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## International Club Challenge Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia June 7 - 9, 2013

### Fact Sheet:

#### *Introduction:*

The tournament is sanctioned by the Federation of International Touch.

Malaysia has been an official member of FIT since 2008 and is a developing nation in Asia with the potential of Touch becoming a major national mass participation sport.

In order to build awareness and grow participation and development, Touch Malaysia is promoting the International Club Challenge 2013 for Open Men, Women and Mixed Club teams.

The tournament is inviting international club teams from FIT member nations to compete for the title of Champions and prize money for the winning and runner up teams in all categories.

Malaysia offers an award winning international airport that is accessible for teams from all nations; is a dynamic low cost destination that offers vibrant night life, fantastic shopping and a wide range of tourism options; a magic culinary experience; high quality accommodation; quality event facilities and an overall high standard event experience.

It is our aim to establish this event as an annual international club challenge tournament in Asia and attract clubs from around the world looking to compete and enjoy a fantastic event and sporting holiday experience.

An attractive package will be promoted so as to attract high quality referees.

See the tournament EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – we look forward to receiving this document confirming your interest to receive additional information and updates and to answering any questions you may have and to ultimately welcoming you to Malaysia.

See [www.touchmalaysia.org](http://www.touchmalaysia.org) for tournament information. Updates will be sent via e mail to all team contacts that complete the EOI - updating them on progress, entries and associated information.

#### ***When will the tournament be staged?***

Teams are required to arrive in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on or prior to Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The tournament will be played over three days of competition on Friday, Saturday and Sunday – the Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> is the Queen's Birthday long weekend in Australia.

#### ***Where will the tournament be staged?***

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia – there are a number of suitable field locations being considered.

#### ***Who can enter the tournament?***

Registered club teams that have participated in their recognised affiliated domestic club based league are eligible to participate. Teams must comprise players from that team that played in the domestic league competition. The team must be an established club team not a 'representative' club team.

Teams will require a letter of confirmation from their affiliated league organiser confirming the teams list of players.

*For example:* A club team that participated in an affiliated club based league in NSW would require the team members to be confirmed as per the team registration in that league. This is a club event and 'stacked' teams are not invited.

### ***How many players can play in our team?***

Teams can include up to 16 registered players and a minimum of 12 players need to be registered

Teams must have a minimum of 1 x non-playing team manager registered

Players must be a minimum of 16 years of age – must have turned 16 years in 2012. Passport confirmation will be required on request.

### ***How many teams will compete?***

For the 2013 tournament we are targeting 24 teams in each of 3 categories of competition.

- 24 Open Men's teams
- 24 Open Women's team
- 24 Open Mixed team

*Note:* - It will require a minimum of 85% of teams in a category to make it an official category

### ***How much Prize Money will be offered?***

- Champions in each category will receive a guaranteed minimum of Australian Dollars \$10,000
- Runner-Up in each category will receive a guaranteed minimum of Australian Dollars \$5,000

### ***What is the tournament format?***

The game duration is proposed to be 25 or 30 minutes straight – to be advised

- 24 teams per category
- 4 pools of 6 teams will be drafted

Day 1 – all teams play all teams in their respective pool = 5 games

Teams will be ranked from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> in their respective pool

3 x tiers of competition will be created to progress to day 2: -

- ✓ Top 2 teams in each pool x 4 pools = 8 teams
- ✓ Middle 2 teams in each pool x 4 pools = 8 teams
- ✓ Bottom 2 teams in each pool x 4 pools = 8 teams

Day 2 – all teams will play 5 games – leaves 2 pool games for Day 3 = Finals Day

Day 3 – teams will play remaining 2 pool games minimum

This will then create a top 4 / bottom 4 in each tier of competition from the 8 teams in each tier of competition.

The top 4 teams will play a semi-final series with the winners progressing to the Championship Final; tier 2 finals and tier 3 finals of competition

The bottom 4 teams in each tier will be retired from the competition.

Prize money will be awarded to the Championship winners and runner-up teams in each category

Medals will be awarded to all other teams participating in finals in all other tiers of competition.

### **How much does it cost to enter the tournament?**

- Per player participation fee is Australian Dollars \$250 per player
- Per team participation fee is Australian Dollars \$320 per team (16 players OR \$20 per player)
- All / Any supporting team management must be registered @ per individual registration fee Australian Dollars \$120

### **What does the participation fee include?**

All teams can expect a first class experience. The participation fees include:

- Airport transfers for the team arriving Kuala Lumpur International Airport or Low Cost Carrier Terminal on Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> – transport direct to the official hotel
- Entry into the tournament – games over 3 day's
- Opportunity to compete for the championship prize money
- Participation in a high quality tournament with experienced referees officiating – FIT approved referees
- Dedicated, designated official team area and logistics (tables, chairs, etc.)
- Ambulance, medical officers and doctor on site throughout 3 days of competition
- Morning tea on 3 days of competition consisting of fresh cut fruit; muffins and snacks
- Free flow of ice water and sports drinks throughout the 3 days of competition
- Transport for all registered players and team management to and from the tournament site to the official hotel daily over 3 days of competition
- Transport for all registered players and team management to official closing awards party
- Entry to the fully catered closing awards and party – includes ample high quality catering and free flow of beer and wine plus a range of spirits and mixers per team, entertainment and a great night for all

### *Associated benefits and services:*

- Very attractive hotel room rates have been negotiated for all teams / participants at the official hotel
- Team liaison appointed for all teams
- Physiotherapy and sports massage therapists available on request – *very reasonable per day rates will apply*
- A tournament concierge to assist with team matters and requirements
- Recommendations on site seeing and nightlife in Kuala Lumpur (KL) and Malaysia
- KL offers an international range of F & B – Asian, Western, Seafood – something for everyone's taste. Players will be very happy with the quality and wide range of low cost culinary options on offer during their stay and options during competition daily
- A range of healthy low cost food will be available for all at the tournament site
- Subway can be pre-ordered and delivered packaged for your team daily

**See sample per player budget – based on an Australian participant from NSW in A\$**

Per player and team share of participation fees	\$270
Return Airfare from Sydney on Air Asia (Air Asia to offer discounted fares)	\$?
Arrival in KL - Transport from Airport to Hotel as a team group	\$0
Accommodation x 4 nights Twin-share at good quality Hotel x 4 nights - Arrive Thursday June 6 – Depart Monday June 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$160
Dinner on 3 nights Thursday, Friday, Saturday @ A\$20	\$60
Lunch on 3 day's at tournament Friday, Saturday & Sunday @ A\$15	\$45
Breakfast on 4 mornings (full buffet breakfast daily) Fri, Sat, Sun and Mon	\$0
Morning tea at competition x 3 mornings	\$0
Water and sports drink at competition	\$0
Dedicated team area and logistics	\$0
Transport to / from competition on 3 days	\$0
Tournament T –Shirt – commemorative T	\$0
Transport to the closing awards Party Sunday night	\$0
Closing awards dinner and party on Sunday night	\$0
Transport to airport on departure depends on mode – approximately (Based on 4 in a taxi pre-booked from hotel)	\$10
Total: Excluding Airfare: - approximately	\$550.00

**Note:**

- The above is a realistic budget
- Air Asia is looking to become involved as a sponsor – potential of group fares from all gateways from Australia and international gateways significantly reduced
- Additional benefits and services will be promoted
- *What are you waiting for – get your team mates together and start planning! ;0)*

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