KBA Chairs report for 2022 AGM

30 October 2022

Dear All

I present this Chair report to the 2022 AGM as a review of 2021/22. In writing this report it is a great opportunity to reflect on how we have emerged from the Covid 19 pandemic after the previous year of long periods of lock down and with significant impacts on sport. As an organisation we can therefore be incredibly pleased with our accomplishments.

The KBA team

My continued thanks to the KBA committee for the effective running of the Association. The committee has worked very hard since the last AGM to ensure that the Association continues to run smoothly while at the same time plans effectively for future growth. This group are all volunteers and give up significant family and personal time in order to provide opportunities for others to engage in a sport they love or to provide them a pathway to reach their full potential.

- Rob Scriven – Chair
- Hamish Weir– Treasurer
- Liz Chandler - Secretary
- Tim Upton
- Katie Magalogo
- Rachael Schmidt-McCleave - Young Person Protection Officer
- Paxman Taurima
- Ariana Reweti

Liz Chandler seamlessly stepped into the secretary role this year and has made a significant impact in helping us plan and organise our year.

Governance

KBA retained its full association status with Basketball New Zealand during 2021/22. A status that enables us to have voting rights and to influence the national body. The cost of full association membership although expensive ($3100), also provides our representative players a pathway for development, and an opportunity for the association to access BBNZ resources. We have also retained our status as a charity. Both BBNZ association and charity status are useful when seeking sport grant funding.

As a registered charity, we pride ourselves on appropriate financial management and are indebted to Finman Services Paraparaumu our independent accountants for their support over the years.

We have a charter for the committee, and we have created some job descriptions for the volunteers to help improve the way we function and have an induction program for new volunteers. Our constitution (v5) was significantly improved in 2020 and we feel it does not need any alteration this year.

This year we have rebranded with a contemporary logo and we have also launched our new website with the super cool website address of www.kapiti.basketball

Regional Governance
On behalf of the four regional associations the Capital Zone Basketball Trust was established to facilitate, support and lead the development of the game in the Capital Zone (Greater Wellington region). CZBT intent to help us by:

- delivering coach and referee education in the Kapiti Region
- delivering Kiwi Hoops coaching in primary schools
- assisting KBA with our basketball programmes
- running school and community events including the Regional Secondary School 3x3 Basketball Champs (CSW 3x3 Basketball Slam)

KBA has already reaped the rewards of CZBT commitment to developing basketball in our region. Alongside the governments Strength and Adapt program to reinvigorate sport post Covid, CZBT have increased their establishment by two including a Community Club Development officer and a Girls Got Game officer.

National Governance
KBA prides itself on forming a constructive and influential relationship with the National Body Basketball New Zealand. We are represented on the community liaison and advisory committee (CLAG) and have made active contributions to the Strength and Adapt program and the Calendar review.

This relationship appears mutual with BBNZ supplying us with Girls Got Game merchandise, free training balls for our program and items to be raffled for fundraising.

Business Planning
Our review of the 2021 business plan has determined that we met or exceeded all our goals for 2020. The business planning process has enabled us to be realistic on what we can achieve during Covid, and a better understanding of the funding required to be sustainable.

Youth Development Programs
Our primary focus is about using the sport of basketball to develop youth in Kapiti youth. In 2021/22 we have had a number of amazing successes. KBA has adopted the long-term athlete development model to shape our programmes.



In the FUNdamental stage we introduced the highly successful Kiwi Hoops programme that we run on a Saturday morning for all athletes aged 5-13 years. Our FIBA qualified coaches deliver the Basketball New Zealand nationally rolled out Kiwi Hoops programme with a strong focus on these athletes learning fundamental movement skills through numerous fun-filled games and activities.

In term four we supplemented the Kiwi Hoops program with a primary school age league run in partnership with KCDC. As a sport we emerged from the 2020 Covid lock down to put on the competition that attracted 24 teams in 2021.

College Success
It is great to see KBA athletes and referees progress through into the college basketball scene, and to reflect on the success of those athletes and their respective teams. The standard of basketball in Kapiti is certainly on the up.

During the 2021/22 college basketball season we had three senior girls' basketball college teams, one senior boys, and one junior boys and one junior girls team competing in the premier division for the Wellington region.

Dr Dish
After a concerted fundraising effort in partnership with Paraparaumu College we have been able to purchase our very own Dr Dish Pro which arrived in February 2019. This has been heavily used with Matt setting up the popular Saturday morning basketball shooting school.

Rep Teams
This year we had a number of firsts. We entered an u23 team into the men's u23 National Championship and managed a very credible 14 place – a big thanks for Ed Wallace who helped drive this campaign and allowed these young men to have an amazing experience.

The u15 and u17 boys both narrowly failed to qualify for their respective nationals this year, but they are talented teams and there is hope that as they progress, they will be able to qualify next year. Although the boys u15 and u17 teams were unlucky not to qualify they were extremely competitive and the teams were strengthened by the relationship formed with Ngāti Raukawa (who are doing an amazing job in Otaki), and sharing the available resources.

The u13 boys A team were crowned as regional champions during 2022 after going through the tournament undefeated and beating Wellington convincingly in the final. Huge thank you to Teariki and Shay-Marie for the way that they managed the boys and set them up for success. This was the first time that KBA have been able to take out a title.

The downside is that this year we were unable to field any girls' teams – and this is an area that we will need to focus on going forward.

Coach Development
We are fortunate that we have Matt Lint our resident Basketball New Zealand coach trainer and it is pleasing to see new coaches stepping up in the recent u13 2022 campaign.

Referee Development
Utilising the expertise of Corey Woodroofef and Hamish Weir the referee development is going from strength to strength but recognising that more work is always needed! KBA refs are now kitted out in new KBA ref shirts (in partnership with Dare), and our refs regularly perform in College, Primary School leagues and other tournaments.

We will run a community referee course early next year - it is a great way for players to learn the game and also to get some pocket money!

Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga Poitukohu
We have benefited from both Ariana and Pax being part of the KBA committee and the strengthening of the relationship between Ngāti Raukawa Basketball and Kapiti basketball. The values and approach of the two organisations are similar and both entities are committed to support and work with each other. This has included sharing resources, co-hosting tournaments and creating aligned basketball programs.

Special Olympics
The Kapiti Special Olympics Basketball team are affiliated members of our Association and we are very proud to welcome them as part of our Whanau. A big thank you to Tim Upton and Louise who give up their time help coach this team. We look forward to hearing the success and experiences from their first nationals for many years in December of 2022.

Community Growth
This year we actively sought out opportunities to provide improved facilities in our primary schools. We received a grant from Pub Charity to install 8 height adjustable hoops into four primary schools. The initiative was in partnership with KCDC, Ngāti Raukawa Basketball, and Basketball New Zealand as part of their national hoops in schools' program. The installation will occur in the next reporting year.

Support
As an association we are constantly seeking ways to keep down costs and this year we have been able to receive wonderful support, including significant grants and contributions from:

Pub Charity, Pelorus Trust, The Lion Foundation, New Zealand Community Trust, Kapiti Coast District Council. Raumati/Paraparaumu Community Board, the Capital Zone Basketball Trust, Basketball New Zealand, the Frock Shop, Best Build Construction, and Comprehensive Property Report New Zealand.

Challenges and opportunities
Basketball has just become the second most popular sport in Secondary schools and this rapid growth present both a challenge and an opportunity for us.

In 2022 and out years, KBA will invest heavily in creating youth development opportunities with a strong emphasis on the 5 – 12 year age group. The intent being to help build the foundation for future growth.

We also recognise the value of professionalising parts of our model – over the past 5 years we have seen the incredible benefit of 'buying in' expertise as testament by the impact of Matt Lint and MBA in helping create structure and purpose around our youth development. With that in mind and alongside our sound financial management we have recruited a part time program manager Shay-Marie Peneha to run our programs.

As a committee we are very conscious of the impact of the pandemic on our community including financial and wellbeing. We as a committee are keen to use the sport of basketball as part of that healing and community strengthening process.

Finally
I have tried to keep it short, but there is a lot to be pleased about! In closing I would like to say a special thank you to all of you who kindly offer up your time, purely with the intent to help provide others with opportunities to reach their full potential as people.

Rob Scriven

KBA Chair.