

STARTING A COMPETITION?

Below are some key areas to consider.



PEOPLE

- Players – have you got enough people to hold a competition?
- Officials – do you have enough people who are capable of officiating at your competition? Do they require training? Do you have someone with first aid qualifications in case of an injury?
- Coaches – who will teach the new people the rules of the game and how to play? Will each session include a coaching component? Will this be in the form of training days?
- Administrators / Volunteers – who will organise the draws, contact the relevant people, communicate results?
- How will you attract people? Some options include:
 - Word of mouth
 - E-mail
 - Bulletin Boards – at work, community venues, shopping centres
 - Newspaper advertisement (eg. the NT News Palmerston & Beyond offers free notices for community organisations)
 - Community calendar on the radio or internet (eg. Top FM or Palmerston City Council).

VENUE

- Do you have a venue to play? Is it appropriate/suitable for your sport?
- Do you have all the facilities you need eg. canteen, change rooms, toilets, lights, ice, storage?
- Is there a fee to hire the venue? Will you need insurance?
- Who is liable if someone is injured?

EQUIPMENT

- What equipment is required to run a competition?
- Who will purchase/own the equipment – players or the club? Do you have enough to make replacements if needed?
- Where will the equipment be stored?

COMPETITION

- Will it be a formal, organised competition, or an informal competition between friends (eg. come along and try six week competition)?
- How long will your competition run? Is it competing for members with other sports?
- Will you charge people to participate? If so, what can they expect in return for their money?
- Have you got the right structure in place to run an organised competition?
- Do you need to form a club? Will you need a constitution?

GOOD LUCK!

For further information and training opportunities regarding creating a club, please contact the Club Development Coordinator on Ph: 8982 2348.

