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Newsletter

23 JAN 2014
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Welcome to our first newsletter of 2014!

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HAT A YEAR IT'S GOING TO BE! I'm really looking forward to it. 2013 ended on a bad note for me – I dropped my brand new iPhone 5s in the drink while out kayaking with my mates, Sir Graham Henry and Mikki. My mate, Mikki, dived in to try and retrieve it but it was too deep so it was a quick trip on the **Sealink** car ferry back to a **Vodafone** shop for a new one. Thank goodness for iCloud backing up your data; it saved the day. Got plenty of kayaking in and even had a Lion Ice or two and a few BBQS – **Mad Butcher**, of course! February is going to be real busy as you will read in this newsletter. In April, we are off to Las Vegas for a wedding, so sit back and enjoy the read and hopefully we will catch up some time in 2014.

**Keep these dates free in your diary
if you're a Vodafone Warriors fan,
OR JUST A SPORTS FAN!**

Sunday 9th of FEBRUARY

we play the Gold Coast Titans at North Harbour Stadium which is now called QBE stadium.

Wednesday 12th of February

we play the Wigan Warriors from the UK Super League at Waikato Stadium.

(this is a once in a life time chance to see one of the great rugby league clubs of the world, don't miss it)

Saturday Sunday the 15th & 16th

the Dick Smith Auckland NRL Nines at Eden Park

*(for all of these games go to **www.ticketek.com** for your tickets)*

Sunday February the 23rd

we play the Broncos in Dunedin at Forsyth Barr Stadium

*(Tickets for this game go to **ticketdirect.co.nz** or phone **0800 22 42 24**)*

Friday the 28th February

the Vodafone Warriors Golf Day *(details in this newsletter)*



<http://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=NRLNINES14#.Ut2cJ0GBohs>

Here you go: the NRL Draw for the 2014 season for the Vodafone Warriors Home Games in Auckland and NZ. Get ready; its going to be a great ride in 2014!



VODAFONE WARRIORS – 2014 NRL & NYC DRAW

(Auckland and NZ Kick-off times listed in **RED**)

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| 1 | Sun March 9 | 6.30pm | Eels | Pirtek Stadium |
| 2 | Sat March 15 | 5.00pm | Dragons | EDEN PARK |
| 3 | Sat March 22 | 8.00pm | Cowboys | 1300SMILES Stadium |
| 4 | Sun March 30 | 2.00pm | Wests Tigers | WESTPAC STADIUM |
| 5 | Sat April 5 | 3.00pm | Sharks | Remondis Stadium |
| 6 | Sun April 13 | 4.00pm | Bulldogs | EDEN PARK |
| 7 | Sat April 19 | 5.30pm | Dragons | WIN Jubilee Oval |
| 8 | Fri April 25 | 6.00pm | Storm | AAMI Park |
| 9 | Sat May 10 | 5.00pm | Raiders | EDEN PARK |
| 10 | Sun May 18 | 4.00pm | Bulldogs | WAIKATO STADIUM |
| 11 | Sat May 24 | 5.30pm | Titans | Robina Stadium |
| 12 | Sun June 1 | 4.00pm | Knights | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 13 | Sat June 7 | 7.30pm | Rabbitohs 7 | NIB Stadium |
| 14 | June 6 – 9 | | Bye | |
| 15 | Sat June 21 | 7.30pm | Broncos | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 16 | Sun June 29 | 4.00pm | Panthers | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 17 | July 4 – 7 | | Bye | |
| 18 | Sat July 12 | 7.30pm | Eels | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 19 | Sat July 19 | 7.30pm | Broncos | GIO Stadium |
| 20 | Sun July 27 | 4.00pm | Sea Eagles | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 21 | August 1 – 4 | | Raiders | Hunter Stadium |
| 22 | August 9 – 11 | | Sharks | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 23 | August 15 – 18 | | Knights | 23 August 15 – 18 |
| 24 | August 22 – 25 | | Roosters | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 25 | Aug 29 – Sept 1 | | Titans | MT SMART STADIUM |
| 26 | September 4 – 7 | | Panthers | Centrebet Stadium |

FINALS

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| 1 | September 12 – 14 | Qualifying Semi-finals |
| 2 | September 19 – 20 | Semi-finals |
| 3 | September 26 – 27 | Preliminary Finals |
| 4 | October 5 | Grand Final |

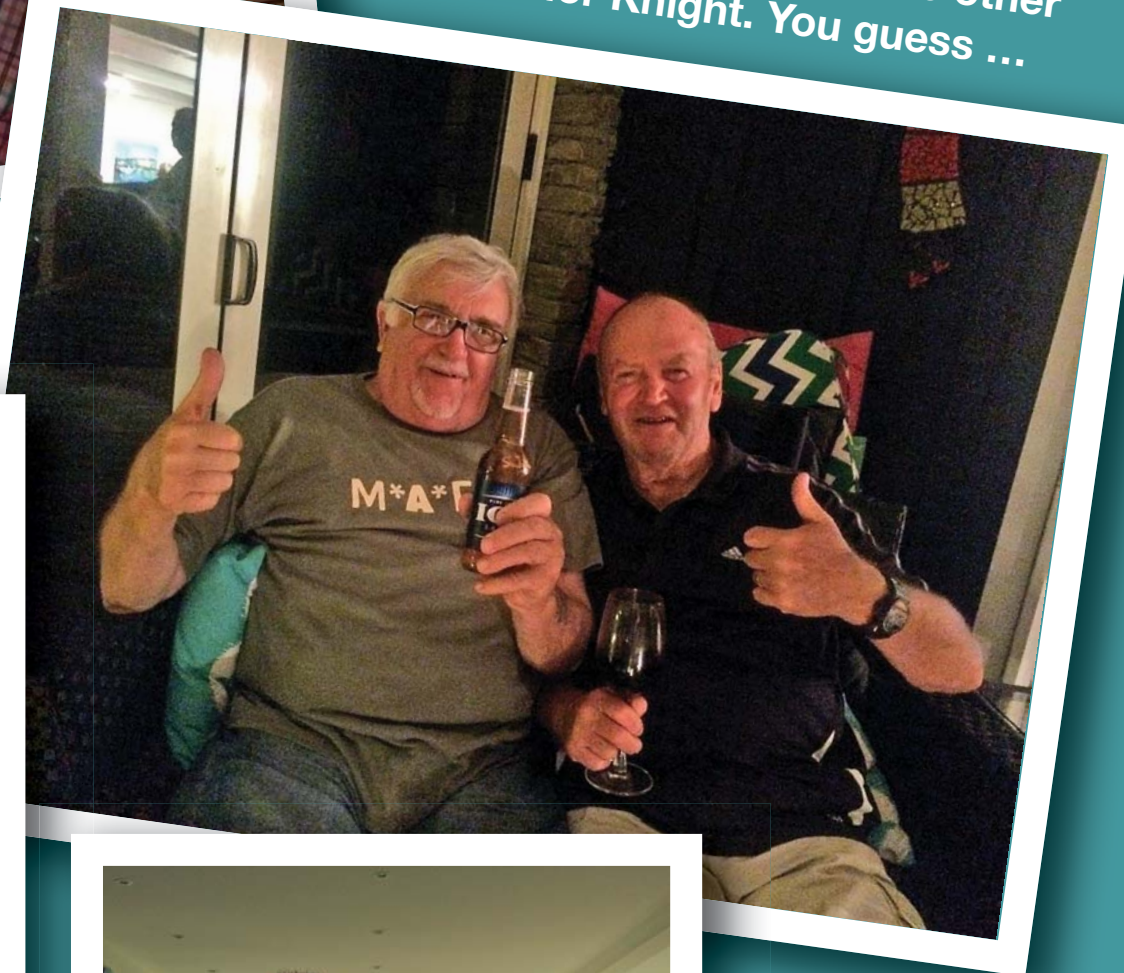


HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS

I thought I'd share with you a few of the photos I took over the Christmas period on Waiheke

Christmas BBQ at waiheke with good food and great friends. You can't beat it!

Two knights just chilling out. One a senior Knight, the other a junior Knight. You guess ...



Me and my good mate Dexter, kayaked to a guy called Chris Reeves' place. He is a top bloke and has a top place and talks a lot of wisdom. What I call a good bugger!



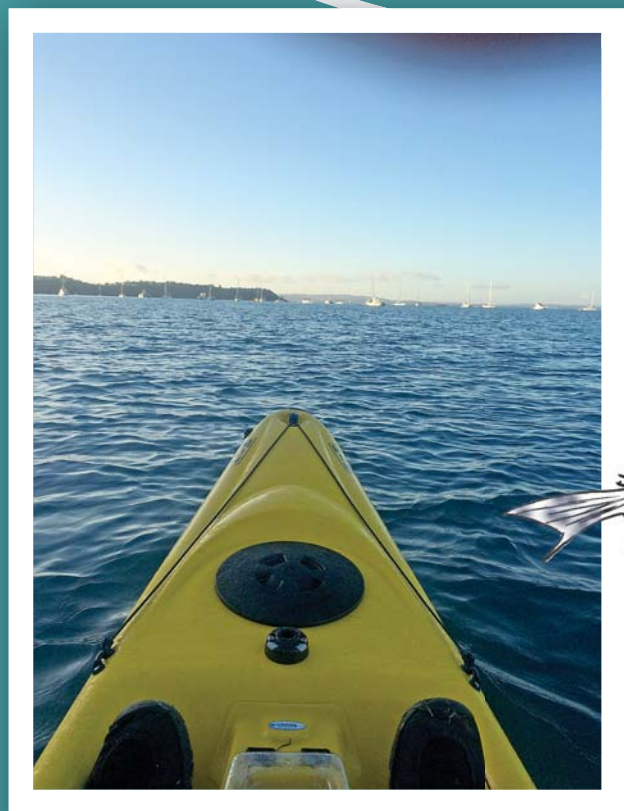
Sir Graham Henry with the lucky auction winner Debbie, at a hospice charity BBQ on Waiheke at Bob and Marg's place.



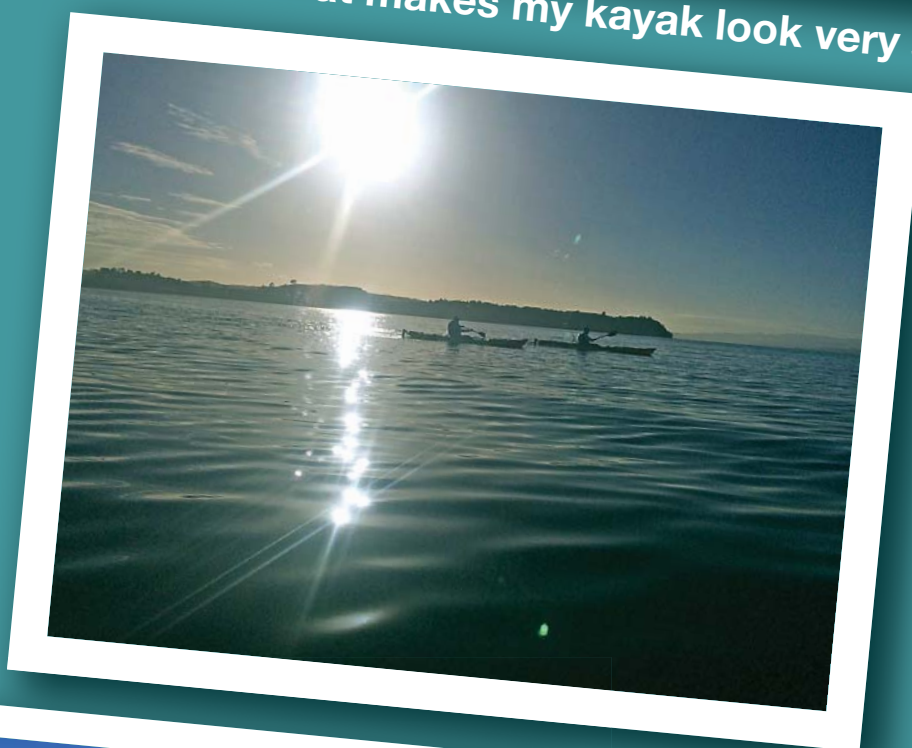
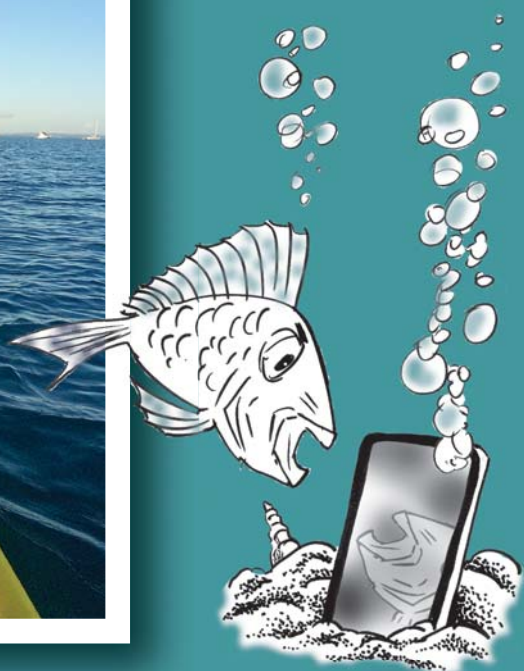
BBQ Mad Butcher style!
French cutlets, scotch fillet steak, chicken patties, marinated chops, chicken nuggets, bacon, sausages. And all Mad Butcher meats!



This boat makes my kayak look very sick!



This photo cost me my iPhone 5s! A very expensive photo, so enjoy!



Sunset at Waiheke.



I caught up with 2 good mates when the Auckland Blues came over to Waiheke to train. Benji Marshall & Piri Weepu - 2 top blokes



Sir Graham showing off his snapper he caught while out kayaking.



This is what I love about kayaking: Great views!

BRAND NEW EDEN PARK MEMBERSHIP FROM ONLY \$80!

The Vodafone Warriors are playing 3 of their home games in 2014 at Eden Park
– Be there as a Member and get all 3 games for the price of 2

You will receive the following benefits:

- Your own reserved seats at Eden Park for all three home games
- Exclusive Members Only Pre and Post-match lounge access at Eden Park
- Access to the Secondary priority purchase period for Grand Final Tickets
- Access to the Secondary priority purchase period for Home Finals Tickets
- Receive exclusive Members Only discounts from Club Sponsors
- Opportunities to participate in on-field promotions for members
- Receive exclusive Members Communications from the Club
- Access to the Secondary priority purchase period at 20% discount for our Wellington Home game
- Exclusive 10% discount off Canterbury of New Zealand Vodafone Warriors merchandise
- Voting rights for the Vodafone Warriors Members Player of the Year
- Members Pack containing Membership Card, Lanyard and Bumper Sticker



BE A MEMBER FROM ANYWHERE IN NEW ZEALAND – OR THE WORLD FOR THAT MATTER!

No matter where you live in Warriors World, pledge your commitment to the boys
and show you are Warriors Proud with an Away Membership for only \$29 (NZD)!

- Members Pack containing Membership Card, Lanyard and Bumper Sticker
- Exclusive Members Only access to discounted match tickets to selected games in Australia and New Zealand
- Access to the Secondary priority purchase period at 20% discount for our Wellington Home game
- Exclusive Members Only meet the team events in Australia
- Invitations to attend exclusive Members Only events in New Zealand
- Exclusive Members Only 10% discount off CCC Vodafone Warriors merchandise (online only at www.warriors.co.nz)
- Official Club announcements before anyone else
- Secondary priority purchasing for finals games involving the Vodafone Warriors
- Secondary priority purchasing for NSW State of Origin match tickets
- Secondary priority purchasing for 2014 NRL Grand Final tickets.



Smart looking Members' gear for 2014!

ONLY AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS!
Not on sale to the general public.

Be at all home games as a Member in 2014!

11 Game Memberships are available in Premium, Silver or Bronze seating classification and provide the following benefits:

- Access to **ALL** 11 x regular season home games in Auckland
- Opportunities to participate in exclusive Members Only tunnel pass draws ***NEW IN 2014***
- Opportunities to participate in post-match player meet and greets ***NEW IN 2014***
- Exclusive access to the first priority purchase period for Grand Final Tickets
- Exclusive access to the first priority purchase period for Home Finals Tickets
- Invitations to attend Members Only events throughout the season
- Exclusive access to Members 10% discount on all additional match tickets ***NEW IN 2014***
- Participation in our Members First 11 attendance reward programme ***NEW IN 2014***
- Exclusive Members Only post-match lounge access at Mt Smart Stadium
- Exclusive Members Only post-match lounge access at Eden Park ***NEW IN 2014***
- Opportunities to participate in on-field promotions for members
- Opportunities to participate in exclusive Member Game Day upgrade draws ***NEW IN 2014***
- Receive exclusive Members Only discounts from Club Sponsors
- Receive exclusive Members Communications from the Club
- Receive all Club communications, team announcements and special announcements
- Exclusive priority access to seat upgrades and seat changes
- Exclusive access to first priority purchase period at 20% discount for our Wellington home game ***NEW IN 2014***
- Exclusive 10% discount off CCC Vodafone Warriors merchandise
- Voting rights for Members Player of the Year ***NEW IN 2014***
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To become a Member, join online at www.warriors.co.nz or call 0800 839 839
For more details on membership packages and benefits, visit www.warriors.co.nz

January 21, 2014

Wanted – NZ Kiwis head coach

NZ Rugby League has formally advertised the role of NZ Kiwis head coach, previously held by Stephen Kearney (and NO, the Mad Butcher definitely *WON'T* be applying!).

The incumbent, who guided the national side to their 2008 Rugby League World Cup and 2010 Four Nations triumphs, also led them back to the World Cup final against Australia last November. Kearney's contract ended after that tournament and he has already indicated he will re-apply for the position.

"We have a big year in prospect and want a strong build-up towards what may well be a 2017 World Cup on home soil," says NZRL chief executive Phil Holden.

"Stephen has done a great job with the Kiwis, but this is a chance for us to test the market and see who else puts their hand up for the role."

The New Zealand team face their annual Anzac fixture against the Kangaroos in May and the Four Nations competition later in the year, dates and venues for both yet to be confirmed.

Applications for the Kiwis coaching position will close on January 31, with a short list of candidates to be interviewed in early February and a recommendation made to the NZRL board mid-month.

The six-man selection panel consists of Holden, three NZRL board members – chairman Scott Carter, former Kiwis player Iva Ropati and former Kiwis manager Ray Haffenden – NZRL high performance manager Tony Iro, and High Performance Sport NZ coaching consultant and world champion Black Sox softball coach Eddie Kohlase.

"What's driving this from our point of view is the Anzac test," says Holden. "We're trying to create as much time as we can to prepare for that first challenge of the year."

The appointment process will take place

in parallel with a review of the Kiwis' World Cup campaign, conducted under a template provided by HPSNZ and due for completion in early February.

"Obviously, there were things we did really well and other things we need to improve on to reclaim the World Cup next time round," says Holden.

"We wanted this process to be as robust as possible to help us get the right coach in place and begin our long-term preparations for 2017."

A position description is attached and general enquiries should be directed to NZRL administration manager **Dana Corlett at +64 9 571 3877 or admin@nzrl.co.nz.**

Position description - NZ Kiwis head coach

**Congratulations to
Mrs Sonya Moore
from Te Awamutu
– winner of the Harley
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in the Win a Hog
competition**



**On the Mad Butcher website
- www.madbutcher.co.nz**

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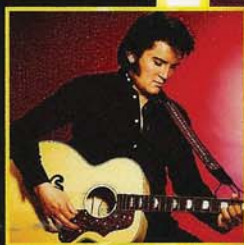
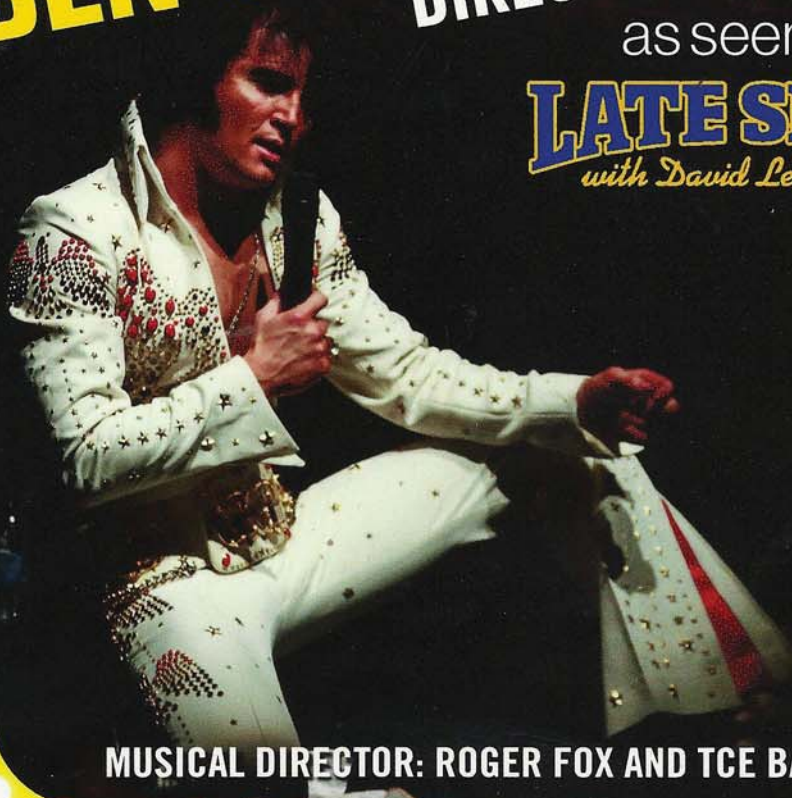
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in the stands as the
mighty Vodafone Warriors
take the field once more!**

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VODAFONE



2014 GOLF DAY

Only 36 Days
to go to the
Vodafone Warriors Golf Day.
DON'T MISS OUT!

You're invited...

**To the Grange Golf Club,
2 Grange Road, Papatoetoe**

Date Friday 28th February 2014

Time Registration at 11:00am

Entry Packages

- \$1,000 + GST per team of 4
- \$1,250 + GST per team of 3 plus a Vodafone Warriors Player
- \$1,500 + GST per team of 3 plus a Vodafone Warriors Player & Hole Sponsorship

Inclusions

- Green Fees
- BBQ & Registration
- Complimentary beverages throughout the day
- 3 course meal
- Gift pack
- Opportunity to win a range of fantastic individual and team prizes.

Sponsor a Golf Hole

Partner with us in this project by sponsoring a golf hole at The Grange Golf Club. In addition towards contributing to the kick start of the Warriors Forever Fund, your support will:

- Increase your brand awareness and create positive PR.
- Offer you the opportunity to promote your product or service to potential customers.
- Opportunity to brand your hole.

Golf Cart / Trundler Hire

NB: Each team with a Warrior will be allocated a golf cart for use by the player.

Your Vodafone Warriors Team Player

If you choose to have a Vodafone Warriors Team Player you will be able to nominate your player and players will be allocated on a first-pay basis.

Please be aware that if your Vodafone Warrior Player is injured on the day, they will still join your team for the event but will not take part in the golf. In this case, the three members playing will count towards the final team total.

Please provide a second and third choice in case your first choice has already been allocated.

**This is a
fantastic
opportunity
to meet
Vodafone
Warrior
Team Players
One-On-One!**



**For further information and registration details contact:
PETRECE KESHA - Mobile: 021 224 6952 // Direct line: 09 526 8830**

ONE OF THE BEST-LOVED MUSICALS OF ALL TIME

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR

ANNIE AUDITIONS

APPLICATIONS EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 1st, 2014

Hundreds of budding young Kiwi stars have put their hands up to audition for roles in the international stage production of ANNIE, coming to New Zealand in May and June this year.

Due to this overwhelming demand, producers have extended the registration period to February 1 so all applications can be processed and those who have expressed interest can complete formal registration.

Registrations should be made at www.anniethemusical.co.nz/auditions ASAP to ensure all young actresses secure a spot on audition days.

Auditions for the lead role of Annie as well as the orphans will be held in Wellington on Saturday, 8 February, at the St James Theatre from 9.30am; and in Auckland on Sunday, 9 February, at the ASB Theatre, Aotea Centre, from 9.30am. Auditions will also be held in Christchurch in March for the role of Annie.

Successful young actresses will earn the opportunity of a lifetime to share the stage with a host of familiar faces from British TV and theatre. ANNIE, one of the best-loved musicals of all time, opens on 23 May at the St James Theatre, Wellington, and then plays at The Civic in Auckland from 13 June 2014.

For the lead role of Annie, the producers will be looking for girls aged about 10-12 with confident and bright personalities who have acting and dancing experience, and an outstanding singing voice. Annie's trademark red hair will be provided in the form of a wig, so hair colour is not an issue, and height should be no more than approximately 150cm or 5ft.

The producers will also be looking for 10 orphans ranging in age from 6-14 – the small and cute Molly, the 'Tom-boy' characters Pepper and July, as well as Kate, Duffy, Violet, Eleanor, Rosie, Tessie and Becky. Each character must measure no more than 5'2" or 157cm in height, have a strong personality, excellent singing voice, and some acting and dancing experience.



Hope you are enjoying the newsletter. If you would like to receive the newsletter directly please email Amelia at meelz_79@hotmail.co.nz Or if you would like to **unsubscribe** please email **Amelia** and she will delete you from the list

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