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Dear Members and Clubs,

Over the past few days, we have been working hard to get our sport up and running with a number of pressing tasks to help expediate the playing of hockey!

- ✚ Development of a plan, responsibilities, and timeline to move forward as an administrative committee.
- ✚ A drive for registrations enabling us to look at what teams we can form so draws can be provided across the conferences.
- ✚ IHNZ NPL – this is now live via Esports with our first round being hosted in Hamilton this coming weekend, the links to all information are on the Facebook site and the IHNZ website.
- ✚ NARCh campaign – All money held by IHNZ (with the exception of a small portion to pay rink fees etc has been transferred to the travel broker trust account and the process going forward has been communicated to parents)
- ✚ Conference draw development and Dispensation Panel formation
- ✚ Meeting with key stakeholders to help us move forward.
- ✚ Financials – consolidating processes and reviewing actuals from 2023 to ensure conference budgets are correct for 2024.

The focus for our next few days involves:

- ✚ Amalgamating those players and clubs with small numbers with others to provide game time.
 - ✚ Continuing the conference draw development
 - ✚ Matariki Event information and budget
 - ✚ Starting the transition of our IHNZ website across to the Esports platform to allow us to run events, scoring etc in a more streamlined professional sporting platform and format.
 - ✚ Development of the Female League Play weekends.
 - ✚ Preparation of answers to the AGM list of questions asked.
 - ✚ Financials – review for GST return, payments made for referees and rink fees etc.
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Disturbingly is the airing of “dirty laundry” on Facebook. We have followers here and all over the world who see the posts displayed and we have had many messages of support encouraging us as we get back on track. This is not how we want to work as an organisation.

The only difference between being uninformed and misinformed is that one is your choice, and the other is theirs. For any questions you may have, please send via the usual channel to gm@inlinehockeynz.org.nz so we can provide you with a factual answer.

Just to reiterate, IHNZ is a registered charity. This means that transparency in relation to finances and other matters is a legal requirement. All legal requirements have been met up until the 2022 records as posted on the Charities Commission site.

The 2023 Financials and Audit will take place even though no motion was put to the clubs to do this at the AGM held on April 6. We will share all information with the clubs and members once completed. Please bear with us as the process can take a couple of months to complete.

A reminder for those interested of the Board Application process - <https://www.appointbetterboards.co.nz/position/apt21874>

Finally, thank you to all those within the sport who have offered your support and assistance as we start the process to rebuild – we appreciate everything you have done to help us get our sport played at your club!

Enjoy your week and good luck for the first weekend of the National Premier League and Conference games!

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