



DEADLY CHOICES

Regional Health Touch Carnival

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY



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IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Team Nominations

Team nominations to be submitted by *17 May 2012 on the official registration form.*

Managers Meeting

Thursday 31 May 2012/6.00pm/Bundaberg Touch Association, Childers Rd, Bundaberg

Event Date

Friday 1st & Saturday 2nd June 2012

Tournament Levy

\$500 (GST Inc.) per Team

1. Definitions

DEADLY CHOICES Regional Health Touch Carnival

This event is held in recognition of 'World No Tobacco Day' on the 31st May 2012. The Carnival will also provide an opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to be involved in health checks and other relevant activities to gain understanding and awareness to improve their well being and lifestyle.

B. Bundaberg Touch Association (BTA)

The BTA is the local controlling body of the Sport and is affiliated with Queensland Touch and Touch Football Australia.

C. Tournament Committee

The Tournament Committee is formed of the following:

- *Tournament Director & Management Committee*
- *Bundaberg Touch Association Representative*

D. Officials

Officials are Referees, Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Managers, Assistant Team Managers, Tour Managers, Assistant Tour Managers, Sports Trainers, Physiotherapists, Doctors, and any other person appointed to a position of responsibility for the Tournament.

E. Code of Behaviour

With regards to all behavioural matters of participants at BTA controlled events, or representative team members, the BTA adopts the TFA Code of Behaviour. This code reflects sports industry standards and is supported by the Australian Sports Commission.

F. Tournament Venue and Dates

Bundaberg Touch Association, Greg Duncan Fields, Childers Road Bundaberg QLD 4670.

Event Date – Friday 1st June and Saturday 2 June 2012

2. Divisions

There will be Divisions of:

- Under 17 (Must be under 17 years of age at commencement of event, minimum age 15)
- Men's Open
- Women's Open
- Mixed Open
- Mixed Senior
- Masters (Over 35)

Male players can only be nominated for male divisions. Female players can only be nominated for female divisions. Both male and female players can be nominated for mixed divisions.

Minimum age for participants in the Open Divisions is 16years

NOTE: A division must have a minimum of 4 teams participating to be staged.

3. Team Nominations/Registrations

A signed team registration form is to be received by the 17th May 2012

Players and officials may register for one division only. Managers/Team Contact must have completed the official registration form and the player's individual registration forms and forward them to the Management Committee no later than COB 17th May 2012.

All players are required to affiliate with the Bundaberg Touch Association and complete the Individual Player Registration Form (provided in the registration pack).

A maximum of fourteen players can be registered and must be correctly identified on the team registration form supplied. Once the registration sheet has been submitted at the Managers Meeting, no additions or replacements will be permitted.

A team found playing an unregistered player may be disqualified. The Protest and or Judiciary committee will consider this matter.

4. Team Contacts Responsibilities/Meetings

Team contacts are to ensure that: Team fees are paid in full by the due date; all players taking the field are listed on the team registration form, which must be submitted to the Tournament Director.

All players abide by TFA rules and procedures (including uniform, footwear and offensive language policies).

A meeting for all Team Managers, Management Committee, Special Guests and President of Bundaberg Touch Association will be held at Bundaberg Touch Association, Childers Rd, Bundaberg on Thursday 31st May 2012 at 6.00pm.

5. Player Eligibility

Each team is restricted to a maximum of 2 "current representative players". A "current representative player" is a person who, since 1 March 2011 has been selected to play and accepted selection, and played in a Touch team at the National Touch League (NTL), National Youth Championships (NYC), QLD and/or Australian Representative Team.

6. Tournament Fees T

The full amount of the Tournament levy for the (DEADLY CHOICES Regional Health Touch Carnival) is \$500.00 (GST inclusive) per team.

7. Participate in Multiple Teams

Players may not play in more than one Division. Players must not play in more than one team in the same division.

8. Team Composition

Of the 14 players permitted to register and play in each team, a maximum of 6 may take the field at any particular time.

In the Mixed Divisions, the maximum number of males on the field at any particular time in three. The minimum number of female players on the field at any particular time is one.

9. Referees

The Referees will be under the control of the Bundaberg Touch Association.

Every Team MUST supply MINIMUM of 1 (one) accredited Touch Referee for every team nominated. Teams who cannot supply a Referee will be ineligible to participate in the (DEADLY CHOICES Regional Health Touch Carnival).....

All Referees must possess, as a minimum, Level 1 Touch Referee Accreditation.

The referee nominated must be available to referee the entire competition where appointed in accordance to the Referee Notice Board.

10. Touch balls

All teams MUST use the official Steeden Classic Touch ball or appropriate balls that meet Touch standards in all games throughout the Championships. Each team shall sign for and receive a ball at the managers meeting.

11. Competition Format

Teams will be allocated to their nominated divisions and may be placed into pools based on nomination numbers. The first stage of competition will be played under a round robin format with teams either playing all teams or teams in their pools.

Points will be allocated as follows:

- Win 3 points
- Draw 2 points
- Loss 1 point
- Forfeit 0 points

The Finals Format will be determined once nominations have closed. Drawn games in the Finals Series will be decided by drop offs.

12. Insurance

The TFA Accident Insurance Scheme covers all players and officials who have met the insurance criteria of a TFA affiliated competition. For this tournament the player must be a registered player with the Bundaberg Touch Association.

13. Rules

All games will be played under the current TFA Rules (7th Edition).

14. Game Duration

All games in the Tournament and the Final series will be fifteen (15) minutes each way with a half time break not exceeding five (5) minutes.

15. Protests/Suspensions

Any protests must be submitted in writing on the Protest Form supplied within 10 minutes of the completion of the particular match.

All decisions of the Tournament Committee will be final.

A player dismissed from the field for the remainder of the game will be ineligible to participate in his/her next two games.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to suspend any player or official for the remainder of the competition due to misconduct, either on or off the field.

16. TFA Code of Behavior

It is the responsibility of each Manager to ensure that their team/players behaves in the manner as detailed in the TFA Code of Behaviour document. A Player/Official having signed the registration form acknowledges that:

- A. Players/Officials will at all times comply with the reasonable and lawful directions, requests and instructions of the Tournament Director and Staff, their Team Coaches and Manager.
- B. Players/Officials will exhibit exemplary behaviour at all times including whilst travelling to and from the Championships.
- C. Players/Officials causing willful damage to property will be required to take responsibility for that damage and make appropriate restitution. Such players may also expect to be suspended or dismissed from participating further in the Tournament.
- D. Players/Officials are required to demonstrate respect for fellow players, administrators and officials at all times. Indiscipline, poor behaviour or lack of respect for other persons or property may result in the suspension and/or dismissal of the player from the Tournament. Further action may also be taken.
- E. By law, a player/official under 18 years of age is not permitted under any circumstances to enter a licensed premise or to partake in the consumption of alcohol either after hours or during, or travelling to or from the Championships.
- F. Any player/official found to have participated in group dares/scavenger hunt that includes the theft or damage to property may result in that player/s suspension and/or dismissal of the player from the Tournament. Further action may also be taken.
- G. Any player/official caught participating in a 'nude/streak' run during the time the tournament is being conducted will be immediately suspended from the tournament. Further action may also be taken.
- H. Players/Officials are required to meet the minimum standards of behaviour as described in Rules under which the Tournament is conducted.
- I. The taking or supplying of any illegal drug will not be tolerated. Any Player/Official found to be breaking the law by using or supplying illegal drugs will be handed over to the Police for due process.
- J. Any Player/Official who uses offensive language towards other players, officials or administrators may result in that person receiving a suspension and/or dismissal of the person from the Tournament. Further action may also be taken.

17. Blood Bin

Any player with a bleeding cut or abrasion is to leave the field immediately and have the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered. At this time, any blood stained clothing must also be either cleaned or replaced. If the player does not leave the field immediately, the Referee will stop the game and ask the player to leave the field (normal substitution rules apply). Once the flow of blood has been stemmed, the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered and any blood stained clothing and equipment cleaned or replaced, the player may return to the field and continue play. If bleeding cannot be controlled and the wound securely covered, the player must not continue in the game.

18. Medical Assistance

First Aid Medical services will be provide.

As all teams will be playing a number of games, please be aware of your hydration levels.

19. Forfeits

Teams must be in attendance at their playing fields five (5) minutes before the commencement of their match. It is the responsibility of each captain to report to the referees two minutes before the commencement of the game so that the toss of the coin can be affected without loss of time. If a team is not at the field at the advertised starting time of the game, the attending team can be awarded the winning of the toss. The offending team will receive a maximum of five (5) minutes from the commencement of the game (siren/whistle) to position the team on the field and be ready to commence play.

If the offending team is not in attendance after the five (5) minutes has expired, the game will be deemed a forfeit and the non offending team will be awarded a 5 -0 win and three (3) competition points. The offending team will receive a score of 0 -5 and no competition points. The offending team will be penalised one touchdown after the first minute and one touchdown for every minute thereafter up to 5 minutes.

The Manager or their appointed representative of an offending team will be required to give reasons in writing why their team should not be excluded from participating in any further matches. The Judiciary/Protest Committee will decide upon receipt of the report if the offending teams' action warranted the need to forfeit the match and if the team should be ruled ineligible to participate in the respective final series. This written report must be submitted to the Tournament Director before the completion of the forfeited match.

20. Interrupted Games

In the event of a washout or other circumstances where games that have commenced cannot be completed, the following will apply:

- event occurs during the first half - result will be declared void and the game will be replayed at a time and date to be advised
- event occur prior to during the second half - result will stand.

21. Sub Boxes

Sub boxes will be placed on both sides of the field as per the TFA Rules. The choice of sub boxes will be to the team winning the toss.

22. Uniforms

All players must wear matching shirts and identification numbers, not less than 16cm in height, clearly displayed on the front or back of the shirt. ***Numbers cannot be temporarily taped to the shirts.***

Players without the correct team shirt will not be permitted to take the field.

Approved touch shoes must be worn in accordance with Rule 3.2 of the TFA rulebook.

23. Spectators

Spectators are to remain far enough from the fields to allow for safe play. Spectators are to abide by the directions given to them by the tournament staff and game officials.

24. Glass Bottles, Alcohol and Smoking

The venue is a restricted area and all teams are to refrain from bringing glass containers of any type into the complex.

The event is a non alcohol event. The canteen will not be licensed to serve alcohol during the tournament. **ALCOHOL IS NOT TO BE BROUGHT TO THE VENUE.**

Security personnel will make random checks of eskies and other containers to ensure no alcohol is brought to the venue. Individuals found consuming alcohol will be escorted from the premises.

The Bundaberg Touch Association is a **NO SMOKING** venue. Smoking is not permitted on the venue.

25. Queensland Child Protection Act

In accordance with the Queensland Child Protection Act and instructions issued by the Queensland Sport and Recreation – 'Working with Children and Child Protection Cards ' are required to be sighted by each Team if working with the Children under the age of 18.

It is a requirement of this legislation that all Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Managers, Team Management and Medical Staff must complete the necessary forms and for the forms with the relevant Managers before the commencement of the Tournament.

26. Presentations

All trophies and medallions will be presented to the teams and individuals at the conclusion of the last final. A comprehensive presentation format will be circulated following final team nominations.

- * Winners and Runners Up in all Divisions.
- * Players of the Finals and Series will also be awarded in all divisions.
- * Other Award Presentations

27. Other

Tents are not to be erected without permission of the Bundaberg Touch Association due to underground irrigation and power. Teams are to request a tent site on the Team nomination form.

28. Right to Amend

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to amend any of the above conditions.

