in 2022 in Round 6 of the 12-round league. Prior to that, crowds had been capped at 100-200 people.

With teams lacking a full pre-season of preparation, it was a tempered start by all before the league hit its straps in the second half of the season, producing an exciting run in the closing matches to determine the make-up of Finals Series participants.

The league enjoyed widespread media coverage across all mediums, with Sky Sport televising all 45 round-robin games and the Finals Series live while also hosting the popular Netball Zone and Inside Netball shows.

The Grand Final was also screened live on free-to-air television via Prime, who also screened delayed coverage of a number of matches during the season.

There was a strong response throughout the season from print, radio and television in providing topical coverage of the league, in terms of relevant storylines and personality pieces.

This was helped by assistance from NNZ in providing teams with opportunities to create more of their own content, including video material for their social media channels. Team media liaisons were also strong drivers in facilitating greater exposure through interview opportunities and generally keeping mainstream media informed and up to date about their respective teams.

Bonus points again played a key role in determining the balance of the Finals Series. The Pulse gathered four along the way to help with a late-season surge that left them locked at the top of the table with the Stars at the end of the regular season.

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Final. This left their opponents to be decided by the victor of the Elimination Final between the Stars and Mystics.

Dominant through the first half of the season with a comfortable buffer at the top of the table, injury and illness conspired to derail the Mystics at the backend, a run of losses eroding the confidence of the defending champions.

The Elimination Final presented the last opportunity for the Mystics to make back-to-back Grand Final appearances. The cross-town rivals came into the do-or-die outing with wildly contrasting form, the Stars riding a wave of six straight wins and the Mystics four straight losses.

On their home court, the Stars produced a dominant first half before a rejuvenated Mystics delivered a gallant second half, closing to within three at one stage but ultimately falling short.

Buoyed by a sell-out home crowd of over 3,000 at Wellington’s TSB Arena, the Pulse made short work of the Stars in a one-sided Grand Final. Few would have predicted the emphatic 56–37 winning margin the Pulse delivered as their full-court game came together when it mattered most.

On the back of seven straight wins and with momentum and experience on their side, the Stars could not contain a rampant Pulse team. With Yvette McCausland-Durie back after a year away, the popular Pulse coach showcased her own impressive skill set in guiding the youngest contracted team to a record third title.

Nailing the first quarter 15–6, the Pulse continued to build on their lead with a decisive display. They dominated all areas of the court while having the luxury to reward their bench with Grand Final game time as the clock wore down.

Co-captain Kelly Jury, in the custodian's position, put the seal on a blockbuster season with another impressive display. Erikana Pedersen, hauled out of retirement as injury cover earlier in the season, kept the ship steady through the middle to complete a fairy-tale finish to her career, while the unswerving accuracy of shooter Aliyah Dunn provided the impetus in an impressive all-round Pulse performance.

It was a bitterly disappointing end for the Stars, who were the form team coming into the Grand Final but failed to fire on the day. Defensively, through stalwarts Anna Harrison and Elle Temu, who both had fine seasons, the Stars had numerous opportunities. However, more often than not, they were unable to get enough ball into the sure hands of shooter Maia Wilson.

After 20 years of trying, it left the ageless Harrison without a national league title to her name, the peerless defender calling time at season’s end on an outstanding career at the age of 39.

Finishing third, the Mystics would look back and rue what might have been. After losing key shooting target Grace Nweke to injury in the latter rounds, the defending champions lost their way and struggled for consistency.

After six years as head coach of the Mystics, it was a disappointing last hurrah for Helene Wilson, who was moving on to a new role with High Performance Sport New Zealand.

The Ascot Park Hotel Southern Steel produced a mixed bag during a frustrating season, with their renowned ability to deliver at times while falling flat at others. The Steel were able to beat all other teams in the league at certain points, the most memorable including a five-goal win over a high-flying Mystics at the time, and a remarkable last-quarter comeback against the Pulse when trailing by 11 to force extra time and a meritorious win.

In the final few rounds the effects of a tough season weighed heavily on the southerners who lacked consistency in the run home, however they could look back on the continued improvement of their younger brigade in the form of Kate Burley, Kate Heffernan, Renee Savai’inaea, Saviour Tui and Saraphinna Woulf.

With the big-name signings of Ameliaranne Ekenasio, Claire Kersten and Bailey Mes in the off-season, there was plenty of optimism in the Magic camp heading into their 2022 campaign. But it was illness and injury that dominated the season for the team from Waikato Bay of Plenty and as a consequence they were never able to really get going. A fully-fit and healthy squad was a rarity for the Magic, who had to wait until the closing rounds to have all 10 of their contracted players available at the same time and that told in their results.

There was a glimpse of what might have been with a productive late run to lift them off the bottom of the table with strong all-round performances from Sam Winders, Erena Mikaere, Mes, Ekenasio, Kersten and Georgia Tong.

It was a similar story for the Tactix, who were never able to build any momentum. Solid at best, the Tactix performed in fits and starts, seemingly turning the corner at times but never successfully maintaining a consistent run of form.

Old hands Karin Burger, Charlotte Elley, Kimiora Poi and Te Paea Selby-Rickit all had their moments, but, in a disjointed campaign, a lack of consistency and accuracy was a telling contributor for the red-and-blacks.

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**1st**

**TE WĀNANGA O RAUKAWA PULSE**
- Aliyah Dunn
- Courtney Elliot
- Maddy Gordon
- Binnian Hunt
- Kelly Jury
- Paris Lokotui
- Kristiana Manu’a
- Tiana Metuarau
- Whitney Souness
- Amelia Walmsley
**Coach:** Yvette McCausland-Durie

**ROBINHOOD STARS**
- Gina Crampton
- Holly Fowler
- Anna Harrison
- Jamie Hume
- Kayla Johnson
- Amorangi Malesala
- Lisa Mather
- Mile Reuelu-Buchanan
- Elle Temu
- Maia Wilson
**Coach:** Kiri Wills

**MG NORTHERN MYSTICS**
- Talya Earle
- Monica Falkner
- Sulu Fitzpatrick
- Fa’amu Ioane
- Phoenix Karaka
- Grace Nweke
- Claire O’Brien
- Michaela Sokolich-Beatson
- Peta Toavea
- Filda Vui
**Coach:** Helene Wilson

**2nd**

**ASCOT PARK HOTEL SOUTHERN STEEL**
- Kate Burley
- George Fisher
- Georgia Heffernan
- Kate Heffernan
- Shannon Saunders
- Renee Savai’inaea
- Te Huinga Reo Selby-Rickit
- Saviour Tui
- Ali Wilsher
- Saraphienna Woulf
**Coach:** Reinga Bloxham

**TRIDENT HOMES TACTIX**
- Elle Bird
- Karin Burger
- Charlotte Elley
- Hannah Glen
- Vika Koloto
- Kate Lloyd
- Samon Nathan
- Kelera Nawai-Caucau
- Kimiora Pol
- Te Paea Selby-Rickit
**Coach:** Marianne Delaney-Hoshek

**SPICE CONSTRUCTION WBOP MAGIC**
- Georgie Edgecombe
- Ameliaranne Ekenasio
- Claire Kersten
- Oceane Maihia
- Bailey Mes
- Erena Mikaere
- Katrina Rore
- Georgia Tong
- Khiarina Williams
- Samantha Winders
**Coach:** Mary-Jane Araroa

**3rd**

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There was a sense of trepidation when all six games of Round 1 were cancelled in early March as COVID-19 wreaked havoc among a number of the teams. With no wriggle room to reschedule the matches, each game was deemed a draw with the respective teams sharing the points.

Showing great resolve and fortitude, there was a business-as-usual approach from all the teams to get their season up and running after doing all the hard yards during the pre-season. The result was an all-hands-to-the-pump attitude in fielding teams for the slightly shortened season, some suffering throughout with personnel due to the effects of COVID-19.

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With their senior ANZ Premiership teams also facing challenges with COVID-19, the national league became a key provider in ensuring both competitions could rely on full complements of players and staff.

The silver lining was that many athletes from the national league teams received call-ups to their senior sides, with several having extended playing opportunities at the top level and not disappointing in a win-win situation for all.

The Northern Marvels, Northern Comets, Waikato Bay of Plenty, Central Manawa, Mainland and Southern Blast competed in a 10-week round-robin competition. This included 19 matches being played after six were cancelled early on, nine of which were televised live on Sky Sport, culminating in the Grand Final held on 7 May at Pulman Arena in Auckland.

The cancellation of the opening round of matches meant teams were provided little leeway and needed to be at their best from the very start. As a result, the Comets (last year’s beaten finalists), Manawa and Mainland set the early pace and by the end of the round-robin phase had established a telling gap between the other three teams.

Coming into the final round of the regular season, it couldn’t have been much tighter with the Comets and Mainland sitting at the top of the table on equal points and Manawa in third place, just one point adrift.

To add further tension, it was a boom-or-bust situation for the Comets and Manawa, the pair squaring off in a last throw of the dice to decide who would meet a well-performed Mainland in the Grand Final.

In a super-challenging year for all involved, the Synergy Hair Netball League trod a tightrope during 2022 but in the process underpinned its core value in the best possible fashion.

Manawa proved too good on the day and continuing a proud tradition stepped up for a fifth shot at the title against Mainland a week later.

With the exception of 2021, Manawa have appeared in every final since the inception of the league in 2016, while claiming the title on successive occasions between 2017 and 2019.

In a repeat clash of the 2017 Grand Final, Manawa turned the tables on the top qualifiers with a well-crafted 49-41 win after being beaten by 17 goals by the same team two weeks earlier.

Having done their homework, Manawa dominated through the middle stages of the winner-takes-all rematch to hold the upper hand for much of the Grand Final, with superior shooting accuracy being a key point of difference.

Rookie Te Wānanga o Raukawa Pulse shooter Amelia Walmsley, defender Parris Mason and the wise heads of Renee Matoe and Grace Namana set the foundations for a strong team effort from Manawa.

A gallant Mainland side were unable to soak up the constant pressure, but Trident Homes Tactix shooter Hannah Glen, defenders Lily Fletcher and Lily Marshall and goal attack Gemma Etheredge played strong roles in keeping their team in the contest.
Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs

With 38 teams in attendance, a new champion was crowned when Christchurch A Red won the second edition of the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs on home courts in July.

Played in the midst of a wintry blast, Christchurch A Red beat Waitākere 2 29-19 in the final to lift the Margaret Forsyth Cup while claiming the national title for the first time.

Honouring former Silver Ferns great Margaret Forsyth, who passed away last year, Christchurch A Red were presented with the trophy by her son Thomas Nabbs after going through the tournament unbeaten.

Final Placings

1st: Christchurch A Red
2nd: Waitākere 2
3rd: Hamilton City A
4th: Wellington A Black
5th=: Auckland 1, Waitākere 1
7th: Invercargill
8th: Howick Pakuranga
9th=: Dunedin, Manawatū A Green
11th: Hawke’s Bay
12th: Christchurch B Black
13th=: Eastern Bay of Plenty, Hutt Valley
15th: Selwyn
16th: Tauranga
17th: Auckland 2
18th: Marlborough
19th=: Hamilton City B, Central Lakes
21st: Southland Country
22nd: North Canterbury
23rd: Eastern Waikato
24th: North Harbour
25th=: Kapi Mana, Te Waipounamu
27th: Whanganui
28th: Nelson
29th: Thames Valley
30th: Pukekohe
31st: Gisborne
32nd: North Otago
33rd: South Canterbury
34th: Wairarapa
35th: Manawatū B White
36th: Wakatipu
37th: Taranaki
38th: Mid Canterbury
The tournament was originally planned to be launched in 2020, but the ongoing effects of COVID-19 meant the enforced cancellation of the event over the past two years.

Enthusiastically embraced, 2022 heralded the return of the Open Champs for the first time in seven years with 20 teams lining up for the five-day tournament, which featured 70 games. North Harbour, who went through unbeaten, claimed the famous New Zealand Cup by pipping a gallant Hamilton City 35-34 in a fitting final.

Final Placings

1st: North Harbour
2nd: Hamilton City
3rd: Tauranga
4th: Counties Manukau Cluster
5th: Christchurch
6th: Manawatū A
7th: Auckland
8th: Invercargill
9th: Waitākere
10th: Cambridge

11th: Wellington
12th: Eastern Waikato
13th: Taranaki
14th: Gisborne
15th: Dunedin
16th: Rotorua
17th: Manawatū B
18th: Hawke's Bay
19th: Hutt Valley
20th: Māngere Ūtāhuhu

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FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs

Cancelled in the previous two years because of COVID-19 there was an excited buzz and air of anticipation with the return of the FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs held in Porirua in October.

Creating a slice of history, Hamilton Girls’ High School became first-time winners of the popular tournament having outclassed Christchurch’s St Margaret’s College 33-24 in the final.

After progressing through the Upper North Island, Lower North Island and South Island Secondary Schools tournaments, 16 teams qualified for the national champs where the talent and rivalry of secondary school sport was showcased at its very best.

**Final Placings**

1st: Hamilton Girls’ High School  
2nd: St Margaret’s College  
3rd: Avondale College  
4th: Howick College  
5th: St Peter’s School, Cambridge  
6th: St Kentigern College  
7th: Trident High School  
8th: Columba College  
9th: Manukura  
10th: St Mary’s College, Wellington  
11th: Hastings Girls’ High School  
12th: St Andrew’s College  
13th: St Hilda’s Collegiate School  
14th: Queen Margaret College  
15th: Christchurch Girls’ High School  
16th: Napier Girls’ High School
With Christchurch hosting the 2022 event after a three-year hiatus, a largely youthful FAST5 Ferns team was selected to welcome the return of the FAST5 Netball World Series in November.
Featuring the world’s six top-ranked women’s teams, the Christchurch event also created a world-first when three men’s teams (New Zealand, Australia and England) took part in their own series, acknowledging the growing profile of men’s Netball.

The Netball community revelled in the return of the popular event, the vibrant and colourful two days of action both on and off the court providing wall-to-wall entertainment.

Just three of the New Zealand team, shooter Aliyah Dunn and midcourt co-captains Sam Winders and Kimiora Poi, had played for the FAST5 Ferns previously. As a result, it took the home side time to adjust to the nuances of the abbreviated form of the game.

Ultimately, after a mixed opening day, an ever-improving FAST5 Ferns delivered a compelling final match on day two to clinch the bronze medal.

Following a fine start to open their tournament with a 49-32 win over newcomers Uganda, the rest of day one had proved a mixed bag for the FAST5 Ferns. In control all the way against England, a buzzer-beater consigned the home side to a dramatic 32-31 loss.

Well behind against Australia, the FAST5 Ferns produced a thrilling come-from-behind last-quarter surge before falling just short, beaten 33-31. The loss left the home side with an uphill battle to retain their title on day two.

The FAST5 Ferns had the worst possible start on day two when they were pipped 38-37 in their must-win first-up match against South Africa.

A maximum super shot from Dunn in the last-quarter power play looked to have clinched it for the FAST5 Ferns before the Proteas delivered a carbon copy at the other end to dash New Zealand’s hopes and any chance of playing in the Grand Final.

The FAST5 Ferns broke a three-game losing streak when posting a convincing 40-22 win over Jamaica in their last round-robin clash. They earned a place in the bronze-medal match courtesy of a better goal percentage, edging out a gallant Uganda in the process.

A flurry of two-point shots from Dunn and Tiana Metuarau in the run home helped land the FAST5 Ferns an all-important win.

Playing their best Netball of the tournament, the FAST5 Ferns secured the bronze medal with a dominant 39-25 win over England.

With Dunn and Georgia Heffernan in sizzling shooting form, the FAST5 Ferns turned the tables on England, who had pipped them in round-robin play.

Australia clinched their first FAST5 Netball World Series title with a storming final quarter to outclass South Africa 34-29.

Uganda, showing their growing stature in world Netball, and the only team to beat eventual winners Australia, quickly became crowd favourites. Securing fifth place with a 32-10 win over Jamaica, the team from Africa thrilled onlookers, combining poise and patience with natural flair in their first exposure to FAST5 Netball.

The only tweak to the rules from previous editions, which centred on the power play period, proved a decisive factor.

In the past, teams would nominate one quarter where they would earn double points for successful shots from the one-, two- and three-point zones. In this event, the power play came into effect in the final 90 seconds of every six-minute quarter, which contributed to outcomes and changed dynamics across several of the games.
We managed to again navigate some challenging issues during 2022, but the overwhelming support and loyalty of our strong band of partners helped deliver a successful year during which the return of a full domestic calendar was a highlight.
The committed spirit and willingness to show flexibility when things change is a hallmark of Netball’s dedicated support base and we remain grateful to their unwavering and ongoing assistance.

The Silver Ferns home internationals were a very important platform for us in being able to deliver benefits that we haven’t been able to provide over the past 12 months or more. Through the Cadbury Netball Series, the Taini Jamison Trophy and the Constellation Cup, we were able to achieve a season with largely a full delivery of all the benefits.

Visa problems saw two games of the Jamaica Series (Taini Jamison Trophy) cancelled in Hamilton. It was incredibly disappointing to be let down and not able to deliver what NNZ had hoped for.

It meant that considerable additional effort was required to work through the Jamaica series, and there was a huge impact on the value NNZ was able to deliver for our partners. However, the games proceeded and a much needed contrast was the excitement and performance during the Constellation Cup, especially at Spark Arena where many of our partners were being hosted.

The ANZ Premiership was impacted by COVID-19 at the start of the year, but NNZ was able once again to work with our partners, who were faced with their own restrictions and impacts as well, to deliver for them.

It was great to be able to see the NZ Police Netball NZ Open Champs, the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs and the FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs up and running and for our partners in those spaces to have the opportunity to show their support.

NNZ was delighted our long partnership with ANZ was renewed in 2022 with increased support for the Silver Ferns and Netball.

That long-term and significant relationship was further enhanced with ANZ becoming the major partner for the Silver Ferns in 2023. ANZ will continue to hold the naming rights for New Zealand’s domestic league, the ANZ Premiership, while the Silver Ferns will wear the ANZ logo on the front of the black playing dress as part of the new partnership.

Broadcast

Sky Sport continued to work its magic around some challenging times, particularly during the ANZ Premiership where all games were delivered with seamless efficiency. Sky showed their flexibility around postponements, which were difficult for everybody, particularly when organising a crew to work on a game that potentially had contractors with COVID-19 themselves and not necessarily being able to enlist the people you want or need. Having game day personnel changed around fairly late in the piece was a credit to their professional standards and ability to showcase the best of Netball.

The partnership between Sky Sport and Prime, as its free-to-air partner, provided a greater reach to certain demographic groups, resulting in a strong uptake. Matches on Prime included the Silver Ferns matches and a number of ANZ Premiership matches also.

With our offshore streaming platform, Netball Pass, NNZ was also able to add the opportunity for the rest of the world to view the ANZ Premiership and the Silver Ferns games played in New Zealand. And, for the first time, in collaboration with Netball Australia, all four games of the Constellation Cup (both sides of the Tasman) were shown on our off-shore platform and the uptake was very pleasing.

NNZ would also like to acknowledge the support of Christchurch NZ and the role they played in the successful return of the FAST5 Netball World Series to New Zealand for the first time in eight years.

Broadcast Numbers

In a unique year, the ANZ Premiership viewership numbers were strong and surpassed last year’s figure, with over one million New Zealanders watching our league during the 2022 season. Topping the one million mark was achieved for the third successive year, showing the continued strength of Netball as the number one sport for women and girls, both on and off the court.
Netball NZ Partners

Our partners’ combined contribution is wide and varied across many aspects of our game and NNZ remains grateful for the continued support we receive across all quarters, from grassroots to the elite level.

ANZ is one of those unique partners who embrace Netball across the wider spectrum, from those at the pinnacle of the sport to those who are just starting out.

In 2022, ANZ was also the naming rights partner of the popular futureFERNs, the official junior national programme for Year 1-8. The ANZ futureFERNs is designed as a game to grow with the players and progresses through modified formats aimed at meeting the needs of the players in each group.

Supporting the sport in New Zealand since 2008, ANZ has during that time supported grassroots Netball with the ANZ Netball Grants initiative which has delivered more than $1.3 million into schools and the community.

Cadbury entered its fourth year as official volunteer partner, building on the previous three years to further acknowledge the thousands of volunteers who dedicate their time to the sport. This partnership was recognised at the New Zealand Sport and Recreation Awards, winning the Commercial Partnership of the Year award.

Cadbury also continued to be the principal partner of the Silver Ferns matches (Cadbury Netball Series) during 2022.

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Barfoot & Thompson continued its great support of Netball as an official partner of our high performance coaching programmes.

The relationship with Asics continued in 2022, as did Gilbert as official ball supplier, for all our NNZ-run tournaments and competitions.

NNZ also enjoyed ongoing support from More FM, Suzuki, Go Media, Puma, Gatorade, Mercury IT, Benefitz, Augustine, Baby-G and Voyager.

Silver Ferns Partners

Now into its sixth year, principal partner of the Silver Ferns, MYOB, continued its strong presence, leveraging a variety of new initiatives while also featuring on the playing strip.

We were also able to renew our relationship with MYOB and widen the breadth of that partnership to take in the FAST5 Ferns and the ANZ Premiership as we head into 2023, with them also remaining as a partner of the Silver Ferns.

In its second year as a major partner of NNZ and the Silver Ferns, the Altherm Window Systems logo continued to feature on the black dress during 2022. The company has a long history of supporting high performance sport, community initiatives and athletes nationwide.

As mentioned earlier, Cadbury celebrated a fourth year as principal partner of the Cadbury Netball Series. The Silver Ferns enjoyed the ongoing contribution and support from ANZ, Puma, Suzuki, More FM, Summerset, Go Media, Asics, Gatorade, Interflora, Gilbert, SKINS, Bundeling, Voyager, Augustine, Benefitz and Baby-G.

Funding Organisations

NNZ offers our grateful thanks and appreciation for the support received from the following funding organisations (in no particular order):

- Sport NZ
We also wish to thank the many other trusts and funders from around the country who support Netball locally.

**ANZ Premiership Partners**

"ANZ is one of those unique partners who embrace Netball across the wider spectrum..."

With COVID-19 providing a disruptive presence, the ANZ Premiership presented challenging times for most of the 2022 campaign. But after some rescheduling of matches, a full season was completed with our partners always on hand to pitch in where needed.

The support of ANZ and Sky Sport are key cogs in the ongoing success and continued popularity of Netball's domestic showpiece, both delivering on all fronts in the most challenging ANZ Premiership season to date. The 2023 league will be epic with Netball World Cup places on the line and the growing love of women's sport throughout the country.

We thank our partners More FM, Paladin, Go Media, Summerset, Suzuki, G.J. Gardner Homes, Asics, Gilbert and Baby-G for also playing prominent roles in partnering and supporting a successful ANZ Premiership.
ANZ futureFERNS

Thanks to all the Junior Coordinators, ‘Star helpers’ and volunteers, ANZ futureFERNS has continued to be run in our communities after a challenging start to the year. We are also grateful for the ongoing partnership with ANZ, who have supported us to continue to develop this programme. It is pleasing to see significant growth in Year 1 & 2 (18 per cent increase) and some growth in Year 3 & 4 (1 per cent increase), with overall growth of 9 per cent in the ANZ futureFERNS age group.

Highlights

- It has been fantastic to have four Zone participation leads sharing their knowledge and support with their centres throughout the country this season. They are Amanda Dyason (Northern), Bianca van Dyk (Central), Wendy Trolove (Mainland) and Georgie Bryce (South).
- We started the year with a fantastic Participation Hui where we heard from a range of Centres how they were engaging their communities in Netball and creating significant impact.
- Each Zone worked alongside a Centre to deliver a Targeted Participation Initiative into a community that had limited access to Netball. Through this initiative, we have seen an extra 400 kids gain access to regular ANZ futureFERNS Netball.
- A range of ANZ futureFERNS Festival Days were hosted across the country by Zones and Centres with over 1,000 kids in attendance.
- This year we launched ANZ futureFERNS participation packs so participants can access Netball equipment.

ANZ futureFERNS Coaching

Confident and capable coaching at ANZ futureFERNS level is an important ingredient in providing our Netball beginners with positive and enjoyable experiences. After the COVID-19 disruptions, it was pleasing to see that there was continued interest in attending
the Foundation workshops as well as accessing online coaching resources.

**Highlights**
- Over 200 Foundation workshops held
- Over 2500 coaches attended these workshops
- A total of 115,000 people accessed the ANZ futureFERNS online coaching resources and there were over 6,000 views of the ANZ futureFERNS coaching videos.

**Community Coaching**

In late April, Leigh Gibbs returned to NNZ after a 11-year absence, in the role of Community Coaching Manager, replacing Kyle McLean. Another returning member to the coaching team in July was Zone Coach Lead Tania Heap, in place of Chonnaire Huriwai, and Rachel Browne-Cole, whose role covers the Northern Zone. NNZ would like to thank them all for their important contribution to coach development.

With a full muster in the coaching team, all Zones are well served by their enthusiastic and passionate Coach Leads who are charged with building coaching capability and capacity across New Zealand. From south to north, Lana Morrison (South), Tom Houghton (Mainland), Kelly Hynson (Central), Kim Hunt (Waikato Bay of Plenty), Tania Heap (Northern) and Rhonda Martin-Raharuhi (Far North) provided knowledge, guidance and support for our coaches.

Throughout the year, in both formal and informal settings, coaches appreciated the provision of face-to-face and online learning and development opportunities. There was a mixed response in the number of coaches engaging in Community Coach Award (CCA) modules, which provides the opportunity for improvement in attendance numbers in 2023. There has been a pleasing increase in the number of workshops available and coaches joining the informal learning and development sessions. This was demonstrated by the successful and popular Tipu Series initiative, targeting Coach Developers and Trainers. The series delivered five different sessions with over 140 people from coaching and umpiring backgrounds joining in these popular interactive online sessions.

Another focus this year was to introduce the concept of the ‘Three-Legged Stool’ analogy that promoted the Kaupapa of players, coaches and umpires (each representing a leg of the stool) all learning together. The Kaupapa was further enhanced with the inclusion and collaboration of NetballSmart personnel and principles in workshops. The Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs and FUJIFILM Business Innovation NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs successfully demonstrated the value of learning together with ‘Courtside Kōrero’ sessions after games. Coaches and umpires came together in a facilitated discussion covering learnings and observations from their game. The positive feedback from those involved in the ‘Courtside Kōrero’ reiterated the value of sharing game knowledge as well as building positive relationships.

**Composite Coaching Qualification (CCQ)**

The CCQ is a collaboration between NNZ and Zones. After a two-year hiatus, and through the combined efforts of NNZ coaching staff, Northern Zone staff and Ruta Tai, a CCQ three-day workshop was held at Netball Waitakere for Northern Zone eligible coaches. The workshop included contemporary coaching practice information and in-depth discussions, which the 12 coaches attending reported was very worthwhile and confidence building. On the third day of the CCQ, the coaches got to put their learnings into practice with players during the Northern Zone’s Player Development Day.

**Performance Coaching Qualification (PCQ)**

Participation in the online and face-to-face workshops has been mixed this year, with several workshops being postponed due to insufficient numbers. NNZ will be seeking insights and ideas about what changes and adjustments could be made to the delivery of the programme to increase engagement.

A Coaching Qualifications Working Group was established at the end of 2022 as a mechanism for gaining feedback and advice on NNZ’s qualifications content, format and processes. Expressions of interest were received with the following people appointed to the working group to be chaired by Leigh Gibbs:

- Ashleigh-Kate Araroa-Waerea
- Sandra Edge
- Karen Humm
- Nic Kelly
- Dwayne McNeil
- Lana Morrison
- Rachel Stead
- Lee-Ann Taylor

**Community Umpiring**

As we emerged from the COVID-19 fog in 2022, it was great to see umpire coach developers, umpires, umpire coaches and bench officials all back to doing what they do best, contributing to our wonderful game.

In total we have 1,768 accredited umpires with a further 2,472 who are umpiring but yet to be accredited. These umpires are supported by 559 umpire coaches. These umpire coaches are in turn being supported by 55 umpire coach developers. Working alongside our umpire development are 207 bench officials.
Umpire Coach Development remains our focus area and will continue to be over the medium to long term. We continued to deliver workshops to our umpire coaches with 33 umpire coach developers delivering 57 workshops to 532 people. In 2022 our focus shifted to offering live coach support to our umpire coaches. This came in the form of umpire coach developers observing umpire coaches coaching in a live setting. In total, 22 umpire coach developers created 82 live coach support opportunities for 219 umpire coaches in 2022.

It was another successful year for our exam candidates. Of the 203 who sat our Zone and New Zealand Theory Exams, 190 passed.

Throughout 2022 we continued to align coach development across coaching and umpiring. Together with Leigh Gibbs (Community Coaching Manager) we are working on a ‘Three-Legged Stool’ principle where umpiring, coaching and playing form the three legs and help to make our game stronger by collaborating and understanding the game through one another’s lenses.

NNZ acknowledges the work of the more than 5,000 people who support our game across umpiring and bench officiating and we continue to be inspired by you.

High Performance Umpiring

It was another successful year for our umpire team in the ANZ Premiership and Synergy Hair Netball League. While COVID-19 worked its way through much of our team during the tournament, the unwavering commitment to doing what was best for the game, adapting and moving on was inspirational.

We celebrated a number of successes throughout the year including Kristie Simpson becoming the most capped umpire in New Zealand National League matches. At season’s end, Kristie had amassed 125 matches across the former ANZ Championship and ANZ Premiership in an 11-year career so far.

Angela Armstrong-Lush became our fourth centurion, umpiring her 100th game in New Zealand National League matches. Ken Metekingi notched his 50th game at this level.

Our national umpire selectors and coaches continue to select and develop talent and in 2022 three new umpires, Gracey Farquharson, Zak Middleton and Michelle Stagg were introduced to the ANZ Premiership bringing the number of people operating at that level to 11. Two new umpires, Kiani Smith and Wids Wilson debuted in the Synergy Hair Netball League. Due to COVID-19, Caleb Binns and Matt Davis also debuted in this league from outside of our National Umpire Squad.

Internationally, our umpires continue to perform strongly. Tania Fink and Cory Nicholls achieved their International Umpire Awards, bringing the number of IUAs contracted to NNZ to six. Angela Armstrong-Lush, Gareth Fowler and Ken Metekingi were selected to umpire at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games and were joined by Jan Teesdale on the umpire appointments panel. Angela and Gareth went on to umpire the Gold Medal match between Australia and Jamaica.

In total, eight umpires were selected to umpire international matches in 2022 with four members of our off-court team being appointed to roles on the umpire appointments panel at various series and events.

2022 NATIONAL UMPIRE SQUAD

Angela Armstrong-Lush [ANZP 108, NNL 1] IUA
Myron Elkington [ANZP 28, NNL 25]
Gracey Farquharson [ANZP 3, NNL 32]
Tania Fink [ANZP 29, NNL 14] IUA
Gareth Fowler [ANZP 79, NNL 6] IUA
Marliissa Howard [NNL 12]
Sasha McLeod [ANZP 47, NNL 16] ITID
Ken Metekingi [ANZP 56, NNL 12] IUA
Zak Middleton [ANZP 6, NNL 39]
Cory Nicholls [ANZP 25, NNL 28] IUA
Kristie Simpson [ANZP 125, NNL 1] IUA
Kiani Smith [NNL 6]
Michelle Stagg [ANZP 3, NNL 20]
Wids Wilson [NNL 6]

2022 NATIONAL UMPIRE SQUAD COACHES

Kirsten Lloyd
Fay Meiklejohn
David Pala’amo
Jan Teesdale

2022 NATIONAL UMPIRE SQUAD SELECTORS

Colleen Bond
Pam Clayton
Sheena Tyrrell

NetballSmart

In 2022 we have had a chance to hit the ground running, as we aim to embed NetballSmart in all levels of Community and High-Performance Netball. Our full team of Development Officers and Centre Activators have shared their knowledge and resources throughout the country, with over 500 workshops being delivered from Kerikeri to Invercargill. This has led to a marked increase in awareness and presence.

Fortunately, this year we were able to attend all major NNZ and Zone tournaments. This provided an opportunity to conduct research, grow our presence and support our community. A major highlight this year was seeing 100 per cent of teams at the Celebration Box Netball NZ U18 Champs using the NetballSmart Dynamic Warm Up effectively.

NetballSmart has proved to significantly
reduce the injury rate of Netball players throughout New Zealand. National ACC statistics have shown a steady decline of anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) and overall injuries since the establishment of NetballSmart. We are lucky to have the passion and expertise of the NetballSmart Development Officers, who, with the support of their respective Zones and Centre Activators, make it all happen: Ala Dysart, Katie Adamson and Amelia Pasco, from Netball Northern; Jenne Jones-Poole, Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty; Carla van der Merwe, Netball Central; Hannah Coutts, Netball Mainland; and Gwen Harrop, Netball South. Ngā mihi to all coaches, players, umpires, parents and administrators who embrace NetballSmart philosophies and bring them to life every day.

As the healthy heart of Netball, we aim to continually build and adapt our holistic injury prevention programme based on new evidence and injury statistics. Our resources and education reflect this and are easily accessible through our workshops, mobile-friendly website, social media channels and online learning.

Youth - Rangatahi

‘Nothing about us without us’ - this is the strong slogan our Youth Board lives by and is asking our Netball system to respect. Not just a seat at the table but a voice in the room and to be heard.

We at NNZ are well and truly on our way to “connect and empower youth to provide participant centred opportunities through quality Netball experiences” not only on the Netball court but also through holistic growth as a person. We create inclusive opportunities for our Youth Board to take part in and lead the way at giving our rangatahi a voice.

It was evident when our Youth Board presented in their respective working groups at NNZ Connections Conference, that they were involved in the creation of the content and the delivery, and co-delivered with NNZ staff on a variety of topics.

Georgia Trent and Ciccone Hakaraia-Turner, as well as representatives from Volleyball New Zealand and England Netball’s youth board, presented at the IWG Conference around leadership on and off the court. They gave insight on what Netball looks like, and where they want to see not only Netball but also the power of youth voice in the future.

With NNZ’s Youth Board active and visible within its communities, we also have two Zones that have established youth advisory groups to link into the NNZ Youth Board with personal development sessions. Our Centres that have been part of Sport NZ’s Women and Girls funding project have well-established youth activation groups co-designing and co-delivering some of the initiatives taking place in their different Netball communities across Aotearoa.

Volunteering

Our ongoing volunteer partnership with Cadbury has allowed NNZ to continue to recruit, retain and reward our wonderful volunteers and ensure they feel valued and supported. We have helped Centres reward their volunteers through a National reward scheme sending out Thanks Packs and Volunteer of the Month hampers across New Zealand. Acknowledging the success and achievement of the programme, NNZ and Cadbury were announced as the winners of the Commercial Partnership Award in New Zealand Sport and Recreation Month awards over four playing months.

• The Cadbury Volunteer Capability Fund programme was delivered to help develop the framework for 10 Netball Centres to create their own Volunteer Strategy to help recruit, retain and reward their volunteers. Each Centre has appointed a Volunteer Lead as part of this initiative.

• Eleven new resources were created, giving us a total of over 45 volunteer resources available on the NNZ website and Sport Tutor.

• Five outstanding volunteers were announced in the annual Cadbury Volunteer of the Year Awards: Administrator - Clare Mathus [South]; Official - Ruth Robinson [WBOP]; Coach - Andrea Cousins [Mainland]; Youth - Alani and Samara McLeod [WBOP]; and Community Champion - Shanan Gray [WBOP].

• We have increased the visibility of volunteers and shared their stories on NNZ, Zone and Centre communication channels featuring six volunteers across NZ and celebrated Student Volunteer and National Volunteer Week.

• Cadbury donated netballs and hoodies to ten Centres to enable them to run their volunteer initiatives.

No Limits Netball

The No Limits Netball Disability Programme have started in 2022 with Waitakere, Howick Pakuranga, Manawatū, Wellington, Christchurch and Mid Canterbury championing this project. These Centres have been exploring opportunities to make Netball more accessible and inclusive. They have invested time in upskilling themselves, staff and volunteers to ensure we provide quality experiences for all Netball participants. Several No Limits Netball pilots are underway with disabled participants playing through inclusive opportunities across the country.
The focus for 2022 has been ensuring the work from the past 5 years is well embedded within the local netball associations, to enable continuous development and growth within the established programmes.

The PSP was established in 2017 as a five year commitment, with the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT). The aim was to increase physical activity and encourage healthy lifestyles for young people in the Pacific. We have partnerships with netball associations in each country, supporting the development of netball among youth. We also have partnerships with government and non-government organisations to promote healthy lifestyles, unique to each country.

We have developed accredited netball coaching programmes endorsed by the Oceania Netball Federation, accredited umpire development programme, fundamental movement skills programme and a youth sport leadership programme, derived from the Netball New Zealand, Netball Leaders.

Our experts from Netball New Zealand and Zones provide training in these programmes. In 2022 this included Nicola Jones, Ann Hay, Charissa Barnham, Kim Hunt and Irene van Dyk. Additionally, we provide netball equipment to schools, communities and clubs.

All our programmes have nutrition and healthy lifestyle components. Over the years of PSP we have partnered with Hapai Te Hauora and their Fizz Free Whanau campaign in the Cook Islands (Fizz Free Anau) and Samoa (Fizz Free Fanau), the Pacific Island Food Revolution to deliver healthy cooking lessons, and have utilised the promotions from Pacific Heartbeat (NZ Heart Foundation) and the New Zealand Health Promotion Agency. In Vanuatu, we have partnered with the Vanuatu Family Health Association to support delivery of their reproductive health messages to young women and Won Smal Bag, a local NGO with a strong youth well-being focus.

This year there has been a specific focus on our Netball Leaders programme, with resources developed and implemented to the Silver level in Vanuatu and Fiji. The Netball Leaders programme supports participants to define and complete a community development programme of their design. Some of examples of these in Vanuatu include:

- A group of Netball Leaders are doing a backyard gardening project, where they are growing vegetables to be distributed to the children’s ward at the hospital, to ensure fresh vegetables for sick children.
- A Netball Leader is introducing Walking Netball to her elders at a church to get them active again.

Our programme slogan “Netball for Life” and programme name “netGo” embodies our focus of creating a life love of netball and promoting healthy lifestyles.

IN NUMBERS

- To date in Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, the Cook Islands and Vanuatu:
  - 1031 teachers and volunteers accredited as Oceania Foundation Coaches
  - 37 Coach Developers trained who can locally deliver the Foundation Coach course
  - 186 teachers and student teachers trained in the Fundamental Movement Skills programme to support their in-class physical education teaching to year 1-4 students
  - 174 Umpires trained
  - 647 netball kits given to schools and clubs
  - 6 youth facilitators trained to deliver the Netball Leaders Programme

As at 31 January 2022

- 1,882 Foundation accredited coaches
- 909 kit bags distributed
- 59 Foundation Coach developers
- 604 Umpires trained
- 16 Netball Leader Facilitators
- 75 Bronze Netball Leaders

2022, being the final year, has been a transition year for the Pacific Sporting Partnership. We are now partnering with five countries - Samoa, Fiji, the Cook Islands, plus Vanuatu.
Tania Dalton Foundation

Now into its fifth year, the Tania Dalton Foundation welcomed the arrival of 12 new deserving recipients for its scholarship programme in 2022. These recipients included Netballers Torren Isaako and Ashlyn Koce.

The Foundation was created to honour the memory of Silver Fern #113 Tania Dalton, who shone brightly across a number of sports, and supports young New Zealanders from all circumstances and stages of development to unlock their potential and their best selves.

The scholarship programme is a tribute to Tania’s passion for supporting young women in a range of sports she loved and enjoyed.

The three-year programme provides financial support, mentoring and personal development workshops for 12 talented and deserving young sports-women each year.

Each recipient is paired up with a scholarship partner, who has provided the financial support for the three-year programme. Scholarship partners from previous years committed to supporting another Tania Dalton Foundation scholarship recipient this year.

The programme provides girls opportunities to connect with like-minded athletes and experienced mentors. The mentor and recipient relationship is important as the support goes beyond sport.

The ultimate goal of the programme is for these young women to then ‘pay it forward’ and contribute back to their communities and continue the legacy for future generations.
Capping their towering presence at either end of the court, rising young shooter Grace Nweke and resurgent defender Kelly Jury took out the Dame Lois Muir Supreme Award for 2022.
Leigh Gibbs ONZM was the recipient of the Sir Eion and Jan, Lady Edgar Lifetime Achievement award, while NNZ and Cadbury were the winners of the Commercial Partnership award – both received at a ceremony at Te Pae Convention Centre in Christchurch during Sport NZ’s annual conference.

The former Silver Ferns coach has been an influential figure in Netball communities and has dedicated much of her life to the game, from grassroots through to national level in a variety of roles.

As a player, Gibbs represented her country for 10 years, resulting in 61 Test caps for the Silver Ferns and then returning to the national team as coach from 1994 to 1997. Gibbs was also assistant coach of the Silver Ferns side which won the World Championship title in 2003 and Commonwealth Games gold in 2006.

The midcourter was well known for her strong work ethic as a player, which spilled over into her years on the sidelines as coach, administrator, co-ordinator or motivator – her focus to add value and improve the sport while empowering women and enriching their lives.

NNZ and Cadbury have a long-standing partnership which was acknowledged with the Sport NZ Commercial Partnership award.

Cadbury has partnered with NNZ as Volunteer Partner to recognise and reward volunteers – the overall objective to help recruit volunteers and ensure they feel supported and valued. The partnership also ensures the passion of volunteering can be spread throughout Netball communities.

Sport NZ received a record 61 entries across eight categories for the awards.

Earlier in the year, Gibbs was also honoured by Sport Canterbury when she was inducted into the Canterbury Sporting Legends Hall of Fame.
Kereyn Smith
Former NNZ Board Chair
honoured – Kereyn Smith

On the back of an outstanding career in sports governance and administration, former NNZ Board Chair Kereyn Smith was awarded the Sport New Zealand Leadership Award at the 59th ISPS Handa Halberg Awards in 2022.

With her strategic expertise and commercial and financial acumen, Smith is a highly qualified, experienced and high-achieving sports administrator. She has gone on to leave a telling imprint across many codes, including Netball.

Smith spent 11 years on the Board of Netball New Zealand, including six as Chair, closely followed by her five-year term as World Netball Vice President, much of it during a time of significant change for Netball.

During her time with World Netball, Smith was involved in the delivery of many international events, including World Netball Championships, World Youth Cups and the exciting new concept of the FastNet World Netball Series (now the FAST5 Netball World Series).

She was also instrumental in driving the restructure of the international body as well as developing umpiring, coaching and marketing panels. A key leader at World Netball Congress meetings in 2007, 2009 and 2011, Smith’s resourcefulness helped Netball communities around the world take the initiative in pushing the sport to new levels and empowering its associated personnel.

With NNZ, Smith helped guide the transformation of the code from amateur to semi-professional status.

A leading advocate for increasing the profile and participation of women in sport, she was the first female in the 100-year history of the New Zealand Olympic Committee to be appointed to the Chief Executive role. Her influence has reverberated far and wide while winning international acclaim for this work.

Prestigious awards acknowledging Smith’s massive contribution to sport include Life Membership of NNZ (2012), World Netball Service Award (2017), the New Zealand Centenary Medal in 1990 and the IOC Women in Sport Award in 1999. In 2015, she was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to sports governance. She has also received international acclaim for advocacy work to increase the participation of women in sport across all roles and functions.

Earlier in her career, Smith was Private Secretary to the Minister of Sport from 1991 to 1993 before taking over as Senior Manager and then General Manager of the Hillary Commission [now the New Zealand Sports Foundation] until 2000.

From 2000 to 2011, she was Chief Executive of the New Zealand Academy of Sport [South Island] before being appointed as Secretary-General of the New Zealand Olympic Committee, perhaps the pinnacle of sport leadership in New Zealand.
Southland’s Kristie Simpson breaks new ground for NZ umpires

In a career that has taken her to the peaks of the game, Southland’s Kristie Simpson set a significant personal milestone when she became New Zealand’s most capped national league umpire during 2022.

Simpson, 36, umpired a record 120th national league match when taking charge of the Magic and Steel in Rotorua on 18 May, after whistling her first in 2010. The 2021 ANZ Premiership Umpire of the Year, she broke the previous record of 119 matches held by Jono Bredin.

Due to her location, Simpson has a lot of her own equipment at home for training purposes, while having any number of beautiful backdrops to choose from when going for a run. Variety in her schedule is key to staying enthusiastic and motivated.

Two particular instances stand out as highlights for Kristie during her lengthy career.

The first happened in 2017 when the Steel were preparing for a match against the Tactix in Christchurch and their team van was involved in a road accident. Some were hospitalised and with the team missing four of their best players, there was a mad scramble to assemble a team together in a short time.

The other special memory was when the ANZ Premiership got up and running again when COVID-19 first struck in 2020.

Anna Harrison

The fairy-tale finish may have eluded her but defender Anna Harrison can look back with huge satisfaction on a lengthy and fruitful career after calling time at the end of the 2022 ANZ Premiership.

Spending the last two seasons playing for the Robinhood Stars, Harrison confirmed the 2022 Grand Final against Te Wānanga o Raukawa Pulse was her swansong. Playing in just her second national league Grand Final in a career spanning 20 years, she was denied a first title when the Stars were tipped up by the Pulse.

Defying the odds when coming out of retirement at the age of 37 in 2018, Harrison showed she had lost none of her touch with her influential on-court performances and leadership skills for the Stars over the last two seasons.

Turning back the clock, Harrison thrilled her large band of followers with her indomitable spirit, competitiveness, experience and on-court antics. She was still at the top of her game when finally pulling the pin as a 39-year-old after playing 156 national league matches.

Acting as a mentor to her up-and-coming fellow defenders while providing the experience and competitive edge on court, Harrison’s leadership and performance were exceptional attributes during her time with the Stars.

A formidable opponent across all three defensive positions, Harrison’s aerial ability, long reach and timing were key facets to her play, which quickly drew attention when she was first selected to the Silver Ferns as a 19-year-old in 2002. A menacing presence while adding variety at the defensive end, Harrison refined her craft over the years was the ultimate competitor and a proven match winner.
Aitken awarded Damehood in Queen’s Birthday Honours

One of New Zealand’s most successful coaches across all sports, Netball’s Ruth Aitken was named a Dame in the Queen’s Birthday Honours, becoming the fourth Netballer to do so.

The former Silver Ferns coach follows in the footsteps of Dame Lois Muir (services to Netball), Dame June Mariu (services to Māori and the community) and Dame Noeline Taurua (services to Netball) in being awarded a Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit (DNZM).

Aitken was one of three Netballers to be recognised in the 2022 Queen’s Birthday Honours.

Aitken received Life Membership of Netball New Zealand (NNZ) in 2021 in acknowledgment of the immense and invaluable contribution she has made to the sport from grassroots level to the international stage in a lifetime’s involvement.

We live this game.

Starting with the Otago Rebels in 2002, Harrison played 14 seasons of national league Netball, including turning out for both Auckland teams, Stars and Northern Mystics. Her only other Grand Final appearance was in 2011, for the Mystics, who lost to the Firebirds in that year’s ANZ Championship decider.

Harrison’s physique and background in volleyball played a leading role in making her one of the game’s great innovators and she will go down in Netball folklore after hitting the headlines when instigating the manoeuvre dubbed the ‘Harrison Hoist’.

In 2012, the lanky Harrison was lifted by a fellow defender in an attempt to deflect the shot when the Mystics were playing the Melbourne Vixens. She made several vital and successful blocks while being hoisted, the perfectly legal ploy rattling the Vixens and leading to a Mystics win.

The ‘Harrison Hoist’ will forever remain part of Harrison’s legacy while adding to the lustre of her invaluable contribution to Netball.

While she missed out on winning a national league title, Harrison experienced considerable success on the international front after claiming gold medals with the Silver Ferns at the 2003 World Cup and 2006 and 2010 Commonwealth Games.

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A successful member of the Silver Ferns team who were joint winners of the 1979 World Netball Championships, Aitken went on to forge an outstanding career as a coach. Over her nine-year tenure (2002 – 2011) as the Silver Ferns coach, Aitken stood out as one of New Zealand’s most successful coaches.
across all codes. With Aitken at the helm, the Silver Ferns won the 2003 World Netball Championships, culminating in the Coach of the Year Award the same year, back-to-back gold medals at the 2006 Melbourne and 2010 Delhi Commonwealth Games and the World Netball Series title in 2009.

Employed as the NNZ Coaching Director from 2011 – 2013, Aitken led the successful development and promotion of new initiatives to encourage increased participation at all levels of coaching.

From 2013 – 2016, Aitken was Technical Director and National Coach for Singapore Netball where she played an instrumental role in shaping the success and development of the Singapore national team.

Since 2017, she has played an important role as Development Officer for the Pacific Sporting Programme, an initiative that delivers Netball training to a wide range of participants in Fiji, the Cook Islands, Samoa and Tonga.

Her knowledge and experience have been recognised both nationally and internationally as a member of the World Netball Coaching Advisory Panel [2011 – 2014] and since 2016 has been a member of the NZ Sports Tribunal, an independent body that rules on a range of sporting disputes.

Aitken was made an Officer of the NZ Order of Merit [ONZM] in 2011 for her services to Netball.

Ann Tod was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit [NZOM] for her work in governance and finance at the highest levels and active support at grassroots level, and for services to Netball and the community.

An Audit Partner of KPMG, where she has worked since 1980, Tod has worn many hats in her service to Netball, ranging from junior level to having a significant impact internationally.

A strong advocate for over 20 years, Tod retains a close association with Netball North Harbour but has spread her wings in many ways during that time. A team builder with her collaborative approach and strong work ethic, Tod’s auditing skills have resonated with great success across the wider Netball community.

With the formation of the ANZ Championship in 2008, Tod audited the joint venture company that ran the event as well as two of the franchises involved.

In 2010, she began her involvement as the auditor of NNZ and since 2011 has been the Finance Director on the World Netball Board. She is also the honorary auditor for the Oceania Federation, where, since 2012, she has worked in a voluntary role.

Kate Leebody earned the Queen’s Service Medal [QSM] for more than 50 years’ service to education and Netball in New Zealand.

Netball New Zealand Annual Report 2022
A leading figure in the sport on many fronts, Shirley Hooper was awarded Life Membership of NNZ in 2022, acknowledging her significant contribution at both local and international levels.

Netball has played a significant part in Hooper’s life for over 50 years as a player, umpire, sponsor, broadcaster, Board member and Chairperson in an expansive resume. This includes her extensive experience and knowledge in executive management, marketing and sporting governance come from Marketing Director roles with Bendon, Tru-Test and TVNZ; running her own marketing consultancy business; several corporate directorships; and a range of sporting governance roles with Netball and synchronised swimming in New Zealand.

In 2021, Hooper was elected as the new Vice President of World Netball. She has been a part of the international governing body since 2017 when she was voted in as a Further Director. She went on to act as Chair of the Commercial Committee and was a member of the Foundation Strategy Group.

Netball has more than 20 million participants across 75 countries. Hooper is now at the forefront of driving the next phase of Netball’s growth with an emphasis on participation, reach, revenue and capability across the world.

“I have a passion for Netball and what it brings to so many – being part of its continued growth on the world stage is exciting,” she said at the time.

Hooper, who has an NNZ Service Award, has been Chairperson for a range of Netball entities including Netball Auckland-Waitakere, Greater Auckland Netball (owner of the Mystics) and Trans-Tasman Netball Ltd for the ANZ Championship. She was a Director on the NZ Board from 2009 to 2018 and chaired the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee for two years from 2016.

Others to be acknowledged with NNZ Service Awards in 2022 included Stephanie Bond, who as Executive Manager of the NZ Netball Players Association has been a key figure in the semi-professional era in looking after the players’ interests and welfare.

Post-playing days, former Silver Ferns captain Bernice Mene, also a Service Award recipient, has spent her time deeply involved in leadership, governance and management experiences, including 11 years on the Players Association Board, and in 2018 being appointed to the NNZ Board where she leads the High Performance Advisory Group. She also plays a leading role with the Tania Dalton Foundation.

Retiring Board member Lesley Murdoch was honoured with a Service Award also. The former double New Zealand sporting international in cricket and hockey was recognised for her sterling nine-year contribution as a Board member and her role as a Sky Sport commentator.

Brenda Rowberry and Anna Stanley achieved the first mother-daughter double, acknowledged with Service Awards. Both former Silver Ferns captains continue to have a strong presence in Netball since their playing days.

Rowberry has remained a regular contributor at her local club in...
Life Members in the order they were conferred

+ Now deceased

1932 Irene McInnes+
1949 Betty Armstrong+
1949 Myrtle Muir+
1965 Stella Schnack+
1966 Sara Foster+
1967 Rena Mackenzie+
1967 Catherine Vautier OBE+
1968 Eileen Lane OBE+
1969 Evelyn Bell+
1969 Margaret McAughtrie+
1975 Ona Coatsworth+
1975 Edna Yates QSM+
1977 Jean Lodge MBE+
1978 Joyce McCann MBE+
1981 Marjorie Jenden QSM+
1987 Anne Taylor OBE
1989 Dame Lois Muir OBE DNZM
1991 Judy Russell MNZM
1991 Betty Steffensen QSM
1993 Dawn Jones OBE
1994 Joyce Ellis+
1994 Dal Knuckey QSM+
1997 Monica Leggat MNZM+
1999 Christine Archer
2002 Fay Freeman ONZM
2003 Sheryl Dawson MNZM
2006 Sheryl Lady Wells CNZM
2010 Robyn Broughton ONZM
2010 Taini Jamison OBE
2011 Marian George QSM
2012 Kereyn Smith MNZM
2017 Leigh Gibbs ONZM
2018 Yvonne Willering ONZM
2021 Dame Ruth Aitken ONZM DNZM
2021 Waimarama Taumaunu MBE ONZM
2022 Shirley Hooper

Christchurch for many years, while Stanley is heavily involved in the Tania Dalton Foundation and being part of the Sky Sport commentary team.

Former Silver Ferns Julie Coney and Donna Wilkins have been acknowledged with Service Awards as well. Coney has stayed strongly involved in Netball through her governance and broadcasting roles, while Wilkins has provided specialist coaching involvement at all levels, including Silver Ferns campaigns in recent years.

The full list of those acknowledged with NNZ Service Awards this year is:

Stephanie Bond Auckland Netball Centre
Julie Coney Auckland Netball Centre
Lesley Dick Christchurch Netball Centre
Mary Gardiner Auckland Netball Centre
Teresa Irwin Central Southland Netball Centre
Genny Jarvis Netball Hutt Valley Centre
Roger Ledingham Nelson Netball Centre
Bernice Mene Netball New Zealand
Todd Miller Netball New Zealand
Lesley Murdoch Netball New Zealand
David Ronaldson Netball Northern Zone
Raewyn Ronaldson Pukekohe Netball Centre
Brenda Rowberry Netball New Zealand
Anna Stanley Netball New Zealand
Katherine West Pukekohe Netball Centre
Donna Wilkins Netball New Zealand
Dianne Williams Netball Northern Zone
Ten years after the Silver Ferns made their debut and solitary international outing in 1938, Shannahan was selected as the captain for the first of a three-Test home series against Australia in 1948. She was the Silver Ferns second captain.

Players were selected on a regional basis, for cost reasons, for the series to be played in Dunedin, New Plymouth and Auckland. Not all played the entire series, 14 being used for the New Zealand team.

That included three different captains. Shannahan, an influential 1.74m-tall wing attack/centre out of a dominant Canterbury provincial team, took the helm for the first-Test played in strong winds on an exposed purpose-built outdoor court at the Forbury Park racecourse.

Not available for the third Test because her sister was getting married meant her term as captain and time in the team was short as there was not another Silver Ferns team selected until 1960.

Nelson shooter Natalie Wicken had the memorable experience of being one of a select few from the South Island chosen to play for the Silver Ferns in the Auckland Test, the last of the 1948 series.

With three different Silver Ferns teams selected for the series, Wicken was given the nod to play in Auckland after not featuring in the Dunedin or New Plymouth Tests.

The baby of the team in Auckland when making her debut at just 17, Wicken could play both shooting positions. As was common for shooters of the era, she was of a slight build, standing at just 1.63m.

Shannahan was a Netball trailblazer when she became the first player to captain the Silver Ferns in New Zealand, while also becoming the first to turn 100 when she achieved the rare milestone in September 2021.

Still playing the nine-a-side version of the game, the Silver Ferns struggled to adapt to playing with seven players, which the rest of the world had adopted, and subsequently were beaten 3-nil by Australia. But the series opened the door to future internationals – even if their next meeting wouldn’t be for another 12 years – and set in motion that great trans-Tasman rivalry between the two Netballing superpowers.

Shannahan continued to give back to the sport once she finished playing and was a well-known administrator in Canterbury Netball while also managing the Canterbury team, among her many roles. She later received a NNZ Service Award for her work.

These two pioneers of Netball are well remembered for their lasting contribution.

During 2022, the Netball community mourned the passing of midcourter Oonah Shannahan and shooter Natalie Wicken, two Silver Ferns players who featured in the 1948 series against Australia.
Service Awards

1967
Ona Coatsworth + Waikato
Joan Durbin + Auckland
Joyce Ellis + Auckland
Eileen Lane + Netball NZ President
Jean Lodge + Rotorua
Jean Rountree + Auckland

1968
Doreen Brown + NZNA
Pat Cairney + NZNA
Vonnie Flood + NZNA
K Palmer + NZNA
V Rainey Waikato
Iris Weston + NZNA
Edna Yates + Canterbury

1969
Peggy Bithell + Taranaki
Margaret Gibson + Wellington

1970
Rona McCarthy + Hawke’s Bay
Hazel Paul + Wellington
Isobel Stuart Auckland

1971
Myra Denniston Western Bay of Plenty
N Ford South Canterbury
Taini Jamison Rotorua
Barbara Marchant Wellington

1972
Ina Graham + South Waikato
Marjorie Jenden + NZNA
Gladys Symes + Hawke’s Bay

1973
Alice Gemming Western Bay of Plenty
Hazel Wickens Te Kaua

1974
Betty Ditford + Canterbury
Lorraine Duffy Hutt Valley
O Husband Ashburton
Joyce Lee + Canterbury
Margaret Pierson Hutt Valley
Helen Yates + Canterbury

1975
Dixie Cockerton + Matamata
Pat Cullen + Wellington
Alison Elder Canterbury
Florence Gough + Canterbury
E Hoglund [née Penman] Ashburton

1976
Val Gavin Otago
Edna George Otago
Doreen Hes Southland
Leni McTaggart Otago
Yvonne Sycamore + South Waikato
Nancy Whittleson Otago
C E Williamson Poverty Bay

1977
Yvonne Atkins Hawke’s Bay
Violet Byers + Otago
Myrtle E Lee Hawke’s Bay
Ellie Moon Waikato
Anne Taylor Waikato

1978
Sonia Deebel King Country
Pam McClay Otago
Mary McConnell + Otago
Margaret McDougall South Auckland
Lois Muir Otanago
Judy Russell Auckland
Shirley Smith + Wellington
Anne Temple Wellington

1979
Molly Dorne + Horowhenua
Edna Hansen Manawatū
Dale Wortman Wellington
Betty Plant + Wellington
Nancy Read + Canterbury
Jo Selby Manawatū
Donah Shannahan Canterbury
Betty M Steffensen Manawatū

1980
Cherrie Beattie Te Kaua
Dorothy Dee Nelson
Marian George [née Smith] North Shore

1981
Losene Collins Hawke’s Bay
Val Fletcher West Auckland
Bev Fryer Poverty Bay
Irene Gurr + Manawatū

1982
Norma Burns North Otago
Pat Cleland Wellington
Asley Jacobs Howick/Pakuranga
Diane Madgwick North Shore
Nita McLean Western Bay of Plenty
K Reeves South Waikato
Dorothy Smith Wellington
Betty Woodham Marlborough
Molly Wright South Waikato

1983
Janice Blissett Temuka and Districts
Margaret Herron [née Thompson] Otago
Audrey Thurlow Otango

1984
Rangi Delamare Eastern Bay of Plenty
Dorothy Fathers Thames Valley +
Nita Harris Kaikoura
K Shannon Eastern Bay of Plenty
D Simpson North Canterbury
Aroha Turnbull Thames Valley

1985
Edith Findlay Southland

1986
B Harding Hawke’s Bay
Norma Peggs West Auckland
Bernice Wood Taranaki

1987
M Donovan King Country
Joan Williams Howick/Pakuranga

1988
Heather Brewer West Auckland
Fay Freeman North Shore
Mavis Kennedy South Canterbury

1989
Christine Archer Wellington
Monica Leggat Waikato
Julia Murray + Canterbury
Eileen Robinson South Canterbury

Dawn Jones Auckland
Joyce Prankerd Wellington
Shirley Sanderson Matamata
Jean Skelsey Whanganui
Annabel Sutton Hawke’s Bay
A Tippet Southland

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Netball New Zealand
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North Harbour
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Waikato
Tracey Fear  
Netball New Zealand
Leigh Gibba  
Netball New Zealand
Adrienne Hayes  
Christchurch
June Kilgour  
Howick/Pakuranga
Colleen Lyons  
Otago
Carole Maddix  
North Harbour
Raewyn Mills  
Papakura
Helen Schulz  
North Harbour
Cathie Shaw  
Waikato
Eleanor Simmons  
North Harbour
Rhonda Turner  
Papakura
Michele Wallace  
North Harbour

2013
Edna Brown  
Hamilton City
Dorothy Craighed  
North Canterbury
Isabel Forraster  
North Canterbury
Lynette Gubb  
South Canterbury
Diane Moloney  
South Canterbury
Lynn Stratford  
South Canterbury
Mureen Turfrey  
Eastern Southland

2014
Ngamahirau Grace Barnett  
Hawke’s Bay
Tasi Betteridge  
Hutt Valley
Yvonne Brew  
Upper Clutha
Iwi Courtney  
Howick/Pakuranga
Julie Erskine  
Invercargill
Julie-Ann Hallett  
Waikato Bay of Plenty
Leigh Knight  
Papakura
Sylvia McCleary  
Hawke’s Bay
Briar Martinlade  
Papakura
Bronwyn Meek  
Auckland
Michelle Newton  
North Harbour
Grace Rhind  
Papakura
Sherryl Roy  
Dunedin
Jan Skilton  
North Harbour
Gail Wenmoth  
Rotorua

2015
Ann Condor  
Central Otago
Alison Cormack  
Eastern Southland
Therese Dixon  
Papakura
Rayma Gunson  
Whangārei
Margaret Marsh  
Christchurch
Aileen Mason  
Waitākere
Amanda Nottingham  
Christchurch
Valerie Temm  
Hamilton City

2016
Jane Andrew  
Nelson Netball
Ann Bourne  
Netball North Harbour

Jono Bredin  
Dunedin Netball
Jan Clough  
Netball Manawatū
Kathy Hely  
Selwyn Netball
Anne Maret  
Mid-Canterbury Netball
Veronica Martin  
Gisborne Netball
Marilyn Milne  
Nelson Netball
Maree Smith  
Nelson Netball

2017
Rosemary Adlam  
Mid-Canterbury Netball
Beverley Douglas  
Netball New Zealand
Adrienne Ensor  
Dunedin Netball
Debbie Hodges  
Netball New Zealand
Shirley Hooper  
Netball New Zealand
Sharon Kearney  
Netball New Zealand
Raewyn Lovett  
Netball New Zealand
Kerry Manders  
Netball New Zealand
Karla Newlands  
Mid-Canterbury Netball
Sally Paki Paki  
Nelson Netball Centre
David Pala’amo  
Christchurch Netball Centre
Lee Piper  
Netball South
Barbara Reid  
Mid-Canterbury Netball
Dr Lesley Rumball  
Netball New Zealand
Julie Seymour  
Netball New Zealand
Nina Smith  
Howick/Pakuranga
Netball Centre
Irene Takao  
Gisborne Netball Centre
Lorraine Tapp  
Dunedin Netball
Fatuvatele Tolo  
Netball Wellington Centre

2018
Sherrill Beale  
Gisborne
Geoff Belland  
Waitākere
John Bongard  
Netball New Zealand
Glennys Burney  
Christchurch
Dianne Dickins  
Eastern Southland
Judith Downer  
North Harbour
Sandra Edge  
Wellington
Allison Ferguson  
Auckland
Carol Ferguson  
Pukekohe
Bridget Gane  
Marlborough
Julie Hansen  
Gisborne
Ann Hay  
Wellington
Raewyn Henry  
Northern Zone
Shirley Hocquard  
Marlborough
Natalie Kelly  
Waikato Bay of Plenty
Christena Loomans  
Papakura
Lorna Manu  
Waitākere
Robyn Mayo  
Pukekohe
Karen Naylor  
South Canterbury
Ngami Prattley  
Eastern Southland
Anne Reid  
Eastern Southland
Bubs Reweti  
Wellington
Jan Teesdale  
Waikato Bay of Plenty
Ann Tod  
Netball New Zealand
Beryl Turketo  
Waitākere

2019
Lyn Barr  
Netball North Harbour
Gail Benseman  
Mid-Canterbury Netball Centre
Lillian Cattell  
Netball Manawatū
Pam Clayton  
Netball WBOP
Elaine Curtis  
Netball Waitakere
Gail Griffiths  
Netball North Harbour
Marcia Hardcastle  
Netball North Harbour
Gayle Hare  
Netball Wellington Centre
Casey Kopua  
Netball WBOP
Lee Manaia  
Netball Manawatū
Jo Morrison  
Dunedin Netball Centre
Cathy Roa  
Kapi-Mana Netball Centre
Martha Tahu  
Netball Wellington Centre
Zora Vitasovich  
Netball Waitakere

2020
Karen King  
Netball South Canterbury
Fay Trezise  
Netball South Canterbury
Fay Selby-Law  
Netball Manawatū
Yvette McCausland-Durie  
Netball Manawatū
Lynette Imria  
Netball Hutt Valley
Kay Jenkins  
Christchurch Netball Centre
Robyn Daly  
Christchurch Netball Centre
Lee McKenzie  
Christchurch Netball Centre
Robyn Garner  
Howick Pakuranga
Netball Centre

2021
Karen Betty  
Pukekohe Netball Centre
Lynnette Brady  
Netball North Harbour
Jennifer Gerrard  
Hamilton City Netball
Elizabeth Hicks  
Pukekohe Netball Centre
Tania Karauria  
Auckland Netball Centre
Eleanor Kitching  
Waikato Netball Centre
Margaret Kelly  
Hamilton City Netball
Kora (Piwi) Pene  
Netball Hutt Valley
Pam Peneill  
Auckland Netball Centre
Kirstin Scully  
Dunedin Netball Centre
Margaret Webby  
Hamilton City Netball

2022
Stephanie Bond  
Auckland Netball Centre
Julie Coney  
Auckland Netball Centre
Lesley Dick  
Christchurch Netball Centre
Mary Gardiner  
Auckland Netball Centre
Teresa Irwin  
Central Southland Netball Centre
Genny Jarvis  
Netball Hutt Valley Centre
Roger Ledingham  
Nelson Netball Centre +
Bernice Mene  
Netball New Zealand
Todd Miller  
Netball New Zealand
Lesley Murdoch  
Netball New Zealand
David Ronaldson  
Netball Northern Zone
Raewyn Ronaldson  
Pukekohe Netball Centre
Brenda Rowberry  
Netball New Zealand
Anna Stanley  
Netball New Zealand
Katherine West  
Pukekohe Netball Centre
Donna Wilkins  
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Dianne Williams  
Netball Northern Zone
## The Netball System

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Major Events

ANZ Premiership Netball

Zones

83 Netball Centres
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Opinion

We have audited the consolidated special purpose financial statements of Netball New Zealand Incorporated and its subsidiaries ("the Group") on pages 66 to 72, which comprise the consolidated special purpose statement of financial position as at 30 November 2022, and the consolidated special purpose statement of financial performance and consolidated special purpose statement of movements in equity for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated special purpose financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 30 November 2022, and its consolidated financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Basis of Reporting per Note1 of the consolidated special purpose financial statements.

Our report is made solely to the Members of the Group. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Members of the Group those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Members of the Group as a body, for our audit work, for our report or for the opinions we have formed.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing [New Zealand] ("ISAs (NZ)"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Special Purpose Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) [New Zealand] issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants’ International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ["IESBA Code"], and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor and provider of other assurance services we have no relationship with, or interests in, Netball New Zealand Incorporated or any of its subsidiaries. The provision of these other assurance services has not impaired our independence.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the consolidated special purpose financial statements, which describes the basis of reporting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 68 and 69. As a result, the consolidated special purpose financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other Information

Those Charged with Governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Group’s annual report for the year ended 30 November 2022 (but does not include the consolidated special purpose financial statements and our auditor’s report thereon).

Our opinion on the consolidated special purpose financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of audit opinion or assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated special purpose financial statements, our responsibility is to read
n the basis of these consolidated special purpose financial statements.

A further description of the auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated special purpose financial statements is located at the External Reporting Board’s website at:


Matters Relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Consolidated Audited Special Purpose Financial Statements

This audit report relates to the consolidated special purpose financial statements of Netball New Zealand Incorporated and its subsidiaries for the year ended 30 November 2022 included on Netball New Zealand Incorporated ‘s website. Those Charged with Governance of Netball New Zealand Incorporated are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of Netball New Zealand Incorporated ‘s website. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of Netball New Zealand Incorporated ‘s website. We accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the consolidated special purpose financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.

The audit report refers only to the consolidated special purpose financial statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyper linked to or from these consolidated special purpose financial statements. If readers of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communication they should refer to the published hard copy of the audited consolidated special purpose financial statements and related audit report dated 16 December 2022 to confirm the information included in the audited consolidated special purpose financial statements presented on this website.

Legislation in New Zealand governing the preparation and dissemination of consolidated special purpose financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

BAKER TILLY STAPLES RODWAY AUCKLAND
Auckland, New Zealand
17 December 2021

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## Consolidated Special Purpose Statement of Financial Performance
for the year ended 30 November 2022

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for the year ended 30 November 2022

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as at 30 November 2022

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1 General Overview

Reporting Entity
Netball New Zealand Incorporated (NNZ) is an Incorporated Society registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. The consolidated special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with s23(1) of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. For the purposes of financial reporting, NNZ is a public benefit entity [not for profit].

The consolidated special purpose financial statements and the accompanying notes summarise the financial results of activities carried out by NNZ and its subsidiaries [together the ‘NNZ Group’].

The purpose of NNZ Group is to promote and administer the Sport of Netball in New Zealand.

The consolidated special purpose financial statements for NNZ are for the year ended 30 November 2022. They were authorised for issue by the Board on 16 December 2022.

Basis of Reporting
The consolidated special purpose financial statements have been prepared applying the accounting principles of accrual accounting and double entry accounting. The consolidated special purpose financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis unless stated otherwise.

The consolidated special purpose financial statements comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, Performance, Movements in Equity and accounting policies as well as the notes to these statements.

These consolidated special purpose financial statements are presented in New Zealand Dollars, which is NNZ’s functional currency. All amounts have been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise indicated.

The accounting policies have been applied consistently for all accounting periods unless stated otherwise. Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

Use of Judgements and Estimates
In the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies and the application of accounting standards, NNZ has made a number of judgements and estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and various other matters that are considered to be appropriate under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Key estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of these consolidated special purpose financial statements are:

- Note 5: Useful lives of Plant and Equipment
- Revenue Recognition: Judgement is required to determine the point at which revenue is earned

Going Concern: The consolidated special purpose financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The Board consider it appropriate for these consolidated special purpose financial statements to be prepared on a going concern basis.

OTHER ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Consolidation
The Group financial statements include the parent [NNZ] and its subsidiaries (New Netball Team Ltd, NLNZ Ltd) and Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty Zone.

The consolidated special purpose financial statements are those of the consolidated entity [‘the Group’], comprising the financial statements of the parent entity and all of the entities the parent controls. The Group controls an entity where it has the power, for which the parent has exposure or rights to variable returns from its involvement with the entity, and for which the parent has the ability to use its power over the entity to affect the amount of its returns.

The financial statements of subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the parent entity, using consistent accounting policies. Adjustments are made to bring into line any dissimilar accounting policies which may exist.

All inter-company balances and transactions, including any unrealised profits or losses, have been eliminated on consolidation. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is obtained by the Group and are de-recognised from the date that control ceases.

Acquisitions
The Group accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group.

The acquisition method involves recognising at acquisition date the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any non-controlling interest, separate from goodwill. The consideration transferred in the acquisition is generally
measured at fair value, as are the identifiable net assets acquired. Any goodwill that arises is amortised over its useful life, which is assumed to be 10 years. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognised in surplus or deficit immediately. Transactions costs are expensed as incurred.

Amalgamations
An amalgamation is where one or more operations combine together, where the economic substance of the combination is that of an amalgamation and where no consideration is transferred. The Group accounts for an amalgamation by applying the modified pooling of interests method. The modified pooling of interests method requires recognition and measurement of the assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests at their carrying amounts, recognition and measurement of any other adjustments (e.g. to align accounting policies) within net assets/equity. An amalgamation does not give rise to goodwill.

Investment in Associate
An associate is an entity over which the Group is able to exercise significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control of those policies.

The Group’s interests in associates are accounted for using the equity method after initially being recognised at cost. Under the equity method, the Group’s share of the profits or losses of the associate is recognised in the Group’s Statement of Financial Performance. Unrealised gains and losses on transactions between the Group and an associate are eliminated to the extent of the Group’s interest in the associate.

Taxation
NNZ is a non-profit body for taxation purposes under section CW 46 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and as such no taxation is payable on the profit for the year.

Goods and Services Tax
Income, expenditure and assets and liabilities are recognised exclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST), with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable, which are recognised inclusive of GST, where invoiced.

2 Significant Accounting Policies
The accounting policies set out below have been applied in preparing the consolidated special purpose financial statements for all periods presented.

Revenue Recognition
Revenue from exchange transactions, including goods and services received in kind, are recognised as earned and when the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received. Broadcast, Sponsorship and Event Income are classified as revenue from exchange transactions. Sponsorship and Broadcast are recognised over the period of the contract and as the benefits are supplied by NNZ. Event Income is recognised in the period of the event. Interest income is recognised on an accruals basis using the effective interest method. Dividends or similar distributions shall be recognised when NNZ’s right to receive payment is established. Funding and Grants are classified as non-exchange transactions. Revenue from non-exchange transactions is generally recognised in full on receipt. In some cases non-exchange transactions contain a requirement that will result in the repayment of the amount if certain conditions are not met. In this case NNZ recognises a liability for deferred income and revenue is recognised once these conditions have been satisfied.

Contra is to recognise in-kind contributions. They are recognised as Sponsorship revenue and expenses when amounts are quantifiable in terms of the Sponsorship contract.

Membership Income is classified as an exchange transaction and is recognised on receipt from the Zones and Centres.

Accounts Receivable
Accounts Receivable are recognised at original invoice amount less any allowance for uncollectable amounts. Bad debts are written off when identified and recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance.

Accounts Payable
Accounts Payable and Accruals represents liabilities for goods and services provided to NNZ which have not been paid at the end of the financial year. These amounts are usually settled within 30 days. The liability for wages and salaries including annual leave are recognised in accruals in respect of employees’ services.

Foreign Currency
Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into New Zealand Dollars (functional currency) at spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated to New Zealand Dollars at the exchange rate at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is recognised in revenue or expenses as part of the surplus or deficit.

Uniforms
Uniforms are expensed at the time of purchase, unless purchased for future squads.
## Operating Surplus

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<td>Sport NZ and High Performance Sport NZ</td>
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<td>Grants</td>
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<td>Event Revenue</td>
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<td>NNZ Membership</td>
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<td>Zone Membership</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>1,044</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td><strong>25,371</strong></td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>79</td>
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<td>Rental and Operating Lease Expenses</td>
<td>329</td>
<td>362</td>
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<td>Change in Market Value of Investments</td>
<td>373</td>
<td>(112)</td>
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<td>Game Development and Events</td>
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<td>3,320</td>
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<td>Elite Programmes and Events</td>
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<td>Operations</td>
<td>4,401</td>
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<td>Strategic Initiatives</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenditure</strong></td>
<td><strong>25,181</strong></td>
<td><strong>20,726</strong></td>
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## Plant and Equipment

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<td>Office Equipment</td>
<td>132</td>
<td>117</td>
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<tr>
<td>Furniture and Fittings</td>
<td>185</td>
<td>165</td>
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<td>Other Equipment</td>
<td>754</td>
<td>653</td>
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<td><strong>Total Plant and Equipment</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,215</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,014</strong></td>
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## Employee Benefits

### Short-term Employee Benefit Obligations

Liabilities arising in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and other employee benefits (other than termination benefits) expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the reporting period are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts based on remuneration rates which are expected to be paid when the liability is settled. The expected cost of short-term employee benefits in the form of compensated absences such as annual leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short-term employee benefit obligations are presented as payables in the Consolidated Special Purpose Statement of Financial Position.

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<td>Furniture and Fittings</td>
<td>171</td>
<td>160</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other Equipment</td>
<td>736</td>
<td>625</td>
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<td><strong>Total Plant and Equipment</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,120</strong></td>
<td><strong>978</strong></td>
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All Plant and Equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Where an asset is acquired in a non-exchange transaction for nil or nominal consideration the asset is initially measured at its fair value. Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of Plant and Equipment is recognised in surplus or deficit.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only if it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the entity. All other repairs and maintenance costs are recognised in surplus or deficit as incurred.

Depreciation is charged on a straight-line basis on all Plant and Equipment over the estimated useful life of the asset. Work in Progress is not depreciated. The assets residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The depreciation rates of Plant and Equipment are as follows:

- **Office Alterations** .......... 10 years
- **Office Equipment** .......... 2-5 years
- **Furniture and Fittings** ....... 2-15 years
- **IT Equipment** ............... 2-5 years
Revenue is deferred and recognised as a liability when it relates to a specific event or project. Revenue is recognised when the conditions have been satisfied.

Cash and Cash Equivalents include cash on hand and at banks. Short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less held at call with financial institutions.

Investments have been valued at market value as at 30 November 2022. The change in market value during the year is recognised through the Statement of Financial Performance.
11 Commitments

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<th>Commitments under Non-Cancellable Operating Leases</th>
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<td>Not later than one year</td>
<td>398</td>
<td>207</td>
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<td>Later than one year and not later than eight years</td>
<td>1,526</td>
<td>1,329</td>
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<td><strong>Total Operating Lease Commitments</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,924</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,536</strong></td>
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Payments made under operating leases are recognised in surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Leases are classified at their inception as either operating or finance leases based on the economic substance of the agreement so as to reflect the risks and benefits incidental to ownership.

Lease incentives received under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

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<th>Capital Commitments</th>
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<td>Investment in Sportfit Ltd</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td><strong>Total Capital Commitments</strong></td>
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12 Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty (“the Zone”)

In November 2020, Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty was placed into administration due to financial hardship. The Netball New Zealand Board has determined, Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty Zone will remain under NNZ administration until the changes to the Incorporated Societies Act are fully understood. Due to the nature of the relationship it was determined NNZ has control over the Zone which has resulted in Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty Zone’s financial statements being consolidated within the Group financial statements.

The NNZ Board has made the decision to separate the Waikato Bay of Plenty (WBOP) Magic Team from the Netball Waikato Bay of Plenty Zone. As of 1 December 2022, the WBOP Magic Team will trade as a separate entity wholly owned by NNZ.

13 Related Party Transactions

The ANZ Premiership commenced in 2017, this competition is owned by NNZ. New Netball Team Ltd was established for the 6th team [Northern Stars], that participates in the competition. This company is 100% owned by NNZ and is also consolidated into NNZ Group results.

NLNZ Ltd was established for the Mainland Tactix Team that participates in the competition. This company is 100% owned by NNZ and is consolidated into the NNZ Group results.

The 2022 NZCT grant was approved in 2021. One of the NNZ Board members was also a Board Member of New Zealand Community Trust (NZCT) at this time. NNZ has recognised NZCT grant income of $539,291 (2021: $469,128). The Board Member removes themselves from any funding decisions regarding NNZ funding.

One Board Member was not paid an honoraria as per a condition of their other employment.

14 Guarantee and Contingencies

There were no Guarantees for Contingencies for 2022. (2021: $nil).

15 Subsequent Events

There have been no events subsequent to balance date that would have a material impact on the consolidated special purpose financial statements. (2021: $nil).
Thank you to our Partners.