

NZ Junior Indoor 2023-2024 Programme Information

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Te Pae Tata/Mission: Unlocking of the ihihi of volleyball for all

Te Pae Tawhiti/Vision: Whanau thriving through volleyball

Nga Uara/Our Values:

- *Manaakitanga – we give, we care, we respect*
- *Mahi Tahi – we listen, we connect, we inspire*
- *He Tangata – we embrace diversity, we promote equity*



Strategic positioning of Junior Programme

Volleyball New Zealand's Strategic Plan 2022-2030 outlines the goal of providing Junior teams access to consistent opportunities to international competition and development.

Purpose of the Junior programme

The NZ Junior programme helps develop players through internal and international competitions.

These opportunities will allow coaches to develop connections to help athletes progress into the Volley Ferns and Volley Blacks environments where the aim is to achieve an indoor volleyball Continental (Asian) Ranking inside the top 12 for Men and 10 for Women.

Who is involved?

- Junior Men's Head Coach
 - o Ben Laing
- Junior Men's Assistant Coaches
 - o Ella Carlsen
 - o Seth Phork
 - o Brieana Booth
- Junior Men's Manager
 - o Melissa Stone
- Junior Women's Head Coach
 - o Andrew Kilham
- Junior Women's Assistant Coaches
 - o Adam Watson
 - o Brendan Crichton
- Junior Women's Manager - TBC
- Game Development Manager – Johann Timmer
- Administrator: Teresa Highnam
- Wellness – Lead by Colleen Campbell delivered through coaching staff

Eligibility Criteria

- Age Criteria: Athletes born in 2005 and 2006 are eligible
- FIVB Eligibility: All athletes will need to hold a NZ Passport and have NZ Federation of Origin - first played competitive Volleyball in New Zealand once turning 14

NZ Junior Programme Timeline

- The NZ Junior Programme will continue with NZ Junior Indoor Trials
 - o Venue: Bruce Pulman Park, Takanini
 - o Date: September 25 & 26, 2023
- Following trials and national club championships: A NZ Junior Squad of 16 players and a NZ Junior Development Squad will be named
- All squads will have training camps in April 2024 (exact date and location tbc) where final team selections of 12 will be made for competition
- Additional camps may be added for preparation leading into competition

Competition

- Both the Men's and Women's NZ Junior Indoor teams will compete at Asian Junior Championships in 2024 (Date/Location tbc)
- NZ Junior Development teams will look to compete at Australian Junior Volleyball Champs (AJVC) in Adelaide in July 2024

Please note: We are awaiting confirmation from FIVB and Asian Volleyball Federation around dates, location for Asian Junior Championships. Their last communication also indicated the possibility of Asian Junior Championships being held in both 2024 (2005/2006 born athletes) and 2025 (2006/2007 born athletes).

This may affect development teams plans for 2024 but we will communicate around this accordingly as soon as we can.

Costs

- Trial - \$160
- April Camp cost \$300 (estimated)
- Estimated Asian Champs \$6000 (estimated)
- Estimated AJVC \$4500 (estimated)

Please note all costs exclude GST

Trials – All athletes will be responsible for their own travel, accommodation, and food

Camps – Athletes will be responsible for travel. Athletes may be asked to billet

Events – All costs will be factored in excluding personal expenses and items

If you have any registration inquiries, please contact Teresa at admin@volleyballnz.org.nz

If you wish to eligible for selection but are unable to make trial dates, please contact Johann at johann@volleyballnz.org.nz



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