

# WELCOME TO THE 2013 SEASON

## Hi Everyone

Its finally time to kick start the season with the first round of competition play. All the teams have started well with some good grading results. It's great to see Platinum in Premier 1 and Diamonds playing solidly in A Grade. The modified draw will be a challenge for some but it has worked well for us as a club as we do not have any umpire clashes with games at this stage. Thank you to all those people who have helped get our season started. To our selectors who did a fantastic job and the Executive for all their hard work. At least there is certainty about playing times from week to week for seniors.

Please remember that without our Coaches and Umpires you would not be playing. Do not abuse them or any other clubs coach or umpire. They are all volunteering their time and many umpires are working through their own development and need our support. It is important that you leave sufficient room around the court for the umpire and under no circumstances should you be standing at the base line to watch a game. Please stay on the

sideline, preferably at the left and end and leave the right hand end for the umpire. We were advised that already some umpires were abused during grading when asking people to move – this is not acceptable to the centre nor is it to us as a club.

Thank you to all those that have paid their fees and uniform costs. We appreciate your prompt payment. To the few with outstanding amounts please clear these immediately if you have not already made arrangements with either Karen (junior club) or Kristal (senior club). Players who have not paid run the risk of being stood down.

# **PNC Messages**

For the old hands this is not new but a reminder to all our players and parents please do not park on the grass behind the double yellow lines. You run the risk of being ticketed. Broken yellow lines mean "no parking". More importantly do not park in the Executive reserved car parks directly in front of the pavilion. This could lead to cars being towed. This is anytime, any day of the week as often Executive members are at the hall for meetings and other duties.

A reminder that skateboards, bikes, scooters and dogs are not allowed on the courts so please leave these at home and let any visitors you might be getting know this as well.

## Club Duty

Our allocated day this year is 27 July which is the final weekend of the school holidays.

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Remember by signing yourself (or your daughter) up to play you agree to giving up a small 2 hours of your time to assist us with club duty. We have to cover the whole day and need at least 3 or 4 parents (or senior players) from each team to make this happen. Please put this date in the diary and make yourself available when the coaches/managers seek volunteers in May. We would like to get the roster out by the end of June so you have plenty of time to plan around it.

## **Photos**

We will again be doing the photos early and are working with the photographer on Monday 1 July. Please pencil this in and we will confirm in May.

#### Jacket use

A reminder that club jackets are for netball use only. Training and game days. Not general wear around home or out and about. For junior teams we ask that you do not use them for school netball competitions.

We look forward to seeing you at the courts shouting lots of encouragement.

# Regards

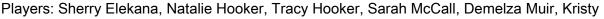
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#### **CONIFER GROVE PLATINUM**

Coach: Jeanette Ross Manager: Michelle McCall



Ng Shiu, Kristal Pihama, Lauren Saunderson, Kate Steven.

The team welcomes new players Kate and Sherry and also back to the club Tracy and Demelza. Returning from last season are Natalie, Kristy, Sarah, Lauren and Kristal. This is a very talented well balanced team with many positional changes able to be made.

Platinum trialled for Senior Premier and after 6 rounds of grading we have had 6 wins. This has placed Platinum in Premier 1 for the Presidents Round.

The team have played extremely well at times with some good combinations developing however we do need to work on being a little more consistent as occasionally it takes us a quarter to get into full swing and the odd quarter to adjust to changes both in our own team and the opposition.

We would like to thank Phillipa, Paige and Monique for filling in for us during grading, you were all awesome and fitted into the team beautifully. The club is really lucky to have such great young players coming through.

To our umpires Kathryn Todd (named umpire), Pearl Neighbour and Kim Hunter, thank you all very much for your continued commitment to our team, not only for games but during training also. The team and club are very fortunate to have you all.

Thanks to all our loyal supporters over the past 6 weeks. Platinum is really lucky to have such fabulous support and especially to our surrogate mother Denise, your assistance is very much appreciated.

Platinum will be trialling again for the Regional Premier League in a tournament coming up on Sunday 12th and 19th May at the Papakura courts and hopefully this year will come away with the results we have been striving towards for the last couple of seasons.

Would love to see you all there.

## **CONIFER GROVE DIAMONDS**

Coaches: Miles Neighbour/Denise Eldridge

Manager: Shirley Todd

Welcome to Diamonds 2013. We have 3 new players this year, Siobhan and Ellen who have both come up from Collegiate grade and Ashleigh who is new to our club. Grading day was a good time to try out our new combinations and it proved a very successful day, finishing first equal in our section on points but second overall. A great effort by everyone involved and a big thanks to our supporters who continue to come and watch. Diamonds are now in A grade, a step up from last year, and again this will be a challenge for us, but there is no doubt this talented group of young and not so young women will give their all and have another successful season. Bring it on! Good luck to all our teams this year, hope you all have a great season.





#### **CONIFER GROVE SAPPHIRE**

Coaches/Managers: Kristal Pihama/Jill Collins

I'd like to extend a warm welcome back to Lucy Johnston (Captain), Connie Maynard and Angela Trask. It's fantastic to see you back supporting the Club for another season. In addition to our robust mid-court trio, we also introduce some new faces who have added strength and versatility to our team. Alison Kemp, Samantha Bunce and Natasha Kelly now form our snappy defensive force. We also welcome Courtney Moug, Iri Tangimetua and Iva Lemalufaitoaga (yes, that's a mouthful!) who represent our relentless attacking side. Despite being a relatively new team, the ladies survived grading and looked like a team that had been playing for seasons, rather than only a few weeks! We've already built up a social, but competitive, culture within the team and we wish the ladies best of luck for the President's Round in Senior B Reserve.

## **CONIFER GROVE RUBY**

Coach: Sheryl Cronin

Manager: Melanie Cronin

We are CG Ruby. Our team is captain Sina, who is in the defensive circle along with the dynamic duo of Danielle and Georgia who are also shooters. Our mid courters are, Olivia, Jenna and Melissa, and our sharp shooters Mandy, Alex and Brittany. For grading this year, our girls had a good day, ending up qualifying for the middle of collegiate B grade. We are looking forward to our season ahead and hope to have some good results over the coming weeks.

#### **CONIFER GROVE GARNET**

Coaches: Carron Jerram/Janine Hawkins

Manager: Janine Hawkins

Our team this year is Conifer Grove Garnet – Alena Dorotich, Amber Hawkins, Chante Rota, Karolyne Sionemale, Nikita Berry, Sophie Turner, Taalia Joosten and Vivian Perez (unfortunately Alena broke her leg soon after Grading Day so she will be unable to play netball for a couple of months – hope you have a speedy recovery Alena as we miss you L!!).

The girls played five games on Grading Day – winning two games and narrowly losing three games, which meant they did not have to play in the crossover game. This secured our place in Intermediate A, which is where we had hoped to be. Well done girls.

The girls played well together as a team and we know that it will be a challenge having only seven girls with no reserve, but these girls have stepped up to challenges before and I am sure you will all show your strengths and do exceptionally well. Good luck for the Presidents Round!!



# **CONIFER GROVE IVORY**

Coach: Jill Collins

Manager: Lars Lundo-Nielsen

Strive for Success

Ivory is a mix of year 7 and 8 girls who have come together from several directions. With two girls new to the club, one who hadn't played before, joining players from three different teams from last year the girls are working hard on getting to know each other and to play as a team. After mixed results on grading day we ended up in Intermediate E for Presidents round.

All the girls are working hard at building their skills to be able to play at least two positions which is giving us lots of flexibility and opportunities. Sisters Talveer and Gurpreet have great teamwork on defence. Add in Sarah and Sam and we have a strong defensive end. Emma and Kate are taking turns in the centre and providing good flow down the court. Both girls can also move into the shooting circle. Shannon is our centre cover but really shines with her forward drive at WA. Our main and accurate shooters are Trinity and Katy who are starting to really work well together.

With a great bunch of parents from the sideline it promises to be a fun season – even if the first week is a bye!!

#### **CONIFER GROVE ZIRCON**

Coach: Courtney Webster-Frost

Manager: Kim Paster

Team Zircon is made up of 8 amazing players, Caitlyn, Sophie, Jasleen, Taylor, Preet, Krystal, Gurleen and Kaitlin.

Grading day went well for us, coming away with two wins and two losses, putting us in intermediate G grade. On the day the girls played awesome and put 100% effort into every game even when getting tired and they improved a lot throughout the day. Well done girls your commitment and effort in trainings paid off and I look forward to the rest off the season together.

#### **CONIFER GROVE TURQUOISE**

Coaches: Estie Fourie/Rebecca Mager

Manager: Nicky Lundo-Nielsen

Conifer Grove Turquoise is made up of 8 players from last year - Chloe Keys, Nicole Fourie, Pia Lundo-Nielsen, Kataraina Kelly, Danielle Wairoa, Zaneta Sionemale, Kirsten Horscroft, MacKenzie Mager and one new player Aleesha Rutherford.

On grading day we drew one game and lost four in A grade. This resulted in us playing a cross over game, which we also lost and got placed is B grade. The competition was really stiff, but the girls kept their heads high, played with all they'd got and enjoyed themselves.

Thank you to all the parents for their support and positive encouragement. This is a great bunch of girls and we are looking forward to a fantastic season with hard, but fun training and good results.



#### **CONIFER GROVE GEMS**

Coach: Danielle Collins/ Nikayla Reece

This year Nikayla and I have the privilege of co-coaching Conifer Grove Gems. In this team we have got Rebecca, Jaime, Lynette, Paige, Georgia, Tina, Tayla, Kya, and Celeste. These girls are a talented bunch with skills of different varieties. These girls worked extremely hard on grading day especially with the day being extremely hot. The had been placed in Junior C which is a big achievement seeing as we have a bunch of year 5's in the team. They had two wins and three loses but this was extremely good seeing as these girls hadn't played together before. I am looking for to a great season and I know these girls will do extremely well.

## **CONIFER GROVE EBONY**

Coach: Gabriella Casey Manager: Aaron Dobbs

Team: Aaliya Brown, Aliya Dobbs, Ashley Joyce, Daeja Hunt, Indianna Rota, Madalyn Katze, Madeline Robinson, MacKenzie Darby. This is an exciting young team. Grading day weather was great. Our girls won 2 from 5. Poor Daeja rolled her ankle early on and was unable to continue. By the 3rd game, the girls were running out of steam, but played well considering. We definitely have some great player combinations - and there was some exciting play. Looking forward to an enjoyable season!!!

### **CONIFER GROVE AMBER**

Coach: Kim Elliott

Manager-Assistant Coach: Kristain Midgley

Players: Ella Rees, Meeka Elliott, Nici Erasmus, Brooke Cornish, Jessie Malcolm, Jamie Strong, Meghana Badveli, Harleen Badwal, Sara Coromandel. Our girls started out feeling a little nervous, or was it just me?... But as the first game went on their self confidence lifted as they got into the spirit and rhythm of the game, and every other game after that. Well done team Amber. Thanks to our super fit Manager Kristain for those never ending pink slips. Our thanks to parents who supported the girls and special thanks to Amanda and Bryce Strong for providing shelter and lollies ... yummy.

### **CONIFER GROVE PEARL**

Coach: Michelle Rees Manager: Hina Desai

Watch out for these up an coming young players from the Conifer Grove Pearl. Isabella Mika, Elizabeth Williams, Shriya Desai, Utharmisha Uthayakumar, Asia Aziz, Maddisyn Rees, Maia Kingi, Katie-Rose Pemberton, Kiri Anderson. Conifer Grove Pearl is made up of year 2 and 3 girls from Conifer Grove and are proving they can play netball very confidently even with only grading day and one game under their belts. They display natural instincts on court, challenging for the ball with great timing and have begun to work around the goal circle to get the best position. They are developing very good passing and catching abilities and as a team are eager to win, relentlessly working hard throughout their games to achieve good results. Keep up the great work girls! Your parents and coaches are very proud of you.