



present the inaugural

New Zealand CLUB Team Championships 2022

Venue	Fly Palmy Arena, Pascal Street, Palmerston North		
Format	Teams of 4 to 6 players Open Grade & Social Grade Ties made up of 6x doubles matches		
Dates	Tue 15 Nov – Virtual team meeting at 7pm Sat 19 Nov – Play 9am – 5pm Sun 20 Nov – Play 9am – 3pm		
Entry	Online only https://www.manawatubadminton.org.nz/nzctc2022/		
Fee	Team Entry - \$300 per team		
Prize Money	Total cash prize pot - \$3000		
Deadlines	Team entries – Mon 24 Oct at 11:59pm Player nominations – Mon 24 Oct at 11:59pm Team ranking lists – Mon 24 Oct at 11:59pm		
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Sunday Prizegiving

All participants and partners/families are welcome to attend the post-tournament prizegiving at Marist Clubrooms (adjacent to Fly Palmy Arena).

There will be a cash bar available throughout the afternoon.

Venue	Marist Clubrooms Pascal Street, Palmerston North
Time	Approx. 3pm
Cost	Included in entry fee Also includes 1 free drink per player
Food	Light refreshments (finger-food) will be provided
Facilities	Cash bar available



Conditions of Entry

- 1. This tournament is endorsed by Badminton New Zealand, with the winner of the Open Grade recognised as the 'NZ National Club Champions'.
- 2. Team registration is restricted to Clubs that are affiliated to a Badminton Association, which is itself affiliated to Badminton New Zealand.
- 3. Players within teams are restricted to members of Clubs affiliated to a Badminton Association, which is itself affiliated to Badminton New Zealand.
- 4. Team names must contain the name of the club they represent.
- 5. The Rules of play shall be those of the BWF. This event will be played using the Alternative Service Law 9.1.6. The whole of the shuttle shall be below the server's waist at the instant of being hit by the server's racket. The waist shall be an imaginary line round the body, level with the lowest part of the server's bottom rib, and the shaft and racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle shall be pointing in a downward direction. The Referee or Tournament Controller shall decide all questions regarding Rules of the game.
- 6. This event will be played as a round robin, followed by finals for all teams to determine a final placing. The intention is that all teams will have a similar number of ties, however, the final format of competition will be at the discretion of the Tournament Controller.
- 7. Teams to be comprised of a minimum of four players and a maximum of six players.
- 8. Teams must rank all possible pairings in the ranking list provided. Rankings lists to be submitted via email within 48 hours of the entry deadline. This ranking list will be valid for the entire tournament and dictate the order pairs can play in a tie. All ranking lists will be circulated and subject to protest by other teams. Badminton Manawatu will appoint a panel to adjudicate protests, with their decision final.

	Open Grade	Social Grade
Player Eligibility (ineligible players competing in Social Grade will default all matches)	Open to all.	Anyone who has NOT played Inter-Association in the past 3 years.
Female Player(s) (Team composition)	Min. of 1 female player per team.	No requirements
Female Player(s) (Playing time)	Min. of 2 matches per tie containing a female player.	No requirements
Number of Players in a	Minimum: 4	Minimum: 4
Team	Maximum: 6	Maximum: 6

9. Entry requirements for each grade:

- 10. Ties will be comprised of six doubles matches. Teams may pick any six doubles combinations form their team ranking list to play, and these may differ between ties. The combinations must be played in rank order. A player may not play in more than 3 matches per tie.
- 11. All matches shall be the best of three games to 21 as per the BWF regulations. Round robin scoring will follow the following format: 2 points for a tie win; 1 point for a tie draw; 0

points for a tie loss. A tie is only drawn should teams finish with equal matches, games & points won.

- 12. Seeding will be based on Badminton NZ national rankings at the close of entries.
- 13. Competitors must act as Umpires and Line Judges when called upon to do so.
- 14. Feather shuttles will be used for all matches.
- 15. The Tournament Controller reserves the right to:
 - a) Amend the hours of play.
 - b) Cancel the tournament if there are less than 20 team entries.
 - c) Alter division allocation.
 - d) Default any team(s) not present at the correct court(s) for the start of a tie.
- 16. Non-marking shoes must be worn.
- 17. Play will commence at 9am on Saturday and 9am on Sunday. A team meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday 15 November at 7pm, with each team required to send at least one representative.
- 18. All players enter at their own risk. No responsibility will be accepted for any injury suffered during the tournament.
- 19. Teams withdrawing after entries have closed will not be eligible for a refund.
- 20. Replacements for players are allowed until 9am on Saturday 19 November, but must be reported to the Tournament Controller, along with an updated team ranking list. Updated rankings lists are subject to potential protest.
- 21. Only online entries will be accepted. Online entry is available on the Badminton Manawatu website listed under Events at <u>www.manawatubadminton.org.nz</u>. Payment for entries is to be made directly to our bank account 06-0996-0833204 -00, using the 'team name' and 'NZCTC' as reference. Payments must be cleared in our account by Tue 25 Oct 2022, otherwise teams will be withdrawn without any further notice.
- 22. The draw and schedule will be published at least one week before the tournament starts and will be available on the tournament software website.
- 23. By entering this event, the player hereby agrees and acknowledges that any person, shall have the right to: photograph and/or record on video all and any games or practice conducted during the course of the event, retain such photographs or video recordings for their own use of whatsoever nature, distribute such photographs or video recordings to any other party, display such photographs or video recordings during the event or at any time thereafter, in any form whatsoever (including but not limited to: promotional displays of the organisers and/or the sponsors of the event and of Badminton New Zealand) provided that no such photographs or video recordings shall be used or retained for any illegal, immoral or unseemly use or purpose.
- 24. By entering the NZ Club Team Championships 2022, players give their consent under the Privacy Act 1993 to the collection of personal details by Badminton Manawatu and for it to retain, use and disclose these to Badminton New Zealand. We acknowledge players right to access and correct any information held.

25. Prize money will be distributed to each team as per table below:

	Open Grade	Social Grade	Best Dressed
First Place	30%	20%	5%
Second Place	18%	12%	3%
Third Place	6%	4%	2%

26. Badminton Manawatu reserve the right to adjust the prize money offered subject to receiving a minimum of 25 unique entries.

27. 'Best Dressed' prize money will be awarded by a panel as defined by the Tournament Controller. Teams receiving prize money for placing (e.g. First, Second or Third Place) are ineligible for Best Dressed prize money.

28. Entry into the venue for any persons (including players, coaches, and spectators) is subject to the following COVID-19 protocols:

a) Badminton Manawatu will follow the COVID-19 requirements as advised by the New Zealand Government, Ministry of Health and Sport New Zealand throughout this tournament. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to contact tracing, physical distancing, face coverings and personal hygiene.

b) Badminton Manawatu reserves the rights to suspend, postpone or cancel the tournament in line with these requirements.

c) Teams may withdraw from the tournament at any point up until their first tie of the tournament due to concerns regarding COVID-19 by notifying Badminton Manawatu of their withdrawal. No refund is automatically provided, with any request considered on a case-by-case basis.

d) If a player returns a positive test result for COVID-19 within 7 days of the start date and/or during the tournament, this player shall be ineligible to compete in the tournament until their isolation period has been completed. The team may replace the player, if needed/possible, and submit a new team ranking list to the Tournament Controller.

e) All teams will receive a full refund of their entry fee if the tournament is suspended, postponed, or cancelled, however will not consider financial reimbursement of any other costs related to the tournament.

f) Badminton Manawatu reserves the rights to disqualify any team/player from the tournament who are deemed to have disregarded any reasonable instruction related to the Badminton Manawatu COVID-19 response. Details available online: https://www.manawatubadminton.org.nz/policies/.