JOIN THE TOUCH SWITZERLAND REPRESENTATIVE TRIALS FOR THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017



Hello Touchies,

We hope you're all happy after a positive year of Swiss touch in 2016. Touch Switzerland held three very successful Swiss Cups, a number of fun circus events and a few productive referee courses. A highlight of the year was the SW27s campaign to the Jersey ETC 2016, that was held in July. Against all odds, this team of women decided to enter into a very experienced senior's division. They were written off from the start but their performance in their first game against France, showed that the SW27s were in Jersey to compete. Drawing the match 4-4. They left Jersey with their heads held high, knowing that they achieved the respect of the division and went beyond all expectations. These women will carry this experience with them forever.

If you would like to be apart of a similar experience and want a chance to compete at an international level. Then this letter is for you.

Now that the Swiss touch season for 2016 is coming to an end, we start to prepare ourselves for 2017. The European Touch Federation has decided to hold the first Touch Championships for 2017, which is a Men's & Women's Open's event held in mainland Europe (excluding France) The following is a call for,

Call for Representative Players

The Clubs would collectively like all members to consider being a part of next year's Representative programme for the 2017 Championships. The two divisions for this will be Women's Open and Men's Open. If you are interested in trialling for one of these teams, then please write an email with all your player and contact details to <u>touchswitzerland-reps@hotmail.com</u>

Call for Referees

To send teams to international competitions depends on our capacity to also send referees. If you're interested to referee at the upcoming Touch Championships, please contact our national referee director John Knox johnk 010@yahoo.com

Call for Coaches

The two teams need coaches. If you would like to put your hand up to coach one of the teams please write an email to <u>touchswitzerland-reps@hotmail.com</u>.

Call for Supporters

To help those teams going to the Championships they need the support of Touch Switzerland. If you are interested to help out as an assistant coach, tour manager, team manager or any other role, please write an email to <u>touchswitzerland-reps@hotmail.com</u>

NATIONAL TRIAL DAY

WHAT: This event is the Trials at which all playing candidates will be assessed on a standard basis for one of the teams.

WHO: This is open to all members of a Touch Switzerland Club.

WHEN: Trials will be held for all candidates for one day only on 22.10.2016. If you are unavailable on this date, please inform the rep committee by 15.10.2016 via email.

touchswitzerland-reps@hotmail.com

WHERE: ASVZ Fluntern, Zürich

https://goo.gl/maps/SpH58waS1YM2

FACILITIES: You will be notified of the facilities available onsite, with a map showing venue details and access. Players are expected to be ready to start no later than 9:30 am.

ON THE DAY: Please be ready for all conditions at the Trials as weather and general conditions may change quickly. You will be stopping and starting throughout the day. Bring clothing, footwear and appropriate food and drink.

Further communications will follow regularly. The next communication will include additional detail for all candidates.

Regards,

The Representative Committee

Touch Switzerland