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Adithya Ashok

Faculty of Science

Adithya is a contracted cricketer, playing all three formats of the game for the Auckland Aces, a premier professional cricket franchise in New Zealand.

Alexander Kiechle-Cornish

Faculty of Science

Alexander is one of New Zealand's top talents in climbing, a new Olympic recognised sport. Alexander was one of two New Zealand representatives to be selected to represent the New Zealand University Team at the FISU University Championships for sport climbing in Austria, finishing 31st in the men's lead qualifications.

Alice Zeimann

Faculty of Law

Alice competed in beach volleyball tournaments around the world this year. She took part in World Tour events in California and Mexico and represented New Zealand in the 2022 Commonwealth Games, where the team finished fourth overall in the women's tournament.

Alosi Bloomfield

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Alosi was selected to take part in the Futsal Ferns camp in August 2021. She was selected for the New Zealand Futsal team at the FISU World University Games held in Portugal at the end of July 2022. The team placed in the top four, the best finish in the country's history of the event.

Amy Robertson

Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries

Amy was selected to represent New Zealand at the Oceania Athletics Championships in Mackay, Australia. Amy qualified for the final of the 100-metre hurdles, placing sixth overall in the women's competition.

Andrew Rouse

Business School

Andrew is a New Zealand badminton representative. He competed for New Zealand at the Oceania Badminton Championships in Melbourne, Australia, where he took part in the highly competitive men's singles competition.

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Angelique TuiSamoa

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Angelique was selected for the Samoan national women's football team, competing at the Oceania Football Confederation's Nations Cup in Fiji. The tournament will serve as Oceania's qualifiers for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup.

Anna Steven

Faculty of Science

Anna represented New Zealand in athletics at the 2020 Paralympic Games in Tokyo, where she set a new T64 200m Oceania area record in her heat. This qualified her for the T64 200m final, where she placed eighth.

Annabelle Rennie-Younger

Faculty of Engineering

Annabelle is the 2022 national champion for the 470 sailing class. She was a member of the New Zealand sailing team that placed third overall at the European U24 Championships.

Arie Magasiva

Business School and Faculty of Arts

Arie placed in the top five in the men's senior singles at the New Zealand Rowing Nationals. He has also competed in the U21 regatta as part of the Men's Sweep Squad, leading them to a Tier 2 status on the Rowing NZ performance pathway.

Breearne Illing

Faculty of Science

Breearne is a young cricketing prospect who is contracted to the Auckland Hearts franchise team. Her efforts with the ball in New Zealand's professional domestic competition have led to selection for New Zealand cricket development camps.

Brianna Reynolds-Smith

Business School

Brianna was selected as part of the New Zealand team to race in several European regattas in the 49er FX sailing class. Brianna competed in the major international Kiel Week Regatta, placing 39th.

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Campbell Stanton

Faculty of Engineering

Campbell competes in the 49er sailing class for New Zealand. He placed 49th and 53rd in Kiel Week and the European Championship regattas respectively. He showed promising results against large international senior fields in the lead-up to the Junior World Championships later this year.

Catherine Layburn

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Catherine is a member of the New Zealand women's four rowing elite team. She won a bronze medal at the Elite World Cup 3 in Switzerland and went on to win the Town Challenge Cup at Henley Royal Regatta.

Charlotte Lancaster

Faculty of Science

Charlotte plays for the Wellington Phoenix women's team and participated in the inaugural Women's A-League season. Her versatility has seen her donning the goalkeeper's gloves in an A-League match as well as scoring a highlight reel goal for the New Zealand U20 Team against Australia. She has been selected for New Zealand for the FIFA U20 World Cup in Costa Rica.

Chester Duffett

Business School

Chester and his sailing team were selected to represent New Zealand at the 2022 Youth Match Racing Sailing World Championships held in Pornichet, France. The team finished 10th overall.

Chlayton Frans

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Chlayton made his debut for the North Harbour rugby team in the 2021 National Provincial Championship rugby competition, and re-signed as a professional player for the 2022 NPC season. Chlayton was also selected for the Blues U20 team that played in the Super Rugby tournament this year.

Colin Slade

Business School

Colin is a contracted player in the Japanese Top League for the Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Sagami-hara DynaBoars rugby team. Playing as fly-half, Colin helped secure his team's position in the top league for another year.

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Elisaveth Baroutsos

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Liz took the silver medal during the 2022 Gold Coast Open Taekwondo tournament in her first international season. She also claimed a gold medal at the North Island Championships and a silver medal at the NZUTA Open Championship. She will be representing New Zealand at the Oceania and World Taekwondo Championships later this year.

Elizabeth Anton

Faculty of Science

Elizabeth is a contracted professional footballer for the Perth Glory in the Women's A-League competition. The Kiwi defender helped propel her Perth side to fifth place in her first professional season. Her performance secured her a contract for the 22/23 season.

Ella Grace James

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Ella is a member of the New Zealand Women's University Futsal Team that finished 4th at the FISU World University Championship in Braga-Guimaraes Portugal, the highest that any New Zealand team has ever placed in this competition.

Ella Wyllie

Faculty of Engineering

Ella represented New Zealand at the Oceania Track Cycling Championships, winning the U23 women's road race and the team pursuit, and coming third in the scratch race. She has also represented New Zealand at the UCI Track Nation's Cup in Colombia.

Emma Baker

Faculty of Science

Emma was a consistent member of the Northern Brave professional cricket team in the 2021/22 season. As part of the team, she competed in New Zealand's elite domestic cricket competitions - the Dream11 Super Smash and the Hallyburton Johnston Shield.

Erena Calder-Hawkins

Faculty of Science

Erena represented New Zealand at the 2022 Oceania Badminton Championships, as part of a mixed doubles pairing. Her team made it through the highly competitive mixed field to the 16th round.

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Frazer Tavener

Faculty of Engineering

Frazer is one of New Zealand's elite-level divers and placed 10th at FINA World Championships in Budapest, Hungary. He made the finals in both men's and mixed 3-metre synchronised springboard competitions. Frazer also represented New Zealand at the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

Gabriella MacDonald

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Gabriella represented New Zealand at the Water Polo Senior World Championships. The team placed 10th, the second-equal highest ranked finish for a New Zealand team.

Grace Nweke

Business School

Grace is a professional netballer, representing the Northern Mystics in the New Zealand domestic franchise competition and New Zealand's national team, the Silver Ferns. She was a member of the bronze medal-winning team at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham.

Havana Hopman

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Havana represented New Zealand in rhythmic gymnastics at the 2022 World Championships and the Commonwealth Games, in which the team finished 9th overall. She also competed in the Senior International World Cups in Bulgaria, Uzbekistan and Azerbaijan, and the Oceania Championships and New Zealand Nationals on the Gold Coast.

Holly Sheaff

Faculty of Science

Holly represented New Zealand at two European Canoe Association Slalom Cup races, winning silver and bronze medals. She also competed at the Junior World Championships, making the semi-finals in the U18 Women's K1 class.

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Imogen Ayris

Faculty of Science

Imogen won a bronze medal in the pole vault at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games. Imogen revealed she had won the bronze medal with a broken foot, when she appeared in front of the media the next day in a moon boot and crutches. Earlier in the year, Imogen placed second at the Oceania Championships and represented New Zealand at the 2022 World Athletics Championships in Eugene, United States.

Jack Frewin

Faculty of Engineering

Jack and his team represented New Zealand at the 2022 Youth Match Racing World Championships, where they placed 10th overall.

Jack Wang

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Jack represented New Zealand in men's and mixed doubles competitions at the Oceania Badminton Championship in Melbourne. He and his partner were crowned doubles. Along the road to victory, the pairing was able to beat the tournament's top seeds in straight matches in the semi-final. Jack added a mixed-doubles quarter-final to his showing at the championships.

James Sadlier

Business School

James has represented New Zealand in beach volleyball and indoor volleyball for the past four years. He captained the New Zealand junior men's team and finished in the top eight players in the country for the senior men's beach volleyball. The team ended with a selection to the FISU World University Games in Brazil.

Jasmine Milton

Faculty of Law and Faculty of Arts

Jasmine represents New Zealand in beach volleyball, and has competed at multiple events on the Volleyball World Beach Pro Tour.

Jock McKenzie

Faculty of Arts

Jock made his debut for the Blues rugby team in the Super Rugby competition against Moana Pasifika this year. A few days prior, he was preparing to play for the New Zealand second team in cricket, in a match against the Netherlands. The young playmaker has signed with Auckland for the 2022 National Provincial Rugby Championship season.

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Kalupahana Liyange Devan Vishvaka

Faculty of Engineering

Devan made his first-class debut with the Wellington Firebirds, and was selected for New Zealand Development Men's Cricket Team. In the National Men's Provincial A tournament, Devan's outstanding performance in the final game helped New Zealand to achieve the win.

Kate Burley

Faculty of Science

Kate is a professional netballer, playing for the Southern Steel franchise team in the ANZ Premiership. She is also a member of the New Zealand development squad and played for the NZ A team in the 2022 Cadbury Series.

Lea Muellner

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Lea competed at the Swimming National Championships and was selected to represent New Zealand at the Mare Nostrum swim tour in Europe. Lea also competed at the National Championships in Germany, winning silver in the U20 50m Breaststroke.

Luke Cashmore

Faculty of Engineering

Luke represented New Zealand at the Princess Sofia and Hyeres sailing regattas. He also competed at the 2022 World Championships in Mexico, in the ILCA 7 sailing class.

Mackenzie Barry

Faculty of Arts

Mackenzie is a contracted player for the newly created Wellington Phoenix women's football team, where she competed in the inaugural season of the Women's A-League. Her performance has secured her a position as a travelling squad member with the New Zealand national team, the Football Ferns.

Olivia Berry

Faculty of Arts

Olivia plays for the Northern Kāhu in the New Zealand Women's Basketball League. Olivia is also in the 3X3 team which won the 3X3.EXE New Zealand conference and will be heading to the premier playoffs in Japan later this year.

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Olivia Christie

Faculty of Science

Olivia represents New Zealand in the ILCA 6 sailing class. Olivia placed 57th at the 2021 World Championships in Oman and has recently been competing at major international regattas in Europe.

Olivia Hobbs

Business School

Olivia and her sailing team placed first in the women's pair at the 2022 49er FX National Championships. With the New Zealand team, she placed 10th in large international fields at the European Championships and ninth at the French Olympic Regatta.

Oscar Guo

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Oscar finished third at the 2022 Oceania Badminton Championships in Australia. He was selected as a member of the tournament team to compete in the 2022 National Tertiary Badminton Championship, in which he took first place. He was runner-up at the same tournament in 2021.

Patricia Louise Walsh

Faculty of Science

Patricia was selected to represent New Zealand at the 2022 Oceania Area Para Athletics Championships in Australia. She placed 10th and 12th in the T64 100m and 200m events respectively.

Reuben Fitzgerald

Faculty of Science and Faculty of Law

Reuben has been a contracted basketball player for the Auckland Tuatara in the New Zealand National Basketball League for both the 2020/21 and 2021/22 seasons. He has accumulated 22 caps in total for the Tuatara over this period, helping the team reach the Grand Finals this season.

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Samuel Dick

Business School

Sam is a New Zealand representative artistic gymnast. He attended FIG World Cup events in Germany and Qatar in early 2022, competing in the still rings, vault and floor. Sam further extended his New Zealand representative honours when he was selected for the 2022 New Zealand Commonwealth Games team. In Birmingham, Sam competed in the vault final, placing fifth.

Scott Mckenzie

Faculty of Engineering

Scott and his crew represented New Zealand in Europe as part of the 49er sailing class team. Still in the junior age group, and eyeing the Junior World Championships later this year, Scott's crew raced in the senior divisions at the European Championships and Kiel Week, placing 57th and 53rd respectively.

Shaunna Li

Faculty of Law

Shaunna is a badminton player who has been ranked number one in the women's singles and number two in the mixed doubles in New Zealand. She is the current national champion for women's singles and was part of the team that won the Division 1 National Championships.

Sofia Niamh Higgott

Business School

Sofia and her team represented New Zealand at the 2022 Youth Match Racing World Championships, where they placed 10th overall.

Sophia Morcom

Faculty of Science

Sophia represented New Zealand in lacrosse at the 2022 World Championships in Maryland, United States. The team topped their pool D group and finished 12th overall.

Sophie Spencer

Faculty of Arts

Sophie represented New Zealand at the 2022 Junior World Triathlon Championships. She placed first in both Oceania Triathlon Junior Cup races in New Plymouth and Mt Maunganui. She was third at the Oceania Triathlon Junior Championships in Australia, where she was also a member of the New Zealand mixed relay team that placed first. During the world championship build races in the European Junior Cup series, she placed ninth and fifth.

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Te Ariki Te Puni

Faculty of Law and Business School

Te Ariki is the current captain of The University of Auckland club's premier rugby team. Te Ariki was contracted as a professional player to the Bay of Plenty rugby team for the National Provincial Championship's 2021 season.

Theresa Fitzpatrick

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Theresa is part of the New Zealand women's rugby sevens team, which placed first and second at two World Sevens series tournaments in 2022. Theresa was also a member of the team that won the Oceania Sevens tournament in New Zealand. Theresa and her team then went on to win a bronze medal at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham.

Thomas Hayes

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Thomas was selected to represent New Zealand in orienteering after achieving second place at the 2022 New Zealand Championships Sprint. Despite fighting an injury, he competed in the finals of the Individual Sprint Competition in Denmark, finishing 41st overall in a strong field.

Thomas Mulcahy

Business School

Thomas won the U21 ILCA7 National Championships in sailing and has been selected to represent New Zealand at the World Championships in Portugal. Thomas has also won the Auckland Champs and the Freshwater Champs and came second in yachting at New Zealand's NZL Sailing Oceanbridge Regatta.

Toesulu Fitzpatrick

Faculty of Arts

Sulu is a professional netballer, representing the Northern Mystics in the New Zealand domestic franchise competition and the New Zealand national team, the Silver Ferns. Sulu helped the Silver Ferns win the bronze medal at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham.

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Wallace Sititi

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Wallace was the captain of the Blues U20 team in the 2022 U20 Super Rugby tournament. He was selected for the New Zealand U20 team that went on to win the 2022 U20 Oceania Rugby Championship, in which Wallace scored one of New Zealand's many tries in a record-breaking win against Australia.

Will Shapland

Business School

Will represents New Zealand in the 49er sailing class. He placed 49th and 53rd in Kiel Week and the European Championships respectively, showing promising results against large international senior fields in the lead-up to the Junior World Championships later this year.

William Fu-Allen

Faculty of Science

William is one of New Zealand's top gymnasts, specialising in the vault and floor disciplines. William represented New Zealand at World Cup events in Germany and Qatar earlier this year. His international experience was further boosted through his selection for the New Zealand Commonwealth Games team, in which the team finished seventh overall.

William McKenzie

Faculty of Engineering

William and his crew placed first and second in the two major New Zealand regattas in the competitive 49er sailing class. William travelled overseas with the New Zealand sailing team, winning a bronze medal at the world's largest regatta, Kiel Week. He also placed 13th at the French Olympic regatta, 10th at the European Championships and fifth at the Princess Sofia Regatta.

Yifang Chen

Faculty of Engineering

Yifang captained the e-sports Valorant team, which was undefeated in the local competition. The team went on to beat Australia to secure the only Oceanic spot in the Global Final.