

Memo

Date Wednesday, May 20, 2015
To All NSWTA Affiliates
From Daniel Rushworth- Sport Manager
Subject Representative Rankings-Opens Divisions

The 2014 Representative Season saw the changing of the guard with a number of movements with each of the respective grades. The rankings process is a detailed account on the performance of each club in their best two of three major events that NSWTA conduct. These include the Vawdon Cup, Country Championships and State Cup.

The official rankings have an impact on the ability for Affiliates to recruit. This information is detailed in the later stages of this Memorandum.

Men's Open

| 2015 Rank | Men's Open | 2014 Rank | Movement |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1 | West's Magpies | 4 | Up 3 |
| 2 | Canterbury Bulldogs | 5 | Up 3 |
| 3 | Penrith Panthers | 1 | Down 2 |
| 4 | Parramatta Eels | 2 | Down 2 |
| 5 | Doyalson Dragons | - | New |
| 6 | East's Roosters | 8 | Up 2 |
| 7 | Hornsby Lions | 7 | Equal |
| 8 | Wollongong Devils | 3 | Down 5 |
| 9 | Murwillumbah Mavericks | - | New |
| 10 | Manly Sea Eagles | 6 | Down 4 |

A resurgence of Western Suburbs and Canterbury saw both climb back to the summit after a few years. The top four is rounded out by perennial powerhouse clubs in Penrith and Parramatta. The big mover has been Doyalson in their first year mixing it with the big boys to climb into the top 5. The emergence of Murwillumbah at the State Cup sees them climb to 9th and they will be looking to improve this throughout 2015 performances.

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Women's Open

| 2015 Rank | Women's Open | 2014 Rank | Movement |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1 | Canterbury Bulldogs | 5 | Up 4 |
| 2 | Wests Magpies | 2 | Equal |
| 3 | Manly Sea Eagles | 1 | Down 2 |
| 4 | East's Roosters | 4 | Equal |
| 5 | Berkeley Vale Panthers | 17 | Up 12 |
| 6 | Penrith Panthers | 6 | Equal |
| 7 | Wollongong Devils | 3 | Down 4 |
| 8 | Wallsend Wolves | 7 | Down 1 |
| 9 | Norths UTS Bears | 10 | Up 1 |
| 10 | Newcastle City | - | New |

The Women's Open division has definitely benefited from the Import Player Points cap with the competition now harder to judge than in years gone by. Canterbury deservedly earn the top ranking after collecting the double of Vawdon Cup & State Cup in 2014. The big mover has been Berkeley Vale in mixing it with the best to climb into the top 5 from their previous 12th ranking.

Mixed Open

| 2015 Rank | Mixed Open | 2014 Rank | Movement |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1 | East's Roosters | 1 | Equal |
| 2 | Wests Magpies | 8 | Up 7 |
| 3 | Murwillumbah Mavericks | 3 | Equal |
| 4 | Port Macquarie | 7 | Up 3 |
| 5 | UNSW Bullets | 2 | Down 3 |
| 6 | Peninsula Piranhas | 12 | Up 6 |
| 7 | Campbelltown Ghosts | 11 | Up 4 |
| 8 | Wallsend Wolves | - | New |
| 9 | Taree Flames | 9 | Equal |
| 10 | Newcastle City | 25 | Up 15 |

The East's Roosters continue to be the consistent premier performer at competitions with maintaining their number one ranking for the 5th consecutive year also being the first to do so since the system was introduced. The Murwillumbah Mavericks are performing well at State Cup and will look to improve their ranking by attending other NSWTA Events in the future. The resurgence of Wests and professionalism of Port Macquarie see them round out the top four.

Once again NSWTA would like to congratulate the performance of each of the Clubs listed above and wishes them the best in the 2015 Events cycle.

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So what do the rankings mean and how do they affect those clubs?

The Rankings system is designed to assist the NSWTA in both monitoring the development of Affiliate's at representative level as well as aiding in draw positions for events such as the State Cup and Vawdon Cup. Importantly they aid in the protection of the integrity of the competitions in ensuring that player strength is filtered throughout the various competing Club's in each competition through the Player Import Allowance. For a summary of the more commonly known "Points System" please see below;

Sighted: [NSWTA General Conditions of Entry](#)

3.3.4: Import Player Points System for Open/Youth Divisions.

Affiliates are eligible for an import player/s to move to that Affiliate under the following guidelines;

- Affiliates ranked **1st** and **2nd** in the State are able to 'spend' 40 points as long as it remains under the allowable 100 points levy.
- Affiliates ranked **3rd** and **4th** in the state are able to 'spend' 50 points as long as it remains under the allowable 100 points levy.
- In each division, Men's/Youth, Women's/Youth and Mixed, if only one team has entered an Affiliate is only allowed up to 100 points.
- Affiliates that enter more than one team in a division will have their points increased.
- One (1) team = 100 points, Two (2) = 120 points Three (3) = 140 points. The maximum total points are 140. The total of imported player points in any one (1) team during any one (1) game must not exceed 100 points.
- Each Affiliate **ranked outside the top four (4)** in the state are eligible to spend 180 points as long as it remains under the allowable 180pts

Affiliates ranked outside the top four in the state and have three or more teams in a division are eligible to spend 200 points as long as it remains under the allowable 200pts. NB. Affiliates in this category cannot play more than 180pts in Premier League.

NB: A player once having transferred to a Affiliate will be able to remain with that Affiliate, regardless if the number of teams at that Affiliate drop and is therefore over allowed point's threshold. Should this be the case and the Affiliate is over their points limit, they will not be entitled to further imports until such times as they are below the required limit for their Affiliate.

The Points System will not be applied to **Senior Divisions**

Refer to clause 3.3.10 for full import players worth

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3.3.5: The ‘import’ player must still abide by the eligibility clause of being registered and participating at the Club that they wish to represent

3.3.6: All players are listed by NSWTA with their current Club status and their ‘home Club status’. NB players who reside outside NSW and participate for a non NSWTA region cannot qualify for home grown status.

3.3.7: A player can return to their ‘home Club’ or ‘long term’ Club at any time without penalty against the import player points system. That is at zero points.

3.3.8: After three (3) years at a Club they become a long term player and have their points return to zero.

3.3.9: A home grown Country player may return to participate for his/her home Club at zero points, as long as they are registered and participating in a NSWTA Club competition. Country based players whom relocate from one country town to another may be given a residential exemption

3.3.10: Player Points Values

1. Players over the age of 35 (Born 1980 or prior) are worth zero points, except when they are incumbent Opens category Elite 8, State of Origin or National Players in the .

N.B: This only applies to any player moving from one NSWTA affiliate to another NSWTA affiliate. International or interstate players do not qualify under this clause and are still worth relevant points.

2. Players that have their highest representative level as either Youth Trans Tasman or Junior Regional will have points activate the year of representation, not the year after as with all other points allocations. This will only apply should such representation take place prior to the Vawdon Cup in the year of representation. Further the Youth Trans-Tasman players be worth 40pts, NYC to be worth 30 points and Junior Regionals be worth 20pts.
3. The Youth Divisions are an inclusion within the points cap of clubs Men's or Women's Divisions

The below table demonstrates the points value of players based on their highest representation over 2015, 2014, 2013 & 2012. To use this table to determine a points value the player should choose the most recent highest representation.

N.B 2015 only includes Junior Regional & Youth International Players

| Representative Player /Event | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Home Grown Player | | 0 Pts | 0 Pts | 0 Pts |
| Long Term Affiliate Player | | 0Pts | 0Pts | 0Pts |

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| Opens Players | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Open International Player | | 70Pts | 50Pts | 40Pts |
| Open State Player | | 50Pts | 40Pts | 30Pts |
| Open Elite 8 Player | | 40Pts | 30Pts | 20Pts |
| Open Regional Player | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| Open Affiliate Player | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| Over 30 Players | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Over 30 International Player | | 40Pts | 30Pts | 20Pts |
| Over 30 State Player | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| Over 30 Regional Player | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| Over 30 Affiliate Player | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| 18's/20's Players | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
| 18's/20's International Player | 40Pts | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| 20's State Player | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| 20's Regional-T League/NYC Player | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| 20's Affiliate Player | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| Junior Players | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Junior Regional Players | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts | 0Pts |
| Junior Affiliate Player | | 10Pts | 0Pts | 0Pts |
| Developing States/Countries | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Open Development International (Non Aus/NZ) | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| Over 30 Development International (Non Aus/NZ) | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| 18's/20's Development International (Non Aus/NZ) | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |
| Open's Development State Player (Non NSW/QLD) | | 30Pts | 20Pts | 10Pts |
| Open's Development Regional Player (Non NSW/QLD) | | 20Pts | 10Pts | 0Pts |

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2015 Player Import Point Values List

N.B Should a player not appear on the Player Import Points Values List this does not mean they do not have a point's value. If a player is not listed a request can be made to the Events Manager for clarification via robert.summers@nswtouch.com.au

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Rushworth'.

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