

Squash Australia Participation Memorandum General Update – Q2 2018

1. Community Engagement Coordinators (CEC)

Early on in 2018 we requested interest from States in regards the on the ground support in the general participation space, especially on the Sporty HQ roll out.

Squash Australia is currently in the process of appointing 4 CECs across the country for those States that have responded. These roles are:

- QLD and NT based out of Gold Coast
- VIC and TAS based out of Melbourne
- SA based out of Adelaide
- ACT based out of Canberra

The initial core focus is the development of the Sporty HQ roll out in the areas of events software, Matrix, membership portal and CRM.

We are currently in the final stages of appointing these positions and communications will be delivered once successful candidates for all positions have been confirmed.

2. Participation & ASC Physical Literacy

In line with Australian Sport's Commission new Strategy and consequent direction for participation in sport, whereby the primary focus is on physical literacy, there may be impending amendments to Squash Australia's Participation Plan 2016-2020 (available on the Squash Australia website).

The new ASC Strategy will be announced in June but to read more about physical literacy, please visit the <u>ASC's website</u>.

3. Participation Program Updates

<u>Cardio Squash</u> - We are currently in the process of completing exercise cards for the program. Over the next month, the exercises cards including images for each exercise. Once this has been completed, the program will be trialled at a number of centres and where required, amended following the findings. This program is on track for completion by the end of the year.

<u>Play Move Learn</u> – In Partnership with Squash NT the content for PML is in the final stages of drafting – attention has been paid in creating a Teacher's Guide so that the program can be easily implemented in clubs and centres. A website containing basic information will be created by Q3, 2018. Similar to Cardio Squash, it will be trialled at various clubs and centres and research will be conducted. This program is on track for completion by the end of the year.

<u>Social Squash</u> – This program will be a focus for next year and over the next months I will be back in touch with a number of stakeholders in regards the various national projects that will make up this program.

<u>Outdoor Squash</u> – As part of the Participation plan we are planning on creating an initial concept for the Parks and Leisure Conference this October in Melbourne.

Complete and available programs, more information is available on the website:



- OzSquash
- Pop up Squash
- Hits n Giggles

4. Sporting Schools Review

OzSquash will be undergoing some amendments to its offerings in the next few months. The individual packs will be removed and the existing OzSquash Coaches Pack will become the Premium Equipment offering for the program. A new package will be created which will consist of 20 paddles and 20 balls. This will ensure that the program is easier to run in school settings, which based on feedback from school stakeholders.

The existing Racquetball type OzSquash equipment and full length squash sets remain in place as well.