Curriculum Vitae of Chris Radford

Softball New Zealand Umpire

Current Grading Level 6 (2014)

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Umpiring Background

I started my umpiring career when my son Blake began playing tee ball for Oratia District School and because I was unable to commit time to coaching I thought I could be of help if I tried my hand at umpiring, this began in 2003.

When Blake was old enough to play club softball he joined Western Magpies Softball Club in Auckland and I began to umpire for their U12 Boys Team.

As I had never played softball I needed to learn the game from scratch and also had to learn to how to handle the commentary from the side lines.

Soon I was called on to umpire the Magpies social women's team and then followed that up by umpiring their social men's team.

I sat my first exam in 2006 and achieved my Level 2 Grading and carried on umpiring club softball.

With encouragement from Les Haslam I became involved with The Auckland Umpires Association and attended various training sessions. Once I achieved my Level 3 Grading I began to umpire Premier Women's games and after a season or so progressed to Premier Men's games.

During my time with Western Magpies Softball Club I attended the 2009 & 2010 Friendship Games in Sydney Australia as their club umpire.

Umpiring Achievements

2006: Achieved Softball NZ Level 2. 2007: Achieved Softball NZ Level 3.

2009: Achieved Softball NZ Level 4 (Badge).

Auckland Junior Umpire of the Year

2010: Auckland Fastpitch Championship, Umpire of the series.

2011: Achieved Softball NZ Level 5. 2013: Achieved Softball NZ Level 6.

Tournaments

2007 - 2008:

Under 17 Boys National Championship, Resthills Park, Waikato.

2008 - 2009:

Under 19 Girls National Championship, King Edward Park, Manukau.

Friendship Games, Sydney, Australia.

Rehe Joseph Tournament. Resthills, Hamilton.

2009 - 2010:

Under 19 Boys National Championship, Rosedale Park, Auckland.

Under 15 Boys National Championship, King Edward Park, Manukau.

Friendship Games, Sydney, Australia.

New Zealand Defence Force Tournament, Navy Grounds, Auckland.

Bev Smith Tournament. Meadowlands, Auckland.

Cameron Duncan Memorial, Starling Park, Auckland.

Rehe Joseph Tournament. Resthills, Hamilton.

Vic Guth Memorial, Fowlds Park, Auckland.

2010 - 2011:

Under 17 Boys National Championship, Rosedale Park. Auckland.

Bears Classic Tournament, Starling Park, Auckland.

Rockie Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Bev Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Bev Smith Tournament. Meadowlands, Auckland.

New Zealand Defence Force Tournament, Navy Grounds, Auckland.

Cameron Duncan Memorial, Starling Park, Auckland.

Doreen Hutchings Tournament, Simpson Park, Auckland.

Brother Patrick Tournament, Simpson Reserve, Auckland.

2011 - 2012:

Under 19 Girls National Championship, Starling Park, Auckland.

Under 17 Boys National Championship, Paraparaumu.

Men's Open Club Championship, Meadowlands, Auckland.

Bears Classic Tournament, Starling Park, Auckland.

Rockie Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Cameron Duncan Memorial, Starling Park, Auckland.

Bev Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Doreen Hutchings Tournament, Simpson Park, Auckland.

Brother Patrick Tournament, Simpson Reserve, Auckland.

2012 - 2013:

Under 19 Boys National Championship, Resthills Park, Waikato.

New Zealand v Australia Defence Force Tournament, Whenuapai, Auckland.

Bears Classic Tournament, Starling Park, Auckland.

Rockie Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Bev Chote Tournament, Warren Freer Park, Auckland.

Brother Patrick Tournament, Simpson Reserve, Auckland.

Doreen Hutchings Tournament, Simpson Park, Auckland.

2013 - 2014:

Under 17 Boys National Championship, Rosedale Park, Auckland.

Vic Guth Memorial, Fowlds Park, Auckland.

Brother Patrick Tournament, Simpson Reserve, Auckland.