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The Interstate National Open & over 60 Teams Championship

10 - 11 November 2007.

**Jets Sports Club Grounds
(France Petanque Club)
Holbeach Rd. Tempe, Sydney, N.S.W.**

The above competition will be held under the auspices of Petanque Australia at the above location and on the advertised dates. The competition will consist of one team per State in each category (Open and Over 60)

Entry Fee:

A flat fee of **\$100** per team (2 teams per state \$200) will be charged by Petanque Australia.

Fee must be **received 4 weeks prior to the event.**

Each state will contribute **\$25** per player for 9 team members, 8 players (8) and 1 (coach) for the catering, transport and extra-accommodation cost.

2 teams per state = 18 members x \$25

Please have these funds ready on Friday

Cheque made payable to:

France Petanque club

Accommodation: NSW excluded

Accommodation for visiting States has been arranged for 2 teams of eight players and 2 officials (coaches) at the Formule 1 Motel, 178 Prince's Highway St Peters (N.B *not the Formule 1 Sydney Airport*). Accommodation is free of charge for the **Friday** and **Saturday nights only** for 2 x 9 team members per State. All other visitors and supporters can take advantage of the special rate of \$... per room per night by contacting the organising committee or direct with the motel on (02) 9519 0685 – quote Petanque Australia Group.

Sponsors:

The Jets Sports Club

Time Table:

Friday 9th: Teams arrive, official welcome and get together 6pm.
Official Draw held, dinner at the club, at individual's expense.

Saturday 10th: 7.30 am transport from Motel, breakfast.
8.30 am Start of competition.
Lunch will be announced to fit in with flow of competition.
Dinner at club after play at individual's expense.

Sunday 11th: 7.30 a.m. transport from motel and breakfast.
8. 30 a.m. Start day's play.
Lunch will fit in with flow of play.
Official Presentation and Completion of event.

Teams:

The teams will consist of eight (8) players with a minimum of 3 women in each team.

Uniforms:

All players shall wear the same colour polo shirts or jumpers and the same colour pants and what is generally accepted by the umpires as sensible shoes.

Rules:

Petanque Australia Rules will apply and be supervised by the nominated National Umpire.

Umpires:

Umpires will be nominated by the National Director of Umpiring.

Licences:

All players, coaches and officials taking part in the competition must hold a current Petanque Australia Licence. It will be the responsibility of the team officials to present their team's licences to the senior umpire for checking and verification on registration of the team at the event. The Umpire will keep the licences and they will be returned at the end of the competition. Coaches must be Petanque Australia accredited and licensed.

The Competition:

There will be 6 teams in the **OPEN** competition so each State will play a full round against each of the other five States. The competition will consist of three rounds of games on Saturday and two on Sunday.

There will be 6 teams in the **over 60** competition so each State will play a full round against each of the other 5 States. The competition will consist of 3 rounds of games on Saturday and two on Sunday.

Draw:

The draw for the **OPEN** and over 60 will be done on Friday night. Before each round each team's officials will have to fill out their team sheet nominating:

1st set:

1. Men's triples team & Women's triples team.
2. 1 men's doubles team.

2nd set:

1. 2 mixed triples (1 woman minimum per triple)
2. 1 mixed doubles.

Format:

In each round there will be three sets of games:

Set 1. Men's triples; Women's triples; and 1 men's doubles.

Set 2. 2 mixed triples (1 woman minimum per triple) and 1 mixed doubles

Scoring:

This year it will be a straight State against State scoring system.

Win (beat the other State by one game or six) = **3 points**.

Draw (3 games all) = **1 point**.

Loss = No points.

Winner:

State with the most victories (matches) against states

In the case of a draw:

- 1 - Only games won between the teams involved
- 2 - Number of games won during the competition
- 3 - Points for and against, only in games between the teams involved.
- 4 - Shootout over 8 metres if by any chance you still have a tie (extremely unlikely but still possible)
1 target boule – 2 boules for the shooter, to keep going until a result is obtained.

Over 60 – If 4 states represented

Final for 1st and 2nd place, and for 3rd and 4th place.

If a draw (i.e. 3-3)

- 1 - Points for and against in the game will be counted
- 2 - If still a tie, teams that finished highest after the round games (as per above)

PRIZE: - Petanque Australia Interstate Challenge

- Winning State team (National State Champion) will represent Australia in the Trans-Tasman series against New Zealand.

- Over 60's Winning State team will represent Australia in the Trans-Tasman series against New Zealand.

PS: The Trans-Tasman competition being played by 6 men & 6 women, the winning State League coaches/selection panel will select an extra man and 3 women to add to the winning State team.