

## **Dolphinz Basketball Club Presidents report 2016-2017**

Another year has passed and I will devote most of this report to reflect on the achievements and activities over the past 12 months but first for those new to the Dolphinz basketball family

Dolphinz is now in its 11<sup>th</sup> year since being founded in 2006 and being incorporated in 2010, the club continues to provide that enjoyable and family based basketball club experience on the Northshore of Auckland, our club members being as young as 5yrs old to those in the 50's and catering to all levels of basketball skills.

For the 2016-2017 Harbour competitions we entered 6 men's teams and 2 women's teams in the Winter League, with A grade men winning the A grade competition and then 7 men's teams and 3 women's teams in the Summer league, with A grade men defending their title and also FATCATZ winning the B grade competition, a very successful result and our congratulations go to both the A grade Rouges and B grade Fatcatz.

I would also like to acknowledge all the players in all our Dolphinz teams, mens and womens who enter into these leagues and play because they enjoy the sport and hopefully enjoy some of the successes that they may achieve individually and being part of a team, whether that being just participating or being able to improve and win their games or the competition.

This past year has seen a greater proportion of our teams outfitted in the New style uniforms, which has given the club a more updated look and players a better style of lighter weight uniform, our aim is to continue replacing any older style uniforms as soon as funds permit.

We have a strong kidz program running, it's now in its 3rd year being run by Ben and Werner with about 25 kidz catering to ages 5-12yrs all learning the skills and enjoyment of basketball.

Our active member base is approx 80-90 members attending Mondays, Thursdays and Sunday sessions with about 15-20 players coming and going throughout the year.

I would like to acknowledge the time and effort that gets put in by our team coordinators, our club coach DT who attends those games and sorts through our teams, Yeneh for her efforts with the ladies, their teams and training, Werner and Ben for the pupz program, Ben also with the A grade mens coaching and leadership, Franco Pierantoni for looking after our NZCT applications and filings – these funds being crucial to our ability to afford the cost of court rental.

I will leave our club financials for Ben our Club Treasurer to cover with only to say thanks to members for their prompt payment of club and competition fees it's greatly appreciated.

What I considered the right ending to 2016 was our end of year XMAS mixed tournament, basketball, sausages and smoothies the combination that certainly seems to be enjoyed by

all who attended.

I thank our committee members Yenegh, Dave, Ben and Werner who spend a lot of time and effort on coordinating, coaching, looking after assets, financials etc all those things that keep our club running smoothly

I will end with saying it's been another enjoyable year, it's great to see players keep coming back each year and new players joining and I look forward to 2017/2018

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