



TAURANGA NETBALL CENTRE

Tēnā koutou katoa. Welcome to our 2024 Season. Happy New Year to you all on behalf of our Board and Staff here at Tauranga Netball Centre. We hope you have all been able to enjoy some well deserved time off with whanau and friends and are now ready for another great netball season!

We welcome back our Board Members Nicola Compton, Pam Clayton, Lynne Clay and Rick Powdrell and congratulate our newly elected Board Members John Koning and Mikaere Sydney who were elected at the Annual General Meeting. We unfortunately had to say goodbye to Maree Body who has retired from her position on the Board, but for good reason – she is now in a well-deserved paid full-time position at TNC as the Umpire Lead (a role she has held voluntarily over many years) and Leanne Emery, who after serving a term on the Board, is moving on to spend more time with whanau – thank you Maree and Leanne for your contribution to the TNC Board, it is greatly appreciated.

Affiliation Fees for Prem 1 and Prem 2 College Teams in 2024 (includes umpire fee)

The fees for the 2024 season are as follows:

Tauranga NC	\$ 502.00
Umpire Fee	\$ 240.00
NNZ	\$ 40.00
WBOP Zone	<u>\$ 152.00</u>
	\$934.00 per team due 3rd May 2024

Affiliation Fees for College Teams in 2024

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NNZ	\$ 40.00
WBOP Zone	<u>\$ 152.00</u>
	\$694.00 per team due 3rd May 2024

All schools will be sent an invoice payable no later than the 3rd May 2024



College Competition 2024

A reminder to all sports co-ordinators to ensure all team player details are correct prior to the competition start, including mobile numbers and **parent email** addresses added into the Primary Contact box. We cannot stress enough the need to have **parent's emails NOT student emails in the Primary Contact** box. Also please update your Team Manager details and Coach details. You may notice ethnicity has been added – we would appreciate this being completed as it may assist with future funding applications.

GRADING

All teams grading to enter the **Premier Grade 1 – Premier Grade 4** will grade on **Friday 10th May 2024**

All College teams grading to enter all **remaining grades** will grade on **Saturday 11th May 2024**

START OF COLLEGE COMPETITION

All College teams will begin their 2023 competition on **Friday 17th May 2024**

COLLEGE REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE

All College registrations are due by **Friday 12th April 2024**. All registrations will be completed on our Friendly Manager registrations site. **All teams will choose the grade they would like to grade for at time of registration.**

Netball

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COMPETITION FORMATS

Premier 1 (6 teams) Premier 2 (6 Teams)

All colleges wanting to grade for Prem 1 and Prem 2 at Tauranga Netball Centre will apply to grade via registration on Friendly manager. Schools will have the opportunity to apply for a maximum of 2 teams to grade for a position in Premier 1 & 2. There will be no automatic placement in these grades. Placement in these will be determined following grading. Teams that are not placed in these grades will automatically be placed in the grade under Prem 2. Please do not enter a team to grade for Prem grade unless they are up to this skill level. Following grading if there are teams that are automatically placed into the grade under Prem 2 and there are some concerns around a particular team being up to this level, management will have discretion to make a decision on which grade they shall be placed.

Grading Friday 10th May 2024. First Game Friday 17th May 2024

Five (5) weeks of round robin play.

Re-grading between sections. (There will be movement in every grade at the end of the round robin highest in each section will go up and lowest will move down including Prem grades) Tauranga Netball Centre discretion may be used to move further teams if score results justify this move.

Further five (5) weeks of round robin play.

Semi-finals and playoffs - **Friday 9th August 2024**

Finals and playoffs - **Friday 16th August 2024**

Umpires

Every team is required to provide an umpire with a **minimum qualification of Centre Umpire Award with Zone Theory who are actively being developed to gain their NNZ Zone Award before the season ends**, your umpire must be named on your team list, any changes to your umpire during the season, must be advised to the TNC Umpire Lead at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz by the **Wednesday** before your game. The Umpire will form a pool of umpires for this competition and will be allocated to the competition games each week from this pool. It is the responsibility of the teams to fulfil this requirement **every week. All umpires will be paid monthly for games umpired by TNC directly.**

Premier 3 and Premier 4 Grades (12 Teams)

These grades will comprise of six (6) teams per grade. Placement in these grades will be determined following grading on Saturday 11th May 2024. There will be no allocation around the amount of teams from each school that can enter these grades. Those who are unsuccessful will be graded in Grades A, B, C or D dependent on placings during grading and at the discretion of TNC management.

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Every team must provide an umpire with a minimum of Centre Umpire Award who will be allocated to games in the Premier 3 and 4 grades for the duration of the season, your umpire must be named on your team list, any changes to your umpire during the season, must be advised to the TNC Umpire Lead at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz by the **Wednesday** before your game. Any umpire who doesn't already have their Centre Award, must attend an LTU workshop and be actively developed to gain their Centre award before the season ends. See our website for further information and links to register for the LTU Workshops

Collegiate A, B, C and D Grades

These grades will comprise of six (6) teams per grade. Placement in these grades will be determined after grading on Saturday 11th May 2024. Competition will start Friday 17th May 2024.

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Every team must provide an umpire who is fit and competent to umpire their own team's games for the duration of the season. **It is the responsibility of schools to provide an umpire who is either appropriately qualified or who is up to date with the World Netball rules 2024 prior to entering a team. TNC offer a number of umpire development courses at the beginning of each season and these development opportunities must be utilised by the schools to ensure ongoing succession of umpires.**

Collegiate Year 9/10 Grades

These grades will start on Friday 17th May 2024 and will span 12 weeks. Depending on the number of teams registered this will determine how many grades and how many teams per grade.

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Game Times (4 x 12 minute quarters with 2 minutes between quarters)

5.20pm	Collegiate Year 9 /10 (1 or 2 of the top sections of Year 9/10 grade may be scheduled on the 6:30pm round depending on numbers).
6.30pm	Collegiate Prem 1, Prem 2, Prem 3 and Prem 4 grades
7.40pm	Collegiate Grades A, B, C and D

These times are not confirmed we may need to move grades dependent on numbers, however we will endeavour to work with these times. Please be aware if your team is moved up or down following a round robin. This may affect the times they play.

There will be further discussion around possible game time rotation and movement of grades, this will be initiated at the Sports Co-ordinator school info sessions which are compulsory and are available on the dates below.

COMPULSORY ZOOM INFORMATION MEETING

All Sports Co-ordinators must attend one of the proposed information meetings outlined below. These meetings go through the registration process and to answer any questions about the upcoming netball season. Please choose one of the options below and email paula@tauranganetball.co.nz for the link

Friday 8th March	7pm – 8pm
Wednesday 20th March	1pm – 2pm
Thursday 21st March	6pm – 7pm

Cancellations

Please note that if we will only cancel due to **severe weather conditions that pose a Health & Safety risk**. All cancellations will be posted on the website, Facebook and emailed to school sports co-ordinators and Team Managers. We only have one back up day to allow us to finish this competition before UNISS. This is due to Matariki day holiday and school holidays.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF WE HAVE TO CANCEL A ROUND DUE TO BAD WEATHER AND WE USE UP THE ONLY FRIDAY BACK-UP DAY WE WILL BE PLAYING ANY GAMES THAT ARE CANCELLED ON THE FOLLOWING MONDAY AFTER THE CANCELLED ROUND E.G. IF THE ROUND ON FRIDAY 24TH MAY IS CANCELLED WE WILL PLAY IT ON OUR BACK-UP DAY WHICH IS FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST – IF ANOTHER ROUND HAS TO BE CANCELLED THAT ROUND WILL BE PLAYED ON THE MONDAY FOLLOWING THE CANCELLED FRIDAY.

Cancellations times: Friday 2:30pm

General Information for 2024

Team Registrations

All College Team Registrations are due by:

Friday 12th April 2024

A team may register up to twelve (12) players. Once a team exceeds the maximum number of twelve (12) players then one player must be deleted before another player can be added on our Friendly Manager site and the school will be charged \$10 per additional player. An online additional player form will need to be completed, this form can be found on our website under about us – official forms at www.tauranganetball.co.nz. Please also refer to TNC regulations – championship player eligibility when adding a player.

Points

Win	4 points
Draw	2 points
Loss	0 points
Loss by 4 or less	1 points
Default Win	4 points awarded to the non-offending team
Default Loss	0 points awarded to the offending team

Scorecards

The scorecard must be filled out prior to the game commencing. Initial and surname must be CLEARLY handwritten for all team members playing on the day. Players who have the same initial and surname, must print their full Christian name. A player, playing up for another team (within own school) must be clearly identified on the scorecard by an asterisk * beside the persons' name and must state which team she is registered to.

To eliminate any discrepancies **a delegate from each team must score the game together benchside (facing the Centre) as directed by the Umpires**. The scorecard is the official score, and no dispute shall be entered into. Any incorrect scorecards may result in a default loss.

School/Team Netball Convenor/Teacher in Charge

Each school/team must designate one person to act as their Netball Convenor/Teacher in Charge to liaise with the centre. The convenor/teacher in charge must keep in regular contact with the centre, must submit **all team registrations** by the due date and notify the centre of any changes (adding/deleting players), in fact everything and anything pertaining to your club/team.

Team Duties

TNC will continue with these again in 2024. All teams at some point or another during the season will be given duties which will be compulsory and if not completed the school will be fined \$30 so please ensure your team managers are made aware of this.

Defaults

Defaults are of concern and **SHOULD NOT HAPPEN**. It is extremely frustrating and inconvenient for both the centre and non-offending teams. Teams who default with less than 24 hours notice will be charged a fee of \$30. Points will also be impacted as per the TNC regulations. Teams who participate in College Premier 1 grade will be forfeited 4 points for a default.

Deferred Games

Requests for deferred games has increased each season and although we like to be flexible, it has become apparent that a number of games are not being played at the official venue which impacts on the competition we provide to our members and spectators, the impacts on umpire coordination and facilitating the changes. Please refer to the regulations below and follow these guidelines.

11.0 Deferred Games

a) Requests for deferred games will only be considered in exceptional circumstances as determined by TNC. Teams must apply in writing to TNC at least 14

days prior to the advertised date of the game. All decisions are at the discretion of TNC and are final.

b) All games must be played at the official venue and before the next scheduled game unless permission has been granted by TNC.

Playing Up

Please refer to TNC Regulations.

Unregistered Players

Please refer to TNC Regulations.

Player Development Programme (PDP)

TNC are running Player Development Programme days in 2024 for Year 9/10 aged players. Players can choose to attend either one, both or all three with different coaches and skills sessions on the days. More information and registration links are on our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz Below are the dates:

Year 9/10 PDP

Saturday 24th Feb 9.30am – 3.30pm

Year 9/10 PDP

Saturday 16th March 9.30am –3.30pm

Coaching Workshops

The focus of Tauranga Netball Centre is to provide clear pathways for our coaches. There are a number of coaching workshops on offer at the centre during 2024. Whether you are a beginner coach, a player turned coach or a coach wanting to take it to the next level, there are many opportunities available in 2024. Check out the TNC website www.tauranganetball.co.nz for all the coaching workshops that have been planned for this season under the "Coaching Tab".

Umpires

Every team is required to provide an umpire. It is the responsibility of the schools to fulfil this requirement **every week** any changes to your umpire during the season, must be advised to the TNC Umpire Lead at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz by the **Wednesday** before your game each week.

To help Colleges who find it hard to source an umpires, first of all please ensure you utilise our LTU workshops we run before the season to train your umpires or please contact Maree (Umpire Lead) at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz if you would like to organise an LTU Workshop at your school or at the Centre.

All Umpires who umpire the College competition must register upstairs in the Harbourside Lounge their attendance with the Umpire Coaches on Duty before their game/s, and Umpires who are on the LTU (Learn to Umpire) pathway should add their game times to the Umpiring Coaching board.

Please be reminded any verbal confrontations from players, coaches, spectators or supporters with umpires **will not be tolerated**. Only the team captain may approach the Umpire for clarification at quarter/half time.

Umpire Workshops

Tauranga Netball provides clear pathways for our umpires to develop their umpire skills. We have an Umpires Group led by our Umpire Lead - Maree Body. So, whether you are just starting out in your umpiring journey or have been on the journey for a while, the TNC Umpires Group is here to support you with workshops, umpire coaching, mentoring and general guidance. Please contact Maree at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz if you are wanting to join or see our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz for further information.

Learn to Umpire Workshops

TNC will be providing **LTU - Learn to Umpire workshops**, for all umpires who are wanting to umpire for our Intermediate or College Competitions. Please see our website for more information about the workshops and to register for the workshop you are wanting to attend. There is a limit on numbers so be in quick if you are interested on how to register. You only need to attend one workshop.

Saturday 24th February

9am – 3.30pm

Saturday 9th March

9am – 3.30pm

Saturday 16th March

9am – 3.30pm

Saturday 6th April

9am – 3.30pm

If you have any queries, please email Maree at umpirelead@tauranganetball.co.nz

Good Sports

Tauranga Netball in association with Hewletts Night n Day, introduced the Good Sports initiative with a focus on great behaviours while participating, spectating and officiating the game of netball.

The objective of this initiative is to reduce the number of incidents where inappropriate verbal abuse is used as the normal way we communicate during games.

Any incidents of misconduct will be dealt with in line with our Zero Tolerance and Complaint Regulations. These can be found in our Regulations which are on the website.

First Aid

All teams must provide their own medical kit and have it courtside each week. Ice is available from the downstairs office. First Aid kits are available for purchase at very competitive prices. Eftpos is available.

Dress Code

Correct netball uniform is to be worn by all teams at all times during play.

Players are not permitted to wear coloured stockings, rugby socks, skivvies or bike pants that hang below the uniform. Players need to set an example and take pride in the uniform they wear and the club/team they represent.

Players will be allowed to wear a black long sleeve thermal top under their uniform.

Dispensation may be approved for any medical issues. Approval must be sought from TNC management.

Jewellery, Fingernails and Hair

As per rule 5.1.1 (iv) of the Rules of Netball:

Players may not wear anything that could endanger themselves or other players, specifically:

- a) No adornment or jewellery may be worn other than a wedding ring which must be covered with tape
- b) A medical alert bracelet may be worn provided it is covered with tape
- c) Fingernails must be short and smooth
- d) Hair must be suitably tied back.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of every organisation and we simply could not function without their support. They are the unsung heroes, the cog in the wheel and they do it all for the love of netball. TNC attributes much of its success to these wonderful people. If you or someone you know is willing to volunteer we would dearly love to hear from you. There are numerous roles you can be actively involved with. Please give us a call if you are interested in volunteering your services this season. Please refer to our website for all volunteer roles available

TNC Canteen and Barista

We open our TNC canteen and barista during every competition and every cent goes back into the Centre. We rely on your support. Cash and eftpos (payWave) is accepted.

No Exceptions Netball Programme

Helen Dodge introduced this exceptional programme and it is now in its 16th Year. This great initiative was developed to support a special group of people. The 'No Exceptions' Netball Programme provides a lot of joy to those who participate in it. If you are keen to help or if you know of anyone who might benefit from this programme call the office 575 9917.

Disputes

In the event of a dispute arising from a game, the protest/complaint must be lodged in writing (using the Complaints Form) and follow the Complaints Procedure as outlined in the Tauranga Netball Centre Regulations. The forms and Regulations can be found on our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz

Collegiate Regulations

For the full Tauranga Netball Centre Regulations please visit our website www.tauranganetball.co.nz

This is an important document and we strongly recommend that you read it.