

**New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team
New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation**



**Information Package
July 2017**

**International Ice Hockey Federation
Women's World Championship, Division II Group B
Valdemoro, Spain
16 – 23 March 2018**





NEW ZEALAND ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION

PO Box 47381
Ponsonby, Auckland
New Zealand 1144
Mobile: +64 21 0250 4299
Email: jonathan.albright@nzicehockey.co.nz
www.nzicehockey.co.nz

24 July 2017

Subject: 2017/18 New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team Programme

It is with delight that the staff of the New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team publish this document to the possible selection candidates for the 2018 New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team, in preparation for the International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship, Division II Group B to be held in Valdemoro, Spain from 16 – 23 March 2018.

The announced team will consist of 20 skaters, 2 goaltenders and non-travelling reserves. Those players selected to the travelling team will be contacted directly by the coaching staff.

The coaching staff has Andreas Kaiser returning as Head Coach. In his 2nd season as Head Coach, Andreas is committed to delivering success to the Ice Fernz programme. He will be assisted by returning Assistant Coaches: Kiri Langford, Geoffroy Boehme and Perry Wilson

The General Manager is Jonathan Albright, assisted by Team Leader Moira Murray. The team physiotherapist is Katie Goulding.

This information package is to provide the preliminary details for the coming training camp and tournament. This package includes initial costs, itineraries and international camp details.

At the time of writing, we intend to run a training camp in Toronto, before travelling to the tournament location. During this time we will have over 20 hours of ice time as well as a number of opportunities to do some sightseeing in and around Greater Toronto. We have also indicated other camp options in this information package.

The expected cost for the trip will be approximately \$4500-5000, but we hope a reduction in this amount when final figures are received for our major costs closer to the time. We are also actively pursuing funding trust applications, and players will have an opportunity to take part in the sponsorship draw raffle (just as is done in past Ice Fernz campaigns).

Congratulations to those players whom the coaches have identified as possibilities to represent New Zealand at the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship.

Jonathan Albright
General Secretary
New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation

Calendar of Events Summary

- 1 October 2017: NZIHF Expressions of Interest for 2018 Ice Fernz Selections deadline.
- 1 November 2017: New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team Announced, including non-travelling reserves.
- October 2017 – February 2018: NZIHF Women's National League (NZWIHL).
- 24-25 February 2018: Women's Skate of Origin Game with Domestic Training Camp (To Be Confirmed).
- 2 March 2018: Depart NZ for Overseas Training Camp.
- 2 March – 12 March 2018: Ice Fernz Overseas Training Camp.
- 12 March 2018: Travel from Overseas Training Camp to Valdemoro, Spain.
- 13 – 16 March 2018: IIHF Training, Warm-Up Game & Tournament Preparations: Valdemoro, Spain.
- 16 – 23 March 2018: IIHF Women's World Championship, Division II Group B.
 - 17 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Romania (5)
 - 18 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Iceland (3)
 - 20 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Chinese Taipei (6)
 - 21 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Turkey (4)
 - 23 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Spain (1)
 - Achieve Gold Medal and promotion to IIHF Division 2, Group A.
- 24 March 2018: Depart Valdemoro, Spain for NZ.

Overseas Camp Options

- Option 1
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
2 March 2018 – 12 March 2018
www.hockeycanada.ca
- Option 2
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
2 March 2018 – 12 March 2018
www.hockeycanada.ca
www.winsport.ca
- Option 3
Beroun, Czech Republic
2 March 2018 – 12 March 2018
www.czehockey.cz
- Option 4
Trencin, Slovakia
2 March 2018 – 12 March 2018
www.hockeyslovakia.sk
- Option 5
St. Pölten / Vienna, Austria
2 March 2018 – 12 March 2018
www.eishockey.at

To ensure successful and efficient camp preparation, we are arranging at each option for access to transport to/from the city, quality hotel accommodation, nutritious meals and classroom sessions.

In addition to the on-ice experience, we are planning for some cultural activities.

The final camp destination will be announced once final costings are in place and arrangements have been made with our hosts. We expect this to be confirmed by late August.

IIHF World Championship Tournament
Valdemoro, Spain
16 – 23 March 2018

The 2018 New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team will be travelling to Valdemoro, Spain, on a campaign to win another gold medal and rejoin the hockey elite in the IIHF Division 2 Group A. To accomplish this, we must be victorious in all 5 games:

16 March 2018: IIHF Training
17 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Romania (5)
18 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Iceland (3)
20 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Chinese Taipei (6)
21 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Turkey (4)
23 March 2018: New Zealand (2) vs. Spain (1)

As per IIHF hosting requirements, the Spanish Ice Hockey Federation will provide complimentary first class hotel accommodation for all nights during the tournament, all meals and game-associated costs. Transport will be provided to/from the airport.

Furthermore, during the off-days, the Spanish Ice Hockey Federation will provide complimentary sightseeing activities in the Valdemoro/Madrid region. We will have a choice of daytime sightseeing activities while at the tournament event.

Helpful Links

- International Ice Hockey Federation: www.iihf.com
- Spanish Ice Hockey Federation: <http://www.fedhielo.com>



General Notes

Costs: All costs will be confirmed shortly by management. At the moment we are budgeting in the \$4500-\$5000 range. Management will have all plans set for the overseas camps, accommodation and flights arranged very soon.

International Flights (for the Overseas Training Camp & World Championships): Will depart New Zealand on 2 March 2018 for the overseas Training Camp. Flight details will be confirmed shortly.

Uniforms: In same fashion to the 2017 NZ Ice Fernz, the 2018 Team will travel in a black polo top and track pants. The players can change into more comfortable clothing on the airplane if they wish. Off-ice uniform (t-shirts, hoodies, etc.) will be made available for purchase.

Parents/Guests Travelling With Team: The 2018 New Zealand Ice Fernz National Team welcomes all supporters, parents and guardians to travel with the team. However, arrangements will have to be made to book their travel separately. Please speak to the General Manager for more details on hotels, flights and other arrangements. Management will endeavour to include travelling parents in team activities where and whenever possible.

Individual Sponsorship: Players are encouraged to apply for individual funding, but are advised that no individual sponsorship material is allowed on the IIHF playing uniform and equipment. Please consult with management for IIHF specifications. Management is also available to write reference letters, for funding applications. More information on individual sponsorship applications will be sent out to you in the near future.

Team Funding Applications: We are seeking any team funding opportunities to reduce the cost for the travelling players on their main sponsor, your guardians / parents. These include community trusts, private sponsorship and fundraising sales of replica shirts and equipment.

Sponsorship Raffle: To lower player costs, the Ice Fernz Management will offer a Sponsorship Raffle where tickets can be sold by the players to sponsorship candidates. A raffle will then be conducted in late November to determine our primary sponsor. This sponsor will have their corporate logo on our jerseys and helmets. **Each ticket is valued at \$100 each.**

The tickets that players sell individually will be deducted from their total trip cost. More details will be announced in the first Ice Fernz Newsletter.

Information sources:

- Official Ice Fernz Webpage: <https://nzicehockey.co.nz/national-teams/ice-fernz/>
- Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/IceFernz/>