



TOUCH SOUTHLAND JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE SQUAD 2017

Congratulations your child has been selected in a Southland Junior Representative squad for the 2017-18 seasons.

Squads named

- INVERCARGILL U12 BOYS
- U12 GIRLS
- U13 BOYS
- U13 GIRLS
- U14 BOYS
- U14 GIRLS
- U15 GIRLS
- U16 GIRLS
- U15 BOYS
- U16 BOYS
- U18 MIXED
- QUEENSTOWN U12 BOYS
- QUEENSTOWN U12 GIRLS
- QUEENSTOWN U14 BOYS**
- QUEENSTOWN U14 GIRLS**
- QUEENSTOWN U16 MIXED
- GORE U12 MIXED
- WINTON U12 MIXED

**At this stage the Queenstown under 14 Boys and Girls teams will be attending the Northern IPS instead of the South Island IPS. Tournament dates and Venues are below. All other teams will play at the South Island Junior IPS and ALL TEAMS WILL PLAY THE THREE BUILD UP TOURNAMENTS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

Trainings

All players will begin training in Term three 2017. Please note all players selected have been named in squads, this does not guarantee your child will be selected in the final team. Training dates for each squad will be communicated closer to the time. Final teams will be selected and announced in late September, early October.

Cost

The cost for the season is \$315 per player for the South Island tournament and an additional amount will be advised for the North Island tournament. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT THE FINAL FIGURE AND IS SUBJECT TO FINAL TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION COSTS. All players will receive a Touch Southland hoodie and polo shirt as part of this cost. Any players who are not selected in the final team and have paid their money will be fully refunded. An initial payment of \$100 is requested from all players to secure their position in their **squad** which is seen as a sign of commitment. Payments can be made in instalments (below) but please note these are based on South Island tournament fee of \$315 only:

Initial payment	\$100	20 July 2017
	\$70	20 August 2017
	\$70	20 September 2017
Final payment	\$75	20 October 2017
Total	\$315	South Island

For any queries in regards to payment please contact Touch Southland Regional Manager Warren Bryant warren@touchsouthland.co.nz

Please make payments to Touch Southland bank account BNZ 020924 0098140 00, ensuring you clearly state your child's name and squad in bank details.

Accommodation All under 12, under 13 and under 14 teams will be staying at the following venues:

Adams House (Christchurch Boys' Hostel); 70 Harakeke St, Riccarton.

St Bedes College 210 Main North Road, Papanui

Specific accommodation arrangements will be communicated in Term Three.

All Under 15, 16 & 18 team's accommodation venues will be confirmed over the next couple of months.

Travel

All players will need to find their own transport to and from each of the three build-up tournaments. Touch Southland may provide a minivan if required, this would incur an extra cost for each player if required. Touch Southland will provide all travel to and from Christchurch for the South Island Junior IPS. Under-12 teams may fly to Christchurch and come home in mini vans. Flying will be subject to final flight costs and times. All other Southland teams will travel by minivan to Christchurch on December 16th and return home after the tournament on Sunday December 17th.

Please note any player who does not travel with their team to Christchurch **WILL NOT** receive a deduction in fees.

The two Queenstown under-14 teams who at this stage will be heading to Auckland will fly from Queenstown. Dates and times for this will be advised.

Tournaments for 2017-18 seasons

Sunday November 12th – Southland internal tournament for all Southland and Queenstown based Southland teams. **Venue is the Queenstown Events Centre, Frankton.**

Sunday November 26th-Southland-Otago Junior IPS. **Venue is Peter Johnstone Park, Mosgiel.**

Sunday December 3rd - Southland-Otago Junior IPS. **Venue is Turnbull Thompson Park, Invercargill.**

Saturday December 16th & Sunday December 17th - South Island Junior IPS Tournament. **Venue is Burnside Rugby Club, Christchurch.**

January 2018- Northern IPS (Queenstown based U14 Boys and Girls teams will be attending that tournament at this stage, please note this is not final and may change over the next couple of months.)

FACEBOOK

As Facebook has grown to become a part of life for a large number of people in today's world, Touch Southland views Facebook as a great method of communication. To better help with communicating what is going on in regards to the rep season, Touch Southland encourage all parents and caregivers to create a Facebook account to keep up to date with all information distributed. ***When you create (or already have) a Facebook account please search "Southland Touch-Reps" and add them as a friend.*** All relevant information for trainings and tournaments will be posted on this page as well as any videos or photos. This is a private page and everything posted on it will only be seen by those who are "friends" with Southland Touch-Reps. We will also endeavour to set up individual team group pages on Facebook. This was introduced last season by a handful of teams and worked extremely well as a means of communication on a forum like platform for parents, coaches, managers and players.

CONTACT

For other enquiries or questions about any of the above information, please contact Touch Southland Regional Manager, Warren Bryant, by email warren@touchsouthland.co.nz, or by phoning 0276815190, or contact Dennis Thompson, Touch Southland Elite Coach, by emailing Dennis@touchsouthland.co.nz or by phoning 0274646084.

We look forward to seeing you all for the 2017-18 seasons.