
2020 BLUES AWARD WINNERS SPORTS

Yousif Al-Kalisy

Faculty of Law

Law student Yousif competed at the Oceania Football Confederation Champions League, making it to the semi-finals. With the Auckland City Football Club, he was invited to play the 2019 Lunar New Year Cup in Hong Kong, and his club also won the 2019–2020 New Zealand ISPS Handa Premiership.

Imogen Ayris

Faculty of Science

Science student Imogen placed 1st in the Senior Women's Pole Vault at the 2020 New Zealand Track and Field National Championships, 2nd at the 2020 Capital Classic and 2020 Potts Classic, and 3rd at the 2020 Canberra Track Classic.

Mackenzie Barry

Faculty of Arts

Arts student Mackenzie represented New Zealand at the Oceania Football Confederation World Cup qualifiers in Rarotonga, placing first with the U19 team and qualifying for the 2021 U20 World Cup. She is also training in the Future Ferns Domestic Programme.

Sam Bennetts

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Sam represented New Zealand at the 2019 IKF World Korfball Championship in South Africa. This was New Zealand's first appearance at the championships, and Sam scored six goals throughout the tournament.

Natalie Bocock

Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries

Architecture student Natalie was the coxswain for the New Zealand Men's Under 23 Coxed Four, which placed 4th at the Under 23 2019 World Championships.

Tyla Bow

Faculty of Science

Science student Tyla represented New Zealand with the Under 20 Women's Ultimate Team, Kahu, at the Asia-Oceanic Junior Ultimate Championship in the Philippines, placing 4th overall. Following this performance, she was selected for the New Zealand Under 20s Women's team that was to compete at the 2020 Junior World Ultimate Championships in Sweden, which was postponed because of the pandemic.

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Michael Brake

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Michael earned silver at the 2019 World Rowing Championships in Men's Pair, Austria. He also received the Men's Pair silver and bronze at World Rowing Cups Two and Three, respectively.

Kate Burley

Faculty of Science

Science student Kate played for the Northern Stars in the 2019 ANZ Netball Premiership and is part of the 2020 Silver Ferns development squad.

Samalulu Clifton

Faculty of Science

Science student Samalulu represented New Zealand and placed second at the 2019 Sanyo Bussan Surf Lifesaving Cup in Japan for kayaking. At the 2020 Surf Life Saving New Zealand National Championships, she placed 1st in the Open Female Ski Relay, the 2nd Open Female Double Ski, and the 3rd Open Mixed Double Ski. She received 1st Open Women K2 500m, 1st Open Women K4 500m, 1st Open Women K1 5km, 2nd Open Women K4 200m, and 3rd Open Women K2 200m at the NZ National Championships in February 2020. Samalulu represented NZ at the 2019 Ocean Ski World Championships in France, where she placed 5th in the U23 category.

Chantelle Conroy

Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Law

Arts and Law student Chantelle competed in the 2019 water polo test series against the Aussie Stingers. She also represented New Zealand at the 2019 FINA World League in Perth and is part of the Olympic Qualifiers New Zealand Squad that was to compete in Italy, now postponed because of the pandemic.

Maxine Cooper

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Medical student Maxine captained the New Zealand Senior Women's Futsal team, the Futsal Ferns, during their 2019 tour to Chengdu, China. Maxine's team made history as the first senior men's or women's NZ Futsal team to win an international match played outside of the Oceania region, with a win against Kuwait.

Anna Crosby

Faculty of Arts

Arts student Anna competed at the 2019 New Zealand Women's Ultimate Championships in Wellington and was a member of the team that won both the 2019 New Zealand Tertiary Ultimate Championships in Auckland and the Mixed Ultimate Championships in

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Hamilton. She was also selected for the New Zealand Women's Ultimate team for the 2019/2020 campaign to compete at the 2020 World Ultimate and Guts Championships in the Netherlands, which has been postponed.

Isaac Everitt

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Isaac competed at the 2019 World Rowing Under 23 Championships in Florida, placing 8th overall.

Sulu Fitzpatrick

Faculty of Arts

Arts student Sulu was a member of the 2019 Central Pulse netball team who won the ANZ Netball Premiership. She was also selected to be part of the Silver Ferns netball team non-travelling reserve for the 2019 Netball World Cup and the 2019/2020 Silver Ferns Netball Development Squad, and this year has become a member of the Northern Mystics netball team.

Matthew Henry

Business School

Commerce student Matthew was selected for the New Zealand Men's 23 and Under team that was to compete at the 2020 Trans-Tasman Inline Hockey Championships, which was disrupted by the pandemic.

Olivia Hobbs

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student and sailor, Olivia competed at the 2019 49erFX World Championships in Auckland, placing 51st, and at the 2020 49erFX World Championships in Melbourne, placing 42nd. She was also selected for the Royal Akarana Yacht Club final squad for the Youth America's Cup 2021.

Coral Huang

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Medical student Coral was selected for the New Zealand Senior Women's Ultimate Frisbee team, Whaitiri, which was set to compete at the 2020 World Ultimate Championships in the Netherlands before it was postponed because of the pandemic.

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Jamie Hume

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Postgraduate Education student Jamie was a player for the Northern Mystics netball team in 2019 and has made the Northern Stars team for the 2020 season.

Rebecca Hume

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student, Rebecca sailed at the 2020 Women's 420 National Championships, placing first at the Youth, Under 18 level. She also placed 2nd overall in the youth class at the 420 New Zealand Nationals in 2020 and at the Women's 420 Australian Youth Champs in Melbourne at the Under 23 Level.

Zaria Ireland

Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science

Arts and Science student Zaria was selected for the New Zealand Under 20 Women's Team for the 2020 campaign at the Asia-Oceania Junior Ultimate Championships in the Philippines. She was also a finalist for the New Zealand Ultimate Emerging Female Player of the Year for the 2019 season.

Alexander Kiechle- Cornish

Business School and Faculty of Science

Business and Science student Alexander placed 3rd in bouldering and 5th for lead climbing at the Climbing New Zealand National Championship Open Combined Mt Maunganui event, qualifying for the New Zealand Oceania Open Combined team and the New Zealand Senior Men's team. The Oceania team was to compete at the International Federation of Sport Climbing to qualify for the Olympics, delayed by the pandemic. Alexander also competed in the NZ Alpine Club National Indoor Bouldering Series Auckland, receiving a silver medal.

Gabby Macdonald

Faculty of Arts

Arts student Gabby competed in a 2019 water polo test series against the Aussie Stingers. She also represented New Zealand at the 2019 FINA World League in Perth and is part of the Olympic Qualifiers New Zealand Squad that was to compete in Italy, now postponed because of the pandemic.

Fabio Machado

Doctoral student Fabio competes in both Judo and Jiu-Jitsu and won gold at the

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2019 New Zealand Judo Regional North Island and bronze at the 2019 New Zealand Judo National. In Jiu-Jitsu, he won bronze at the 2019 Pan Pacific Jiu-Jitsu Championship in Australia.

Nour Malak

Business School and Faculty of Arts

Arts and Commerce conjoint student Nour was selected to represent New Zealand at the 2019 Asian Fencing Championships in Tokyo as part of the Women's Epée Team. This is the first women's team to represent New Zealand in fencing at an Olympic-recognised level in over a decade.

Lucy Matehaere

Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries

Architecture student Lucy competed at the New Zealand Canoe Sprint Championships, placing 6th in the A final for Open Women's K1 500m and 5th in the A final for Open Women's K2 200m. She was also selected into the Invitation Squad for the NZ High Performance Women's Squad.

Katie McKenty

Faculty of Engineering

Master of Engineering Geology student Katie represented New Zealand at the 2019 FINA Women's Water Polo World League Intercontinental Cup held in

Australia and at the 2019 FINA World Championships in South Korea. As part of the team's Olympic qualification campaign, Katie also represented New Zealand in a three-match test series against Australia and was to compete in Italy before the pandemic halted travel.

William McKenzie

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student William competes in the 49er sailing class and won gold at the 2019 49er World Championships in Auckland, second at the 2019 World Cup Series in Genoa, 5th at the 2020 Oceania Championships, and 19th in the 2020 49er World Championships. William has also been selected for the final squad for the Royal Akarana Yacht Club's Youth America's Cup team.

Gabrielle Milicich

Business School

Business student Gabrielle was a member of the NZ Junior Women's U20 Water Polo team that competed at the 2019 FINA Junior World Water Polo Championships in Portugal. She was also a member of the NZ Senior Women's Water Polo team and competed in a 2019 test series against Australia.

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Lara Molloy

Faculty of Science

Science student Lara was selected for the New Zealand Pinestars elite team to compete at the 2019 Oceania Orienteering Championships, where she won the W21E relay and placed 4th in the W21E middle distance and 12th in the W21E long distance. Lara has recently moved from the junior level to the open elite grade.

Sarah Morton

Faculty of Science

Science student Sarah was part of the 2019 New Zealand Football World Cup Squad and the team that competed at the 2019 Yongchuan International Invitational Tournament in China. She is also part of the Auckland Football Federation Team.

Isla Norman-Bell

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Sport student Isla competed in the New Zealand Rugby Red Bull Ignite7 Tournament and New Zealand Rugby Sevens National Tournament, placing 1st and 3rd, respectively. Isla was also named the most valuable player for the 2nd year at the Ignite Tournament. She was invited to the New Zealand Black Ferns Sevens development team. Isla is also a current New Zealand Open Women's Touch Black,

competing at the 2020 Trans-Tasman Tournament.

Grace Nweke

Business School and Faculty of Science

Conjoint Commerce and Science student Grace is a member of the Northern Mystics team and Silver Ferns Development Squad, the latter a recognition of a stand-out rookie season in the 2019 ANZ Netball Premiership. At the time of application, her team was second on the goals leader board in the 2020 ANZ Netball Premiership.

Loran Parker

Faculty of Science

Science student Loran played softball with the Caboolture team at the 2019 Queensland Cup in Ipswich, the White Sox team at the 2020 Asia Pacific Cup, and the Emeralds team at the 2020 Summer Slam in Sydney. She was first with the Auckland team at the 2020 NFC Open Women's National Championship. Loran also competed with the Ōtāhuhu team at the 2019/2020 Auckland Premier Women's Competition, coming first at the Bev Smith Memorial, Bears Classic, and Doreen Hutchings Memorial tournaments and first in the Fastball 45 competition. Loran was top pitcher at the Bev Smith Memorial tournament.

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Keegan Pitcher

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Physical Education student Keegan competed at the 2019 Para Athletics Championships in Dubai, placing 13th in the 1500m.

Annabelle Rennie-Younger

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student and sailor Annabelle competed in the 2019 Laser Radial World Championships in Japan, placing 60th. She also sailed at the 2020 Laser Radial World Champs in Australia, placing 55th. Annabelle was selected for Royal Akarana Yacht Club Youth America's Cup final squad.

Brianna Reynolds-Smith

Business School

Commerce student and sailor Brianna and her teammate placed 15th at the 2019 470 World Championship in Enoshima, Japan, 7th at the Enoshima World Cup, and 1st with the female team at the 2020 470 NZ Championships. Brianna is also part of the duo that qualified to represent New Zealand at the Tokyo Olympics in the 470 Women's Class.

Dylan Schmidt

Business School

Business student and New Zealand trampolinist Dylan competed in two Olympic-qualifying World Cups, finishing 7th in Russia and 8th in Spain. With a solid number of points across the four qualifying events, Dylan is in a strong position to qualify for his second Olympics.

Catherine Shon

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Optometry student Catherine won 1st place in the under 58kg Women's Open Age Category and the Best Overall Female award across all weight categories at the 2019 Asia Pacific Powerlifting Championships.

Michaela Sokolich-Beatson

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Education student and netballer Michaela was a member of the 2019/2020 Silver Ferns that played in the Trans-Tasman Constellation Cup. She was also a member of the 2019 Northern Mystics team in the ANZ Netball Premiership.

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Briana Stephenson

Faculty of Science

Physiology student Briana competed at the 2020 New Zealand Track and Field Championships in Christchurch and won a gold medal in the Senior Women's Long Jump with a distance of 6.08m and was a finalist in the Senior Women's 200m.

Anna Steven

Faculty of Science

Science student Anna was selected to represent New Zealand in the T64 100m and 200m at the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships in Dubai, placing 7th in the 200m final and 14th overall in the 100m – a new Oceania area record.

Troy Stevenson

Faculty of Science

Science student Troy competed and won the 2019 New Zealand Men's Ultimate Championships in Wellington. He was part of the runner-up team at the 2019 New Zealand Mixed Ultimate Championships in Hamilton. He was also a finalist for the New Zealand Ultimate Male Player of the Year Award for the 2019 season and was selected for the New Zealand Open Men's team for the 2019/2020 campaign. Troy was also selected for the 2020 New Zealand Open Men's Team to play in Leeuwarden, now postponed by the pandemic.

Savanna Stirling

Faculty of Science

Science student Savanna competed in eventing at the 2020 New Zealand Horse of the Year CC13*, placing 6th in the International Level Short Format 3* against a competitive field of riders. She also competed at the Overall New Zealand Eventing Amateur Rider Series in a 3-day event in the CCI2*-L, International Level Long Format 2*, placing 4th.

Crystal Sun

Faculty of Science

Science student Crystal sailed in the 2019 49erFX World Championships in Auckland, placing 51st, and in the 2020 49erFX World Championships in Melbourne, placing 42nd. She was also selected for the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron Youth America's Cup team.

Kim Thompson

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Kim is a member of the New Zealand High Performance Women's Kayak Squad that won two golds at the Open Women's K2 200m and K4 200m at the 2020 New Zealand Canoe Sprint National Championships, also winning bronze in the Open Women's K2 500m at the same event. Kim also won

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silver in Open Women's Short Course Canoe at the New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Championships.

Devan Vishvaka

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Devan played for the New Zealand U19 Cricket team in Bangladesh's tour of New Zealand. Devan also played for the Wellington U19s at the national tournament, where he was ranked number 1 run scorer, with 496 runs, and scored three centuries and one 50 in five ODIs and three T20s, the largest number of runs scored since 2013.

Ben Waller

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Medical student Ben was a member of the team that won the 2019 New Zealand Men's Ultimate Championships in Wellington, the 2019 Tertiary Ultimate Championships in Auckland and the Mixed Ultimate Championships in Hamilton. Ben was a finalist for the New Zealand Ultimate Male Player of the Year Award for the 2019 season and was selected for the Open Men's team for the 2019/2020 campaign.

Nicholas Whitlock

Faculty of Engineering

Engineering student Nicholas represented New Zealand at the 2019 World Under 24 Ultimate Championships, playing for the men's team. He was also selected for the New Zealand Open Age Mixed Ultimate team for the 2019/2020 campaign to compete at the 2020 World Ultimate and Guts Championships. in the Netherlands, now postponed.