



An Update on European Touch Championships 2016

Dear Touchies,

MIXED OPEN AND WOMEN'S 27

Following the enormous effort of our Selectors and Coaches, and after a meeting of the Board of Clubs tonight, Switzerland are thrilled to announce registration of a **Mixed Open (MXO)** and **Women's 27 (W27)** team to ETC2016, which has been confirmed by EFT.

If you were notified as a Selectee and had confirmed your participation in these teams, we congratulate and thank you. Your point of contact from this point forward will be directly with the Coaches - Jay Tanoa and Nick Gray. You will hear from them soon.

SENIOR MEN

We had hoped to enter a third team in a senior men's division, but the spread across different age groups did not allow a viable team to be formed in any one area. This is truly unfortunate.

We will continue to monitor the circumstances, and may enter a plea for late entry if we see a change. If you are a senior man who has not yet voiced your interest and been involved, please reach out to James Weston, whose valued effort will continue.

OPEN POSITIONS

If you were an unsuccessful candidate, if you are an interested non-candidate, if you are a keen supporter of Touch in Switzerland, if you want to help out your friends, if you want to improve your Touch skills, then we have a need for you.

The Coaches welcome additional players, referees and volunteers to join us at training: to play, to learn, to develop, to oppose our players, and to get the ball rolling. Your presence and contribution to training will be invaluable to ensure we send our teams with the best training we can make available, and that we send fully trained and complete squads in each category. The Coaches will fill any open positions, and bring up 'reserves' in case of any late adjustments caused by life, with these decisions guided by those committed to training and demonstrating the right stuff.

The first formal training event will be announced this week. While this is directed at ETC2016, it is also a continuation of efforts started last year to build our squads for the 2017 Mainland Cup, the 2018 Euros, and up to the 2019 World Cup in Malaysia. Some of you have already been involved, and have experienced the huge benefits of structured learning. If you want to join that group, and start your journey now, get in Touch.

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