

Regional Event Policy

<u>Purpose:</u> To assist host clubs of regional squash events to promote, organise and run quality tournaments. These events are expected to be well-run, well-attended and successful events, thereby inspiring players to continue to compete and others to join. At these events, Squash Northland will determine their champions for Open Mens and Womens, Junior Mens and Womens, Masters Mens and Womens, and Mens and Womens Graded Champions annually.

Background:

Each year Squash Northland has four squash tournaments which are recognised as regional events; Northland Open, Northland Junior (under-19) Championships, Northland Masters (35 plus) Championships and the Northland Residential Graded Championships. Hosting these events is contestable by all clubs affiliated to Northland. In applying to host these events, the clubs must promote their ability to stage the event in a manner befitting the importance of the tournament. The host clubs are able to secure outside sponsorship for the event(s), that may confer tournament-naming rights. Host clubs are also expected to have sufficient quality food available for players and supporters and provide an atmosphere that is welcoming and friendly. When expressions of interest are received from various clubs, it will be up to the Executive Management Committee to hold discussions, carry out assessments and make recommendations to the Regional Management Committee at the Mid-Year Review meeting in July/August each year for the following season. This should coincide with confirmation of the region's club tournament calendar. Squash Northland provides event support payments as approved at Regional Management Committee level to assist with the costs of running these events.

Squash Northland Event Support

Promotion:

Squash Northland will provide support to the host clubs in the following ways:

Financial: Waiver of usual tournament player entry levies

Payment of a Regional Event Support Payment to assist with hosting a quality

tournament (as approved by Regional Management Committee)

If the Northland Open is being run as a PSA tournament, the Executive Management

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Committee can, at their discretion, increase the amount paid for this event. Normal promotion channels eg website, emails, media connections etc

Other promotional assistance eg posters, banners, if available

• Organisation: Assistance with draw construction where needed

Assistance with online result entries where needed

Assistance with prize-giving, availability of cups etc (no miniatures)

Currently approved Regional Event Support Payments

Northland Open \$750 + gst
Northland Junior Championships \$500 + gst
Northland Masters Championships \$500 + gst
Northland Graded Championships \$500 + gst

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