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# New Zealand Muslim Sports Association holds its Annual General Meeting

The 2012 AGM for New Zealand Muslim Sports Association was held at Mangere Centre Park Sports Lounge on Sunday 19th May 2013.

The minutes of the 2011 AGM followed by detailed reports on 2012 Multicultural Festival Of Eid, 2012 FANCA (Nadi/Fiji), 2012 Eid Cup Tournament were presented with positive acknowledgments and were highly commended by everyone.

New Zealand Muslim Sports Association's monthly free newsletter initiated since May 2012 has been widely circulated and we have received very good feedback and response on this. The newsletter gives the public and the member's great information on the association and some general knowledge on Muslim sports and other activities to the people around the world

circulated in the email. 'Insha Allah' we shall continue with this good work which is been complimented by most people in the sports circle throughout the world said Israr Sheikh, the president of the Association.

A new website was launched in October 2012 after the closure of the first website due to hosting issues. The new website was internally developed and maintained by utilising own resources and expertise. New Zealand Muslim Sports Association's monthly newsletters and all relevant forms are available for public and affiliates. New Zealand Muslim Sports Association welcomes all feedbacks from members for the improvement of the website.

**Looking forward to our upcoming activities we have (2013/2014):**

**1) June 2013 - FANCA International Club Championship in Nadi/Fiji.**

**2) Aug 2013 - Multicultural Festival Of Eid (Auckland).**

**3) Oct 2013 - Eid Cup Tournament (Auckland).**

**4) Easter 2014 - Unity Cup Tournament (Auckland).**

**5) Oct 2014 - FANCA mini Muslim world cup sports tournament (Auckland).**

The association's major task is the FANCA sports tournament which we are hosting in Auckland. Further details will be finalised and publicised in due course said the general secretary, Mohammed Faruk. Together with the above activities the New Zealand Muslim Sports Association has Islamic Dawah on our priority list. New Zealand Muslim Sports Association in conjunction with South Auckland Muslim association organised a lec-

ture programme by the Pesh Imam of Masjid Al Mustafa, Otahuhu during the tea party at the Multicultural Festival Eid Festival 2012.

The association prints leaflets and distributes in meetings for the members and recently distributed a literature on "Respecting Parents and Elders" and it was also the theme in the recent Unity Cup Soccer tournament. As a priority New Zealand Muslim Sports Association will continue with this devoted Dawah work in future. The patron Haji Gul zaman thanked all the executives of New Zealand Muslim Sports Association for working together tirelessly and making the past 12 months a success and hoped that they continue to work hand in hand together with the affiliates and gain in strength to deliver the same or better results next year.

## New Zealand Fiji AFC elects Br Sheikh Israr elected as General Secretary

The President of New Zealand Muslim Sports Association Inc, Br Sheikh Israr (pictured right) has been elected as the general secretary of New Zealand Fiji AFC last month at its annual general meeting at its clubrooms in Mangere, Auckland.

Br Sheikh Israr a well know sports administrator amongst the community relinquished his position as vice president of New Zealand Fiji AFC for the last ten years.

Br Abdul Sahid, president of Avondale Muslim Soccer Club took back his position as the treasurer and Br Afroz Kutty of Dannemora

Muslim Sports was elected as the assistant secretary. Br Abdul Hamid Hassan of Ponsonby Muslim FC was elected as assistant treasurer and the annual general meeting appointed sports stalwart Br Ilyas Daud as the technical advisor. New Zealand Fiji AFC has brothers from other communities such as Sanatan Sports Association, Sangam Sports Association and Marist Brothers Old Boys.



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# 2013 Autumn Cup Muslim Soccer Tournament

New Zealand Muslim Sports Association 2013 Autumn Cup Soccer Tournament is underway at Mangere Center Park over three Sundays.

The chairman of the organizing committee of the 2013 Autumn Cup Soccer Tournament, Br Iqbal Ismail said that because of the Auckland Football's winter soccer league we are not able to have the tournament over one weekend due to the match official and ground availability.

In the opening match, Ponsonby Muslim defeated Dannemora by 4 goals to 1. The tournament will commence this Sunday at 2pm again at Mangere Center Park, Auckland. Some actionpak photos of the 2013 Autumn Cup Muslim Soccer Tournament.....



Tournament chairman, Br Iqbal Ismail sorts out the punctured ball in the opening match between Ponsonby (red) and Dannemora (green)



The trio Sahib's of Papatoetoe puts Papatoetoe up by 4-1 against Otahuhu.



The president of NZMSA meets with Papatoetoe Muslim Soccer Boys president Br Shiraj Dean at the 2013 Autumn Cup Soccer Tournament



Riwan Hussein in the goal for Ponsonby (red).

## Significance of the Month of Shaban

Sha'aban (Arabic: شـابـعـة) is the eighth month of the Islamic calendar. On the fifteenth night of this month falls the Shab-i-Barat: 'The Night of Records';

Allah's beloved prophet Hadrat MUHAMMAD {peace be upon him} said:

"Sha'ban is my month, Rajab is Allah's month and Ramadan is the month of my

Ummah[Community]

Sha'ban is expiator, while Ramadan is the prufier." Sha'ban is a month between Rajab and Ramadan.

People tend to neglect it, but that is when the deeds of His servants ascend to the Lord of all the Worlds, so I would rather mine rose up while i am fasting."

"The excellence of Rajab over other months is like the excellence of the Quran over all other books, while the excellence of Sha'ban over other months is like my excellence over the rest of the prophets, and the excellence of Ramadan over other months is like the excellence of Allah [Exalted is He] over all His creatures.

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FIJI MUSLIM (FANCA) SPORTS FEDERATION

2013 INTERNATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

PRINCE CHARLES PARK – NADI

WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2013

WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2013

8.00 AM - Approval of Team List  
Nadi Town Council Mayors Chambers – 1 Delegate from each Club

<b>GAME</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>CLUB</b>	<b>POOL</b>	<b>GROUND</b>
1	1.45 PM	NADI VS RARAWAI	4	1
2	2.15 PM	BEMANA VS SABETO	1	2
3	3.00 PM	NAVUA VS PAPATOETOE	2	1
4	3.30 PM	NASINU VS BA	3	2
5	4.15 PM	SIGATOKA VS BRISBANE	3	1
	<b>6.00 PM</b>	<b>MAGRIB SALAT</b>		
6	6.30 PM	CUVU VS MAIGANIA	1	1
7	7.45 PM	DRASA VS SYDNEY STALLIONS	4	1
8	9.00 PM	SYDNEY MULOMULO VS VARAVU	2	1

**THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013**

9	8.00 AM	BEMANA VS PONSONBY	1	1
10	8.00 AM	SABETO VS MAIGANIA	1	2
11	9.15 AM	VARAVU VS PAPATOETOE	2	1
12	9.15 AM	NAVUA VS VALELEVU	2	2
13	10.30 AM	NADI VS OTAHUHU	4	1
14	10.30 AM	NASINU VS SIGATOKA	3	2
15	11.45 AM	BA VS DENEMMORA	3	1
16	11.45 AM	DRASA VS RARAWAI	4	2
17	1.00 PM	MAIGANIA VS PONSONBY	1	1
18	1.00 PM	CUVU VS SABETO	1	2

**3.00 PM**

**ALL TEAMS TO PARADE**

**3.15 PM**

**OFFICIAL OPENING**

19	4.15 PM	NASINU VS BRISBANE	3	1
20	4.15 PM	SIGATOKA VS DENEMMORA	3	2
	<b>6.00 PM</b>	<b>MAGRIB PRAYERS</b>		
21	6.30 PM	RARAWAI VS SYDNEY STALLIONS	4	1
22	7.45 PM	PAPATOETOE VS SYDNEY MULOMULO	2	1

**FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013**

23	8.00 AM	DENEMMORA VS NASINU	3	1
24	8.00 AM	VARAVU VS NAVUA	2	2
25	9.15 AM	BA VS BRISBANE	3	1
26	9.15 AM	CUVU VS PONSONBY	1	2
27	10.30 AM	NADI VS SYDNEY STALLIONS	4	1
28	10.30 AM	BEMANA VS MAGANIA	1	2

**11.45 AM – 1.45 PM JUMMA SALAAT**

29	1.50 PM	PAPATOETOE VS VALELEVU	2	1
30	3.00 PM	RARAWAI VS OTAHUHU	4	1
31	3.00 PM	BA VS SIGATOKA	3	2
32	4.15 PM	SYDNEY MULOMULO VS NAVUA	2	1
33	4.15 PM	NADI VS DRASA	4	2

**6.00 PM MAGHRIB PRAYER**

34	6.30 PM	VARAVU VS VALELEVU	2	1
35	7.45 PM	BRISBANE VS DENEMMOREA	3	1
36	9.00 PM	SYDNEY STALLION VS OTAHUHU	4	1

**SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2013**

37	8.00 AM	PONSONBY VS SABETO	1	1
38	9.00 AM	BEMANA VS CUVU	1	2
39	9.15 AM	SYDNEY MULOMULO VS VALELEVU	2	1
40	10.30 AM	DRASA VS OTAHUHU	4	1

**QUARTER FINALS**

41	2.00 PM	WINNER POOL 1 VS RUNNER UP POOL 3		1
42	3.15 PM	WINNER POOL 2 VS RUNNER UP POOL 4		1
43	4.30 PM	WINNER POOL 3 VS RUNNER UP POOL 1		1
44	6.30 PM	WINNER POOL 4 VS RUNNER UP POOL 2		1

**SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2013 – SEMI FINALS**

45	9.00 AM	WINNER GAME 41 VS WINNER GAME 42		1
46	10.30 AM	WINNER GAME 43 VS WINNER GAME 44		1

**FANCA 2013 ICC GRAND FINAL**

47	3.00 PM	WINNER GAME 45 VS WINNER GAME 46		1
	4.15 PM	PRESENTATION/CLOSING CEREMONY		1



*Ponsonby Muslim FC, the three time ICC winners (2008, 2010 & 2012)*