

NORTH SHORE SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT

Northcote Community Centre, cnr College Road/Ernie Mays Street

Wednesday, 16th August 2017

Tournament Scope: This event is open to Secondary and Composite schools with years 9-13 pupils. Years 7-8 pupils can also play. The winning team will gain the right to represent the North Shore region in the national competition to be held over the weekend 30 September-1 October in Christchurch. Each school may enter multiple teams. Should there be 25 or more teams then a second team also qualifies for the national finals – this is a change from previous years.

Tournament Format: This event is for teams of four players so matches will be played on four boards. There will be five rounds, i.e. each team will play five matches and each player will play five games. The Swiss Pairing system will be used. This means that all teams will play in one big section with the pairings for each round done so as to match up teams with the same, or as nearly as possible the same, score.

Teams and Board Order: The players in each team must be ranked as closely as possible in order of playing strength, with the strongest player on board one, the second strongest on board two, etc. This order must remain unchanged throughout the day. If a team has a reserve player, they must play on board 4. To enable seeding of teams required for the tournament format, the player list for each team entered must be provided with the entry and any change prior to the tournament must be emailed to the organizer (pstuart@xtra.co.nz).

Playing Times: Teams need to register their presence before 9:00am on the day of the tournament. A players' meeting will follow and the first round should commence around 9:15am. There will be a break for lunch and we aim to finish before 3:30pm. Digital timers will be used with each player having 25 minutes base time for the game plus additional time of 5 seconds for each move played. This time control is the same as that used in the national finals.

Adult Support: The organisers will provide the Tournament Director but we welcome teachers or parents who are prepared to assist with supervision.

Entries: Entries must be received by the Monday 7th August. The entry fee of \$30 per team should accompany the entry form below. All entries will be acknowledged.

Queries: Please contact the organiser, Peter Stuart, email address: pstuart@xtra.co.nz



ENTRY FORM – NORTH SHORE SECONDARY SCHOOL CHESS COMPETITION 2017

School

Address

Contact Name Phone Email

Entry fee enclosed: teams @ \$30 = \$.....

Please make cheques payable to "North Shore Chess Club Inc" and send entries to The Secretary, North Shore Chess Club, P.O.Box 33-587, Takapuna, Auckland 0740 to arrive by Monday 7th August..

Please list players (in board order) for each team on reverse of entry form.