

ASIA PACIFIC CLUB CHAMPS

NINGBO, CHINA



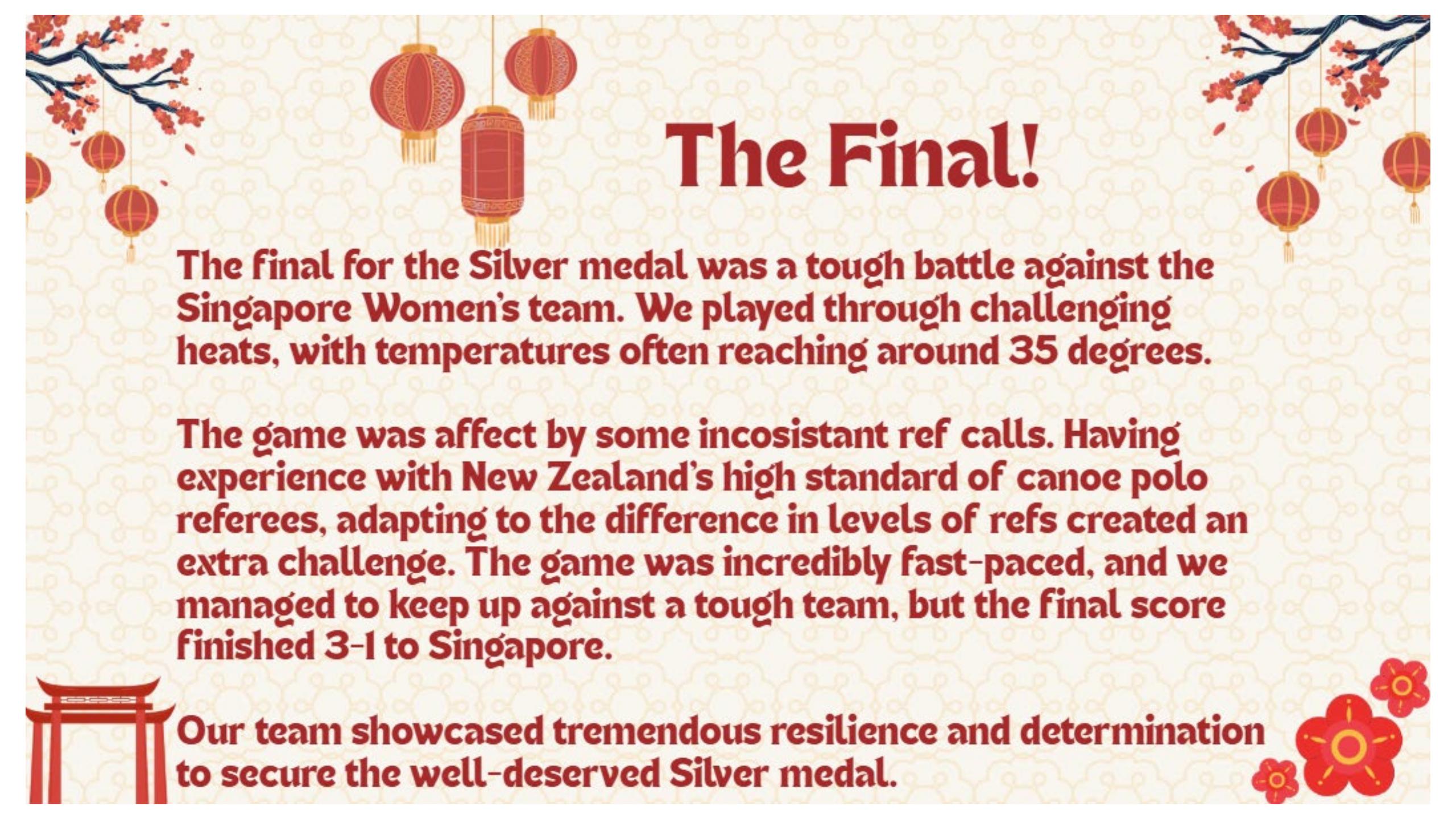
Canoe Polo

For those who might not know, canoe polo is a fast-paced and exciting team sport played on water, where players in kayaks try to score goals by throwing a ball into a net that sits two meters above the water. It's a mix of water polo, basketball, and kayaking, and it takes a lot of skill, teamwork, and fitness. Canoe polo is 5 a side game with a goalie under each goal trying to block shots, preventing the other team from scoring.



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- Visited CPS Factory where they make CPS Canoe Polo boats, paddles and helmets
- 7 games over the comp
- Played against club teams from Singapore, Malaysia, China, Russia, Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)
- Survived on ice cream as it was very hot



The Final!

The final for the Silver medal was a tough battle against the Singapore Women's team. We played through challenging heats, with temperatures often reaching around 35 degrees.

The game was affect by some incosistant ref calls. Having experience with New Zealand's high standard of canoe polo referees, adapting to the difference in levels of refs created an extra challenge. The game was incredibly fast-paced, and we managed to keep up against a tough team, but the final score finished 3-1 to Singapore.



Our team showcased tremendous resilience and determination to secure the well-deserved Silver medal.





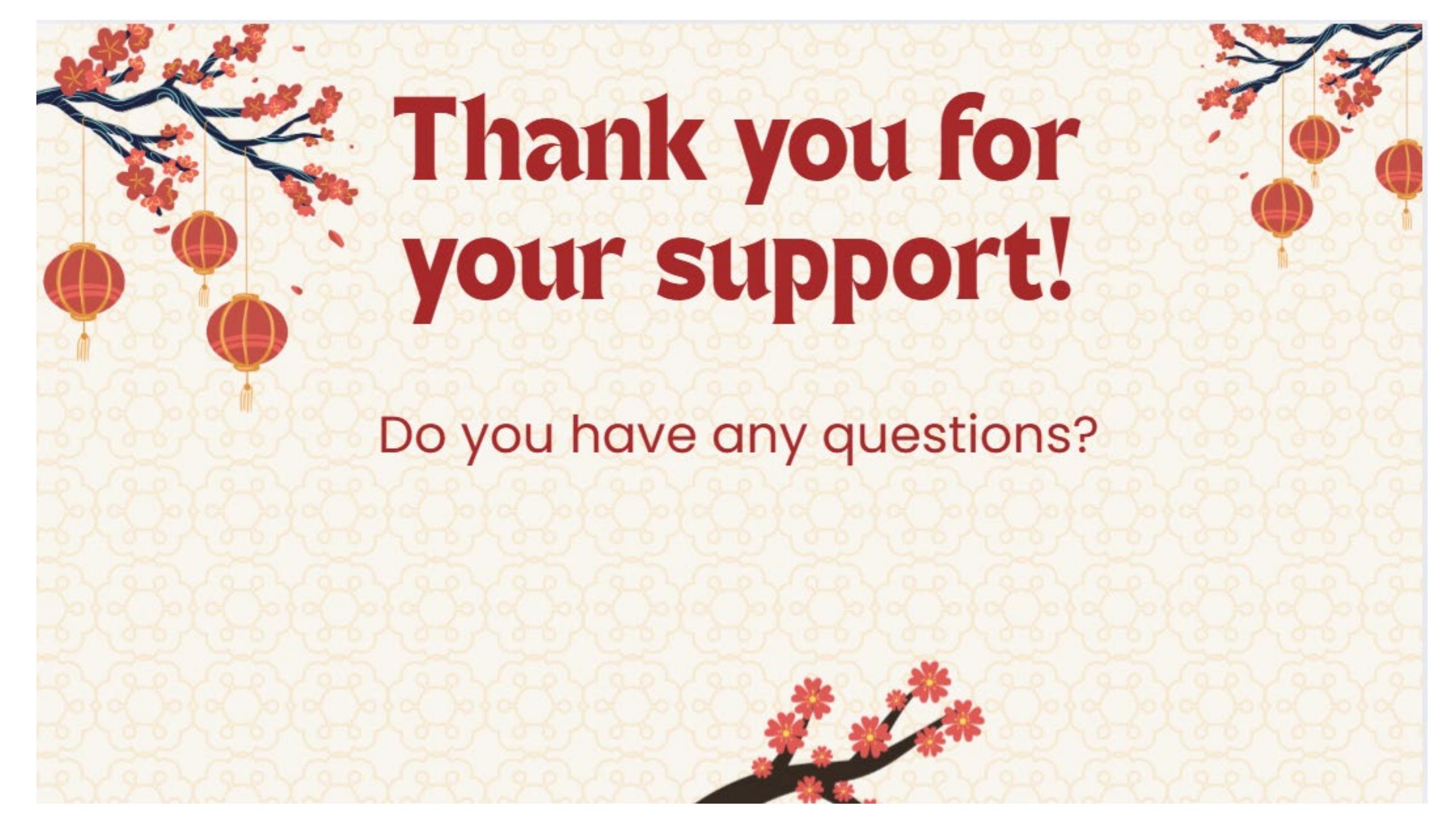
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How the trip benefited me and what's planned for the future

- This Trip introduced me to a different culture by exploring Shanghai and Ningbo, this taught me to have patients, understanding and to see things from a different perspective
- I developed my canoe polo skills by competing against international teams, resulting in my team achieving the Silver Medal in Ningbo.
- Making new friendships and seeing how others play differently.
- I was selected for the Manawatu U18 Women's Team with our First Place finish at the recent 2025 Inter Regionals competition held in Christchurch in early December. I will also be playing women's B grade for MKCP next year going to Auckland, Christchurch and Hastings, where I will continue to use the skills developed during this experience



Thank you for your support!

Do you have any questions?