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## HURRICANES 1<sup>st</sup> XV DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION 2019 – LIFE MEMBERS' CUP

### 1. Team Eligibility:

- a. Teams are not eligible if they are still in the running for either of the existing two Boys' Competitions, as at 10th July 2019.
- b. Co-Ed and Single-Sex Boys' schools are both eligible. Provincial Unions are reminded that the goal of this new competition is to reward and provide a rugby opportunity to schools who would not otherwise have the chance.
- c. The competition is invitational based and as such Provincial Unions are free to decide on their representative, given they meet the above criteria.

Each Provincial Union representative will be nominated via their Provincial Union. Matches may be required to decide on a representative, but the intent is for the Provincial Union to promote a 1<sup>st</sup> XV to assist with rugby development in their school. The level of competition will be high so Provincial Unions will need to consider the potential of a team when making a decision.

### 2. Registrations:

Each Provincial Union/Region should have their local representatives named and contact details sent to Nick Reid by Wednesday, 10 July. Please let Nick know if you wish to hold a inter-Provincial Union fixture to determine a Provincial Union representative.

### 3. Dates:

Semi-Finals will be played on Saturday, 24 August. The Final will be in Palmerston North on Saturday, 31 August alongside the three other Council 1XV competitions. Inter-region fixtures maybe required mid-week during the early stages of Term 3, depending on entries.

### 4. Semi-Final Draw:

The Draw will be the same as the Co-Ed and Female competitions – (home region named first):

- East Coast/Poverty Bay/Hawkes Bay vs Whanganui/Manawatu
- Wellington vs Wairarapa-Bush/Horowhenua-Kapiti

### 5. Student Eligibility:

Whilst School Sport New Zealand eligibility rules apply, a dispensation is possible. The intent of the competition is to promote Rugby Union, therefore if a school team currently operates in their local competition under different rules, the Council will look to apply these, whilst attempting to maintain some consistency.

### 6. Costs:

While there is no Entry Fee (FREE), schools will need to be aware they will need to cover the costs associated with these fixtures such as travel and accommodation.

### 7. Council Contact:

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