



NEWS

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Youth at the National Club Championships including Australian and New Zealand U16 Camp participants and youth competing for their clubs. Some of these too were recipients of the first Korfbal Youth Leader Awards.

The Melbourne Event

Combining the **National Club Championships** with the **U16 Camp** was a great success. It enabled youth to see the best of our elite players, coaches and referees in action and for each to share experiences of korfball with the other. The whole event was enhanced with the participation of a large group of enthusiastic U16's from Canterbury in New Zealand. The weekend was capped off by the presentation of the first **Korfball Youth Leader Awards**. All this suggests we have a vibrant future for our sport in Australia and an appetite for more involvement with our neighbours in New Zealand.

This issue

We delayed this issue so we could include some information on the Melbourne activities and the international visiting team. Out next issue in July will have more on the National Clubs and Regional News.

U16 Camp

The factor that made this camp such a success was that it was at the same venue and time as the National Club Championship so there could be a sharing of experiences of coaching, watching and playing amongst all the korfball community present.



The U16 Camp participants.



The Coaches team

During the camp the coaches, along with a few ring-ins, formed a team to play against the U16's to improve their playing knowledge and skills and put into practice what they had learnt.



But the top attraction was a game between the Canterbury U16 and Australian U16 that instantly became a "Test Match" but played in the best of spirits.



The Test Match!



And it all turned out happily in the end.

THE FIRST KORFBALL YOUTH LEADER AWARDS

The National Championships gave us the opportunity to present the first **Korfball Youth Leader Awards** to a very fine group of young people who are developing high levels of knowledge, skills and experiences to equip them for leadership roles in our sport and their lives.

Bronze Awards

These participants have completed a range of activities in at least two areas of the Award where they have taken supporting and leading roles that have increased their knowledge and skills especially in playing korfball.



Bronze Award to Chris Hutchesson, Riley Cullen, Grace Cullen, Georgia Bungey, Nich Bungey and Mitchell Othen.

Silver Award

These participants have completed activities in four areas where they have taken on supporting and leadership roles in playing, coaching, refereeing and games organisation over a number of years.



Silver Award to Jenn Cullen, Mel Johnson, Megan Milde, Daniel Papalia, Lucy Vardas, Jessica Webb and Chris Astill (absent)

Gold Award

These participants have completed activities in all six areas of the award based on experience over a number of years. In addition they have completed a series of studies that examine the philosophy of korfball and the fundamental principles of coaching and refereeing. Besides playing at the elite level they have experienced taking leadership roles in areas such as youth

development in schools, sports organisation, refereeing and coaching.



Gold Award to *Emily Hutchesson, Jess Crispe, Nikki Koritsa, Andrew Hutchesson, Chris Webb and Tamika Zilm*

Additional Information

The Gold Award winners are now becoming mentors for the bronze and silver awardees and promoters of the award in clubs and soon to be schools.

Three of our Australians now living in the Netherlands for a year are completing their award in that country.

New Zealand is considering adapting the award for their youth.