



# Whangarei Girls' High School

## Sports Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2018

### NETBALL

WGHS YR9-1 and 10-1 team headed to Kerikeri to compete in the NSSSA Junior Netball tournament. Our YR9-1 team played fantastically and placed 1st in Section A, beating 7 other teams. Congratulations to **Holly Bryham, Ava Collins, Demi Crabb, Danielle deBaugh, Tamsin Hodson, Eve Jennings, Patricia Manuel, Paige Stevens and Izzy Turner**. A huge thank you to Myra Wihongi, Jaimie Crabb and Camielle King for transporting, coaching and managing the teams.

Our WGHS Senior 1 and 2 teams competed at Kensington and played some hard games against other Northland teams. WGHS 1 won the competition in the Section A grade. Congratulations to **Zahna Campbell, Sapphire Connelly-Parry, Sherron Dods, Baylie Drummond, Mia Gordon, Lucy Greigh, Carly Job, Dionne Niha, Hazel Stolz, Jessie Taylor and Kate Taylor**.

WGHS Senior 2 placed 4th in the Section B grade. Congratulations to all the players and also a big thank you to the coaches, Sophie Tua and Ringi Hohepa and managers, Nicky Taylor and Liz Flavell.

### KI-O-RAHI

For the first time WGHS and WBHS entered a combined team in Division 1 grade this year in Kaikohe. It was a great day although we were up against some tough competition and cold blustery conditions, the team had lots of fun and worked well together. The team were down in their first 3 games, however, they kept their spirits high and came out with a win in the final game, placing 7th overall. A big thank you to Kayla from Sport Northland for coaching the team every week. Also a big thank you to Natalie Willcox for her support with the team.

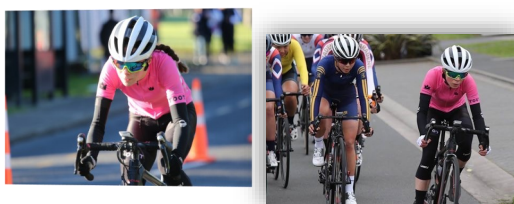
### SQUASH

Two rising Whangarei squash players have helped the NZSS team retain the Trans-Tasman Secondary Schools trophy against New South Wales and Queensland teams in Australia. The National tournament was held in Palmerston North last month and **Shea Ferguson** was named in the NZSS teams to play together with WBHS student, Riley-Jack Vette-Blomquist. Shea and Riley-Jack represented Northland in Australia with the NZSS team and completed their tour with a win in the test series versus Australian selection, claiming the singles matches 15-5 and the doubles 8-2. What a huge achievement, great work.

### SHOWJUMPING

**Isabelle Jameson** competed at the Russian Friendship games in horse riding for New Zealand. These games happen every two years and are held at Maxima Park in Moscow. They have a state-of-the-art equestrian centre which hosts a lot of International competitions. Their slogan is 'Friendships not Championships' that brings the world's show-jumping youth together. Fantastic experience for Isabelle.

### CYCLING



Jorja Swain competed in the Northern Tour run by Cycling NZ Schools. The tour consisted of the National individual Time Trial Champs, National Hill Climb Champs and a Criterium. Jorja placed 6th in the National U20 time trial, 2nd in the U20 hill climb (only .086seconds behind 1st) and placed 4th in the criterium. Overall out of the 3 events with the points accumulated, Jorja placed 4th in the General Classification for U20.

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### 2018 WGHS SPORTS AWARDS

#### CHANGE OF DATE:

Wednesday 17th October 2018  
held at Manawahine Gym. Starting  
time 6.00pm - 7.30pm. Guest  
speakers, spot prizes and much  
more.

### BASKETBALL

WGHS had two basketball teams enter the NSSSA Basketball tournament held at the ASB Stadium. Games were tough but our Gold team managed to place 2nd with Okaihau College just getting through to 1st place.

### BADMINTON

Due to the high volume of keen participants that wanted to enter the NSSSA Badminton teams tournament we could only enter a certain number of teams so WGHS hosted a badminton tournament here at our Manawahine gym. Everyone got a few games in and the competition was great. WGHS Orange team were the champions at the end of the day.



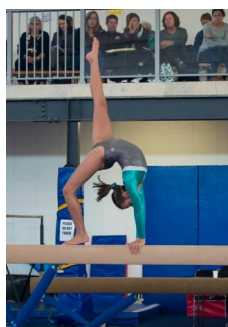
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### FOOTBALL - LOTTO PREMIER TOURNAMENT

WGHS football team, **Taylor Adams, Caitlin Alabaster, Meg Clements, Angela Fahey, Chanel Hodgins, Paige Ihaka, Georgia Mack, Sarah Powell, Te Waiariki Read, Jayde Reynolds, Emelia Ruddell, Meegan Soulsby, Jaimee Twichel, Caoillina Vallance-Keogh, Abbey Venmore and Madison Wainwright** travelled to Taupo to compete in the Lotto Premier Football Tournament. WGHS played some of the most talented footballers in the country and did very well against them considering the injuries that were incurred. It was a fantastic experience for all of the team and they represented WGHS with pride and comradeship. A huge thank you to Christian Reynolds and Dave Beazley (coaches), manager, Di Powell and helpers, Sarah Ihaka and Sarah Venmore for all their help in getting the team to Taupo and the support they dedicated throughout the year.

### GYMNASTICS

A group of gymnasts from WGHS headed to Auckland to compete in the National SS Championship held at TriStar. Results as follows: Team Performance: 1st **Heidyn Harrison, Jane Heapy, Paige Parkinson, Jaimee Mason, Brooke Foster, Emily Hewitt and Ruby Reed**. Trampoline C Grade: 4th **Emily Hewitt**. Aerobics L5 (12-14Yr) - 1st **Mia Robertson**. Tumbling Team A grade: 3rd **Mia Robertson, Aria Croasdale and Elliot Croasdale**. Beam Step 5 Overs: 3rd **Isla Tuato'o**. Isla's other achievements have been 2nd on vault at CSG Classic Step 5 in Christchurch, 3rd on beam at Kerrin Bishop Memorial Competition at Counties Manukau, WAGS Ribbon Comp individual gold, Northland Champs Individual Silver. Well done gymnasts.



### HOCKEY - FEDERATION CUP



WGHS 1st XI Hockey team, **Sophie Ball, Olivia Crum, Alysha Donovan, Helene Herzog, Hollie Hunt, Emma Illerbrun, Katie Jones, Emma Meyer, Grace Moscrip, Charlotte Overwater, Livvy Potter, Casey Rapana, Rosemary Reed, Aimee-Leigh Scott, Makayla Templeton and Jennifer Tobin** competed against 31 other top teams around NZ for the Federation Cup held in our home town.

Playing extremely well we won all our games in our pool and carried on to play in the top 8. Our first game in the top 8 was against Villa Maria from Christchurch. It was a tough game with tough conditions, raining throughout the game. We had a loss of 1-0. Then played Rangitikei a talented team from Christchurch and lost 2-0. Our final game, we played St Margaret's from Christchurch and beat them 3-2 placing us 7th overall. St Margaret's have a shield to win in their last game of the tournament and because we were their last game and beat them we won the 'Pat Barwick' shield.

Casey Rapana, goalie, stopped many potential goals with her great skills in all the games we played. What an amazing team to watch with such dedication and talent (they had lots of supporters including students, staff and locals). Iona College from Havelock North won the tournament. We would like to give a huge thank you to the coaches, Dave Adams and Alan Moscrip and manager, Julie Crum for all their dedication and organisation to the team.

### CHRIS ARTHUR CUP HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

WGHS 2nd XI Hockey team, **Shawnee Anderson, Katie Barnes, Philippa Croft, Alice Donnelly, Claire Donnelly, Teja Douglas, Kayla Drake, Adyn Dudley, Paige Dudley, Grace Hilton-Jones, Holly Hilton-Jones, Piper Mortimer, Nicole Robinson, Sophie Saweirs, Courtney Shuttleworth and Sofia Trigg** travelled to Ashburton to defend their Chris Arthur Cup title. Being a rebuilding year, this goal was always going to be a challenge, however, it was one the team was ready to face. They had a week of ups and downs, both on and off the field. Off the field, they were plagued by both injury and illness. Nonetheless, the girls pulled together to win the crucial pool games needed to cement their spot in the semi finals. Up against long term rivals, St Margaret's College, it was always going to be a tough battle. They were edged out by an on form "St Margs", going down 3-1 and missing out on making the grand final. They went on to play Westlake Girls' High School for the bronze medal. Determine to finish the week on a high, the girls hit the turf with focus and determination, that saw us through to a 3-0. win to secure third. Well done on a great week.

A massive thank you to Jodie Nichol, Gabby Hopper (coaches) and Tracey Cunis, manager.



### UPPER NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS' NETBALL

WGHS Senior 1 Netball team, **Zahna Campbell, Sapphire Connelly-Parry, Sherron Dods, Baylie Drummond, Mia Gordon, Lucy Greig, Carly Job, Dionne Niha, Hazel Stolz, Jessie Taylor and Kate Taylor** travelled to Tauranga to compete in the 2018 UNISS championships. Great results with WGHS winning all their pool games placing them in the top 8. They continued to play extremely well against some very experienced teams and got through with no injuries and placed 5th overall in the B Grade. This had positioned WGHS in the A grade in 2019. Well done team. A huge thank you to Sophie Tua (coach) and Nicky Taylor (manager) for their dedication and hard work throughout the season.