

# Northland Hockey Association Inc.

2023

**Annual Report** 



STRATEGIC PLAN

HOCKEY 2018-2023

Our Mission: To create opportunities for all participants to enjoy hockey at their chosen level.

Our Vision: To provide the best hockev experience in New Zealand.

#### **VALUES:**

- Participation and membership focused
- Whanau (Family) focused Hockey Community
- Safe Environment where members look out for each other
- Respect shown for our People and Facilities
- Aspire to Achieve by encouraging all to reach their goals
- · Accountability Everyone owning the decisions they make

#### Strategic Outcome

#### What Impact do we want

#### Grow and Sustain the Hockey community

- 1. More people participating and enjoying playing hockey
- 2. Hockey provided at every life stage from Fun Sticks to
- 3. Innovative game formats are making the game more enjoyable for more people
- 4. Hockey is accessible to people throughout the Northland area
- 5. Improved Volunteer, Coach, Umpire and Player experiences through up-skilling and support opportunities
- 6. Strong ties with Tai Tokerau Maori Hockey

#### What do we want to achieve by 2023

- 1. 3% annual growth in registered Whangarei players
- 2. 5% annual growth in number of participants in summer social & school programs
- 3. 5% annual growth in hockey programmes as a result of Northland Hockey-BOI Hockey partnership
- 4. Turf usage spread across 7 days per week (increased participation and facility utilisation)
- 5. Collaborative school and Council partnerships (Masters, Tai Tokerau, JMC, Club) are delivering hockey programmes to targeted population groups
- 6. Annual school cluster competitions are held in satellite centres accessible to Northland communities
- 7. Appropriately skilled umpires are provided on senior games at their own ability level
- 8. An online Coach resource is accessible to every hockey coach in Northland

#### Strengthen the **Business**

- 1. The whole team is travelling in the same direction
- 2. The financial impact of competitions is positive
- 3. The Northland Hockey brand is positive and widely recognised
- 4. Feedback on communication from Northland Hockey to clubs and from clubs to members is positive
- 5. A positive relationship between Northland Hockey and clubs (based on member survey responses)
- 6. Systems and support structures provide efficient and effective operational delivery
- Competent, enthusiastic volunteers involved in organisation and delivery of the game

- 1. Alignment between the strategic plan, business plan, marketing & communications plan, and CEO and staff KPIs
- 2. A succession plan for staff, board and council provides continuity of
- 3. A long-term financial plan is established
- 4. 'Value for money" propositions are developed for all hockey programmes
- 5. An online shop is delivering a service to members and promoting the Hockey Northland brand
- 70% of survey respondents are satisfied with the quality of Northland Hockey systems, support structures and communication
- 7. A healthy relation is maintained with funding partners and sponsors
- 8. 15% 'new business' growth in sponsorship income levels is achieved

#### Successful Onfield Performance

- 1. Talented players, coaches and umpires have a pathway from entry level through to national and international
- 2. Northland coach and umpire programmes are aligned with National Hockey Coach and Umpire programmes
- 3. Northland Hockey's reputation for hosting quality events continues
- 4. Northland Hockey acknowledges its highest performing athletes
- 1. Multi-tiered development programmes are established at age and stage appropriate levels for coaches, umpires and players
- 2. Coaches are appointed for all Premier, Reserve Grade and
- 3. Northland is consistently fielding representative teams aligned with Hockey NZ's strategy and plan
- 4. Northland Hockey representative teams are consistently placing in the top 8
- 5. Northland is hosting annual tournaments of national significance

#### **Facilities**

- 1. There are sufficient hockey turfs to meet the growth
- 2. There are sufficient facilities for playing hockey in Northland to meet the sports needs
- 3. There are adequate ancillary facilities to meet the
- 4. An asset management plan links with the long-term financial plan
- 5. Partnerships with Whangarei District Council Parks
- 1. A competent and engaged facilities committee continues to future
- 2. An Asset Management Plan is updated annually and guides work to maintain the Kensington complex
- 3. The WDC long term plan includes provision for a 4th turf at Kensington or for an additional turf to be provided in partnership with a local school
- 4. Redevelopment of the grandstand is progressed to provide enhanced ancillary facilities
- 5. A video tower is provided to enhance safety

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# **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### 2023 New Zealand Representative Players & OFFICIALS

- Oceana Cup hosted in Whangarei
- Vantage Black Sticks Women's National Squad : Katie Doar, Madi Doar, Brooke Roberts, Brodie Cochrane (Japan series)
- Vantage Black Sticks Men's Management Team : Assistant Coach Mike Delaney
- U21 NZ Future Black Stick: Hayden Ganley, Sam Lints, Brodie Cochrane
- **U21 Junior Black Sticks**: Lauren Storey, Murphy Phillips, Jacque Cameron, Scott Illerbrun
- 50 Caps Katie Doar
- 100 Caps for Northland : Thomas Keogh
- NZ Hockey5s Oceania Cup

  Holly Hilton-Jones
- Trans-Tasman Test Series: Nicky Mathews, Arriane Christie, Jackie Lints, Peggy Shepherd, Phil Hook, Brian Codlin
- NZ National Māori "NZ Heritage Tournament Representatives": Amy Sampson, Murphy Phillips, Holly Hilton-Jones, Grace Hilton-Jones, Jamie Rapana, Trenelle Woods-Eruera, Courtney Phillips (Coach), Solomon Haenga-Plank, Caleb Williamson
- NZ National Māori Hockey (national teams): Junior Wahine Jess Wech, Jamie Rapana,
  Amy Sampson, Trenelle Woods-Eruera Junior Tane Caleb Williamson, Solomon HaengaPlank, Harrison Cochrane Junior & Senior Wahine teams Brodie Cochrane, Murphy Phillips,
  Grace Hilton-Jones, Holly Hilton-Jones, Murphy Phillips. Kaea Elliot
  Senior Wahine Garby Smith Senior Tane Bronson Baker, Ethan Codlin
- NZ Māori Hockey Silver medallists Taitokerau Wahine A
- NHC Northland Men Promotion to NHC Tier 1







#### 2023 INTERNATIONAL SERIES - OCEANIA CUP

Held from 10 to 13 August 2023. Australia were the defending champions, having won all previous editions. The event consisted of a three match series between defending champions Australia and series hosts, New Zealand. Australia, as the winner, qualified for the 2024 Summer Olympics.

MEN vs AUSTRALIA WOMEN vs AUSTRALIA

Game 1 | 1-3 Game 1 | 0-3

Game 2 | 4-2 Game 2 | 1-1

Game 3 | 1-3 Game 3 | 2-3

The Oceania Cup kicked off with intense matches between the Vantage Black Sticks and the Australian teams. In the opening women's match, the Hockeyroos dominated possession, securing a 3-0 victory despite the Black Sticks' solid defense.

The mens first game saw a spirited performance from both sides, with the Kookaburras ultimately winning 3-1 after a late counterattack. On day two the Black Sticks Men secured a thrilling 4-2 victory against the Kookaburras, marking their first win over Australia since 2016 having gone up 3-0 in the first quarter.

Meanwhile, the Black Sticks Women showed improvement but had to settle for a 1-1 draw against the Hockeyroos. Despite a promising start on match day 3, the Black Sticks Men fell short against the Kookaburras, losing 3-1 and missing out on automatic Olympic qualification. The Black Sticks Women fought valiantly but suffered a 3-2 defeat against the Hockeyroos, ending their hopes of automatic qualification as well.

Has been a long time coming for Northland to hold an international match. From all accounts we do pride ourselves to run these major events. Hockey Community fully engaged with the campaign and we are the best of the best running any event in the North.

Well done Northland!!

# **Brian Maunsell Memorial Service to Sport**



2023 Brian Maunsell Memorial Service to Sport Winner || Congratulations to Vicki Gribble!

Vicki's journey in hockey is a testament to dedication, passion, and service to her community.

A recipient of a Hockey NZ Gold Service Award and Hockey Northland Life Membership, Vicki has given over 45 years of commitment to the sport and Northland Hockey community. One of her most memorable experiences was reviving youth engagement in Tai Tokerau Hockey and leading a young tane team to an unexpected victory in their first Māori tournament. Through her leadership, she instilled not just skills but also mana and pride in her players. Beyond her remarkable achievements, Vicki's contributions to hockey extend far and wide. With over four decades of service to Northland Hockey, she has held many different roles from player, coach, board chair, event coordinator, reporter, umpire.

administrator and more. Her coaching legacy is marked by a multitude of teams she has guided to success, from club levels to national tournaments. Vicki's influence extends beyond the field, as she has mentored and shaped future stars of the sport, including players who went on to become key players in their respective Black Sticks squads. Despite her many accolades, Vicki remains humble, finding fulfilment in the growth and development of her players and fellow coaches. Her impact on the hockey community makes her a true role model of service to sport.

#### 2023 Hockey Northland Award Winners

Supporters Cup Arriane Christie (Mgk) Administrators Cup Jane Hansen (Springfield) Whangarei Stick (Men) Jeremy Hansen (Springfield) Whangarei Stick (Women) Alma Quirey (Old Girls) Peter Lawson Memorial Sportsman of the Year: Thomas Keogh (Springfield) Peter Lawson Memorial Sportswoman of the Year: Nicky Mathews (Old Girls) Hockey Northland Female Representative of the Year Garby Smith Hockey Northland Male Representative of the Year Hayden Ganley **Bronze Service Award** Jo Cheeseman

#### **UMPIRES AWARDS**

Players Choice Men

Players Choice Women

Rouse Family Memorial Trophy (Services on and off the field)

Hartnell Family Trophy (Most Improved Senior Umpire of the Year)

Domino's Pizza - Senior Umpire of the Year

Vicki Allen

Shelley Yeates

Warren Baier

Shelley Yeates

## TAI TOKERAU MĀORI HOCKEY AWARDS

Junior Sportswoman
 Senior Sportswoman
 Junior Sportsman
 Senior Sportsman
 Senior Sportsman
 Senior Sportsman
 Whanaungatanga Award for cultural contribution:

Murphy Phillips
Garby Smith
Harrison Cochrane
Ethan Codlin
Kortez Hita-Duval

6. Toki Award for leadership: Nui Ariki

#### **Office Bearers**

PatronDr Shane RetiPresidentBill Shepherd

**Board Members** Shannon McNab (*Chairperson*), Shane McInerney,

Anne-Marie Adams, Neil Pennington

Russell Plank, Toni Hartnell, Lisa Parsonage, Brayden Nichols

(Financial Advisor to the Board)

Staff

Chief Executive Officer Grant McLeod Glen Alderton Operations Manager Admin Team Leader Gail Ambler Finance Manager Hannah Milich Courtney Phillips Participation Officer Bar Manager & Kitchen Caterer **Brendon Quaid** Marketing & Sponsorship Manager Andy Mayhew Caretaker Lindsay Malcolm

## **Operational Committees**

Club Council Executive Karen Smith (Chairperson), Julie Jenkins, Michele Codlin, Mark

Meyer, Warren Litchfield, Blair Scott, Arriane Christie, Russell Plank (Umpires representative), Lisa Parsonage (JMC observer)

Grant McLeod (CEO)

Junior Management Committee Amy Jones (Chairperson), Anne-Maree Adams (Secretary)

Rachel Burgin (Deputy Chairperson), Zandy Braddock (Deputy

Secretary), Courtney Phillips (HN Representative)

Umpires Executive Vicki Allen (Chair), Toni Hartnell (Secretary), Dylan Codlin,

Russell Plank, Shelley Yeates, Kayla Drake, Grant Shaw, Brendon Quaid, Melanie Oakden, Glen Alderton (HN

Representative)

Masters Council Colleen Prendergast (Chair), Kim Ackers (Treasurer),

Arriane Christie (W35s), Sarah Morris (W40s), Jacque Johnson (W50s), Peggy Shepherd (W60s), Matt Jones (M35s), Dan Bowmar (M40s), Mike Hooson (M45s), Russell Plank (M50s)

Gail Ambler (HN Representative)

Judicial Committee Murray Lints, Jill Christie, Raewyn Douglas, Sandy McKenzie,

Ngaire Graham, Jackie Lints

Tai Tokerau Māori Hockey Council Vicki Gribble, Michele Codlin, Russell Plank, Evania Arani, Kylie

Wech, Marika Currie, Duncan Anderson, Hamish Anderson, Kiri

Duval, NZ Māori Kaunihera delegate : Margi Kay

Facilities Committee Bill Shepherd, Sue Shepherd, Allan Delaney, Crichton Christie,

Shane McInerney, CEO, Operations Manager

## **HOCKEY NORTHLAND – LIFE MEMBERS**

19	937	Girlie Lowe	1986	Crichton Christie
19	938	S Oldocrn	1986	Ross W Pennington
19	939	B Meyer (Mrs) McMillian	1986	Nigel H R Ross
19	942	L M Oldcorn	1988	Trevor W Blake
		A J McGee	1988	Gordon J Marsh
19	943	F Primmer	1989	Des McLean
19	944	H Patterson	1990	Mrs Pat Came
19	948	J N Munroe	1990	Mick Came
		G A R McKoy	1991	Mrs M J Christie
		J S Hill	1992	Murray Lints
19	965	H Hannam	1992	Mrs Edna Smith
19	966	Ernie J Roughton	1993	Mrs Mary Miller
19	968	George A Uffindall	1994	Ian Palmer
		G D Horn	1995	Merv Bint
		Cyril F Bint	1997	Mrs Sue Shepherd
		Mrs Edna Deeming	1999	Terry Heappey
		Jim S Collier	2002	D (Buster) Wilson
19	970	Ces F Saul	2007	Mrs Bev Heappey
19	971	Mrs B Carter	2010	Bill Shepherd
19	974	Mrs Mary Collier	2014	Mrs Pauline Johnson
19	974	Robert E Johnston	2022	Ms Angeline Waetford
19	978	Mrs Phil Byers	2022	Mrs Margi Kay
19	979	Colin Thorne	2022	Mrs Vicki Gribble
19	980	Wolfe Domb	2022	Grant Croft
19	983	Lloyd Cotton	2022	John Godfrey

# FROM OUR LEADERS

#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER's REPORT**

2023 was a busy and exciting year. The first full year of hockey not impacted by Covid after three years of disruption.

#### **Board**

The Board continued to provide a balanced approach to the Governance of the Association at a time where many other Associations are dealing with significant challenges.

We welcome the return of Shannon McNabb Anne-Marie Adams and Russell Plank who all stood down by rotation and were re-elected to their Board positions. Stability in the Board can certainly be an asset.

My thanks go to Shannon and the Board for the guidance and direction.

The later part of 2023 saw the Board continue to review the Strategic plan and updates should be available soon. Also the Incorporated Societies Act was updated which will require some constitutional changes to be made in the near future.

#### **Staff**

2023 saw the staff return to again provide a high level of service to our membership. Amy Alderton joined us in the admin support role.

I wish to personally thank each and every member of the staff for their positive outlook, resilience, and dedication to the hockey community during the year. Often going above and beyond what their roles are.

The staff team in Hockey Northland work incredibly well together to continue to provide high quality hockey opportunities to our membership and Northlanders.

#### Volunteers

This area provides for the significant framework that supports and allows hockey to be enjoyed by our 2726 winter members and many supporters. The volunteers provide the

framework that keeps our players enjoying hockey. Much of the work done by our volunteers goes largely unnoticed or ignored by the players. I would hope that the players would at the least take the time to acknowledge the work carried out by our volunteers. Player numbers are steadily returning to the pre Covid levels, which is very encouraging.

The continued efforts of the volunteers in Hockey Northland are extremely essential to the health of the Association. Whether they are coaches, managers, club administrators, gear custodians that are ensuring that their club/teams are the best they can be, or it is an individual who volunteers to assist in any area of Hockey Northland your efforts are greatly appreciated, and we cannot thank you enough. We encourage others to commit to these volunteer roles.

To the various committees that oversee many areas of Hockey Northland my thanks go to those who give up their time freely to ensure that hockey runs smoothly, for those of you looking in from outside we encourage you to put your hand up to assist these committees where possible.

The Northland Umpires Council continued to grow as a group and their ongoing efforts are key to hockey in general. To those that umpired or officiated this year whether at National Tournaments or premier, collegiate, junior or social grades thank you so much.

The Club Council Executive started with a full complement of members, and this resulted in many views being put forward in wide ranging and varied discussions. Congratulations to the Māori Council for their commitment to making their competition quality experiences for all participants. Master's were finally able to play their scheduled National tournament after two years of cancellations.

Hockey Northland continued with its Open grade Volunteers thank you at the end of the

year in 2023, a good turn out as clubs continue to acknowledge their volunteers these people are nominated by their clubs for the volunteer work that they do for their club or team.

#### Competitions

2023 representative tournament programme was a full season across all levels that we have representative teams in.

The U18 Men in Dunedin and Women in Auckland completed their campaigns with disappointing final results, with the Women finishing in 10<sup>th</sup> place and the Men in 14<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately the end of the Mens tournament was marred by five individuals breaking team code of conduct which resulted in them being stood down for the last two games. This age group is certainly capable of better results in both the Men and Women and will be an area of focus in years to come. Many thanks to the Womens team management and the Mens manager and assistant coach for all their efforts.

NHC Men continued to make progress with some good results at tournament although falling at the last hurdle they still manged to gain promotion to Tier 1 for 2024. Playing at this level will require a very committed and large group to ensure they stay in tier 1. These results by the Men were due in no small part to the training they undertook over the proceeding 12 months. The Women's campaign unfortunately didn't gain the same traction and commitment as the Mens campaign. As in 2022 draws and shootout losses cost them dearly. The Women continue to be in a rebuilding phase, but all involved need to continue to work on what they can contribute to the campaigns to ensure success.

Our U13 and U16 tournaments were held in North Harbour and it was great to see so many players, coaches and teams playing for Northland. The most satisfying aspect was our ability to accommodate all players that wished to enter. As we continue to see the effects of the Balance is Better initiative from Sport New Zealand within the U16 and U13 programmes we try to get the balance right for Northland and

it's players. With both age groups close to 100 players, which equates to an additional 55% players experiencing representative hockey the growth in numbers certainly supports this initiative. 2023 saw the U16 group have a selected team and social and fives teams which catered to all needs. Many thanks to all the coaches, managers and helpers that ensured a good time was experienced by all.

Congratulations to Katie Doar Maddie Doar and Brooke Roberts in representing Northland in New Zealand fixtures. Also of special note the Mike Delaney was assistant coach of the Blacksticks Men.

Congratulations to the winners and all those that competed in 2023. Thanks to all the clubs/teams for their input and feedback into the season and efforts during the year. 2024 will see the return of all Senior Competitions finals on one day.

Collegiate hockey scheduled 2 8-week seasons were completed and so very competitive games were held in all grades. It was great to be able to offer these opportunities to our rangatahi.

Once again thanks to all the team managers, coaches and organisers for your efforts during the year. Thanks to those named umpires that assisted in the collegiate area.

Junior hockey completed a successful season. Player numbers are just now returning to pre covid numbers which is heartening to see.

Pay for Play" competitions continued with good support for these competitions across all grades. Good numbers again in the Senior summer grades. These Pay for Play competitions are still great opportunities for clubs to use as recruitment options for their winter teams.

#### **Events**

2023 saw Hockey Northland hosting two major events. The first was the Oceania Cup held in early August. With three test matches in each gender there was a great opportunity for Northlanders to see some of the world's best hockey players on display. Thursday with a large crowd would be a pre-cursor to the 2 sold

out days on Saturday and Sunday. A few of the highlights were.

- Having the Oceania Qualifier in Whangarei was awesome.
- The Powhiri at the local Marae was a very special welcome
- 360 minutes of competitive Trans-Tasman rivalry in our backyard
- School visits by the Blacksticks to Manaia View, Kamo Intermediate and Kaikohe.
- Vantage Blacksticks skills session 150 kids attended, 300 subscribed to this session.
- Autograph sessions after matches each day will provide lasting memories to our young fans
- Wrap arounds included 3 different umpiring course and 2 different Coaching courses
- Social Media engagement with 650,00 unique people
- Broadcast on TVNZ+ in NZ and channel 7 in Australia.
- · 2 sold out days
- The Vantage Blacksticks Men beating Aussie on Saturday was an Electric atmosphere enjoyed by everybody but the Aussies.

Many thanks to the WDC and Educare for their outstanding support for Hockey Northland to allow us to host this epic event.

The second major event was the Upper North Island Tier 4 collegiate Boys and Girls collegiate competition. Both competitions were keenly contested.

Hockey Northlands biggest event is our own club competitions across Open, Collegiate and Junior grades and we need to acknowledge those that assisted in making these competitions awesome experiences.

#### **Facilities**

The facility remains in top class condition mainly due to the efforts of Lindsay Malcolm as the caretaker.

Many people will often mention to me the safe environment that Hockey Northland provides for its community. Once people are in the gate, they know they and their families are in a safe area, but we do need to be vigilant in ensuring our membership stays safe.

Brendon Quaid has continued on as the Bar Manager, and I thank him and his staff for their professional approach to the bar operation.

They provide a great family friendly service to our members. Brendon and the staff continue to be diligent in host responsibilities required under our liquor licence.

Koro Don's café again provided outstanding food for the hockey at reasonable prices. This service continues to be an asset to Hockey Northland, and I ask our membership to support Brendon and the ladies in the kitchen.

#### **Commercial Partners**

Hockey Northland continues to be blessed with a large group of very supportive Commercial Partners that provide us with a tremendous support base that we can work with. Thanks once again to Andy Mayhew for his ongoing efforts with our sponsors while recovering from significant health issues. The levels sponsorship that we have at this venue are by far and away ahead of other Associations around the country. The value that is created through this Sponsorship allows us to promote the Small Sticks in schools and fives collegiate programmes as well as other development opportunities. The breakfast networking opportunities we have run this year continue to be well supported by our Sponsors.

The Whangarei District Council continues to be a great supporter of Hockey Northland and we thank them for their continued support in many areas.

We also thank Oxford Trust Grassroots and Pub Charity for their continued support of Hockey Northland.

#### Summary

To everyone involved in hockey in 2023 thank you and ask that as we move into 2024 people are considerate of others and as challenges arise the collective strength of our membership pulling together makes us far stronger as an Association.

In Early 2024 I will be leaving Hockey Northland after spending 24 years in the role of CEO and

5 years prior to that as Regional Development manager. Overall I have truly loved my time working for Hockey. We have had many successes over that time and obviously some disappointments as well. My main memory will be the outstanding people I have worked with that have helped create one of the stronger Associations in the country. One of my biggest disappointments would be the unfulfilled talent of many, for a variety of reasons.

A quote from JFK could be adapted for Hockey Northland.

Rather than asking "what does Hockey Northland do for me" think about "what can I do to help Hockey Northland"

I hope you all continue to be involved in this wonderful game of Hockey in 2024 and beyond.

Grant McLeod
CEO
Hockey Northland

#### 1. Context:

In 2023, Hockey Northland continued its mission to create opportunities for all participants to enjoy hockey at their chosen level. Our vision of providing the best hockey experience in New Zealand remained at the forefront of our activities. The year saw significant changes within the organization, including the appointment of Lisa Parsonage to the board of Hockey Northland. Lisa brings a wealth of experience, particularly from her contributions to the Junior Management Committee council. Additionally, our long-serving CEO, Grant McLeod, presented his resignation, demonstrating his commitment to the long-term success of Hockey Northland by allowing for a smooth transition and the commencement of the recruitment process for his successor. The board convened multiple meetings to identify key competencies required to align with Hockey Northland's strategic plan and established an Appointments Panel to kickstart the recruitment process in early 2024.

#### 2. Highlights:

- Hosting Oceania Cup 2023: One of the standout achievements of 2023 was the successful
  hosting of the Oceania Cup in Whangarei. This event not only showcased the talent within
  our region but also highlighted our ability to organize and execute major international
  tournaments.
- Recognition of Vicki Gribble: Vicki Gribble was honored by Sport Northland in 2023 for her
  exceptional service to hockey in Northland. This recognition is a testament to the dedication
  and passion of individuals within our community who contribute tirelessly to the sport's
  growth and development.

#### 3. Achievements:

- Player Development: Hockey Northland witnessed significant strides in player development, with several athletes demonstrating remarkable progress in their skills and performance levels.
- Coaching Programs: Our coaching programs continued to evolve, providing high-quality training and mentorship to coaches at all levels. This investment in coaching excellence is fundamental to nurturing the next generation of hockey talent.
- Administrative Improvements: Efforts to enhance administrative processes resulted in greater efficiency and effectiveness in managing the day-to-day operations of Hockey Northland.

#### 4. Issues:

- Financial Constraints: Despite our achievements, financial constraints remained a
  challenge in 2023, as game funding is limited due to external restraints on gaming machines.
  Balancing the budget while striving for excellence in all areas of our operations required
  careful planning and resource allocation.
- **Staffing:** The departure of key personnel, including our CEO, posed temporary challenges in ensuring continuity and leadership stability within the organization.
- **Infrastructure Limitations:** Addressing infrastructure limitations, particularly regarding facilities and equipment, continued to be a priority for Hockey Northland.

#### 5. Recommendations:

- **Financial Sustainability:** Implement measures to enhance financial sustainability, including diversifying revenue streams, optimizing resource utilization, and exploring potential partnerships and sponsorships.
- Leadership Succession: Ensure a smooth transition in leadership by expediting the recruitment process for a new CEO and providing adequate support and training for incoming personnel.
- **Infrastructure Development:** Prioritize investments in infrastructure development to improve facilities and equipment, thereby enhancing the overall experience for players, coaches, and spectators.

#### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, 2023 was a year of both challenges and triumphs for Hockey Northland. Despite facing obstacles, our organization demonstrated resilience, determination, and a steadfast commitment to our mission and vision. As we look ahead, we remain confident in our ability to overcome challenges, capitalize on opportunities, and continue our positive trajectory towards providing the best hockey experience in New Zealand. We extend our gratitude to all stakeholders, including players, coaches, volunteers, sponsors, and supporters, for their unwavering dedication and contributions to the success of Hockey Northland.

Shannon Shepherd
Chairperson
Hockey Northland Board

#### **OPERATIONS MANAGER**

#### The return of traditional fixtures

Hockey Northland in conjunction with Counties Manukau Hockey took the first steps to building an annual fixture arrangement with other associations. This saw the NHC Men's and Women's teams play home and away games against Counties Manukau Hockey prior to NHC and the selection of U16 and U13 teams traveling to Counties Manukau to play. In 2024 the U16 and U13 teams will host the Counties Manukau teams in Whangarei.

#### **Taniwha Programme**

The Taniwha programme continued to be provided for players who wanted further improvement in 2023. The guest coach concept that has proven popular with participants was maintained to ensure different training techniques were introduced. This also enabled the Taniwha programme to help develop local coaches. The Taniwha programme ran just prior to the U18 trails to assist the players to develop into the U18 campaign.

#### **Balance is Better and Good Sports**

Work continued around the application of the Balance is better (BiB) principles. We have made considerable in progress with the youth space in relation to BiB as we work across other sporting codes and with Sport Northland.

Hockey Northland has been activity part of promoting the Good Sports programme which recognises the part that Parents, coaches, teachers, and sport administrator can play in impacting on a child's sport experience. Good Sports aims to "raise adults' awareness about their behaviours in children's' sport, and if necessary, promote a positive shift in that behaviour'. Good Sports is well aligned to Balance is Better and is a useful tool to bring the 'Balance is Better' conversation to a local community and parent level. Hockey Northland staff attended a Sport New Zealand delivered Good Sports residentials workshops so we can continue to develop Good Sports

#### • Under 16

The under 16 programme saw player numbers grow to the 100 player mark. Once again at under 16s level some selection was incorporated into the programme, but all players who wished to play were able to participate in the Grant McLeod Northern Associations tournament held at North Harbour. The under 16 teams were able to play against North Harbour, Auckland, Counties, Waikato, Thames Valley, Tauranga, and the Bay of Plenty Northland fielded an 11 a side boys' team and 3, 11 aside girl's teams in addition to 3 boy's and 2 girl's 5 aside teams.

#### • Under13

The Northland under 13 teams travelled to North Harbour and were able to play against teams from Auckland, North Harbour and Counties. The under 13s played a 6-side half field format like that played on Saturday mornings. In total across the Under 16s and Under 13s Northland had 12 team's participate at the U16 Grant McLeod tournament and North Harbour U13 festival. This year's U13 campaign further player number growth to around 100 players under the Northland umbrella and an additional two teams for Bay of Island Hockey

#### Premier and Reserve Men's competition

2023 saw the introduction of a new trial format the Premier and Reserve Mens grades with combined rounds taking the place of the separated grade approach. Consultation and development by the clubs involved was an important approach to designing the trial competition. Further consultation will likely mean some improvement and changes as the trial continues.

After the learnings from the men's combined competition consultation with the Women's clubs with teams in the Premier and Reserve A grade starting in order to address similar drivers that are and have influenced the men's competition.

#### 2023 SENTINEL HOMES OCEANIA CUP, Whangārei

Holding the Oceania Cup Olympic qualifying series in Whangarei was a highlight. The Black Sticks undertook trainings sessions in some schools around Northland as well as at the Hockey centre. Coach and Umpire developer opportunities were also held with a good number of local coaches and umpire attending.

From an operational perspective, large events like the Oceania Cup take a lot of coordination and work behind the scenes to make them happen. I would like to thank the crew from Hockey New Zealand, Whangarei District Council, Hockey Northland staff and the large group on volunteers that helped out in order to make sure we put on an event to remember.

Environmentally the event set a benchmark with 93% of total event waste generated was diverted from landfill.

As a quick overview we had 6 games over 3 match days, we sold the stadium out 2 of the 3 match days which was a capacity close to 1990, all games were live on TVNZ+ with an average 1.1mil viewers reached.

Glen Alderton
Operations Manager
Hockey Northland

#### **Financial Adviser's Report**

This Financial Report is based on the audited annual Financial Statements.

#### **Statement of Financial Performance**

For the year ended 31 December 2023:

Total revenue for the year was higher than anticipated being \$1.272m compared to \$1.121m budgeted for. This is also an increase on the previous year of \$1.078m. This favourable variance is attributable to increase revenues across the board however the bulk coming from aged group teams, test matches and grant funding.

Expenses for the year totalled \$1.399m, compared with the budget of \$1.042m. Total expenses included a depreciation allowance of \$203k leaving an operational budget variance of \$154k. This effectively offsets the increase in the revenue noted above and is driven by the corresponding expense lines of age group teams and test matches combined with the effect of rising costs resulting from post covid inflation.

Total net deficit for the year was (\$127k) compared to a budget surplus of \$79k and a deficit of (\$133k) in 2022.

#### Statement of Financial Position

The Statement of Financial Position continues to show a strong financial position for the association with working capital and reserve balances on the rise. Net Assets as at 31 December 2023 were \$2.850m compared with the 2022 year totalling \$2.978m. The decrease effectively coming from the depreciation allowance on the fixed assets.

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

The net cash position increased during the financial year by \$32k. Last year there was a small cash deficit of (\$14k). The operating cash surplus (before cyclical maintenance and fixed asset investment) covered the yearly budget allocation of cash reserves. The cash reserves are the funds set aside that will be required to cover future maintenance on the associations assets and ensure a cash buffer above those reserves with which to meet its current liabilities. Maintenance & replacement reserves total \$397k at the end of the 2023 year. liabilities. Maintenance & replacement reserves total \$363,719 at the end of the 2022 year.

Brayden Nichols

YHPJ Chartered Accountants

Financial Advisers

# **GROW THE HOCKEY COMMUNITY**

#### PARTICIPATION OFFICER

#### SMALL STICKS HOCKEY

The 2023 JMC winter competition was played in 2 separate seasons - Term 2 & Term 3. Each season is played in 8-week blocks. The split seasons allows for club flexibility, to allow and encourage new players to join in Term 3. Once again, this format proved to be a successful approach to allow for flexibility, competition review, and the ability to avoid player overload and boredom.

•	MINI STICKS - Term 2: 40 teams	Term 3: 38 team	s - Total: 78 teams
	<ul><li>Mini Sticks Div. 1:</li></ul>	9 teams	11 teams
	<ul><li>Mini Sticks Div. 2:</li></ul>	17 teams	15 teams
	<ul> <li>Mini Sticks Development:</li> </ul>	12 teams	12 teams
•	KIWI STICKS - Term 2: 25 teams	Term 3: 24 team	s - Total: 49 teams
	<ul><li>Kiwi Sticks Div. 1:</li></ul>	7 teams	7 teams
	<ul><li>Kiwi Sticks Div. 2:</li></ul>	8 teams	6 teams
	<ul><li>Kiwi Sticks Div. 3:</li></ul>	10 teams	11 teams
•	KWIK STICKS - Term 2: 25 teams	s   Term 3: 26 tean	ns - Total: 51 teams
	<ul><li>Kwik Sticks Div. 1:</li></ul>	10 teams	9 teams
	<ul><li>Kwik Sticks Div. 2:</li></ul>	8 teams	8 teams
	<ul><li>Kwik Sticks Div. 3:</li></ul>	7 teams	9 teams
	Acknov	vledgement of Sp	onsors

Acknowledgement of Sponsors

Once again, Northland Hockey are grateful for the support and generosity of the community. Northland Hockey is very fortunate to have a following of sponsors for our junior competitions.

- Pak n Save, Whangarei are the major sponsors for the 2023 JMC competition and were named as such in each grade.
  - Kwik Sticks sponsored by Pak n Save
  - Kiwi Sticks sponsored by Pak n Save
  - Mini Sticks sponsored by Pak n Save
- Dominoes sponsored "Player of the Day" certificates to each team for the whole competition, approximately 1,000 certificates.

#### **FUN STICKS HOCKEY**

The Fun Sticks programme runs alongside the competitive Small Sticks Winter Competitions, adhering to the same structure of 2 x 8-week blocks. Fun Sticks remains operational twice a week on either Friday afternoons or Saturday mornings, offering families flexibility and convenience in scheduling.

The programme has been slightly altered to allow 4 year olds to participate. With the programme's content and structure, it is safe enough to facilitate participants as young as 4 years old, with the focus on fundamental movement.

By natural progression, we know the participants improve in hockey ability and overall coordination. However, over the year we saw a significant improvement in the participants fine motor skills, resulting in better control of their bodies and implement (hockey stick) in the latter weeks of the programme. By following this process over Term 2, we saw a number of players enter the Term 3 Mini Sticks Development competition with confidence.

Fun Sticks was led by Amy Alderton - Participation Assistant, and Emily Alderton, and coached by Esther Wiegersma, Leon Wiegersma, Jack Parsonage, and Amy Jones - JMC Chairperson.

Fun Sticks - Term 2: 58 participants | Term 3: 43 participants - Total: 101 participants

#### SMALL STICKS | IN-SCHOOL DELIVERY

In 2023 we had a drop in school visits - 5 schools. Many school contacts have changed over the years and it has been difficult to rebuild that relationship with the changes, especially after covid. A major focus in 2024 is to build relationships with schools through WPSSA events and summer hockey.

#### **HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES**

Holiday Programmes were held in the April, July and October School holidays. These were hockey specific programmes, coached by various Northland Under 16 and Under 18 representatives.

#### **UNDER 13 & UNDER 16 NORTHERN REGION FESTIVAL**

The Northern Region Festival split into two separate events during the October school holidays. Once again, these events took place in North Harbour, at the National Hockey Centre. We saw an increase of 6 teams from 2022 across both age groups, having sent:

 U13
 7 x U13 Girls teams
 5 x U13 Boys teams

 U16
 3 x 11-a-side U16 Girls teams
 1 x 11-a-side U16 Boys teams

 2 x 5-a-side U16 Girls teams
 2 x 5-a-side U16 Boys teams

The Under 16 Grant McLeod Trophy tournament, both 11 a-side and 5 a-side competitions, took place over a 3-day duration. The Northland Under 16 Boy's 11 a-side team played in a fiercely fought final, but were unable to find the win at the end.

The Under 13 Northern Region Festival is a 1-day festival, and has proven to be a great opportunity for our Kwik Sticks players to compete in their first representative tournament and experience hockey out of Northland. Our 12 teams consisted of 10 x teams from the Whangarei association and 2 x teams from the Bay of Islands - each team comprising 10 x players from all clubs within the JMC Kwik Sticks competition (that's approximately 120 kids donning the cambridge blue!)

All Under 13 & Under 16 teams were coached and managed by volunteers. We are incredibly grateful for the time and effort all of the coaches, managers, and parents put in to provide our rangatahi this amazing opportunity.

Courtney Phillips
Participation Officer
Hockey Northland

PAKńSAVE

**WHANGAREI** 

#### **CLUB COUNCIL EXECUTIVE**

2023 saw another challenging year for all hockey players, Committees and Hockey Northland staff.. From Club Council Forums, new competitions, amended rule changes, dispensations and requests that slightly sit outside of the rules – there are many discussions we have at CCE meetings. The right information is always necessary as we hear of each item on our agenda for monthly meetings.

To be able to make right decisions CCE members need to be well versed with Club Council Policy and the wellbeing of all players. This year has been no exception.

The CCE is made up of experienced past and current players who have been involved with hockey for several years, and their knowledge and passion for the sport is beneficial in making our game season, work for everyone involved.

As always, we try to keep some continuity with CCE. Thank you to all those people past and present for your time, efforts and input with CCE. Thank you to Hockey Northland staff for the extra work that comes your way to get information to us and to get things across the line for our members.

Good luck going into the 2024 season and more importantly continue to enjoy and support your sports teams.

Karen Smith
Chairperson Club Council Executive
Hockey Northland

#### **DOMINOS PIZZA NORTHLAND HOCKEY UMPIRES**

Another year for the hockey fraternity of flexibility, adaptability and managing through COVID.

Congratulations to the following umpires for their finals' appointments:

Men Premier Vicki Allen and Matt Jones

Women Premier Kayla Drake and Grant Shaw
Reserve Men Russell Plank and Grant Shaw

Reserve A Women Toni Hartnell and Shelley Yeates

Reserve B Women Vicki Allen and Kayla Drake

**Division 1 Men**Mervyn Bint and Brendon Quaid

Division 1 WomenRaewyn Heywood and John WilliamsDivision 2 MenKevin Thorne and William Hartnell

**Division 2 Women** Angeline Waetford and Warren Baier

During the year we have had several club umpire appointments and appreciate the support and recognition of what it takes to officiate club hockey at grass roots level, as we continue to promote umpiring and officiating.

A specific focus on umpire mentoring has taken place with Dylan Codlin leading this area for the 2022 season. Feedback, support, growth, and connectivity, at the level umpires are competent at, was the focus, to ensure our game is safe and enjoyable.

Dylan Codlin and Vicki Allen attended umpire development and mentoring in Kaikohe to support Bay of islands Hockey.

We recognise the following National and International appointments of our umpires:

Toni Hartnell: Tournament Director at Federation Cup and Marie Fry Trophy

Kayla Drake: Umpired Bronze Medal Match at National U18 Women and umpired the final

at Federation Cup and Marie Fry Trophy

Arriane Christie: Tournament Official at Ford National Hockey Championship

The Umpire's Executive continue to support and ensure a good culture continues at all levels of hockey, to be part of the ongoing success of Northland Hockey.

The importance of growing and developing umpires and officials to support hockey as a sport of choice at all ages remains post COVID, to ensure they reconnect with the game, at the level suitable for them.

Vicki Allen - Chairperson

**Northland Hockey Umpires Council (2022)** 

#### **DEMPSTER AND HILL ELECTRICAL JUNIOR UMPIRES**

What a year! Our first full year of hockey without any interruptions, and long may it continue!

This was my third year as the Junior Umpire Coordinator and the first where the pathway we've been working on has started to bear fruit. We had seven (7) Junior Umpires move onto the Open Grade named umpire list, a number which could be much higher if our Juniors were not so talented. Kate Illerbrun and Sebastian Vainui were offered Scholarships in Auckland which is an amazing opportunity from them. On top of that Trenelle Woods-Eruera, Alexus Gorrie, Conan Wiegersma and Will Trubshaw could also step straight into Open Grade games if they were not so busy with Premier Hockey and final school requirements. This means we could have had a dozen new Open Grade Umpires in 2022 - an outstanding achievement for our programme and testament to the hard work of the previous Junior Umpire Coordinators and current mentors.

#### The Year in Review

This was a year of excitement and achievement for us. We had a large number of Senior JMC umpires move on to Open Grade, which is exciting for them, and presented the next group of kids to step up and take on the challenge of more difficult games and supporting less experienced umpires. We started with a small crew of around twenty-seven, but this gradually grew to just under forty, before some injuries and School requirements had some withdrawals and us finishing with around thirty-three. Starting off with our Saturday group, Baxter McIvor again led this with his usual supportive style but one major difference, Stella Gray was supporting this year.

#### Challenges for 2023

In 2022, we saw a new wave of younger umpires step up and make their mark as their predecessors had moved into Collegiate and Open Grade umpiring duties. It was impressive to see them do that and one thing I have put to them for 2023 is having the ability to not only continue to umpire well, but to carry themselves in a way that inspires the next wave after them. Further, that they step into mentor roles and support other umpires to learn the rules, be comfortable on the field and grow their own confidence. Id also like to have that confidence lead our umpires to Hockey New Zealand Tournaments in 2023 and I know we have some quality umpires to be nominated in 2023 – I look forward to supporting them achieve their goals.

#### **Amazing Support and Umpire Recognition**

For yet another year, Andrew Dempster of Dempster Hill, Jadesh at Dominoes and the Codlins were major sponsors of the Junior Hockey Programme. Their ongoing support is the major reason our programme is thriving, and I am immensely proud of the work we do each weekend.

Jones Family Trophy for Most Improved Junior Umpire Dempster Hill Junior Umpire of the Year

Kendall Wallis Leigh Huntington

#### **Thanks**

I say this each year, but it is not possible to write this report without paying tribute to Bill Hartnell and Baxtor McIvor. Without these two legends of Hockey Northland, we would not be able to support or develop as many young umpires as we do, and I would take that one step further and say that I feel very confident that they are outstanding young people who we feel represent Hockey Northland well. It is a tribute to our hockey community and a huge part of the progression of the Junior Programme through to Collegiate and on to the Senior Programme.

We made a massive impact in 2022 and I look forward to meeting our new crew in 2023.

Matt Jones

Northland Hockey Junior Programme Co-ordinator and Mentor

#### WHANGAREI JMC

JMC Hockey was back in full force for 2023 with the first year without covid interruptions. We noticed that the numbers were slowly increasing but are still slightly down from pre-covid levels. This seems to be in line with general lowering of participation in sports in general by young people.

We had a total of 88 teams participating in the winter competition which is run over two 8 week blocks in Terms 2 and 3 of the school year.

A further breakdown of teams is:

Mini Sticks Development – 1 Division 12 teams

Mini Sticks - 2 Divisions 26 teams

Kiwi Sticks – 3 Divisions 25 teams

Kwik sticks – 3 Divisions 26 teams.

Our younger players are now familiar with the smaller format and we have had good feedback that the players are getting more touches on the ball and we look forward to this continuing to grow amongst our younger players. The introduction of the fast paced 5's tournaments have been a welcome addition to the junior hockey calendar.

Funsticks continued to run on a Friday afternoon and Saturday morning for the two school terms which aligns with the junior competition. There were really good numbers attending these sessions. Term 2 saw 58 registered players and Term 3 had 43 registered players. We also had some wonderful coaches stepping in to help. Many thanks to our younger representative (and former junior) players that assisted Courtney with these sessions and really engaged with the children building lasting relationships with them. It was also great to see the same representative players helping with the Black Sticks games and even signing the children's posters on request, I know it gives a real boost to the children seeing their role models on the world stage and it provides great incentives for our younger players who aspire to follow in their footsteps.

With the help of Hockey Northland we were able to bring back the festival days and we had a number of u13 teams play against Counties Manukau later in the season. It was great to see the Cambridge blue being worn by our younger players again and we hope that these festivals continue in the future. Once again, a huge thank you to the Junior umpires for 2023 and to the Junior Umpire Mentors and Junior Umpire Coordinator. It is really great to see our Junior Umpires progressing and we wish to encourage and support the umpiring programme as much as possible. It does take a lot of dedication and commitment and we wish to acknowledge that, as having umpires really makes the season run a lot smoother.

Myself and the JMC Committee would like to thank Hockey Northland for their continued support and effort, we are so thankful for the extra work and time that goes into arranging participation in schools in an effort to lift our registrations and excitement in our juniors for the game we all love.

This year saw a change in roles in our JMC Committee and I want to thank Jade Caulfield and Esther Anderson for stepping into the Chairperson and Secretary roles. I would also like to thank Anne-Maree Adams as outgoing Secretary, she has been such a valuable asset to our JMC Committee for a number of years and the dedication has not gone unnoticed.

I am really excited to see our Junior competition continue grow in 2024 and would like to wish our former juniors moving into Collegiate and Open Grade all the best as they continue their hockey journey.

**Amy Jones** 

**Chairperson - Junior Management Committee** 

# SUCCESFUL ONFIELD PERFORMANCES

#### **2023 REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS**

The Ford National Hockey Championship wrapped up this past weekend as Waikato Hockey played host to a week of intense action. Our top domestic tournament brought together some of the nation's finest athletes, delivering some nail-biting matches, upsets, and moments of brilliance.

In the men's competition, Otago successfully defended the Challenge Shield, clinching back-to-back Tier 1 titles.

Northland NHC Men (Tier 2)

National Tournament Placing - 2nd

**Venue: Hamilton 10 - 16 Sep 2023** 

AGNEW James CRONIN Luther MORTIMER James
ANDERTON Caleb GANLEY Hayden (GK) PECK Brandon
BAKER Bronson (C) JOHNS Campbell Inactive SCOTT Jack

CARSWELL Jordan KEOGH Thomas WERDER Josh

CLARK Luka LINDSAY Cameron

CODLIN Ethan LINDSAY Thomas WILLIAMSON Caleb

CORK-THOMPSON Nathan (GK) MAUGHAM Tyler

Head Coach : Gus Lindsay Manager : Sean Henwood

Assist Coach: John Child

#### Results:

vs BOP (Pool A)	Won	6 - 3
vs Waikato (Pool A)	Won	4 - 3
vs Counties Manukau (Pool A)	Won	2 - 1
vs Wellington (Pool A)	Won	3 - 2
vs Canterbury (Pool A)	Lost	0 -2
vs Tauranga (Semi Final)	Won	2 - 0
vs Canterbury (1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Lost	0 - 2

The 2023 NHC campaign was hugely successful for the Northland Men's team. However, after a competitive and enjoyable Town vs Country match, the players rallied around and the goal of attending the tournament in Waikato was set. That was a key aspect of the campaign - it was player driven.

In the end, we selected a group of 19 local players to represent Northland. The team were challenged with adopting new styles of play and with creating a 'Northland' brand of hockey throughout the tournament. With very limited preparation, it is a credit to all players involved that they were able to develop and get better as the week went on.

On the field, we progressed through pool play with a single loss to eventual finalists Canterbury. This meant that we booked a semi-final spot against Tauranga and we won.. Canterbury are a traditional powerhouse in the second division, having won the tournament on numerous occasions. The Northland boys showed how much progress had been made during the week, taking the game to a fairly contestable final.. Unfortunately, we were not able to take our opportunities to win the game, eventually losing.

Promotion and relegation added intrigue to the tournament. Hawke's Bay's men's team faced relegation from Tier 1 in a battle with Auckland, while Northland earned promotion from Tier 2, despite losing our final to Canterbury B. League rules prevent Canterbury B's promotion due to an Association not being able to have two teams in a Tier 1.

A special mention to John Child and the lads giving everything they had to finish where they did this year. Very excited to see Northland progress to Tier 1 next year. It has been a long ourney for the Northland Men – but we have some very strong and dedicated men.

Angus Lindsay

Head Coach - NHC Northland Men

## **NORTHLAND NHC WOMEN: (2023)**

#### Northland NHC Women (Tier 2) National Tournament Placing – 8<sup>th</sup>

Venue : Hamilton 10 - 16 Sep 2023

ALDERTON Amy FORSYTH Samantha PATU Livia

ATTWOOD-GRAHAM Dayna HILTON-JONES Holly PHILLIPS Chenae

CAMERON Jacqui (GK) HOWE Katrina PHILLIPS Murphy

COOPER Anna JONES Amy SANDERSON Pialin

CURRIE Tiana LITCHFIELD Jade SMITH Gabrielle (C)

DUDLEY Adyn MATHEWS Nicky (GK)

**Head Coach :** Courtney Phillips **Manager :** Sarah Morris

**Assistant Coach: Glen Alderton** 

Results:		
vs Counties Manukau (Pool B)	Lost	0 - 0 (3 - 2 SO)
vs Nth Harbour	Lost	4 - 0
vs Canterbury	Lost	0 - 2
vs Counties Manukau (non-comp)	Lost	1-Feb
vs Waikato (play offs)	Lost	4 - 0
vs Counties Manukau (7th/8th)	Lost	1 -1 (0 - 1 SO)

#### Northland U18 Men

#### National Tournament Placing - 14th

Venue: Dunedin 2 - 9 Jul 2023

ASHILL Cooper GORRIE Baylee RACIOPPI Nahuel

BROWN Tom HAENGA-PLANK Solomon STOCKLEY Ranger (GK)

CAMPBELL Grant HAINSWORTH Jake (GK) THORNHILL Liam
COCHRANE Harrison HAMMOND Finn (C) VENDT Nathan
DOUGLAS Cohen LITCHFIELD Tommy WEBB Logan

FRANCE Josh MANDENO William

**Head Coach**: Jack Scott **Manager**: Teja Douglas

**Assistant Coach**: Hayden Ganley

Results:		
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vs Tauranga	Loss	2 - 1
vs Auckland B	Loss	5 - 0
vs Counties	Loss	2 - 4
vs Waikato	Won	0 - 1
vs Canterbury B	Loss	5 - 1
vs Bay of Plenty	Won	2 - 0
vs Nth Harbour	Loss	1 - 2

#### **Northland U18 Women**

#### National Tournament Placing – 10<sup>th</sup>

#### Venue: Auckland 2 – 9 July 2023

Alexus Gorrie-Brown Chelsea Traill Katisha Douglas
Alex Henry Esther Wiegersma Leigh Huntington
Amber Woodworth Georgia Cross Mia Diamond
Amy Swanson Hannah Walters Molly Wilson
Caitlin Henry Jacqueline Cameron (GK) Samantha Forsyth

Charlotte Dutton (GK) Jodie Wellwood

**Head Coach**: Richard Storey **Manager**: Jenny Traill

Results:		
vs South Canterbury	Won	4 -1
vs North Harbour 2	Draw	1 -1
vs Hawkes Bay	Loss	4 -1
vs Bay of Plenty (QF)	Won	7 - 0
vs Waikato	Won	1 -2
vs Tasman	Loss	1 - 0

Northland U18 Women for 2023 had a very strong and positive tournament playing some amazing team hockey and also displaying some high level individual skills. The preparation for tournament selection was enhanced with the introduction of a 6 week Taniwha program where athletes could learn defensive patterns, screens and playing philosophies. This component of the campaign was directed by Regional Coach Henry Wong. Henry's knowledge and skills were an incredible starting point for the selection and training of the U18 team. The selection process was entrusted to four independent selectors who have extensive hockey knowledge and experience. I truly believe this selection process should be utilised by all Northland representative teams to make the process transparent an unbiased.

Once the team was selected It was my opportunity along with Grant Croft, Luka Clark and Courtney Phillips (Assistant Coaches) and our amazing manager Jenny Traill to prepare the team and set the game plan/structures for the tournament.

We were all impressed with the level of effort and commitment the athletes displayed during the preparation and the willingness to try different styles of play and structural changes.

During the pool play at tournament we played 3 games, losing 1, drawing 1 and winning 1. Unfortunately we were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in our pool on goal differences putting us out of the top 8.

In the play-off rounds we played our best hockey demolishing Bay of Plenty 7-0 and convincingly beating Waikato 1-0. Unfortunately we lost our final game to Tasman 1-0 in a great battle which could have gone either way.

Overall we scored 15 goals and had 8 scored against us in the tournament. Final placing 10<sup>th</sup> out of 20.

Having coached numerous age group and representative teams for Northland in the past 15 years, I can honestly say this group of young ladies (athletes) were an absolute pleasure to coach. They displayed great sportsmanship on and off the field, worked tirelessly for the team and displayed great character and respect throughout the campaign and tournament. Every member of the team deserves special acknowledgment for how they represented Northland.

Our two Captains, Katisha Douglas and Amy Swanson were incredible leaders and role models. Amy took the lead on numerous occasions, re-focussing the players and adjusting the game plan to suit the circumstances.

Our senior GK Jacqui Cameron was outstanding both on and off the field, encouraging and mentoring our junior GK. Jacqui was rewarded with selection into the Future Black Sticks U18 training camp.

Looking forward, a great number of the players from 2023 will still be available for U18 next year and I'm excited about their potential to improve and gain a much higher placing in the 2024 tournament.

Richard Storey **Head Coach – Northland U18 Women** 

#### 2023 TAI TOKERAU MĂORI HOCKEY

Another successful campaign for Tai Tokerau – three teams attended the tournament tin Palmerston North.

Tane A - particular mention to the Tane team who came a respectful 6<sup>th</sup> place – only losing games by a goal. Successful weekend for them and can only gain traction from here on. With the coaching knowledge of James Agnew certainly cemented strong structures throughout their games. Definitely a team to watch for the next few years. Excellent on-field leadership with the more experienced players.

Wahine A – once again the bridesmaid but offering some spectacular hockey on the field. So once again we enter the final against Tamaki Makaurau – there was nothing dividing the teams and it came down to shootouts leaving nothing on the field. Tai Tokerau has some very experienced players with years of experience at a rohe level but more so now at a national level for Māori Hockey. Jade Litchfield again top goal scorer of the tournament and she had played one game less.

Wahine B is our development team and strategically looking at nurturing and introducing our young players into their first National Māori tournament. An experience that only few are able to do, the team certainly contended in an array of games. Ensuring that we have as many players gaining the experience of this level of hockey at this tournament is a key to exposing talent to the rest of the following years.. Again coach/players Marika and Tiana Currie were outstanding in their leadership of the team.

Our national recognition of players has stood out this year with a silver medal, top womens goal scorer, senior and junior national team recognitions, national coach Courtney Phillips as NZM Junior wahine coach, players being selected into NZ Heritage teams and players being successful in the NZ national squads and teams.

Tai Tokerau Tane Coach: James Agnew Manager: Michele Codlin
Te Tai Tokerau Wahine A Coach: Vicki Gribble Manager: Karlene Smith
Te Tai Tokerau Wahine B Coach: Marika Gribble Manager: Tiana Currie

Umpire: Russell Plank

#### Tai Tokerau Delegate

As a Rohe representative on the NZMH Kaunihera (Komiti), we are responsible for the governance side of Māori Hockey. Gail Ambler was voted in as Chairperson 2018 her knowledge in governance is vast.

Restoring the Incorporated Society for NZMH was the most intense process we have had to endure. Take the next year of reviewing the constitution, running strategic planning hui by zoom and keeping connected through Covid – "building our relationships" was a key trait for 2023.

The most exciting sub-committee is the B-cultural Group; Gail Ambler, Tracy Edmonds and I are working with NZ Hockey, as to how the Treaty of Waitangi principles can be integrated into their policies and the inclusion of Tikanga into their practices.

I look forward to our next Tournament to 2024 to be hosted in Tai Taokerau.

Margaret Kay

Te Tai Tokerau Kaunihera Delegate

## **Tai Tokerau Māori Representative Teams**

#### National Tournament Placing - 6th

**Venue: Palmerston North** 

#### Tai Tokerau Tane A

Riley Anderson Harrison Cochrane Trent Hawke
Nui Ariki Ethan Codlin Ben Litchfield
Arlo Baker Baylee Gorrie Tommy Litchfield
Bronson Baker George Greenhill Caleb Williamson

Josh Cahalane Solomon Haenga-Plank

Ray Campbell Zack Hannam

**Head Coach**: James Agnew **Manager**: Michele Codlin, Frances Davies

Result			
21/10/2022	vs Tairawhiti Tane A	Won	0 - 7
22/10/2022	vs Waiariki Tane B	Lost	2 - 0
22/10/2023	vs Tamaki Makaurau A	Lost	2 - 0
23/10/2022	vs Aotea Tane A	Won	2 - 3
24/10/2022	vs Waiariki Tane B	Lost	5 - 4

#### Tai Tokerau Māori Representative Teams Venue: Palmerston North

# National Tournament Placing – 2<sup>nd</sup>

Silver Medal

#### Tai Tokerau Wahine A

Tiana Currie Jade Litchfield Jamie Rapana
Kaea Elliott Nicky Mathews Garby Smith
Alex Henry Livia Patu Hollie Smith
Grace HiltonJones Chenae Phillips Hannah Walters
Holly Hilton-Jones Courtney Phillips Jessica Wech

Kortez Hita-Duval Murphy Phillips

Head Coach: Vicki Gribble Manager: Kylie Wech

Result			
21/10/2022	vs Waiariki Wahine A	Won	0 - 3
21/10/2022	vs Te Waipounamu Wahine B	Won	0 - 4
22/10/2022	vs Tamaki Makaurau Wahine B	Won	0 - 6
23/10/2022	vs Waiariki Wahine A	Won	1 - 2
24/10/2022	vs Aotea Wahine A	Lost	1 - 0

### National Tournament Placing - 15th

## Tai Tokerau Māori Representative Teams

**Venue: Palmerston North** 

#### Tai Tokerau Wahine B

Esther Anderson Aiyanna Hepi Tracey Martin
Emme Arlidge Kora Hita-Duval Ngapera Meha
Karli Brown Tayla Jackson Casey Rapana
Maddison Fred Amea Lange-Campbell Sam Wech

Nicole Fred Zoe Langridge Trenelle Woods-Eruera

Alexis Hannam Ella Martin

Head Coach : Marika Gribble Manager : Tiana Currie

Result			
21/10/2022	vs Takitimu Wahine A	Lost	1 - 0
21/10/2022	vs Aotea Wahine A	Lost	3 - 0
22/10/2022	vs Waikato-Maniapoto Wahine A	Lost	3 - 2
22/10/2022	vs Te Waipounamu Wahine B	Lost	3 - 0







#### **2023 NORTHLAND MASTERS**

Venue: Tauranga 26 Feb - 4 Mar 2023

The 2023 Vantage National Masters tournament held at Blake Park in Tauranga was a fantastic event especially with it being the first National Masters in three years. With a record 96 teams and nearly 2000 participants, officials, and volunteers, it was a thrilling week of hockey that saw players from all over New Zealand come together to compete and enjoy the game they love. The weather was on the players' side, with sunny skies and warm temperatures throughout the week. The atmosphere was electric, with players and spectators alike cheering on their teams and enjoying the games.

The tournament off the field was also a success, with players bonding over their shared love of the game, as well as a few drinks, and the experience of competing at a national level. But it wasn't just about hockey.

The tournament also showed the incredible generosity of the hockey community towards those in need. In the wake of Cyclone Gabrielle, Poverty Bay Hockey and Hawke's Bay Hockey were hit hard. In response, Go Hockey, Just Hockey, and HNZ organised a donation drive, with teams and individuals donating hockey gear and care packages to those affected. It was a touching gesture that showed how connected our community is. It was also a remarkable achievement for Poverty Bay and Hawke's Bay to bring teams to the tournament in the wake of such devastation.

#### TRANS TASMAN MASTERS

Kiwi teams experienced success and shared unforgettable moments at the 2023 Tran-Tasman Masters Hockey Challenge in Christchurch. Taking place at the Ngā Puna Wai Sports Hub in Christchurch from 2-6 May, this event showcased the fierce but friendly rivalry between Australia and New Zealand in masters hockey, much like any other Trans-Tasman sporting showdown. The tournament featured seven women's age divisions and nine men's divisions.

Each category played three matches to determine the series champions. Overall, Australia clinched victory in most categories, with only two exceptions. New Zealand dominated the Women's 50+ division, winning all three matches convincingly. The Women's 55+ division was fiercely contested, ultimately decided by a shootout in favor of New Zealand. In the Men's 35+ division, New Zealand won the opener, but Australia responded with two narrow victories to take the series. The Men's 55+ competition saw New Zealand score more goals overall, but Australia claimed the series victory after winning matches one and three.

#### **New Zealand Masters Representation**

Nicky Mathews and Arriane Christie (35W); Jackie Lints (40W); Peggy Shepherd (65W); Phil Hook (35M); Brian Codlin (75M)

2023 Northland Women 35+ National Tournament placing =9th		2023 Northland Women 40+ National Tournament placing =6th	
Cait Bint	MGK	Kim Ackers	Old Girls
Karyn Brown	Springfield	Sarah Anderson	MGK
Natalie Child	MGK	Nicole Andrews	MGK
Arriane Christie	MGK	Donne Burmesiter	GP
Teschna Christie	GP	Tanya Cook	Old Girls
Jennilee Donaldson	Hikurangi	Andrea Curnow	MGK
Stephanie Hudson	MGK	Kylie Dodd	MGK
Amy Jones	Hikurangi	Kirsty Dunning	MGK
Kim Leigh-Mackenzie	MGK	Melanie Henty	Old Girls
Jess Macalister	POO	Jackie Lints (C)	Old Girls
Charee Martin	Hikurangi	Kylie McLeod	Old Girls
Sarah Mason (GK)	MGK	Sarah Morris	Hikurangi
Nicky Mathews (GK)	Old Girls	Shelley Newey	Bream Bay
Megan McGregor	Old Girls	Rose Nicholl	Hikurangi
Lucy Politini	GP	Karen Taylor (GK)	Old Girls
Christina Porteous	GP	Nikki Webb	Hikurangi
Sonja Weston	Hikurangi	Doug Passmore	(Coach)
Shelley Yeates	Springfield		(Manager)

2023 Northland Women 50+		2023 Northland Women 60+	
National Tournament placing =5th		National Tournament placing =4th	
Carol Cottam	Old Girls	Bev Hart	Kaipara
Jennie Cross	Old Girls	Dawn Rogers	Hikurangi
Marika Currie	Hikurangi	Francie James (C)	Hikurangi
Tanya Currie	Old Girls	Hella Insinger	GP
Sunel Ferreira (GK)	Old Girls	Julie Hartnell-Brown	Hora Hora
Jane Hansen	Springfield	Julie Jenkins	Hikurangi
Jacque Johnson	Old Girls	Margi Kay	Springfield
Estelle Lang	Springfield	Marlene Nikora	GP
Lisa Litchfield	Springfield	Natalie Lewers (GK)	Springfield
Cheryll Pitman	Old Girls	Paula McInnes	Kaipara
Alma Quirey	Old Girls	Pauline Johnson	Hikurangi
Sheryl Thorne	MGK	Pauline Moorhouse	Springfield
Erika Turner	POO	Peggy Shepherd (C)	Hikurangi
Kathryn Ulberg-Sands	GP	Shirley Blake	Hikurangi
		Sue Gillingham	MGK
		Vicki Wright	MGK
		Gail Ambler	Coach
		Colleen Prendergast	Manager

2023 Northland Men 35+ National Tournament placing =9th		2023 Northland Men 45+ National Tournament placing =4th	
Adam Taylor (GK)	Mangapai	Alastair Grieve	Mangapai
Brendon Davison	Springfield	Alastair Wiseman	Ruatangata
Clinton Smeath	Hora Hora	Anthony Denissen	GP
Francis Davies	Hora Hora	Anton Trist	Bream Bay
Hayden Lester	MGK	Ben Matheson	Hora Hora
Jason Gilbert	GP	Brendon Lovell	Mangapai
Jeremy Hansen	Springfield	Cameron Isles	Mangapai
Jonathon Garton	Springfield	Chris Wiseman	GP
Leo So	Hora Hora	Craig Gibbons	MGK
Lloyd Gurr	Springfield	Craig Wright	GP
Matthew Jones	Springfield	Doug Passmore	MGK
Michael Scot		Grant Nicholas (GK)	Mangapai
Sam Davidson (GK)	Mangapai	Jayden King	Mangapai
Simon Davies-Colley	MGK	Mike Hooson (C)	Mangapai
Vaughan Gillingham	MGK	Phillip Kippenberger	Mangapai
Warren Baier	Springfield	Shaw Wilson	MGK
Lloyd Gurr	(Coach)		

2023 Northland N	/len 50±	
National Tournament placing =8th		
Barry Hudson )GK)	Springfield	
Barry Thorne	Mangapai	
Bryce Reid	Mangapai	
Calvin Codlin	Mangapai	
Dan Skelton	Ruatangata	
Guy McGregor	Ruatangata	
Jonathon Anderton	Mangapai	
Kelly Ludlow	Mangapai	
Kyle Eggleton	Bream Bay	
Leo McCullough	Springfield	
Mike Banbrook	Mangapai	
Neal Martin	Springfield	
Russell Plank	Mangapai	
Stephen Shepherd	Mangapai	
Vaughan Canty	Mangapai	
Russell Plank	Coach	
Michele Codlin	Manager	



# **NORTHLAND AGE GROUP TEAMS**

Northland U16 Boya A		
Tane Traill		
Riley Anderson		
Marrac Bowmar		
Ben Wigram		
Kalym Werder		
Emil Hentschel		
Brendon Xu		
Leon Wiegersma		
Casey Wright		
Caleb Yeates		
Van Leith		
Harry Scott		
Luke O'Donnell		
Jackson Wood		
Jack McCully		
Jack Parsonage		
William Liang (GK)		
Coach: Toni Wright		
Asst Coach : Duncan Anderson		
Manager : Esther Anderson		

Northland U16 Girls A		
Aiyanna Hepi		
Emme Arlidge		
Sophie Burgess		
Teuila Mcdiarmid		
Alexis Hannam		
Anja Hyman		
Dorné Hyman		
Jessica Meyer		
Jessica Cowpland		
Kahneisha Woods-Eruera		
Kortez Hita-Duval		
Lily Craig		
Poppy Davidson (GK)		
Jessica Everson		
Ella Martin		
Paige Huntington		
Ida Luise Punke		
Coach: Luka Clark		
Asst Coach : Mary Cark		
Manager :		

Northland U16 Girls B
Lucy Skelton
Destiny fryer
Alex Walker
Maya Telfer
Sophie Makaira Douglas
Emma Broughton
Ngapera Meha
Elizabeth Martin
Grace Sanders
Zara Gordon
Lily Rivers
Peyton Slatter
Lauren Pollard
Bella Williams
Ella Toovey
Lexia Maunder (GK)
Coach : Amy Swanson
Manager : Jean Maunder

Northland U16 Boys A 5s		
Broadie Francisco		
Cooper Spice		
Cooper Wallace		
Curti Bint		
Luke Bint		
Quinn Cumming		
Samuel Locke		
Theo Schuitemaker		
Tomi Williamson		
Marcus McGregor (GK)		
Coach : Cait Bint		
Asst Coach : Cain Bint		

Northland U16 Boys B 5s	Northland U16 Girls A 5s
Raif Bowmar	Izzy Hill
Liam Oakden	Kendall Wallis
Daniel Martin	Keeley Morgan
Dylan Pascoe	Maia Barber
Joel Simpson	Mia Agnew
Kieran Langley	Felise Sanders
Bradley Browne	Tayla Jackson
Miguel Shortland	Ruby-Rose Harrington
Jackson Wickens	Dayna de Bruin - Adcock
Kees Tamboer (GK)	Thea Gray (GK)
Coach : Dan Bowmar	Coach : Daniel Harrington
Manager : Rachel Pascoe	Asst Coach : Rachel Hill

Northland U16 Girls B 5s		
Tiia Cooke		
Mala Suvalko-Thomas		
Claudia Skelton		
Cameron white		
Camryn Collinson		
Ruby Mandeno		
Zoe Langridge		
Emma Scuttio		
Julia Scuttio		
Tayla Yeates (GK)		
Coach: Andrea Curnow		

Nth U14 Boys A	Nth U14 Boys B	Nth U14 Boys C
Callum Anderson	Leo Brown	Tyler Curnow
Nico Benjamin Lawson	Toby Monteith	Thomas McDonald
Tyler Smeath	Hunter Pyke	Ben Schuitemaker
Taylor Henty	Kayden Fryer	Dylan Ivey
Jaxon John Hurley	Alex Cumming	Mataio McDiarmid
Jason Scot	Bean Calvert	Harlen Duncan Wilson
Arlo Innes	Tai Tukapua	Caleb Drake
Connor Burgin	Will Wigram	Rylee Martin
Daniel Pollard	Tom Wigram	Dominic Briden-Jones
Finn Bycroft (GK)	Toby Hooson (GK)	Hamish Thorn (GK)
Coach : Esther Anderson	Coach : Sandra Field	Coach : Andrea Curnow

Nth U14 Boys D	Nth U14 Girls A	Nth U14 Girls B
Malachy Smedley	Chloe Cliff	Holly Burgess
Braylee Goffin	Keira Cooper	Sadie Stevens
Chris Josua	Poppy Bates	Charlotte Palmer
Samuel McCallum	Emma-Jane Hewlett	Charlee Wright
Tayden Vuletich	grace neckelson	Maggie Reiher
Bryan Cremer	Reese Lynette Hudson	Myllah Samu
Maximus DarvilleHUdson	Ava Goldsmith-Wiperi	Naia Ferguson
Oliver James Bell	Louise Ferreira (GK)	Tilly Feary
Ryan Watkins (GK)		Jaime Williamson (GK)
Coach : Ben Smedley	Coach : Charlene Cliff	Coach : Scott Burgess
Manager : Leann Smedley		Manager : Ryan Stevens

Nth U14 Girls C	Nth U14 Girls D	Nth U14 Girls E
Penny Gibbons	Zoe Proctor	Emma Donaldson
Charli Phillips	Ellie Mackenzie	Quinn Nicole Slatter
Kelly Johanni	Olivia Beddis	Paige Henty
Khloe Earle	Zoey Monica McCully	Emma Everson
Kaelyn Dyer	Eva Nyberg	Molly Dennis
Georgie King	Summer Heather McDonald	Scout Lusty
Monique Jones	Taylor Mawy	Charli Rufus-Ellis
Te Paea (GK)	Kayla Oakden	Ella Guitry
Coach : Craig Gibbons	Coach: Tania Mawson	Coach : Katie Donaldson
Manager : Erica Phillips	Manager : Alysha Burgess	Manager : Alysha Burgess



# **AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

## 2023 SENIOR COMPETITION RESULTS - MEN

ROUND ROBIN		GRAND FINAL	
Premier Men TOP 4		OP 4	
1	Dempster & Hill Electrical MGK	1	Dempster & Hill Electrical MGK
2	RS ENG Mangapai PM	2	RS ENG Mangapai PM
3	Robert Alison Contracting Springfield PM	3	Robert Alison Contracting Springfield PM
		4	Maungakaramea RM
Reser	ve Men	В	BOTTOM 4
1	Maungakaramea RM	1	WBHS 1st X1 RM
2	WBHS 1st X1 RM	2	Springfield RM
3	Springfield RM	3	Bream Bay RM
4	Mangapai A RM	4	Mangapai A RM
5	Bream Bay RM	5	Hora Hora RM
6	Hora Hora RM		
Divisi	on 1 Men		
1	Mangapai B D1M	1	Bream Bay D1M
2	Power Farming MGK D1M	2	Mangapai B D1M
3	Bream Bay D1M	3	Power Farming MGK D1M
4	Springfield D1M	4	Hora Hora D1M
5	Mangapai C D1M	5	Springfield D1M
6	Hora Hora D1M	6	Mangapai C D1M
Divisi	on 2 Men		
1	BBS Timbers Ruatangata A	1	BBS Timbers Ruatangata A
2	Springfield D2M	2	Springfield D2M
3	Jeff Webb RuatangataB D2M	3	Jeff Webb RuatangataB D2M
4	Maungakaramea D2M	4	Maungakaramea D2M
5	Hora Hora D2M	5	Hora Hora D2M
6	Mangapai D D2M	6	Mangapai D D2M

## 2023 Senior Competition Results - Women

	ROUND ROBIN		GRAND FINAL	
Prem	Premier Women			
1	Alpha Construction MGK PW	1	Alpha Construction MGK PW	
2	CHEM DRY Old Girls PW	2	CHEM DRY Old Girls PW	
3	WGHS 1st X1 PW	3	EasyBuild Hikurangi PW	
4	EasyBuild Hikurangi PW	4	WGHS 1st X1 PW	
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Rese	rve Women		1	
1	Old Girls RAW1	1	Old Girls RAW1	
2	The Palms Maungakaramea	2	The Palms Maungakaramea	
3	Bream Bay RAW	3	Virgin Concrete Old Girls	
4	Virgin Concrete Old Girls	4	WRMK Hikurangi RAW	
5	Springfield RAW	5	Springfield RAW	
6	WRMK Hikurangi RAW	6	Bream Bay RAW	
7	Kamo High School 1 <sup>st</sup> XI	7	WGHS 2nd XI	
8	WGHS 2nd XI	8	Kamo High School 1st XI	
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Rese	⊥ rve B Women			
1	Springfield RBW	1	Springfield RBW	
2	Koro Don's Marist RBW	2	United Security MGK	
3	United Security MGK	3	Hora Hora RBW	
4	Hora Hora RBW	4	Koro Don's Marist RBW	
5	Hikurangi RBW	5	Hikurangi RBW	
6	Mangapai RBW	6	Mangapai RBW	
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Divis	□ ion 1 Women			
1	Bream Bay	1	Ntlhd Specialty Glass Springfield	
2	Old Girls	2	Bream Bay	
3	Hikurangi	3	Hikurangi	
4	Ntlhd Specialty Glass Springfield	4	Old Girls	
5	WGHS Development	5	WGHS Development	
6	Mangapai	6	Mangapai	
7	Hora Hora A	7	GJ Gardener Homes MGK	
8	GJ Gardener Homes MGK	8	Hora Hora A	
	ion 2 Women		T-1 - 1 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -	
1	The Palms Ruatangata D2W	1	The Palms Ruatangata D2W	
3	Hikurangi D2W Bream Bay D2W	3	Hikurangi D2W	
	Mooman Enterprises Marist D2W	4	Mooman Enterprises Marist D2W Bream Bay D2W	
5	Yamaha Motorcycles Springfield D2W	5	Hora Hora D2W	
6	Hora Hora D2W	6	Yamaha Motorcycles Springfield D2W	
7	Maungakaramea D2W	7	Maungakaramea D2W	

# 2023 Senior COMPETITION - TROPHY WINNERS

Premier Men	Round Robin Winner "Clark Cup"  Grand Final "Chissell Cup"	Dempster & Hill Electrical MGK Dempster & Hill Electrical MGK
Premier Women	Round Robin Winner "Kelly Trophy"  Grand Final Winner "Hodson Hockey Cup"	Alpha Construction MGK PW Alpha Construction MGK PW
Reserve Men	Round Robin Winner "McKay Electrical Cup" Grand Final WHA Senior B Cup	Maungakaramea RM WBHS 1st X1 RM
Reserve A Wome	n Round Robin Winner "Marsden Trophy"  Grand Final Winner "Ursinus Trophy"	The Doctors Old Girls The Doctors Old Girls
Reserve B Wome	n Round Robin Winner "Womens Reserve B Cup" Grand Final Winner "Koru Trophy"	Springfield RBW Springfield RBW
Mens Div 1	Round Robin Winner "T & S Blake Cup" Grand Final WHA 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Mangapai B D1M Bream Bay D1M
Womens Div 1	Round Robin "Jenny Giffen Memorial Trophy" Grand Final Winner "Avoca Cup"	Bream Bay Nthld Specialty Glass Springfield
Mens Div 2	Round Robin Winner "Koru Trophy"  Grand Final "Mens Div2 Cup"	BBS Timbers Ruatangata A BBS Timbers Ruatangata A
Womens Div 2	Round Robin "Thorne and Davidson"  Grand Final Winner "Edna Deeming Trophy"	The Palms Ruatangata D2W The Palms Ruatangata D2W

## **2023 COLLEGIATE COMPETITION RESULTS**

	ROUND ROBIN			
Collegiate Division 1				
1	WBHS Gold			
2	WBHS Black			
3	WBHS Yellow			
4	Hora Hora 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Mixed			
5	Bream Bay College Boys			
6	Huanui College 1st XI			
7	Pompallier 1st XI			
Colleg	jiate Division 2			
1	Kerikeri High School Mxd			
2	Otamatea High School Mxd			
3	Hora Hora Collegiate			
4	MGK A Collegiate			
5	Bream Bay Girls Collegiate			
6	WBHS Blue			
7	Huanui College 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI			
8	Mangapai Black			
Colleg	jiate Division 3			
1	Rodney College Mixed			
2	Pompallier 2nd XI			
3	WGHS Red			
4	Springfield Girls			
5	Hora Hora Red			
6	Mangapai White			
7	MGK B Collegiate			

# Hikurangi Trophy \* Powell Cup Winner – Bay of Islands

# **WHANGAREI RED**

Aimee	Croad	Springfield	
Andrea	Schmuck	MGK	
Becky	Saxton	Springfield	
Brooke	Pinney	Hikurangi	
Chelsea	Smart	MGK	
Eva	Alexander	MGK	
Julie	Hartnell	Hora Hora	
Kaella	Judkins	Marist	
Marcella	Thompson	MGK	
Megan	Scot	Springfield	
Megan	Edwardson	MGK	
Michelle	Jaggard	MGK	

Epskamp

Walker

Frear

Dyer

# **WHANGAREI BLUE**

Alice	McLennan	Bream Bay	
Ashlee	Johnson	Old Girls	
Bailey	Beddis	Bream Bay	
Chloe	Curle	Bream Bay	
Dorothy	Joyce	Bream Bay	
Ebony	Antony-Connor	Bream Bay	
Erica	Burrows	Hikurangi	
Izzy	Paton	Bream Bay	
Jessica	Benson	Bream Bay	
Kat	Goddard	Bream Bay	
Kylie	McLeod	Old Girls	
Lana	Johnson	Old Girls	
Mania	Bates	Bream Bay	
Melvena	Legg	Old Girls	
Nicole	Andrews	Hikurangi	

#### **WHANGAREI BLUE**

Suz

Zoe

Tracee

Tracey

Adam	Taylor	Mangapai	
Alastair	Wiseman (GK)	Ruatangata	
Bruce	Paton	Bream Bay	
Casey	Herbert	Breambay	
Dan	Skelton	RTG	
Grant	Nicholas (GK)	Mangapai	
Jeremy	Hansen	Springfield	
Jonathan	Garton	Springfield	
Karl	Leathley	Mangapai	
Kelly	Ludlow	Mangapai	
Leo	So	Hors hora	
Philip	Martin	Springfield	
Richard	Storey	Springfield	
Ryan	Davidson	Horahora	
yan	Stevens	Mangapai	
Shivnesh	Nand	Hora hora	

Springfield

Springfield

Sfield (GK)

Hikurangi

## **UMPIRES**

Bill Hartnell
Shelley Yeates
Stella Gray
Vicki Allen
Carol Cottam
Toni Hartnell
Warren Baier





Two trophies have gone North – see you next year! Thank you to everyone for great games of hockey.

#### **2023 TOWN & COUNTRY SERIES**

TOWN		COUNTRY	
Nathan Cork Thompson (GK)	Maungakaramea	Hayden Ganley (GK)	North Harbour Indians
Brandon Peck	Taieri Hockey Club	Ranger Stockley (GK)	Mangapai
Brendon Davison	Springfield	Arlo Baker	Maungakaramea
Bronson Baker	Maungakaramea	Bronson Baker	Maungakaramea
Cam Lindsay	Springfield	Caleb Anderton	Mangapai
Campbell Johns	Mangapai	Caleb Williamson	Mangapai
Chad Cahalane	Springfield	Dane Allison	Springfield
Cohen Douglas	Maungakaramea	Gaurav Correa	Mangapai
Deane Sands	Maungakaramea	Jack Scott	Maungakaramea
Ethan Codlin	Mangapai	Jacob Attwood	Mangapai
Finn Hammond	Maungakaramea	James Agnew	Mangapai
James Houston	Maungakaramea	James Watene	Springfield
Jarod Wright	Mangapai	Javahn Jones	Avon Christchurch
Jordan Carswell	Mangapai	James Mortimer	North Harbour Indians
Julian Roberts	Mangapai	Luka Clark	East Coast Bays
Nahuel Racioppi	Maungakaramea	Luther Cronin	Mangapai
Scott Dinsdale	Mangapai	Tom Keogh	Springfield
Thomas Lindsay	Springfield	Tommy Litchfield	Maungakaramea
		Tyler Maugham	Maungakaramea
		Josh Werder	University of Canterbury
		Hayden Ganley	North Harbour Indians

Town and Country historically is a series where Town players vs Country players, determined by where players reside. It has evolved in recent years into 3 games over 3 weeks and has become part of a development program. Squads of 18 players were named irrespective of having two goalies so everyone who has agreed to play gets to play.

More work had gone into preparation, targeting Premier players and U18 men – the development and succession of players to NHC keeps Northland in the game of top teams. Aiming to reinforce strength into the current squad.

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We acknowledge with commiserations the passing of the following people for 2023:

- Robyn Cathcart
- Geordie Forbes
- Arthur Parkin
- Mary Miller