



SQUASH CANTERBURY REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

2021 Booklet

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Overview

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Selection criteria will exist for each team that is sent away to Junior, Senior and Masters regional and national events. These criteria are not designed to prevent individuals from representing the district, and if extenuating circumstances exist which will prevent a person from attending the selection events, we recommend that this is communicated to the selectors.

The representative program has been modeled around a philosophy that unites all players, coaches, administrators and clubs in working towards a common purpose. Integration of effort, knowledge and funding is of paramount importance.

This booklet is meant to be a 'living' document and will be published annually with updated policies, guidelines, plans and procedures.

All players must adhere to the Squash Canterbury Code of Conduct, which can be found in appendix 1.

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Section 1: Junior Representative Program

The Squash Canterbury Junior representative program aligns with Squash New Zealand's Performance Pathway which is aimed at developing and recognizing New Zealand's most talented young players and beginning them on their pathway to a future career in Squash. Our aim is to develop our juniors' players to not only just participate but have confidence to play at any level.

Our selection policy details the process and criteria by which Squash Canterbury will nominate players to represent Canterbury. There are three Canterbury junior rep team events a year;

- South Island Quadrangular
- NZ Junior National Inter-District Teams Championships
- South Island Junior Teams

This year's South Island Quadrangular event will take place in Timaru on 12-13 June 2021. During this event Canterbury, Midlands, Otago and Southland compete a total of 16 matches across juniors (3 female & 3 male), seniors (3 female & 3 male), Masters (2 female & 2 male). Each match win gains a point for the team. Once all 3 rounds are completed, the points are added together for the overall winner and the section winners.

The NZ Junior National Inter-District Teams Championships event will take place on 12th – 13th October 2021 in Wellington. The team event follows on after the NZ Junior National Individual Championships, which are being held from October 8th – 10th.

The South Island Junior Teams Event will take place in Invercargill on September 17th-19th 2021. This year will be the first year that the event is restructured and formatted differently, details of which are still being finalized.

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1.1 Junior Selection Process

At the beginning of the year, selectors will identify a pool of players who could all potentially represent Canterbury at any of the Junior events. Squash Canterbury will write to these players informing them that they have been nominated and ask them if they wish to be considered.

Note the intention of the pool is to provide early identification of potential team members as this will assist with training and selection. However, subject to performance and other criteria below, players from outside the pool may still be eligible for selection. We would encourage all players to signal their interest for selection to Squash Canterbury at info@squashcanterbury.co.nz by Sunday 18th April or as soon as practicable. Players outside the pool selected can still gain selection to a Squash Canterbury representative team.

The selectors will follow the details in the policy below, to select the final Squash Canterbury teams.

Timeline:

- Wednesday 31st March 2021 - by this date, Squash Canterbury will inform by email, the players who have been nominated by the selectors, asking them to let Squash Canterbury know if they wish to be considered for the 2021 Canterbury Rep teams.
- Sunday 18th April 2021 - the deadline for nominated players to respond to Squash Canterbury confirming if they wish to be considered
- Sunday 30th May 2021 - South Island Quadrangular Team announced at the Linwood Open Prizegiving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving
- Sunday 15th August 2021 - NZ Junior National Inter-District Team Championships team and the team for the South Island Junior Teams announced at the Canterbury Masters, Age Groups and U23 Championships Prizegiving

1.2 Junior Selection Criteria

These criteria cannot cover all possible situations and Squash Canterbury reserves the right to make selections based on the best interests of the particular team involved.

As a general rule, team selections for these events will be made on a combination of the following criteria:

- Players are on the Canterbury grading list
- Taking into account performance based on all grading list results and tournaments (including results from international, national and other major tournaments)
- Ability to support each other in the team environment on and off court
- Commitment, effort and attitude towards the sport, their coach and the district
- Appropriate level of fitness for the event
- Potential to represent Squash Canterbury at future National events
- Results in key Squash Canterbury District Tournaments
- Confirmed availability for selection
- Agreement to follow Squash Canterbury Code of Conduct

Selectors will give attention to results from the following events:

- NZ Junior Open 23rd - 25th April, Auckland
- Canterbury Junior Open 28th – 30th May, Christchurch Football Squash Club
- South Island Age Group Individuals 22nd – 24th July, Burnside Squash Club
- Canterbury Junior Age Groups 13th – 15th August, Christchurch Football Squash Club

Residential qualifications:

Players must meet the residential requirement of Squash Canterbury. A player that permanently resides outside of the Squash Canterbury region can only be considered for selection if that player is a professional player, or one of the following conditions apply:

- Has previously played for Squash Canterbury and has specific Board approval
- Is currently attending University, tertiary education or New Zealand training squads outside the Squash Canterbury region
- Has exceptional circumstances and has been approved by the Board by 1st May 2021.

1.3 Junior Event Information

South Island Quadrangular

Where: Timaru

When: 12 – 13 June 2021

Format: Mixed team; 3 Senior Men and Women, 3 Junior Boys and Girl's, 2 Masters Men and Women and 1 Manager

Team announced: Sunday 30th May 2021 at the Linwood Open Prizegiving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*see appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Pay for own food for the weekend
- Contribute \$100 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- All entry fees
- Accommodation
- Travel (*see appendix 3*)
- Two playing tops (*See appendix 2*)

South Island Junior Teams Event

Where: Invercargill

When: 17 - 19 September 2021

Format: 6 Boys, 4 Girls, 1 Coach and 2 Managers

Team announced: Sunday 15th August 2021 at the Canterbury Masters, Age Groups and U23 Championships Prizegiving

Age: as at 20 September 2021

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*See appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Pay for own food for the weekend (*The Managers may be arranging a food kitty-tbc*)
- Contribute \$100 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- All entry fees
 - Accommodation
 - Travel (*see appendix 3*)
 - Two playing tops (*See appendix 2*)

NZ Junior National Inter–District Team Championships

Where: Timaru

When: 12 – 13 October 2021

Format: 5 Junior Boys and 5 Junior Girls with 2 Managers and 1 Coach. 1 Non-Traveling Reserve per team may also be selected

Team announced: Sunday 15th August 2021 at the Canterbury Masters, Age Groups and U23 Championships Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*See appendix 1*)
- Attend the team training camps – details tbc
- Wear uniform as supplied (*See appendix 2*)
- Compete in the National individual event (*requirement of Squash NZ*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Pay for own food (*The managers may be arranging a food kitty. tbc*)
- Contribute \$200 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- Training Camp – tbc
- Two playing tops (*see appendix 2*)
- Team Entry fees
- Accommodation
- Reimbursement for travel to Christchurch for those that reside outside of Christchurch, arriving prior to the NZ Individuals commencing and departing after the competition of the team event. (*See appendix 3*)
- Transport from Christchurch to Timaru, transport in Timaru, and transport back to Christchurch.

Please note: some of the above provisions by Squash Canterbury in regards to accommodation, flights and transport will be subject to the success of funding application results, and may change as a result of those funding application outcomes.

Section 2: Senior Representative Program

The Squash Canterbury selection policy details the process and criteria by which Squash Canterbury will nominate players to represent Canterbury.

There are two Canterbury senior rep team events a year;

- South Island Quadrangular
- NZ Senior National Inter-District Team Championships

This year's South Island Quadrangular event will take place in Timaru on 12-13 June 2021. During this event Canterbury, Midlands, Otago and Southland compete a total of 16 matches across juniors (3 female & 3 male), seniors (3 female & 3 male), Masters (2 female & 2 male). Each match win gains a point for the team. Once all 3 rounds are completed, the points are added together for the overall winner and the section winners.

The NZ Senior National Inter-District Team Championships will take place 27th – 28th August 2021 in Wellington

2.1 Senior Selection Process

At the beginning of the year, selectors will identify a pool of players who could all potentially represent Canterbury at any of the senior events. Squash Canterbury will write to these players informing them that they have been nominated and ask them if they wish to be considered.

The selectors will also produce ranking lists three times a year; beginning of April, end of May and September.

Note the intention of the pool is to provide early identification of potential team members as this will assist with training and selection. However, subject to performance and other criteria below, players from outside the pool may still be eligible for selection. We would encourage all players to signal their interest for selection to Squash Canterbury at info@squashcanterbury.co.nz by Sunday 18th April or as soon as practicable. Players outside the pool selected can still gain selection to a Canterbury representative team. The selectors will follow the details in the policy below, to select the final Squash Canterbury teams.

Timeline:

- Wednesday 31st March 2021 - by this date, Squash Canterbury will inform by email, the players who have been nominated by the selectors, asking them to let Squash Canterbury know if they wish to be considered for the 2021 Squash Canterbury Senior team
- Sunday 18th April 2021 - the deadline for nominated players to respond to Squash Canterbury confirming if they wish to be considered
- Sunday 30th May 2021 - South Island Quadrangular Team announced at Linwood Open Prizegiving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving
- Sunday 4th July 2021 - NZ Senior National Inter-District Team Championships team announced at the Burnside Open Prizegiving

2.2 Senior Selection Criteria

These criteria cannot cover all possible situations and Squash Canterbury reserves the right to make selections based on the best interests of the particular team involved.

As a general rule, team selections for these events will be made on a combination of the following criteria:

- Players are on the Canterbury grading list
- Taking into account performance based on all grading list results and tournaments (including results from international, national and other major tournaments)
- Ability to support each other in the team environment on and off court
- Commitment, effort and attitude towards the sport, their coach and the district
- Appropriate level of fitness for the event
- Potential to represent Squash Canterbury at future National events
- Results in key Squash Canterbury District Tournaments
- Confirmed availability for selection
- Agreement to follow Squash Canterbury Code of Conduct

Selectors will give attention to results from the following events:

- Football Open, Christchurch Football Squash Club, 30th April – 2nd May 2021
- Kaikoura Open, Kaikoura Squash Club, 7th – 9th May 2021
- Marlborough Harvest Open, Marlborough Squash Rackets Club, 21st – 22nd May 2021
- Linwood Open, Linwood Squash Club, 28th – 30th May 2021
- Takaka Open, Takaka Squash Club, 4th – 6th June 2021
- Motueka Open, Motueka Squash Club, 11th – 13th June 2021
- Canterbury Open and South Island Individuals, Christchurch Squash Club, 18th – 20th June 2021
- NZ Squash Championships, Hutt City Squash Club, 25th – 27th June
- Burnside Open, Burnside Squash Club, 2nd – 4th July

Residential qualifications:

Players must meet the residential requirement of Squash Canterbury. A player that permanently resides outside of the Squash Canterbury region can only be considered for selection if that player is a professional player, or one of the following conditions apply:

- Has previously played for Squash Canterbury and has specific Board approval
- Is currently attending University, tertiary education or New Zealand training squads outside the Squash Canterbury region
- Has exceptional circumstances and has been approved by the Board by 1st May 2021.

2.3 Senior Event Information

South Island Quadrangular

Where: Timaru

When: 12-13 June 2021

Format: Mixed team; 3 Senior Men and Women, 3 Junior Boys and Girl's, 2 Masters Men and Women and 1 Manager

Team announced: Sunday 30th May at Linwood Open Prize Giving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*see appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Pay for own food for the weekend
- Contribute \$100 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- All entry fees
- Accommodation
- Travel (*see appendix 3*)
- Two playing tops (*See appendix 2*)

NZ Senior National Inter-District Team Championships

Where: Wellington

When: 27th – 28th August 2021

Format: 5 Men, 5 Women and 2 Managers. 1 Non-Travelling Reserve can be named per team

Team announced: Sunday 4th July at the Burnside Open Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- To continue playing in tournaments
- Attend training sessions, prior to the Nationals – details tbc
- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*see appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Contribute \$250 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- Training sessions – details tbc
- Two playing tops (*see appendix 2*)
- All Entry fees
 - Travel (*see appendix 3*)
 - Accommodation

Section 3: Masters Representative Program

The main NZ Masters competition is the NZ Masters National Inter-District Teams Championships. These are contested annually and represent the pinnacle of the national competition for NZ Masters. The individual championships were first played in 1982, and are for male and female players aged from 35 to 70+ years in five-year age groups.

In addition, the Christchurch Cup for the winner of the NZ Masters National Inter-District Teams Championships has been contested since 1985. The national inter-district masters is played by teams of twelve players from each district - six men and six women (a player of each gender in the each of the following age group: 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+ and 60+).

This year the NZ Masters Inter-District Championships will be held in Wellington at the Tawa Squash Club from October 18th -19th October 2021. The individual championships run from October 15th - 17th.

Please note that players selected for the Canterbury Masters team are expected to play in both the individual championship and the inter-district championships and therefore may need to schedule time off work.

Masters is not only about the competition (which is the prime reason they play), it is also about entering into the spirit of masters. It's an excellent opportunity to renew or maintain comradeships with players from around the country which have been forged over many years through previous tournaments and events.

Masters also get the opportunity to represent Canterbury at the South Island Quadrangular Tournament. This year's South Island Quadrangular event will take place in Timaru on June 12th - 13th 2021. During this event Canterbury, Midlands, Otago and Southland compete a total of 16 matches across juniors (3 female & 3 male), seniors (3 female & 3 male), Masters (2 female & 2 male). Each match win gains a point for the team. Once all 3 rounds are completed, the points are added together for the overall winner and the section winners.

3.1 Masters Selection Process

We would encourage all players to signal their interest for selection to Squash Canterbury at info@squashcanterbury.co.nz by Sunday 18th April or as soon as practicable. The selectors will follow the details in the policy below, to select the final Canterbury teams.

Whilst ideally we'd prefer to select a player for each age group, from time to time player availability prevents this. In this case it is quite ok for someone in an older age group to play in a younger age group and we can select someone accordingly. Playing in an older age group is NOT allowed.

Timeline:

- Sunday 18th April 2021 - the deadline for players to respond to Squash Canterbury confirming if they wish to be considered
- Sunday 30th May 2021 - South Island Quadrangular Team announced at Linwood Open Prizegiving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving
- Sunday 15th August 2021 - NZ Masters National Inter-District Team Championships team announced at the Canterbury Masters, Age Groups and U23 Championships Prizegiving

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3.2 Masters Selection Criteria

These criteria cannot cover all possible situations and Squash Canterbury reserves the right to make selections based on the best interests of the particular team involved.

As a general rule, team selections for these events will be made on a combination of the following criteria:

- Players are on the Canterbury grading list
- Taking into account performance based on all grading list results and tournaments (including results from international, national and other major tournaments)
- Ability to support each other in the team environment on and off court
- Commitment, effort and attitude towards the sport, their coach and the district
- Appropriate level of fitness for the event
- Potential to represent Squash Canterbury at future National events
- Results in key Squash Canterbury District Tournaments
- Confirmed availability for selection
- Agreement to follow Squash Canterbury Code of Conduct

It is expected that all aspiring players compete in the Canterbury Masters. The Canterbury Masters is the 13th – 15th August at Christchurch Football Squash Club and is considered to be the premier District Masters event on the calendar, therefore we encourage participation and the results will have some bearing on selection.

Residential qualifications:

Players must meet the residential requirement of Squash Canterbury. A player that permanently resides outside of the Canterbury region can only be considered for selection if that player is a professional player, or one of the following conditions apply:

- Has previously played for Canterbury and has specific Board approval
- Is currently attending University, tertiary education or New Zealand training squads outside the Canterbury region
- Has exceptional circumstances and has been approved by the Board by 1st May 2021.

3.3 Masters Event Information

South Island Quadrangular

Where: Timaru

When: 12 - 13 June 2021

Format: Mixed team; 3 Senior Men and Women, 3 Junior Boys and Girl's, 2 Masters Men and Women and 1 Manager

Team announced: Sunday 30th May 2021 at Linwood Open Prizegiving and Canterbury Junior Open Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*see appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Pay for own food for the weekend
- Contribute \$100 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- All entry fees
- Accommodation
- Travel (*see appendix 3*)
- Two playing tops (*See appendix 2*)

NZ Masters National Inter-District Team Championships

Where: Wellington

When: 15 – 19 October 2021

Format: 6 Men, 6 Women, 1 Manager & 4 reserves

Team announced: Sunday 15th August 2021 at the Canterbury Masters, Age Groups and U23 Championships Prizegiving

Selected players are required to:

- Foster team spirit
- Support fellow team members to the best of your ability
- Abide by the Code of Conduct (*see appendix 1*)
- Wear uniform as supplied (*see appendix 2*)
- Stay in accommodation as supplied
- Contribute \$350 towards costs

Squash Canterbury will provide:

- All entry fees
- Accommodation
 - Travel (*see appendix 3*)
 - Two playing tops (*See appendix 2*)
 - An invitation to Squad Training (*Venues & dates tbc*)

Appendix 1 – Code of Conduct

Congratulations on being selected to represent Canterbury - your talent and commitment to squash has been recognised, and we wish you an enjoyable and successful experience with your team.

Your selection brings responsibilities to act as a good ambassador for your club and the Canterbury District. The cost of training and sending teams away is considerable and we want all players to benefit from this opportunity. All squash players representing Canterbury are required to comply with the following code of conduct. It is the responsibility of all players (and, for those players still at school, their parents) to ensure they read and understand the Code of Conduct.

1. All team members are expected to show courtesy and respect towards team managers and coaches, and to follow reasonable instructions given by them. Failure to do this may result in the player being excluded from the team.
2. Behavior must be of a high standard at all times. On court, bad language and poor behavior will not be tolerated.
 - YES Players may appeal decisions, but must it must be done in the correct way
 - NO Rackets being thrown - on or off court
 - NO Verbal abuse to referees of officials
3. Always play to the best of your ability & abide by the rules of the game as specified by the controlling body. A good standard of dress is expected at all times.
4. Alcohol and drugs are not permitted during any junior events either on squash club premises or at any other venue. You can find Squash NZ's National guidelines for Drugs and Alcohol at junior events on their website: [National Junior Guidelines re. Drugs and Alcohol](#).
5. Players 18 years of age and over must abide by the Squash NZ membership protection policy, which can be found on their website [Member Protection Policy](#). Team members are not permitted to charge phone calls through the motel, or use any other motel services which would be charged to the room. Players are responsible for any damage caused at the accommodation or venue.
6. Failure to follow the Code of Conduct will be immediately investigated and may result in Squash Canterbury taking disciplinary action against those involved. Such action could include a player or players being immediately sent home from an event at their (or their parents) expense.
7. This code of Conduct has been approved by the Squash Canterbury Board for application across all our teams and players. Our goal is to ensure players represent Canterbury with pride and display behaviors that reflect positively on our province.

Appendix 2 – Canterbury Team Clothing Guidelines

Squash Canterbury wants to ensure that players representing our sport wear good quality equipment and present an image that reflects positively on our sport and our province. We designed and sourced playing tops from BLK in 2019, and we plan to administer this as follows:

Playing Top's

Players selected to represent Canterbury will be assigned two playing tops for the year if they previously have not been assigned any, and will be charged a \$40 refundable bond (\$20/top).

If players wish to keep their tops at the end of the season, bonds will not be returned. Players, who return their tops to Squash Canterbury by the end of the year will have their bond refunded.

Players that already own playing tops are not required to get new ones if they do not wish to do so.



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Appendix 3 - Canterbury Rep Team Player Contribution, Travel & Accommodation Guidelines

Events within South Island

- Travel will normally be provided from Christchurch for events taking place in the South Island. Players who reside outside of Christchurch will normally be reimbursed for their travel to Christchurch; arrangements need to be agreed with the Team Manager and the Squash Canterbury Office prior to the event.
- Some players may be asked to drive. If so, players will be reimbursed for their petrol costs. Ensure receipts are kept and pass onto the Manager, who will pass onto the Squash Canterbury Office to be processed.
- Players will be asked to contribute the following towards the costs:
 - a. \$100 (for tournaments that are 3 nights or less)
 - b. \$200 (for tournaments that are 4 or more nights)

Events in North Island

- Players will be asked to contribute the following towards the costs:
 - a. \$250 (for tournaments that are 3 nights or less)
 - b. \$350 (for tournaments that are 4 or more nights)
- Flights to be purchased or approved through the Squash Canterbury Office, flights not purchased or approved directly through Squash Canterbury may not be reimbursed.

Events in Christchurch

- Players who reside outside of Christchurch will normally be reimbursed for their travel to Christchurch and provided with accommodation; arrangements need to be agreed with the Team Manager and the Squash Canterbury Office prior to the event. Accommodation will not be provided for those that live within Christchurch.
- Some players may be asked to drive. If so, players will be reimbursed for their petrol costs. Ensure receipts are kept and pass onto the Manager, who will pass onto the Squash Canterbury Office to be processed.
- Players will be asked to contribute \$50 towards the costs.

Squash Canterbury reserves the right to amend these guidelines where exceptional circumstances make this necessary

Appendix 4 - 2021 Managers, Selectors & conveners

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| Senior Convenor | Craig Hibbert |
| Senior Men Selectors | Rod Hayes, Lawrence Skurr |
| Senior Women Selectors | TBC, TBC |
| Junior Convenor | TBC |
| Junior Boys Selectors | Charlie Barker, Jayden Millard |
| Junior Girls Selectors | Kate Fox, Emma Cormack |
| Masters Convenor | TBC |
| Masters Men Selector | TBC |
| Masters Women Selector | Sue Wasley |
| Masters Team Manager | TBC |
| Men's Senior Team Manager | Craig Hibbert |
| Women's Senior Team Manager | Rod Hayes |
| Boy's Junior Team Manager | TBC |
| Girl's Junior Team Manager | TBC |
| SIJT Team Manager | TBC |
| Quad Team Manager | Kristy Havill |

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