

Selectors Report for New Zealand Olympic Weightlifting 2015

We selected 45 lifters to represent New Zealand in four different parts of the world this year.

Competitions were:-

- Youth World Championships in Peru in April
- Pacific Games in Papua New Guinea – our largest ever team selected in July
- Youth Commonwealth Games in Samoa in September
- The World Senior Championships in Houston (USA) in November of this year

Of the 45 lifters selected, the split between genders was very encouraging being 20 females and 25 males. Last year we reported the importance of being a two gender sport and the wholesomeness of this when we are encouraging public support for Olympic Weightlifting. These lifters also range over our three divisions – junior, youth and senior.

Well-done lifters in gaining selection.

The next three years are going to be very important for our sport as we keep growing and improving on our proud heritage and history.

From an outside perspective; our complete sport of active lifters, referees, officials and executive group and all the new clubs positive activity and energy is elevating our sport to a lofty position of respect.

I would like to thank the other two selectors – John Moss and Tim Prendergast for the brilliant job they have completed and Ron Mann for providing such good statistics on performances. This is a truly co-operative team.

Tony Ebert
Head Selector