



24th WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES 2007

Bangkok, Thailand - 8-18 August 2007

The following Men's Basketball team has been selected by Basketball New Zealand (BBNZ) and endorsed by University Sport New Zealand (USNZ) to compete at the 2007 World University Games in Bangkok:

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	UNIVERSITY
Mada	Abdelhamid	Houghton College (US)
Tom	Abercrombie	Washington State (US)
Everard	Bartlett	Massey
Gerard	Bowden	Savannah College (US)
Chris	Daniel	Massey
Leon	Henry	Victoria
Jarrod	Kenny	AUT
Calum	MacLeod	Valparaiso (US)
Zane	Meehl	Arkansas (US)
Mark	Morrison	Canterbury
Christopher	Reay	Midwestern State (US)
Mike	Townsend	Canterbury

FIRSTNAME	SURNAME	ROLE
Phil	Hartley	Team Manager
Darron	Larsen	Head Coach
Kenny	McFadden	Assistant Coach

Please read the following information CAREFULLY and respond to all requests by the requested deadline – Friday 22 June 2007

A. General

You have been selected as part of the Men's Basketball Team (Emerging Tall Blacks) that will represent New Zealand at the 24th World University Games on 8-18 August in Bangkok.

The Men's Basketball Team is a part of the wider New Zealand delegation that will compete at the Games which is expected to comprise between 120-125 competitors and officials from 9 sports.

USNZ is responsible for the administration of the NZ delegation both before and during the Games. The administration of the Basketball Team is carried out in conjunction with BBNZ.

All members of the NZ delegation have been asked for the information requested in the remainder of this document.

B. Documentation

You are required to submit the following information to USNZ ***no later than Friday 22 June 2007***:

➤ ***Academic Eligibility Certificate (AEC)***

In order to prove your eligibility to compete at the Games, you are required to complete an Academic Eligibility Certificate which can be downloaded from www.universitysport.org.nz/events/international/world-university-games/nz-team-2007 – the eligibility criteria are included on the rear of the document (note the different age range for basketball).

The AEC needs to be completed neatly and stamped AND signed by a member of your University's Registry Office. They should use the official University stamp/seal with the University crest – NOT a faculty stamp or students' association stamp.

For those of you studying at US universities or colleges please note that often the seal is embossed rather than stamped/printed. This is fine but needs to be clearly embossed.

➤ ***Graduation Certificate***

If you have already graduated and are eligible under the '1 year down' rule (i.e. graduated within 12 months of the Games), then you do NOT need to complete the AEC. Instead you should send USNZ a photocopy of your Degree or Diploma certificate.

➤ ***Passport Information***

To compete for New Zealand at the Games you need to be a NZ citizen and a holder of a NZ passport. The passport should have 6 months validity from the end of the Games. ***Please send USNZ a photocopy of the photo page of your passport.***

Please note that copies of this passport information will be supplied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade prior to your departure to Bangkok as part of their Safe Travel scheme. Your team manager will also be given a copy.

➤ **Passport Photo (digital)**

Please email USNZ a JPEG passport style photo of yourself. The photo will be used for your accreditation cards at the Games so you must NOT be wearing a hat. Photos should be in JPEG format only please, ideally colour. Email to admin@universitysport.org.nz

➤ **Athlete Agreement**

In order to be accredited as part of the NZ delegation at the Games you are required to complete and sign the Team's Athlete Agreement. This can be downloaded from www.universitysport.org.nz/events/international/world-university-games/nz-team-2007 – sign and return 1 copy to USNZ. Ideally print a second copy and keep for your own records.

The agreement details your responsibilities to the Team (fitness, performance aspiration, behaviour, doping etc) and the Team's responsibilities to you as an individual.

The agreement is binding once signed so please ensure you read the document carefully. In any matter of disagreement the USNZ agreement over-rides any other agreement you may have signed.

➤ **Medical Information**

You are required to complete the Athlete Medical Form, a medical questionnaire which can be downloaded from www.universitysport.org.nz/events/international/world-university-games/nz-team-2007

Please complete the form as accurately as possible and send to Dr Lynne Coleman either by email – lynne.coleman@apollohealth.co.nz or post to:

Dr Lynne Coleman
World University Games NZ Health Team Leader
Medical Centre @ Apollo
119 Apollo Drive
Albany
Auckland

For reasons of confidentiality, do NOT return your medical questionnaire to University Sport NZ please.

➤ **Teamwear**

You are required to order the compulsory 'bundle' of teamwear (polo shirts, t-shirts, singlets, shorts, rain jacket etc). BBNZ will supply relevant training and competition kit.

You may also take the option to purchase additional teamwear (including some items only available as optional items) using the 'Additional & Optional Order Form'. The cost of any additional/optional items will be charged to you by BBNZ.

Please download the following documents from:
www.universitysport.org.nz/events/international/world-university-games/nz-team-2007

- i. Teamwear Catalogue
- ii. Compulsory Order Form
- iii. Additional & Optional Order Form

If you are based in Auckland you are able to sample the sizings (this is encouraged) by arranging to see the Uniform Group at their offices in Morningside – please contact Adele Gordon at Uniform Group – all contacts are in the downloadable Catalogue.

For Wellington based athletes and officials USNZ has a sample teamwear pack in its office on Boulcott Street – please contact USNZ to arrange to sample the clothing.

If you wish to order optional items as well as your compulsory bundle please ensure you return both forms together to USNZ.

Teamwear (compulsory and optional items) will be dispatched to the address you list on the order form – please ensure the address is correct and is where you will be based during July.

➤ **Contact Details**

Please confirm the following details:

1. Home address
2. Home phone number
3. Mobile number
4. Preferred email address

➤ **Emergency Contact Details**

Please supply USNZ with an emergency contact in NZ – name, relationship to you, email, home & mobile numbers.

➤ **Academic Information**

Please supply USNZ with the following information on your University course:

- Name of University
- Name of Faculty
- Name of Course
- Date started Course
- Likely graduation date (year) OR date you did graduate

➤ **Travel Insurance**

BBNZ will arrange travel insurance for you under USNZ's travel insurance policy.

Remember you are required to submit all of the above information to USNZ no later than Friday 22 June 2007

C. Travel

USNZ has booked flights for all 12 team members with Singapore Airlines.

USNZ will supply you with your personal travel itinerary once it has been finalised shortly.

The team will depart Auckland on Saturday 28 July, arriving in Singapore that evening. You will spend 5 nights at the staging camp in Singapore before transferring to Bangkok on Thursday 2 August. Your flight back to NZ will leave Bangkok on 19 August, arriving Auckland on 20 August.

If you have any request for special meals (e.g. vegetarian) then please let me know as soon as possible.

D. Accommodation

The team will be based in the Games Athletes' Village which will be located at Thammasat University's Rangsit campus, in Bangkok's northern suburbs. The Village was built for the 1998 Asian Games and is being completely refurbished before it opens on 1 August for these Games.

The basketball competition and training will be staged at different venues around Bangkok – some are close to the Village and others require up to an hour's drive.

E. Funding

The costs of your attendance at the Games will be covered by Basketball New Zealand with the exception of a \$300 personal contribution that each of you will have to pay shortly to BBNZ. You will hear from BBNZ in the near future regarding this payment.

F. Doping Control - Therapeutic Use Exemption

The Games are run according to WADA doping control procedures. If you are taking prescribed medications for an existing condition(s) then you are required to supply USNZ (USNZ Office or Dr Lynne Coleman) with a copy of your Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) certificate which you will obtain from Drug Free Sport New Zealand.

If you are already in possession of a valid TUE (or aTUE) then please ensure it is current and valid for the time of the Games.

G. Further Information

- University Sport New Zealand *
www.universitysport.org.nz/events/international/world-university-games
- International University Sports Federation
www.fisu.net
- Bangkok 2007 Organising Committee
www.bangkok2007.com

8. Contact Information

If you have any queries regarding the team or the Games please contact either Natalie Tong in the BBNZ office, Phil Hartley (team manager) or Jim Ellis at USNZ, latter's contacts below:

Email - Jim.Ellis@universitysport.org.nz
Work - 04 499 3550
Mobile - 027 477 6786

Congratulations again on your selection, good luck in your preparations over the next two months and if you have any queries about any aspect of this letter, please let me know.

Please remember that administration information must reach USNZ no later than Friday 22 June 2007.

Kind regards,



Jim Ellis
USNZ Executive Director

15 June 2007