

BENEFITS OF AFFILIATION

As new personnel join Club Committees, and at the time when affiliation levies are invoiced, the question often arises as to what value clubs receive through affiliation. Below are the some of the range of services provided through Squash Northland and Squash New Zealand.

- Player access and involvement in the National Grading System - which enables players to measure their progress and matches them with players at a similar level
- Eligibility to play in tournaments around NZ (over 500 tournaments and 33 National events)
- Provision of a Tournament Schedule so clubs can advertise their tournaments and players can plan their entries
- Eligibility to play in senior interclub competition
- Eligibility to play in District and National Teams Event - Superchamps
- Eligibility to be selected for district and national squad and representative teams - Junior, Senior and Masters teams are sent to National Events
- Coaching programmes for promising juniors. Approximately 35 Rep and Development Juniors and involved each year where they receive expert group and individual coaching and support. Top juniors are selected for National programmes.
- Refereeing programmes to support and train district and national referees.
- Provision and development of playing, coaching and refereeing resources
- All players, referees and coaches have a clear pathway to becoming a top squash representative in their areas - right through to international level.
- Employment of an Administrator (part time) who generates additional income, coordinates the interclub and Superchamps events, arranges district representative teams, administers Kiwi Squash, and deals with day to day administration.
- Sponsorship & support of Regional events including Northland Open, Northland Masters, Northland Junior Open, Northland Regional Graded Championship, District Eliminations.
- Coordination & promotion of the Senior and Junior Player series. Squash Northland provides support to host clubs and arranges series sponsorship and prizes.



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- Support for club tournaments.
- Access to Squash Northland and Squash NZ websites to view grading information, promote tournaments, and a wide range of other resources.
- Promotion and marketing of the game generally
- Access to Charitable trust funding - some Trusts require evidence of affiliation to a national & regional body
- Access to Sport New Zealand and other national funding used for development of the game, or for high performance programmes.

Squash Northland

The Committee currently consists of 5 representatives from around Northland, and they are responsible for guiding and supporting Northland Squash to deliver our strategic outcomes. Squash Northland employs one part time Administrator.

Volunteers support through referee management, coaching, statistician work, selecting and managing of district squads, governance through membership of the Committee, and support of district activities and events.

Our annual income is approximately \$85,000 - of which approximately \$15,000 (17%) is from member affiliation levies. Squash Northland allocates its resources on a non-profit basis in line with our strategic priorities.

Affiliation Levies

In order to be affiliated, clubs must pay levies to Squash Northland and Squash New Zealand. Squash Northland has an annual levy of \$31.00 (inc GST) per SEM (Senior Equivalent Member). Squash New Zealand has a Senior Equivalent Member (SEM) of \$25.20 + GST, and a Grading List Levy (GLL) of \$12.00 + GST per senior, and \$5.00 + GST per junior. Contact Squash NZ for more information regarding their levies and how they are calculated and collected.

Affiliation is often seen as a cost, but it should also be regarded as an investment in the future of the game. Levies bring some direct benefits to your club and players and, in common with most sporting organisations, some funds are used for the development of our sport as a whole. While these benefits are less tangible to the average club member they are enormously important for the future growth of squash.

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