



PRESS RELEASE

Hockey NZ Player of the Year to coach at Hockey Fantasticks

Emily Naylor, recently named as Hockey New Zealand's Player of the Year in 2009 is joining the Academy coaching staff from 2010. This is a massive addition to the already fantastic array of contracted coaches the Academy currently has coaching for them. Emily brings with her a huge amount of international playing experience including competing in two Olympic Games namely Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008. She is currently playing her club hockey in Holland in probably the most competitive league in the world, but will be back in Hawke's Bay to coach at the Hockey Fantasticks Camp in January 2010. This really is a FANTASTICK opportunity for the young players of the region to learn some of the best and latest international skills from one of the best players in the world. Fellow Black Stick teammate Kayla Sharland, as well as regular Academy coaches Caryn Paewai and Greg Nicol will join Emily for what will be an experience to remember.

Alongside the Hockey Fantasticks Camp, the Academy has a bumper Summer of hockey ahead, with a selection of hockey training camps for the children of New Zealand to choose from during December and January. The Academy will be running the following Summer Programme;

14th -18th December 2009: Future Elites (Residential Camp for Elite U16 and U18 NZ players)

18th -22nd January 2010: Champs Camp (Residential Camp for all U13 – U18 NZ players)

27th – 29th January 2010: FantaSTICKS (Regional Camp for players aged 8 – 13 years old)

To register for these camps contact Lucie Thomson: events@hockeyacademy.org.nz or 06 8459336 ext 777

The Academy is certainly very proud to welcome Emily to the coaching team and looks forward to another exciting Summer of hockey.

