

“Development Coach Squad”

Purpose

The purpose of the Development Coach Squad is to develop a small group of coaches who aspire to coach nationally. The Development Coach Squad is outlined as a key strategy in Hockey New Zealand’s High Performance Plan “Bridging the Gaps” 2009-2012.

Programme

There will be up to four coaches selected for the squad in May 2009. The selected coaches will undergo a programme of professional development over the next 12 months under the guidance of Hockey New Zealand’s Coaching Director - Kevin Towns. Each coach will:

- Have three one on one meetings/appraisals with Kevin Towns
- Feedback provided after each meeting and a report given at the conclusion of the programme
- Development opportunities with National Squads
- Regular communication (email, telephone) throughout programme with Kevin Towns.

Criteria

Coaches can apply if they:

- Aspire to coach nationally
- Are currently involved with coaching at U18, U21 or NHL Level
- Ability to commit time to the programme
- Support of local region/Association as a suitable candidate.

(Note: Coaches currently involved in the senior Black Sticks programme are not eligible)

Selection

Positions in the squad will be advertised on the Hockey New Zealand website and distributed to all Associations. Applicants will be required to provide their coaching history and be endorsed by their Association/Region.

Applications

Coaches who wish to apply for a position the squad need to fill in the attached application form and return it to:

Development Coach Squad Application
Hockey New Zealand
PO Box 24-024
Royal Oak
AUCKLAND

Or applications can be emailed directly to Brad Jensen, Development Manager - brad@hockeynz.co.nz

Applications close **Friday 15th May 2009.**