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Dear,

In 2 months Netball America will hit the floor for a showcase event with the WNBA New York Liberty on Saturday July 30th. Have you purchased your tickets? This is Netball America's key charity fundraising east coast event, so please support the team and buy a ticket today! If you can't attend please let us know and your ticket will give an underprivileged child the opportunity to attend the event. Also, stay tuned for upcoming announcements for special guests attending this event!

The East Coast representative trials are complete, selectors are finalizing teams, and individuals will be notified over the coming days. Thanks to Crusaders Sports Club for hosting the final set of trials.

<u>Sign up</u> for West Coast trials on Saturday June 4 in San Diego or Houston Sunday June 5. For those in or near Texas wanting to participate in the Netball Gala Day hosted by Houston Shooting Stars on June 5, click here for details. Individuals are welcome.

Top level Australian Coach Hilary Collins has joined the team!! Be sure to catch her coaching clinic or see her in action as the Coach of the West Coast Rep team at <u>Staples Center</u> on September 10th. Also check out this months coaching tips <u>here</u>.

Be sure to get your club <u>membership updated</u> by June 30 in order to have your club logo included in the Netball America promotional brochure. Last year we distributed over 10,000 throughout the Americas (including Madison Square Garden and Staples Center) and we're getting ready to go to print again! Logos will also be included on our website and <u>new facebook page!</u>

Finally I want to wish all the team, including the British School of Houston safe travels and well wishes for the Netball clinics and demos being held at the Special Olympics Texas May 27th and 28th in which 10,000 participants are expected to attend!

Happy Playing!

Sonya Ottaway, President, Netball America e/mail - president@netballamerica.com

WELCOME TO NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

HILARY COLLINS, COACHING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Hilary is studying for the Elite Coaching qualification (national certification in Australia), is the Queensland (Qld) Fusion team asst. coach (Aust. Netball League) & Brisbane South Wildcats coach (Qld State Netball League). For 9 years Hilary was Head Coach for the



Qld and Australian U/18 indoor teams - so we're very privileged to have Hilary come on board! If you'd like to apply to participate in Hilary's coaching clinic in Los Angeles on September 10th <a href="mailto:email





VANESSA BROWN, DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Vanessa joins Netball America's VP of Development, Barb, to help develop our members benefits program and recruit new members. Currently studying for her Ph.D. in Geophysics at UC San Diego, Vanessa studied at the University of Cambridge and at a research institute in Paris. Her netball roots stem from Leeds, Cambridge and the San Francisco Stars, however now finding home with San Diego United.

WELCOME TO EMERALD CITY NETBALL CLUB!



Looking for a team in Seattle? Look no further! Visit our new members here who are boasting nearly 50 female and male netball players. Emerald City recently held an ANZAC day 7 team tournament with the following countries represented - North America, Fiji, UK, NZ and Australia. The Americans came in 2nd place behind the UK.

On May 21st our President Sonya paid a visit to the Seattle club. There was a full day of Netball action with 4 teams participating. Sonya was able to work with a number of umpires on their game strategy and protocols while also helping the players understand how they can use the netball rules to their advantage.

NETBALL IN NEBRASKA!!



We have a new club - Wayne State College Wildcats in Nebraska. The club is being led by one of our up and coming leaders and coaches - Grace Chimpeni! Contact us for further information. There will be Netball promotions during orientation for freshman and at the Organization Fair August 19 and August 21.

CONGRATS TO OUR NORTH SHORE NETBALL CLUB

On April 19th, our North Shore Netball Club participated in the Gullivers Travel tournament in Oahu. This was a great experience for players, some of them playing in a tournament for the first time!! We'd like to thank all players (Moana, Zoia, Mona, Fetu, Wendy, Cilati, Betty, Liz, and Shannon) and organizers for being so accomodating at this event. Look out next year as we'll have 2 North Shore teams participating!!



GET READY UMPIRES AND COACHES!

Thanks to the following for joining our President Sonya at a private coaching clinic held on April 27th in Manhattan with over 120 youth participating! Lizett, Morne, Samantha & Demi Pretorius (NJ), Stacy-Ann and Samantha Bently (PA), Lucy Rogers (CT), Mette Smith (CT), Nicky Hanrahan (NY), Kelli McShane (TX), Joe Luczka (NY), and Pauline Wall (PA). Thanks also to the WNBA NY Liberty for donating some cool prizes for the kids!



Email us if you'd like to apply to participate in an upcoming clinic on Saturday July 30th in NY, on 'How to Use the Netball Rules to Your Advantage' - this clinic is relevant for players and coaches and is being conducted by Vice President of Umpiring and International Umpire, Prue Plummer D'Amato.

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A reminder about our upcoming national umpire practical and theory exams. Check the <u>calendar</u> and register <u>here</u>.

KEY UPCOMING EVENTS

- Please support our members in their upcoming tournaments and showcases. Further information is available on our calendar:
 - Arlington, TX Netball clinics and showcase at the Special Olympics Texas May 27th and 28th
 - o San Diego, CA Fun in the Sun Tournament & West Coast Trials June 4
 - o Houston, TX Netball Gala Day & West Coast Trials June 5
 - o Hartford, CT New Horizon Netball Sports Club July 2nd
 - o Prudential Center, NJ WNBA Netball Showcase July 30th
 - o Staples Center LA WNBA Netball Showcase September 10th
 - o Los Angeles, CA LA LA Land September 11th
 - Nashville, TN National Championships November 5th

If you'd like to participate in any of these tournaments but not part of a team yet, please let us know and we'll put you with a team!

Happy Playing!



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