



Newsletter

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WELCOME

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2018. We hope everyone had a great season of summer sport and are now competing in their chosen winter sports.

As reported below NZISA have had two events already this year and are gearing up for the Queen's Birthday Tournament in Auckland in June.

Please enjoy the news that follows and recognise the achievements made by our sports men and women.

CRICKET TOURNAMENT

Hosted on 6/7th January by Wellington Indian Sports Club at Miramar Park, four teams entered this years event where fine weather was met with light drizzle and a slight chill in the air during parts of each day.

The games format for this year was 20/20 to suit the park. All games were played in great spirit with Bay of Plenty winning the Challenge Shield followed by Wellington B, Wellington A and Auckland rounding off the rankings.

The following were named as the Tournament Team and Most Valuable Players:

Tournament Team

Auckland

Kaushik Patel, Nikunj Patel

Bay of Plenty

Ajay Kumar, Bharat Popli, Ejaz Joshi, Jayvant Dhanjee, Kamalpreet Bains, Umesh Morarji, Yash Patel

Wellington

Jayesh Patel, Manish Patel, Prakesh Patel, Roshan Patel.

Most Valuable Players

Auckland Dharmesh Acharya

Bay of Plenty Umesh Morarji

Wellington A Prakesh Patel

Wellington B Shivan Patel.

The 2019 tournament is to be held by first time hosts Central Districts in Palmerston North in January.

UNDER 23 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Hosted on 3/4th March by Pukekohe Indian Sports Club at Counties Manukau Hockey Stadium, three teams entered this years event with three games played on the Saturday with the final on the Sunday.

It was great to see our younger hockey players taking part in this event which has been harder to hold with the unavailability of players due to hockey trials and tertiary studies starting around this time of the year. A good crowd showed up to support each team which was also great to see.

Winners of the tournament were hosts Pukekohe followed by Wellington and Auckland. The following were named as the Tournament Team and Most Valuable Players:

Tournament Team

Auckland

Akshay Chauhan, Devan Narsai, Ken Hendricks, Shae Iswar

Pukekohe

Bijay Govind, Netesh Sukha, Kalpesh Morar, Xavier Guy, Divan Parsot, Kalyan Jeram

Wellington

Devnand Bhikha, Kaylin Dayal, Hiran Mani, Jayan Parbhu, Jaylin Dayal, Sajjan Patel.

Most Valuable Players

Auckland Anirudh Bhatnagar

Pukekohe Kalyan Jeram

Wellington Aqshai Lala.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Queen's Birthday Tournament

Saturday 2nd to Monday 4th June in Auckland

Golf Open

Saturday 6th October in Rotorua

Executive Meeting and Annual General Meeting

October in Wellington (final date to be confirmed).

NZISA LIFE MEMBERS

Jayant H. Patel
Vinod B. Patel

Magan Ranchhod
Pravin Laloo

Nagin Lala
Hansa Parbhu

Jayanti Keshaw
Ashok Ganda

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY TOURNAMENT (QBT)

This year QBT is to be hosted by the Auckland Indian Sports Club from Saturday 2nd to 4th June.

Hockey will be played at Lloyd Elsmore Park (Lady Marie Drive, Pakuranga) with netball to be played at a venue to be confirmed. A QBT Social will be held on the Sunday night.

NZISA have received entries from Indian Sports Clubs and it is great to see that all sporting grades of Men's and Women's Hockey and Netball will be played over the weekend. The following are the ISC teams that have entered and their respective grades:

Men's A Section Hockey

Auckland A, Bay of Plenty A, Christchurch, Pukekohe A, Wellington A, North Harbour

Men's B Section Hockey

Auckland B, Auckland C, Bay of Plenty B, Central Districts, Pukekohe B, Waikato

Women's Hockey

Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Christchurch, North Harbour, Pukekohe

Women's Netball

Auckland, Waikato.

We look forward to seeing all players partake in this event and all spectators cheering on their respective regions.

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Congratulations to Black Sticks Men's hockey players Arun and Jared Panchia who were selected for the 2018 Commonwealth Games that were held in the Gold Coast last month.

The Black Sticks came second in the event after playing the final against hosts Australia to come away with silver medals.

Arun captained the Black Sticks in his third successive Commonwealth Games following on from Delhi in 2010 and Glasgow in 2014.



Arun and Jared Panchia with their Commonwealth medals Source: Hockey New Zealand

MEDALS

In October 2017 NZISA approved that medals be provided to the players of each winning team and grade at all NZISA events. The medals provide a token to each player to recognise their success in the NZISA event they have participated in.

2018 marks the first year these medals are to be presented with the Cricket and U23 Hockey winners having received their medals to date.

Recipients have commented on the design along with their appreciation of receiving these tokens of achievement.



New NZISA Winners Medal

NZISA 50th JUBILEE BOOK

NZISA still have copies of their 50th jubilee publication '**Sporting Foundations of New Zealand Indians**' for sale.

This fantastic 240 page hard cover book covers the history of NZISA from 1962 to its jubilee year in 2012. It also covers the eight affiliated Indian Sports Clubs along with the sporting achievements made by New Zealand Indian sports men and women.

Books cost \$40.00 each and can be purchased by contacting your local Indian Sports Club.

CISC 75th JUBILEE BOOK

Christchurch Indian Sports Club have copies of their 75th Jubilee publication '**Our Circle of Sport - From the fields of Canterbury and beyond**' for sale. The beautiful 260 page full colour hard cover book documents the history of CISC from its inception in 1936 to its jubilee year in 2012.

Books cost \$55.00 each, including postage around New Zealand, and can be purchased from their website <http://indiansportsclubjubileebooks.bigcartel.com>

ISC NEWS

The following is a summary of what all 8 Indian Sports Clubs have been up to recently:

Auckland

AISC have good junior numbers for 2018. They are also looking forward to a hosting a successful QBT in June.

Bay of Plenty

BOPISC have good numbers within their club for both cricket and hockey. They had a great 2017/18 cricket season including a 2017 hockey season with a high ranked placing in each competition.

Central Districts

CDISC elected a full Executive and Committee at their AGM in March. They have also become an Incorporated Society. New uniforms have been designed and ordered with a new colour scheme. They have also created a new club logo.

Christchurch

CISC have strong numbers on the Executive Committee after their recent AGM. Recent community events involving families and children have also been held.

North Harbour

NHISC have a new Executive and Committee including a new President, Husmit Uka, and a new Secretary, Shayla Dullabh. This is possibly their last year at the current hockey turf complex with four new international standard water turfs proposed in a location nearby.

Pukekohe

PISC had a new, and younger, committee elected at their AGM in December 2017. They too have purchased new uniforms for all PISC teams for 2018. PISC are also busy organising for Golden Oldies later this year.

Waikato

WaikISC are on a drive to increase their membership and involvement of the community within their club. They have got interest in participating in both hockey and netball at QBT in Auckland.

Wellington

WISC club numbers were slightly down for 2018 but overall membership and committee members remain strong.

There are many benefits of being involved with your local ISC who not only partake in NZISA events but in various club competitions so do get in touch and support them.

NZ HOCKEY AWARDS

Hockey New Zealand held their annual awards dinner in late April which celebrated the achievements and successes of hockey around the country.

The evening was highlighted by an acceptance presentation to Ramesh Patel who was voted in as a Life Member of Hockey New Zealand at least years AGM.

Arun Panchia was awarded 'The Players' Player of the Year' on the night which was selected by other squad members to acknowledge his contributions both on and off the turf.



Ramesh Patel presenting his Life Membership speech Source: Hockey New Zealand

NZISA FACT

NZISA was initially formed as the New Zealand Indian Central Sports Organisation (NZICSO) over the 1962 Queen's Birthday holiday in Auckland. The organisation was formed to oversee Indian sport given the increase in Indian population and sports clubs around the country.

Morari Soma, who was the President of Auckland Indian Sports Club, served as the first president with Dayal Nanu, also from Auckland, serving as the first Secretary.

The organisation changed its name to the New Zealand Indian Sports Association (NZISA) on 30th January 1966 at a meeting held in Palmerston North.

NZISA devised its own logo, adopting a design as recommended by Jayant Patel at the 1966 AGM consisting of the Ashoka Chakra in between two fern leaves. The Ashoka Chakra represents Indian nationality with the fern leaves representing New Zealand identity.

In May 1969 NZISA adopted a constitution and became an incorporated society.

NZISA AFFILIATED INDIAN SPORTS CLUBS

Auckland Indian Sports Club (Inc.) www.aisc.org.nz
Pukekohe Indian Sports Club www.pisc.co.nz
Bay of Plenty Indian Sports Club (Inc.)
North Harbour Indian Sports Club (Inc.)

Central Districts Indian Sports Club (Inc.) www.cdisc.org.nz
Wellington Indian Sports Club (Inc.) www.wisc.org.nz
Christchurch Indian Sports Club
Waikato Indian Sports Club