# Gymnastics NEWS

# NEWSLETTER

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# Congratulations to Michelle Woolf, our BDO Wellington Official of the Year!

Michelle is the Women's Artistic Gymnastics Head Coach and Gymnastic Director at Hutt Valley Gymnastics who brings a wealth of knowledge as an assistant technical director for the Oceania Gymnastics Union, as well as the judging advisor for the Gymnastics NZ WAG Technical Committee. She has judged the 2020 Olympic Games and 2022 Commonwealth Games. Michelle received the Kapura Hutt Valley Sports Awards for Official of the Year and a Meritorious for Gymnastics NZ at the recent AGM. Michelle is one of only 25 WAG judges in the world (and the only one in NZ) holding a Brevet category one qualification in WAG/MAG and deservedly the BDO Official of the Year recipient!

The only limits are the ones you create in your mind.



## Our New Advanced GFA Head Coach

We are pleased to announce that Danielle Jellicoe has been appointed as the Head Coach for our new Advanced Gym For All programme.

Our GFA programme has grown significantly over the last few years under the capable leadership of Mel Sales and has now grown too big to be managed by a single Head Coach. Mel will continue as Head Coach for our Junior GFA programme.

Danz will lead our newly created Advanced GFA programme which includes Excel, Stages, Adult Gym, Parkour and Team Gym. She will also continue coaching her competitive squad.

Please join us in congratulating Danz on this appointment and supporting her as we grow and develop this important programme.



## **Roof Update**

The new roof is 80% complete! The roofers have been working very hard through extreme weather in the last few weeks. Transparent panels have now been installed which will make the gym more spacious with better natural light reflection. The committee appreciates everyone's patience while this work is being carried out.

## **WE HAVE GREAT NEWS!**

After completing the framing and building part of our new pit over Christmas, the premises and grants sub-committees have been working hard behind the scenes and have secured a grant of over \$40,000 to put towards the cost of our brand new pit. Special thanks to Grassroots Trusts for this hugely appreciated grant. Also special thanks to Dave Syms, Michelle Woolf and Gemma Fleetwood-Jones for all of their help in getting this amazing grant for our club. We still have a small way to go so keep a look out over the next few months for some awesome fundraisers and ways that you can all help to raise the remaining funds for a new pit that all of our gymnasts will be able to enjoy!







We are so proud of all the hardwork that our athletes and coaches have put in. It was great to see it all paying off at the 2022 New Zealand Gymnastics Championships in Invercargill. We would also like to congratulate athletes Jimmy Jackson, Lauren Carr, Charlie Simmons and Hazel Passmore who were also selected to represent Wellington at the NZ Championships this year. And a very special thank you to the chaperones and coaches for taking care of the team.

#### WAG

#### Step 6 - Unders

#### Zara Fitzsimons

Team – 3rd Vault – 4th Uneven Bars – 6th

## Step 7 Under Maia McLaughlan

Team – 6th Uneven Bars – 3rd Floor – 6th

#### **Elizabeth Longhurst**

Team – 6th Uneven Bars – 9th Floor – 10th

#### Leah Austin

Team – 6th Beam – 5th

#### Te Ana Waiariki

Team – 7th Uneven Bars – 4th Vault – 8th Floor – 10th

#### **Briallen Aberhart**

Team - 7th

## Step 7 Over Lara Cooper

Team – 7th

Beam – 7th

#### **Susannah Charlier**

Team – 7th Floor – 5th

#### Step 10

**Olive Young** 

Uneven Bars – 2nd Vault – 3rd

#### MAG

## Level 4 Rafael Santhosh

#### Team – 1st All Around – 3rd

All Around – 3rd Floor – 3rd Pommel – 3rd Rings – 3rd High Bar – 5th

#### Fraser Bialy

All Around – 8th Parallel Bars – 2nd High Bar – 2nd Pommel – 4th

#### Level 5

#### **Edward Linguard**

Team – 4th
Pommel – 5th
Vault – 10th
P-Bars – 6th
H-Bar – 8th

#### Ollie Macpherson

Team - 4th Rings - 4th Vault - 9th P-Bar - 7th

#### Level 7 Elijah Stewart

Team – 1st
All-Around - 5th
Floor - 2nd
Pommel - 2nd
Rings - 2nd
Vault - 1st
P-Bars - 3rd
H-Bar - 6th

#### **Henry Lee**

Team – 1st Rings - 10th

In line with government recommendations, we kindly ask that all spectators over the age of 12 to please wear a face mask.

## **Coach Spotlight**

### **Taylor Whiting**

I go to Chilton Saint James School. I love doing gymnastics training and aerobics in my spare time and I have been doing

gymnastics for 8 years and started coaching at the start of last year. The thing I love most about coaching is the interactions between the coaches and the children. The little kids are so adorable and full of hopes and dreams. I love their energy and smiles when they learn a new skill. As well as it makes them happy it also brings me happiness being around them.



## 2 new Gym for All classes for Term 3

**Saturday 2:30 - 3:20pm**: High Fives for ages 4 years to 6 years **Sunday 9:00 - 9:45am**: Explorers for ages walking to 5 years

## Schools Festival on 8 September

Schools Festival is where children year 4 - 8 learn a short routine on Floor, Beam/Mat and Vault. They learn routines at their school with their teacher or helper. The children compete their routine and are awarded a certificate and a ribbon we also give spot prizes away for sportsmanship. It is a great way for children to have a go at a gymnastics Festival.

If your school is interested, please contact Mel at mel@huttvalleygymsports.co.nz.

## Ignite Cheer News!

Congratulations to Ignite Cheer & Tumble for Vulpix and Magmar placing 1st and Delphox placing 3rd at the UNITED WE CHEER COMPETITION 2022!

Magmar Senior level 1 will travel to Tauranga to represent the gym at the Battle in the Bay, Saturday 6th August at Trustpower Arena, Truman Lane, Mount Maunganui.

## IGNITE CHEER & TUMBLE HUTT VALLEY GYMNASTICS

UNITED WE CHEER COMPETITION 2022

Results



## Sponsorship Opportunities!

Where would we be without our awesome sponsors? A shout out to Des Smith and Cindy Robertson from Ray White who are a Gold Sponsor. You can find more information for Des at https://kemeysbrothers.co.nz/agents/des-smith/93092 and Cindy at https://kemeysbrothers.co.nz/agents/cindy-robertson/81677.

Would your business like to become a club supporter? With over 1000 members, having a sign in our gym will give your business great exposure. We also promote your business on our social media platforms and newsletters. Your support will enable our club to purchase new equipment.

Please contact Litsa at litsajackson1@gmail.com for more information about becoming a sponsor. We look forward to hearing from you!



## **Pies! Pies! Pies!**

Who doesn't love a good kiwi pie!? The Centa Bakery Pie fundraiser is happening this term!

Chose from 13 different flavours, for only \$12 each, with \$3 from every pie sold coming back to our gym! This fundraiser starts on the 22nd of August so look out for your order form which will include all the key dates and details you need.

Please share this great deal with your whānau, friends, neighbours and workmates who will love this yummy opportunity while also supporting our gym.

Thanks for supporting our fundraising!



## **Cool Tiles**

How would you like to see your name up on a tile wall?

It's a fantastic opportunity to support the club, while at the same time having a permanent reminder of the connection your family and gymnast will always have to Hutt Valley Gymnastics.

Please contact Litsa at litsajackson1@gmail.com for more information.

## Wine Fundraiser

HVG are running a wine fundraiser to raise funds to go towards new mats and equipment. The club will receive \$40 for every 12 bottles of wine sold. The available wines are SILENI CS Hawke's Bay Pinot Gris, SATYR Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc, SPINYBACK Nelson & Marlborough Rose, ELARA Nelson Sauvignon Gris, SILENI CS Hawke's Bay Sauvignon Blanc Blush and WAIMEA Nelson Pinot Noir.

To order, please contact Louise at jlwaiariki@gmail.com for the order form.

#### A REMINDER THAT

Pirie Crescent will be closed to the public at the intersection of Randwick Road. Access to Hutt Valley Gymnastics will be down Tirangi Road until further notice.

Don't forget the WAG/MAG prizegiving on 10 September.
See you there!