



27th February 2017

CIRCULAR TO ALL CLUBS

Re: **Cousins Shield/Mitchell Cup 2017**

Venue: **Herne Bay Ponsonby Rackets Club** (North Shore Squash Club will also be used if required).

Date: **Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th June** (ALL teams must be available to play from midday on Friday).

Please find enclosed entry forms and rules for the 2017 Cousins Shield and Mitchell Cup Competition to be held at Herne Bay Ponsonby Rackets Club 2-4 June 2017.

Entries are due by 5pm 8th May, with all protests to be received by midday on Friday 19th May. All protests regarding team composition will be ruled upon by the Tournament Director, an SNZ representative and at least one other suitable person. Teams will be advised of results by 26th May.

Please ensure you are aware of all player eligibility rules.

2017 Timeline:

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| 30 April | All club transfers completed – Check with District for local transfer deadlines. |
| 1 May | Grading Lists run by SNZ and uploaded to SNZ website to determine player eligibility. |
| 8 May | All entries due with Herne Bay Ponsonby Rackets Club. |
| 13 May | Team playing orders circulated to all team managers. |
| 19 May | Any protests on personnel or playing order are due with Squash New Zealand (admin@squashnz.co.nz) <i>no later than midday</i> . |
| 26 May | Grading List run by SNZ and uploaded to SNZ website to determine final playing order with Tournament Director making any required alterations as per rule 4. |
| 26 May | Ruling of protests advised to all team managers. |
| 29 May | Daily order of play for first days matches circulated to all managers. |
| 30 May | Final request for substitutions to tournament director made by 4:00pm . |
| 2 – 4 June | Cousins Shield/Mitchell Cup Competition. |

You are advised that **entries** must be with Herne Bay Ponsonby Rackets Club by **5pm, Monday 8th May 2017**, and they must be accompanied with the entry fee of \$45 per player (including all reserves and managers). Please ensure that entries are submitted on the official entry form which can be accessed here <https://goo.gl/forms/JB3a1ch7Tshf43x83>.

Due to tight timeframes please ensure that contact details for the team manager are completed in full (including an email address) so that the Herne Bay Ponsonby Rackets Club can have direct contact with the entered teams.



Entries completed on the official entry form can be submitted to:

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10 West End Rd
Herne Bay
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Further information on the event – including a copy of the rules – is available on the Squash New Zealand website.

Note: Teams are required to book their own accommodation. Some local suggestions include:

Abaco on Jervois: <http://www.abaco.co.nz/>
The Surrey Hotel: <http://www.thesurreyhotel.co.nz/>
Quest on Beaumont: <http://www.questapartments.co.nz>

Special Note: The first match of the 2017 Lions Tour takes place on Saturday 3rd June, midway through the tournament. Although the match is being played in Whangarei, we believe there will be a number of supporters staying in central Auckland the nights beforehand. Therefore accommodation may be harder than usual to book and we certainly advise all travelling teams to book their accommodation as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

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