

2014 Tournament Review Questionnaire Summary

There were 34 responses. 32 individual and 2 club responses were received.

The club responses represented 35 in one instance and 12 in the other. Therefor a total of 79 players were represented in the responses.

The following are the collective results to the questions asked and any comments made by respondents.

1. Should the following tournaments continue as they are? That is, one or two days?

WPA Singles Championship	75.75% responded in favour of continuing two days
Comments: 1 Day is enough	
All tournaments below really depend on the number of entries and the one or two day option should be flexible to accommodate this.	
Probably could be 1 day.	
Should be able to be completed in a 6 round day	
One day is perfectly adequate for the entries received.	
WPA Doubles Championship	90% responded in favour of continuing two days
Comments: For first 3 tournaments depends on the number of players entered. 16 or less you should be able to play it in one day.	
Should be able to be completed in a 6 round day	
One day is perfectly adequate for the entries received.	
WPA Triples Championship	87.5% responded in favour of continuing two days
Comments: 1 day (after singles champs)	
One day is perfectly adequate for the entries received.	
WPA Open Triples Championship	87.9% responded in favour of continuing one day.
Comments: Could get extra entries if 2 day	
Why is this different to WPA Triples Champs?	
WPA Women's Singles Championship	96.77% responded in favour of continuing one day.
Comments: As long as it continues to be promoted to new players to encourage them to take part in competitive play outside their club. If it is simply another tournament, then no.	
WPA Open Senior (over 60) Championship	96.87% responded in favour of continuing one day.
WPA Shooting Championship	72.72% responded in favour of continuing one day. But this question/answer is superseded by the response to question 6 below.
Comments: Needs to attached to another tournament – travelling 2 hours for 20 minutes on the piste is ridiculous	
But have with a regional championship	
This “tournament” should not be run on its own day. Each entrant only participates for <30mins so it should be run as part of another WPA tournament (as the National Shooting comp is run amongst another National tournament).	
In conjunction with another tournament	
Better to have this included within a tournament, not held separately.	
In conjunction with a weekend tournament	
Attached to another tournament.	
Should be attached to another tournament.	

Part of other event	
Align to another tournament preferably a one dayer	
Incorporate with triples/doubles.	
Wellington women's doubles tournament non-championship	97.05% responded in favour of continuing one day.
Comments: But should be held on the same weekend as the triples as is now.	
Wellington women's Triples tournament non-championship	96.96% responded in favour of continuing one day.
Comments: The women's doubles and triples were taken over by the WPA from the Kapiti club without any discussion. Like the winter competition, the WPA should stop running these events and leave it up to an interested club to ruin them.	
WPA Champion of Champion Singles	100% responded in favour of continuing one day.
WPA Champion of Champion Doubles	96.87% responded in favour of continuing one day.
WPA Champion of Champion Triples	96.87% responded in favour of continuing one day.

2. Should there be timed games for one day tournaments?

NOTE: This does not apply to singles tournaments because they tend to be much quicker or to C of C tournaments as entries in these tournaments are limited.

Note: For two day tournaments the tournament sub-committee recommends 60 minutes plus two ends and for one day tournaments 50 minutes plus one end. If the scores are tied an extra end is played.

88.23% responded in favour of timed games.
Comments: For first round only – not quarterfinals up
However, if you are going to use timed games for any tournament, then you must enforce those timed rules. You cannot have a single arbiter for a tournament as they will now need to keep an eye on the time being taken by players, and must penalise/warn players whenever the time is overrun. Players must also accept that they will face this scrutiny as a lot of the top players break the 60sec rule repeatedly with no penalty.
All tournaments should be played over 2 days except for the ones above that I have stated okay . timed games on first day.
Timed games keeps people interested. A definitive 'end' time for the day as well.
Suggest that the Final be untimed.
Important if playing 6 games not so important if playing 5 games
But very frustrating for opponents of notoriously slow players
For 2 day tournaments only.
Applying the subcommittee recommendations.
As recommended by the T. Sub-committee.
Timed games should be applicable to all tournaments for consistency and to prevent everyone having to wait around for games to conclude.

3. Should there be timed games for day one qualifying of two day tournaments?

91.17% responded in favour of timed games.
Comments: Up to quarterfinals
I think it should be a later start so that teams travelling to the venue don't have to travel on Friday night. If Saturday started at 9.30 for 10am you could still do 5 timed games without being too late finishing. This saves one night accommodation.
Provided that 5 games are played – not 6.
Also think the pool or barrage games in the morning of Day 2 should be timed.
Even time most of the next day up to semi-finals.
Agree with the sub-committee recommendation in #2
Especially if 6 qualifying games is adopted.
But very frustrating for opponents of notoriously slow players
Timed games make for earlier finish which is better in colder months.
Applying the subcommittee recommendations.
Good to have a set finish time – need strength for day two.
As recommended by the T. Sub-committee.
Assuming the WPA tournaments persists with two day tournaments, timed games should be used for both day one and day two of tournaments.

4. Do you favour 5 or 6 qualifying games on day one of two day tournaments?

82.75% responded in favour of 5 qualifying games
Comments: Timed Games, I think you need 5 – no byes!
5 games is plenty
5 games should be the most for qualifying. 6 games is too many if you are expecting a lot of players to come back the following day to play another (potential) 6 games.
6 games makes the day too long, especially if untimed games and you get the teams that are known to take ages.
I think 6 is the better alternative.
6 timed games
Five games is best. We would not want more than six games
6 if timed 5 if not timed
5 triples – 6 doubles
I'm getting older.
6 games if timed 5 games if untimed
Using the pool system
5 games enough to sort field out.
6 timed games
5 if possible
Neither as the tournament should be concluded in one day.

5. Over the last three years the teams that have not qualified on day one were allowed to opt out of day two and teams that did not enter the tournament for day one were allowed to enter for day two consolation only. Do you want to see this continue or go back to all entrants playing for the complete tournament?

75.75% responded in favour of returning to all entrants participating for the complete tournament.
Comments
If the Day 2 tournament is run my suggestion would be to put it on the local club and let them have a fundraiser, not sure how the costing would work from the Day 1 Tournament. I would happily pay \$5 to enter another tournament run by locals with locals providing prizes etc. (no trophy would be necessary)
All entrants should play the whole tournament with no extra entrants on day 2.
Revert to all entrants playing for the whole tournament – no day two only entrants.
I think a 2 day tournament is a 2 day tournament. It should go back to playing complete tournament.
If you enter a tournament you should play both days.
Go back to all entrants playing for the complete tournament?
This is not working and if you enter a 2 day tournament you should play both days.
Go back to all entrants playing for the complete tournament.
Play for complete tournament.
All entrants play for the complete tournament
If players enter to take part in a tournament, then they should participate for the entire tournament and not be allowed to leave because they aren't doing very well. I have done that in 1 tournament and regretted it.
Think this rule is ridiculous if you enter for a tournament you play it through it is very bad sportsmanship if you pull out because you don't qualify.
Continue with option to cancel out of day 2
All players should play for the 2 days and no opportunity to play for just the second day. Players who play on day 2 only, are much fresher and have a distinct advantage.
All entrants playing for complete tournament
Some players are not available to play on a Saturday as they are working. Continue as it is please. Ensure that those coming on the second day have to enter prior to the tournament the same as everyone else. This can be done by emailing in by computer. Delete those not present on the second day and add in the second day players on a laptop.
All entrants play two days.
Go back to playing complete tournament
Go back to all entrants playing
I would like to see all the entrants playing the complete tournament.
Go back
Continue and allow an opt out and an entry on 2 nd day.
Probably the best way.
If it is a two day tournament you play two days.
Opt out of day 2 yes. Enter day two only- no can force a bye – 7 games excessive.
Tournaments should be entered for the whole duration.
Option 2, what it was.
All entrants play both days. It's a '2 day tournament'.
All entrants play the complete tournament

If the two day tournaments were changed to a single day then this question becomes irrelevant. There is little interest in taking part in just the second day because you are effectively entering the bowl. There would be more interest amongst players in entering a one day regional championship.

6. Should the WPA Shooting championship be attached to another tournament and played either on the Friday afternoon or during a tournament as and when players are available to compete?

93.54 % responded in favour of attaching the shooting championship to another tournament.

Comments

With the advent of timed games there is no reason that the shooting competition can't be played at the end of play. Travelling 2 hours for 20 minutes on the piste is ridiculous.

It would attract more entrants if attached to a 2 day tournament as the people from further away would be more likely to attend. That is contrary to my answer in Question 3 but it would only affect one 2 day tournament.

At present, time spent participating is very short – particularly pertinent for those travelling. Revised format may attract more entries.

Definitely. Although having people to run it may be a problem.

During tournament, if time games could be at lunch time or after play if only 5 played.

Should be attached to another tournament and played either on the Friday afternoon or during a tournament as and when players are available to compete.

Response should come from past players.

The shooting championship does not warrant its own tournament. Participants only take part for <30mins, so this is just ridiculous to have people travel for a couple of hours (or stay overnight) just to play for that long. It should be run the way that the National event is done – as part of another tournament. It could run on the Friday evening; Saturday during the lunch break, and after the day's play; and Sunday during the lunch break (if this many slots are required). People would be allocated their 30min slot and if more people actually know how to score the event then perhaps 4 players could participate at the same time (rather than just 2 at the moment). Then the prize giving could be part of the one for the main tournament being held.

Yes as I have stated above.

Absolutely – it's a pain to travel to a tournament' just for 10 mins of throwing.

I think that the shooting competition should be stand alone, but the hosting club should provide an opportunity for all shooting competitors to play friendly games with other shooting competitors and host-club member.

I accept that some shooting competitors will have had to travel some distance to play for 30 minutes, but trying to organise times while in the middle of a tournament would be problematic and at least two people would have to be available all day to accommodate the players when they are available. Large numbers of long running games in the tournament would have the potential to see a lot of shooting taking place at the end of the day's play.

Friday afternoon prior to a 2 day tournament (i.e. WPA singles; doubles; triples?)

Hold during another tournament

Played over two days during a tournament.

Attached to another tournament.

If time is so short you need timed games in a tournament where will you find time to fit the shooting in? Friday afternoon – difficult for some competitors (travel times) will get fewer entries.

Should be played during a tournament when players are competing.

Could be incorporated with a tournament but would need to be at the end of the day. Wouldn't work trying to grab the players between games.

This competition should be held Friday afternoon/evening as normally held during the summer.

During a tournament lunch break.

WPA tournaments cover a lot of the playing calendar causing limited time frames for participants to

complete at club level and away games – one less WPA game would help.
Yes, but not a Friday
Likely to get more taking part.
Don't know
Separate the WPA shooting Contest (attached but separate)
Running the shooting competition on a Friday afternoon or between play at an event would be difficult to manage. The intention is to get people to start shooting, not provide some sort of tournament filler. Running it on a Sunday, after a one day tournament may be of interest, but not many people who travel would want to hang around until they had their turn.

7. Do you favour barrage or pools for day two? See note 3 of discussion paper.

80.64% responded in favour of pools rather than barrage.
Comments: Pool play. But timed games.
Pool play (timed)
Pool play. The “negativity” of players being able to manipulate the results does not stack up against the negativity of Barrage play where teams are left hanging around for hours on end between games, or waiting for the next round to begin. If you want to stop any manipulation of pool results, then perhaps you should just display the pool draws, and keep the results for games secret from all players until the pool play is complete. This would allow players only to see who they are meant to be playing, and they would know their own results, but no other teams would be able to work on how to manipulate results.
Pool for two day.
Prefer pool play – it can just as long as barrage but then barrage can be frustrating at times. Any thought to having timed games for barrage – that would certainly make a difference!
Barrage is my preference. One bad game does not necessarily mean that you are out of the competition. You get a second chance. It may mean extra waiting time.
Pool System preferred to lessen wait time.
I favour the pool system
Don't mind either way.
I personally prefer the pool system as I do not like the long wait you have with the barrage.
Pool system favoured due to delays in playing time with barrage system.
Don't mind either - maybe pools
I favour continuation of the pools system.
Pool play should be used. Having half the tournament field sitting around waiting for games to finish does little to attract attendance. If there is an issue of people manipulating scores then deal with it.

8. For the number of qualifiers from day one of a two day tournament (refer to note 6 in the discussion paper) are you happy for the tournament subcommittee to use more discretion in deciding the number of teams to qualify from day one? This would be announced on the first morning of the tournament.

91.17% responded in favour of the tournament sub-committee to use discretion in deciding the number of teams that qualify.
Comments: Yes definitely.
There should some consistency in how many qualify for each tournament. For smaller fields quality of the field show determine the number that qualify.
Absolutely – this is overdue. Gone are the days of having more than 30 teams enter a tournament.
It is good to have flexibility here.
What is the point of setting a figure if you don't stick to it
As long as the number announced before play starts 1 st day.
It should be at the discretion of the tournament sub-committee.
The subcommittee need to have the control.
Discretion
There will always be qualifying issues whenever a cut-off is imposed. Either we have a straight knockout from round 1, or use the Swiss system fro the whole tournament, to avoid a qualifying cut-off. The tournament sub-committee should not make changes to the event conditions if they are taking part.

9. Do you favour Swiss draw or random draw for qualifying?

73.07% responded in favour of random draw.
Comments: WPA Needs to ensure that clubs/players understand Swiss system – unable to favour either at present because of this.
I think the Swiss draw is the fairest of all so Swiss draw.
Unfamiliar with Swiss draw – no comment
Unfamiliar with Swiss draw – no comment
Random draw. Very few people know the Swiss system. If you were to go with the Swiss draw, then you would need to train up more non-players and actually have the person doing the draw not be a participant in the tournament. The last time this was done (at Upper Hutt) the person doing the draw was also playing, and as his games were taking the longest there was no way that any of the results were being prepped for the next round until he had finished his game, and then done all of the scoring. At least with a non-player, the scores could be constantly organised until the last game is complete, and then the draw is finalised – taking much less time.
Don't mind either way.
Random Draw is the way to go. I have only played under the Swiss system once and it was frustrating to have to wait for the scorers to have to get the next round sorted out. There was an occasion when games were about to start and an error was discovered and players had to change their opposition. As a relative newcomer to the game, The Swiss system tends to pit stronger players against stronger players. This is hardly an incentive for 'lesser' players as they will rarely get the opportunity to play against better players and learn better techniques, skills and tactics. (I realise that competitions are not really the place to learn!!) If one thinks of the Rugby Union, Football and Rugby League World Cups, they all use the pool system and, from time to time, the 'minnows' get through. If such world leading competitions use the pool system, surely Petanque should follow the same path!!
Swiss draw sounds good and purchase the tournament organiser kit.
Insufficient information re Swiss system.

Swiss could be used for 2 day tournaments if experienced operator is available – not 1 day.
Definitely Swiss draw.
Definitely not Swiss draw.
I prefer the Swiss draw and would like to see it used at more tournaments.
Quite happy with random draw.
Both tournaments have their problems for a qualifying series. The Swiss should be used for the whole tournament, not the first few rounds.

10. Should the Women's Doubles and Triples be awarded championships status and the winners be issued with a winner's shirt?

68.75% responded in favour of the women's doubles and triples being awarded championship status and the winners issued with a winner's shirt.
Comments
If the winner already has <u>any</u> WPA winner's shirt, it should be embroidery only.
If men get them , yes equality is the name of the game.
Whatever fits with the other tournaments. All tournaments should grant championship status and give out shirts, or none of them should. Prize givings for WPA tournaments should be standard across all tournaments. You cannot have some giving status and shirts, and others not.
A good point as the women's tournaments encourage more women to participate. Be interesting to see how men respond to this one. If its being held as a WPA Sanctioned tournament then yes perhaps T-shirts should be issued (or a winners shirt embroidered appropriately).
If there were men only competitions, I would agree. In this day and age it seems odd to have Women's competitions.
Some of the upcoming players that do very well in these tourneys would really appreciate some kind of recognition.
A good idea.
Recognition of their win. What about men!
To have them as championship funding would have to change.
If the singles winner gets a shirt why not the doubles and triples.
Women's doubles and triples areas important to us women as other WPA events and should be awarded the same status with trophies plus shirts.
No shirt necessary
It is an achievement to be recognised.
The standard of competition is high – needs rewarding.
The WPA runs more than enough events and there is no strategic reason for the WPA to run the women's doubles and triples tournaments. These events should be left to clubs to run. There was no reason , nor any discussion, for the WPA to continue to run them.

11. Do you think the WPA should make a financial contribution to players selected to represent Wellington when the tournament is not in Wellington?

82.35% responded in favour of the WPA making a financial contribution to players selected to represent Wellington.
Comments:
Because I don't think WPA could afford to make a large enough contribution to make a major difference without increasing affiliation fees which would not go down well with the non-competitive players/clubs.
Earlier team announcements would enable players to take advantage of cheaper airfares if required.
I believe that lack of financial support impacts on the number of players available, particularly senior squads.
Definitely. Also the coach. Perhaps a percentage of entry fees could be earmarked for this.
Also entry fee for the shooting competition could be used.
And it should be more than just the \$50 that has been handed out in the past. That is barely going to cover a meal and drinks for a single person and is not much incentive for taking part.
Most defiantly this is an honour to play for Wellington and it should be reward in some way. Uniforms also should be looked at more closely.
It's obvious already that only those that want to travel apply. Unless of course WPA has a surplus of funds then a subsidy could be made available.
While I am not suggesting that all expenses should be met, a contribution would be a good idea.
Out of the 3 a year, 2 of them are usually away from Wellington area and availability is a major factor because of cost?
Money for transport to other parts of the country would be good.
To help the costs.
Only possible if WPA has enough funds.
You play for the honour of being selected to play for your region and shouldn't expect any financial help as it is only 2 or 3 times a year.
Many selected are in it for themselves and not their clubs.
On a limited scale only e.g. fuel? Entry fee? Accommodation assistance.
Anything would help.
This is a leading question. What should be asked is how much you are willing to pay the representative players to take part in an event. The WPA is not a charity. I have no objection to fundraising, but taxing players who are not involved is not the way to subsidise the representative programme.

12. If a team withdraws from a tournament less than 48 hours before the tournament is due to start should they received a refund of their entry fee?

62.5% responded against a refund
Comments:
Unless there is a death or hospitalisation.
Dependent on why they withdrew. An accident or a death I think they should be
For illness think they should supply a doctors certificate.
But if drastic reason maybe
Providing there are special circumstances.

Yes, depending on circumstances.
Depends on circumstances.
If the tournament entry rules clearly state that withdrawing less than 48 hours before the tournament will mean a forfeit of the entry fee, then players should accept it.
Unless for very genuine reason discretion should be taken.
If withdrawal is due to a medical condition or proven family emergency then yes a refund should be given.
This is a hard one as there may be some very good reasons for withdrawal, but a bad weather forecast should not be a reason for withdrawal and it would be easy to claim illness as an excuse when heavy rain is forecast. This may be unfair, but it is my view.
If the reason is fair.
Anyone who doesn't play is entitled to a refund if it is for a genuine reason such as health.
No unless due player illness or death of relative. final decision up to organisers
Except in exceptional circumstances.
If there is a sickness they should be able to get another player or if short of players it is a bit late to let the tournament committee get another team.
It depends on a number of things. Is the tournament a fundraiser? Is the withdrawal because of a valid reason.
With the exception of anyone with a genuine health problem.
Stick to 48 hours
Unless it is due to a common reason e.g. medical misadventure.
I'm sure teams usually withdraw for a genuine reason.
Unless there are extraordinary circumstances (then sub-committee's discretion)
This is not up for discussion. The WPA has made a decision – no play, no pay.

13. If a team or players are asked to enter a tournament to prevent a bye should they have to pay the entry fee?

56.66% responded in favour of a team entering a tournament to prevent a bye should pay the entry fee.
Comments:
Not sure about this one... maybe half fee – tournament could subsidise them. Its certainly better to have an even number of teams
Alternatively, to prevent a bye, the last team entered could be dropped.
Yes, because they might go on to win a section. It could be anyone.
This could be seen in conjunction with 12 above. If the team is having to come in due to a last minute withdrawal (with 48 hours before the tournament start), then they should not have to pay an entry fee – the fee paid by the withdrawing team can be used to cover the replacement's entry. However, if this is just down to an odd number of entrants, then any subsequent team being approached should pay. If they are hesitant and don't want to pay, then they should not participate and let another team be approached to see if they will.
The player is helping the tournament out so no payment.
This prevents people who 'hang back' in the hope of free entry to a competition.
As discussed at the WPA meeting early this year.
Definitely no! They are doing you a favour and shouldn't be charged for it.
They are doing a favour by putting a team in.
Not sure – but I would pay
Need to be treated with respect – not made to feel like fodder.
No pay – no play (plenty of players available) – and to avoid manipulation.
For the same reason as above. If you play you pay. There is nothing intrinsically wrong with a bye. The issue

appears to be the allocation of a bye in a random format. The Swiss system manages a bye very well.

14. Do you agree with prizes being presented for the following placing in a tournament? If not, what are your suggestions? See note 7 of the discussion paper.

Championship: First place, second place, third equal.

Plate: First place, second place.

Bowl or consolation First place and second place.

84.37% agreed with the above prizes.

Comments:

Championship: First place, second place.

Plate: First place

Bowl or consolation First place

Happy with them as they are

Yes, happy with that. Only suggestion has 3rd place in championship ever been played for?
Not really sure why its not

Could cut out 2nd in bowl consolation.

Trophies for Championship, but perhaps only medals for Plate and Bowl.

Think prizes should only go as far as the plate.

I have missed out on a 'prize' being 3rd in WPA doubles (?) you don't always play for nothing and to get 3rd in a WPA tournament (not plate or bowl) is a real achievement and should be recognised

Third place prizes for Plate and Bowl/consolation. Prizes being a memento (plaque/medal), not financial!
Incidentally, plaques are better than medals as they can be displayed. Medals get put in a drawer!!

It would be good to give out something for third place throughout, if it can be afforded.

Agree with championship and plate but only 1st place in bowl should get prize

I think that third places should be recognised with a medal or some other award.

But this depends on the numbers and funding. Could be 3rd in plate etc.

The above is suitable.

It would depend on the number of entries. Need sufficient money pay cost of trophies. But agree some recognition is an encouragement to newer players.

There should be 3rd equal prizes for the plate as well as the championship winner but not for the bowl as there is normally less players.

Good as is.

WPA tournaments only

My first placing was 2nd in the bowl and I still have the small trophy to remember it by.

If there only 4 players /teams in the championship section, there is no need for all of them to receive a prize. I would rather have a reduced entry fee.

15. Do you want the interclub to carry on in an East and West zone format? If not, have you any suggestions on how it can be improved?

67.74% responded in favour of continuing with an East West format.
Unsure: 1.
Comments: 2 day tournament (run the same way as the Nat Clubs Tournament) is preferable.
BUT the venues need to be reconsidered. I believe Wanganui East did not play last season (and maybe the season before) due to having to travel to Levin or Kapiti for games. Each participating club should host at least one day/round per season.
Too far to travel for our club for one days play. Especially over 4 weekends. Definitely like the idea of a 1 weekend like PNZ National Clubs tournament. Think it would be great.
Play it over one weekend like the PNZ Club champs same rules as they use.
These should be situated in all areas so as travel and time costs are equally distributed i.e. Wanganui, Manawatu.
Carry on in an East and West zone format but please have some games at Manawatu and Wanganui. Travelling can be a disadvantage and home piste can be an advantage.
We do need have Wanganui East in the tournament so location of venue important
These should be situated in all areas so as travel and time costs are equally distributed i.e. Wanganui, Manawatu.
Yes. Would be happy with a weekend and happy to play Manawatu.
However do a random draw each year. The last 2 – 3 years has been exactly the same rounds every year. Although you end up playing the same teams every year anyway, at least this will vary things up where you don't know that you are going to face exactly the same opposition in exactly the same order on exactly the same days as you did last year. Perhaps compressing the tournament so the rounds are run over 1 or 2 consecutive weekends to allow 2 rounds per day to be run. Then a couple of weeks break before the finals day.
As a Wanganui player it would be nice not to have to travel so far for only 2 games in a day. This is the main reason we are unable to field an interclub team (my thoughts only)
Our club doesn't enter interclub as we have insufficient members to commit so feel we cannot comment here.
It isn't broken – no need to fix it!
What a good suggestion- have it over a weekend?
Continue as is with more meetings in the northern end of the west zone.
Comments I think it should be held over one w/end like the National Clubs Championship and be rotated round all the clubs that are large enough to host it
Could an interclub be run like a national club championship? This would be a good concept.
With time constraints and the cost of petrol it seems to be the best way to run the interclub.
I would like to see interclub played over a 2 day weekend where all WPA clubs would enter and it would be played 1 year in the east zone and 1 year in the west zone.
Difficult one. Perhaps one zone hosted by different club each year.
Provided a better distribution of venues applies e.g. as per the suggestion in item 5 to reduce the cost of travel and time of travel constantly burdened on one or two clubs.
Think it should be a 2 day event, but not sure about the format. Maybe east/west day one?

All in two days
As is
Stop hosting all the matches at a central venue. The inter-club had more appeal and interest when you went to another club to play. There are plenty of events at Park Avenue and Kapiti/Horowhenua without playing inter-club there as well.

General Comments

All tournaments to start at the same time as in Auckland e.g. 8.30 / 9am
In the enlightened days of equality it is not necessary to have separate competitions for women.
Reinforce only play for one club per year – some belong to many clubs.
Do we really need interclub and Jacques Cochonnet?
Perhaps spread the WPA Tournaments better i.e. not two weekends in a row.
Lunch break changed to “on the trot”.
Good review.