

2023 VNZ Club Championships: Communication #3

Wednesday 27 September 2023

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*



DRAWS

No draws or pool seedings have been circulated or posted online prior to this day, so if there were any being passed around, none of those have been officially released.

You can now access the draws here:

[Division 1 men](#)

[Division 1 women](#)

[Division 2 men](#)

[Division 2 women](#)

[Division 3 men](#)

[Division 3 women](#)

All Division 1 games will stick to the allotted time. Division 2 and 3 games may start earlier than scheduled if the duty team is available and both teams agree to play early.

Division 2 and 3 final rounds (last day), except for the semi finals and finals can be played best of 3 or best of 5 if both teams agree.

Teams that default a game will have to pay a fee of \$200.00.

Division 1 Women

Seedings are snaked. Pools have been balanced by swapping CZ 1 and SZ 2, MZ 2 and SZ 3.

This reflects balance with an even split of first, second and third seeds between zones.

A	B	A		B	
SZ 1	NZ 1	1	SVC Silverback	1	Harbour Raiders
NZ 2	MZ 1	2	ECB Thunders	2	Tauranga VC
NZ 3	NZ 4	3	ACVC	3	USO
CZ 1	SZ 2	4	Capital Wolves	4	Smash VC
MZ 2	SZ 3	5	WBop Phoenix	5	Pioneer Panthers
NZ 5	CZ 2	6	Manukau South	6	NZIS Storm

Division 1 Men

Seeds 9 and 10 were moved to decrease NZ teams in Pool B and to separate CZ 1 and 2.

Since Pool B has 3 second zone seeded teams and NZ 1, 2 and 3, it has been decided that NZ 3 and NZ 4 be swapped to balance both pools.

A	B	A		B	
CZ 1	SZ 1	1	Pines VC	1	SVC Silverback
SZ 2	NZ 1	2	Pioneer Panthers	2	Playaz
MZ 1	NZ 2	3	Tauranga VC	3	Harbour Raiders
NZ 3	NZ 4	4	Waitakere Rebels	4	Harbour Raiders B
NZ 5	CZ 2	5	USO A	5	Capital Wolves
MZ 3	MZ 2	6	WBoP Pheonix Blue	6	ECOB

Division 2 Women

Division 2 draw is not snaked. This draw starts with Pool Play on Day 1 and Day 2 (AM), then a round of 16 on Day 2 (PM) before Quarter Finals and Semi finals in Day 3. Finals in Day 4.

	A	B	C	D
1	1	2	3	4
2	5	6	7	8
3	9	10	11	12
4	13	14	15	16

Women's seeds 9 and 10 have been swapped to reflect zone representation per pool.

	A	B	C	D
1	Northland Kauri	Hamilton Huskies	Pines Nelson	Tauranga B
2	Poly Active	Eastern Angels	Rongotai	Otepoti Vikings
3	Scorpions VC	ECB Thunders	SVC Greybacks	Sparta VC
4	Manukau South B	Kapiti VC	Harbour Raiders B	Saxton Storm

Division 2 Men

Seeds 6 and 7 have also been swapped to balance pools and zone representation.

	A	B	C	D
1	SVC Greybacks	Hamilton Huskies	Kings VC	Rotovegas VC
2	C. Manukau Orcas	Dragons VC	Hawkes United	S. Auckland VC
3	Titans	Hustle VC	Waitakere Phoenix	ACVC
4	Scorpions VC	Saxton Storm	WBoP Phoenix Green	USO B

Division 3 Women

Seeds 5 and 6 have also been swapped to balance pools and zone representation.

A		B	
1	Hastings VC	1	WBoP Phoenix Gold
2	Waitakere Rebels	2	South Auckland VC
3	Rotovegas	3	Otepoti Vikings B
4	Pioneer Panthers B	4	Hamilton Huskies
5	Smash VC B	5	Pines Nelson Red
6	East Coast Old Girls	6	WBoP Phoenix Green
		7	Tauranga C

Division 3 Men

Seeds 9 and 10 swapped to balance pools and zone representation.

C	
1	Pioneer Panthers B
2	Otepoti Vikings
3	Porirua VC
4	Sparta VC
5	NZ Defence Force
6	Auckland All Stars
7	Unite VC

D	
1	Panthers VC
2	Poly Active
3	Northland Kauri
4	Waitakere Rebels B
5	Maroons VC
6	Rebels Legacy
7	BSB

The Zone seedings are used as a guide to place teams into the correct pools. By moving teams one seeded spot, this helps create better competition within the pool and increases the team's competitiveness, experience and excitement by competing with teams from different zones.

UNIFORMS

We are still waiting for a few more teams to send us their uniform designs, please send it through today. If you have any questions or concerns, let us know before the end of the week.

Division 1 teams are required to fill in their uniform numbers by the end of the week. This information is vital to our livestream partner, Genius Sports and for accuracy in using the e-scoresheet which feeds live data to our livestream.

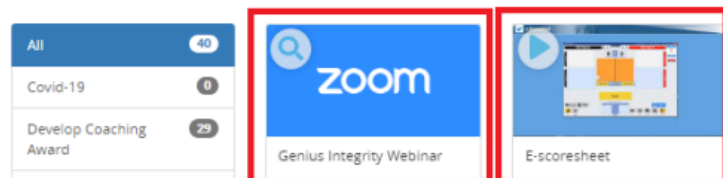
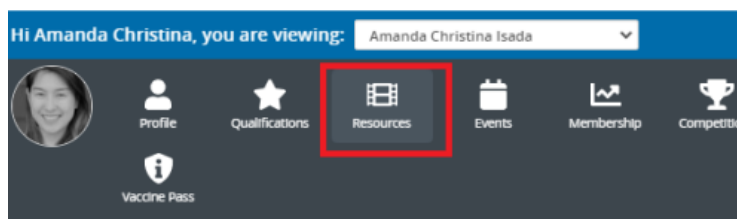
Division 1 Finals will be streamed in our VNZ platform and will be available on the website.

GENIUS SPORTS LIVESTREAM

Division 1 will be livestreamed via Genius Sports. Volleyball New Zealand has partnered with Genius Sport to provide and share livestream, information, statistics and data worldwide. The information gathered in our tournaments is used overseas as means for wagering and betting.

This is only accessible overseas and cannot be viewed locally. We would like to request players to view the Webinar (about Wager and Betting) in their Friendly Manager Account under Resources. Or they can view it here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1eszTBvkjmw&t=4s&ab_channel=VolleyballNewZealand



REFEREE QUALIFICATION

To ensure that all teams have qualified referees this Club Champs and to build up our Referee Database, please fill this form by Friday 29 September. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FZ3MBQ3>

Division 1 – 1st referee must be National Referee

Division 2 – 1st referee must be Regional Referee or higher

Division 3 – 1st referee must be Regional Referee or higher

ENQUIRIES

If you have any comments, questions and suggestions, send us a message via this link. [CLICK HERE](#). This is also available on the website. We aim to keep the Technical Meeting clear and concise. We will only go over items related to game play. If you have any topics of concern or questions outside of that, please send me an email or send it via the link above. We will go through your queries and do our best to address them personally or if there is still time, during the Technical meeting.

FIRST AID

We encourage all teams to bring their own first aid kit. We will have a medic and physio on site. We will also have ice available. There will be no physio at QEYC.

Paramedic - Paul Lloyd (027 374 4608)

Physio – Brad Takai (9:00am-2:00pm)

For any other emergency, Call 111 (St. Johns)

TECHNICAL MEETING & REFEREE MEETING

Mercury Arena, 2nd floor

Sign-in: 5:30pm

Please come in early if you have last minute changes to your team list and uniform numbers. Please make sure that all players have also paid their memberships and other fees before playing.

Technical Meeting: 7:00pm

Only matters relating to the game will be tackled. Other matters will be parked for another conversation outside the technical meeting to keep the meeting relevant.

Referee Meeting: 7:30pm

We request that all referees attend the meeting. Managers and coaches can opt to stay after the technical meeting for the referee meeting. If referees have any questions beforehand and would like the Chief Referee to discuss, please submit it in our [comment box](#).

ENVIRONMENT

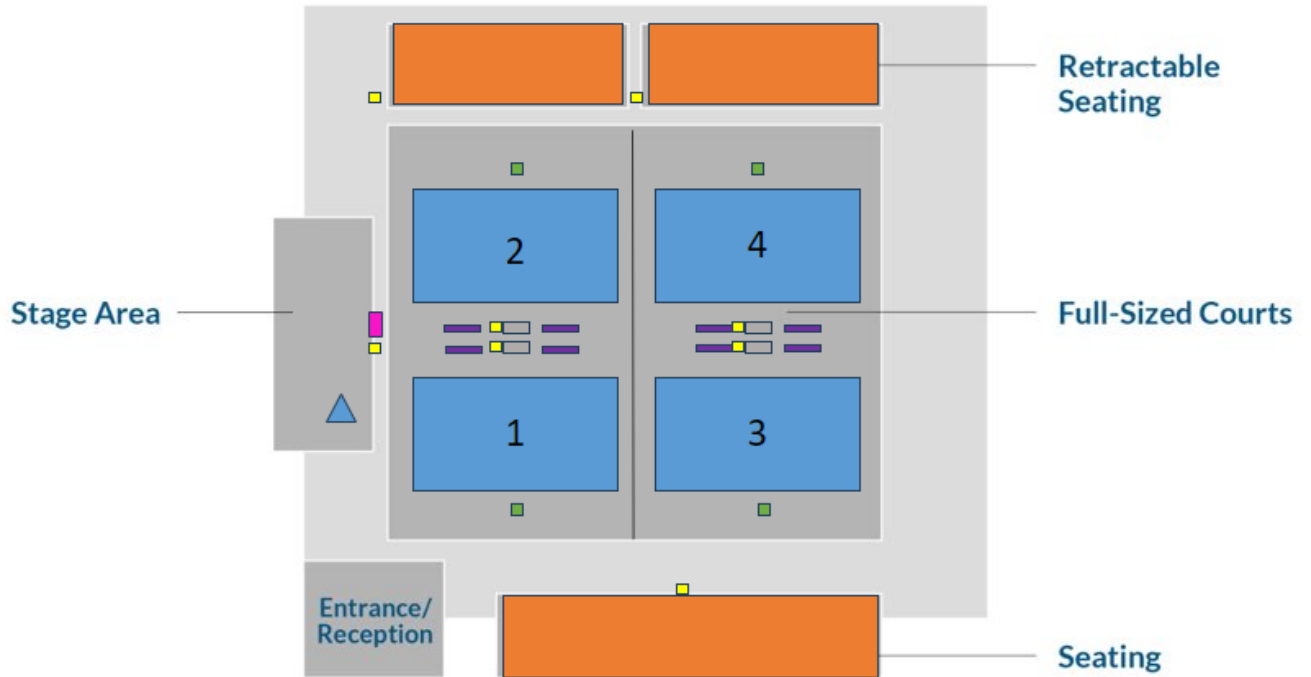
We encourage all teams to bring their own reusable sports bottle. Make sure that all rubbish be disposed of after each match. Keep team benches clean and tidy for the next teams. Teams are not allowed to bring in food bought outside.

COURT LAYOUT

2023 VNZ Club Championships – Mercury Arena



Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre – Floor Plan



STAFF

Tournament Director – Amanda Isada

Chief Referee – Nathan Samu

Referee Delegate – Mahsa Zamani

Arena Managers – Volleyball Bay of Plenty (Paul Braddock, Dan, Caleb for QEYC)

Results and E-scoresheet – Finlay Bertram, Jack Mills, Rosie Bignell, Tinle Sherpa

Paul, Dan and Caleb will be your first point of contact during the tournament as they will be managing each arena making sure matches are going smoothly. If there are any protests to be made, approach any Arena Manager or VNZ Referee Delegate.

Protests and Disputes committee include the Tournament Director, Arena Manager, Chief Referee and may include the Zone Convenors or one other independent.

Looking forward to seeing you all next week!

Yours sincerely,



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