

Memo

Date Tuesday, July 07, 2015
To All NSWTA Affiliates
From Daniel Rushworth-Sport Manager
Subject NSWTA Events: Junior State Cup 2.5 Days vs 3 Days

Due to the growth of the NSWTA Junior State Cup our organisation moved the event from a 2 day event (Saturday & Sunday) to a 2 and ½ day event with it commencing at 2pm on the Friday. The purpose behind this change was to accommodate the growth of the event and to provide more games to players and allow many participants to travel to the venue on the Friday morning.

Whilst there were positives in both the travel allowances (for some) and more games there were issues in both travel to the ground and late finishes of both Friday and Saturday. Based on participation in 2015 if 4 more teams had entered we would have maximized all fields in all timeslots and needed to reduce the number of games each team played-which would have been in total with the reasons of moving from 2 days to 2.5 days.

All of the above were noted and as such we seek your Affiliate's position on the following two options;

2016 Schedule Options

	2.5 Day Option (Continue)			3 Day Option (Make Change)		
Day	Start	Finish	Timeslots	Start	Finish	Timeslots
Friday	2.00pm	7.30pm	12	9.00am	6.30pm	19
Saturday	8.00am	7.30pm	23	8.00am	6.30pm	21
Sunday	7.30am	4.00pm	15	8.00am	3.00pm	15
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We do acknowledge the issues with the 3 Day Option will be an increase in accommodation costs (for some) and possibly for those participants in school and parents working needing to take an additionally day off to attend due to travel.

We would also highlight the benefits are an additional five timeslots which equates to over 150 games across the draw structure. This alone would allow for competition growth (based on current participation) and the ability to rest or remove fields should the weather play a part in the competitions delivery.

Additionally we also are aware of the issues we faced with the 2015 JSC with weather and the 3 day option would have allowed for greater flexibility early on however not necessarily its completion in full.

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NSWTA is certainly focused on delivering the very best event it can for our participants, spectators and officials and as such requires your Affiliate's position on the above options by no later than **5pm Tuesday July 21st**.

This feedback will be taken to the NSWTA Board for consideration at their next Board Meeting on Thursday July 23rd. Given the impacts on planning for Affiliates we would advertise the Board's determination as soon as possible after this point.

Should you have any questions please contact;

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