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## The 15<sup>th</sup> World Golden Oldies Netball Festival Comes to San Diego, CA



CALIFORNIA, Jul. 26, 2013 – Celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> birthday, the Golden Oldies Netball Festival will host their 15th bi-Annual World event October 6-13, 2013 at the prestigious San Diego Polo Fields, San Diego, CA. Over 60 international teams, traveling from as far as New Zealand, will be welcomed at a private event hosted at San Diego's world renowned Sea World. Players will participate in weeklong festivities in California's second largest city, boasting a citywide population of nearly 1.3 million residents, more than 3 million residents' countywide and world-renowned attractions including Balboa Park, and the San Diego Zoo.

The 15<sup>th</sup> bi-Annual Golden Oldies World Netball Festival is a collaborative effort through Netball America, San Diego United Netball Club, and the San Diego Sports Commission, in partnership with Vintage Sports and Leisure (VSL) Events. "We are all very excited to be heading to San Diego in October, just the second time in the Festival's history that it will venture outside the Pacific Rim," said **Christine Augusto** of VSL, "the strength of the Golden Oldies Netball Festivals has been the Pacific nations but the 30 year celebration is a chance to venture further afield to offer new experiences for regular participants and also to introduce new countries and netballers. Golden Oldies are about the ethos of 'Fun, Friendship and Fraternity,' which I am sure we will all enjoy in San Diego."

Netball America, the largest Netball organization in the USA, is proud to be a part of this event. "Netball America is celebrating its 5 year anniversary this year and our members, located in 28 states, are excited to host this internationally recognized Festival to help increase awareness of USA Netball. This Festival highlights that Netball is a team sport that can be played at any age. All these athletes are over 35 years old and still love playing the sport," said **Sonya Ottaway**, President of Netball America.

The Golden Oldies World Netball Festival invites Netball teams to register by August 31. Also, participants are invited to a welcome reception at the Australian Consul General Residence in Los Angeles on Sunday September 29th. Admission to the Golden Oldies World Netball Festival is free to spectators. Volunteers, and anyone interested in career opportunities are welcome to contact Netball America at [jobs@netballamerica.com](mailto:jobs@netballamerica.com). Teachers and Sports Directors are encouraged to watch this globally popular team sport and speak with us to set up a free clinic in your area.

### About Netball America

Netball America is a registered 501c(3) Not-For-Profit organization with members in 28 US States. It's the premier national Netball association whose mission is to foster the continued development and growth of Netball in the United States. For more information about the game of netball go to [www.netballamerica.com](http://www.netballamerica.com). For general information, email us at [info@netballamerica.com](mailto:info@netballamerica.com)

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