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### NEWSLETTER - MAY 2016

#### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

In a departure from previous practice, the one Business Partner Scholarship Award was announced at the Sport Canterbury Awards on March 2016. 31 (totalling \$62,000) have now been awarded since commencing this program in 2008.

The **Commerce Club (Canty) Inc** Scholarship was awarded to Charlotte Whittaker (basketball). The presentation was made by Warren Gray representing the Commerce Club.

Charlotte is a promising 15 year old basketball player and has considerable potential. In 2016 she was selected in the Canterbury Wildcats, the Canterbury Senior Women's team which competes in the Women's National League. She was also selected in the Under 16 and under 17 National teams and is a member of the Junior Tall Ferns (U19) Women's National Team programme. This team will compete in 2016 at the Oceania Basketball Championships and is expected to qualify for the 2017 Under 20 World Championships.

We wish her well in her future endeavours.

Our thanks to Commerce Club (Canty) Inc for their support for this award.

We also thank **Heller Meats, Deloitte, Rainbow Print Group, Vero Insurance, Smiths City and Couplands Bakeries** for their previous support of this programme.

The awards comprise a cash contribution shared equally between the participating sponsors and the Foundation.

#### Next closing date.

The awards are made six-monthly and another round closes on **30 June 2016**. Guidelines and an application form are available on our website, as above, or can be obtained from the secretary at the above address.

#### BERNIE WALKER AWARD

The Grant for this year was awarded to Matthew Mesman (rowing). This was also awarded at the Sport Canterbury Awards. Matthew is an 18 year old and in 2015 raced as a member of the high performance squad RPC South and was place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the under 20 single sculls at the New Zealand Under 20 Championships and continues as a member of that squad in 2016. He was also a member of the quadruple sculls team that placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of teams at the Junior World Championships in Rio de Janeiro.

We wish him every success for the future.

#### OTHER NEWS

Four of our previous scholarship winners are in the news at present with selection for the Rio Olympic Games in August 2016.

These include Courtney McGregor, selected for the Gymnastics Team, Grace Prendergast and Emma Dyke in the Rowing squad and Natasha Hansen in the Cycling team.

There are currently 81 athletes selected for the games and 4 of those have been supported by us.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the current year are now due. **A notice is enclosed.** These remain the same as last year as follows: Individuals \$25, Corporations \$230, Clubs and Schools \$35, Associations \$55. Please note these are GST inclusive. The subscription notice is identified as a tax invoice and should be retained in your records for GST purposes where applicable.

Payment can be made by direct credit. Our bank details are shown in the notice. Please identify your payment if using this payment option.

Your prompt attention would be appreciated. Your support for our activities is greatly appreciated.

#### GRANTS

Our usual grants are available for coaching and junior development programmes. Costs associated with training and developing coaches and officials and providing coaching programmes and clinics for juniors may qualify for assistance. Application forms and criteria available from Secretary or on website.

Applications should be made in advance of the proposed activity. Applications for the next round of grants close on **31 May 2016**. Time is short but with the Queens Birthday holiday weekend applications will still be accepted if received immediately after due date. Give the Secretary a call (374 6216) if you are lodging an application but might miss the deadline. Future rounds close on 31 August 2016, 31 October 2016 and 28 February 2017.

#### MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome. Individual and company members provide valuable support for our programmes. Clubs, Schools and Associations can apply for grants. All members are entitled to nominate candidates for the Scholarship and Bernie Walker awards. Application forms are available from the Secretary or our website.

Donations are also welcome as are sponsorship opportunities for our Business Partner Scholarship programme. Your support assists us to help junior coaching and development programmes and encourage participation, particularly at the "grass-roots" level.

#### 2016 AGM

Our 38th AGM was held on 26 April 2016. It was unfortunately very poorly attended, with barely a quorum. The meeting was addressed by Charlotte Whittaker, the recipient of the Commerce Club Scholarship in March 2016.

She covered her sporting career to date and her ambitions for the future, which include representing New Zealand at the Senior level with the Tall Ferns. In the meantime she will be attending the under 20 World Championships with the New Zealand team.

### **Life memberships**

Life Membership status was accorded to John Grocott in recognition of 27 years' service as Secretary of the Foundation and to Peter Crowhen for his 25 years service on the Management Committee including 10 years as President and 16 years as Chairman, at the AGM.

The following officers were elected for the coming year.

### **OFFICERS FOR 2016 / 2017**

**Patron - M A Henshall**

**President – G P Dwyer**

**Vice President – J W Grocott**

**Management Committee-**

**David East, Bill Grogan, Megan McLay, Lyn Miles, Martin Perry, John Wylie and Mike Wall.**

**Accounts Reviewer – Garth Dale**

**Secretary / Treasurer - Peter Crowhen**

Jane Clarke was not available for election which brought to an end 15 years of service on the management committee. The meeting recorded its grateful thanks to Jane for her dedicated service over that time.

Jeff Bland was not nominated by the Selwyn District Council and it was left to the Management Committee to approach the Council for a replacement.

### **GENERAL**

The Foundation remains in a sound position after 38 years of activity and our main objective - to develop junior sport in Canterbury - is unchanged. We are proud of what we have achieved so far. There are a lot of young people with outstanding talent who given the opportunity will develop further. Contact us if we can assist with a junior coaching and development project

We also wish you every success and enjoyment in your sporting activities in the current year.

G P Dwyer  
President

Peter Crowhen  
Secretary