

10th October 2019

Bulletin – Nominations Youth Team Squads for 2020

NZ Bridge in conjunction with youth coordinator Sam Coutts invites expressions of interest from youth players (in pairs) to be considered for the following Squads for 2020

- **Under 21** - For players who have not achieved their 20th birthday by 31st December 2019
- **Under 31** - For players who have not achieved their 30th birthday by 31st December 2019

If circumstances allow (including location, cost and suitability of those pairs nominated) teams will be selected from the squads to contest the World Youth Teams Championships. At this stage details of the host nation and the timing of the event are unknown.

Pairs should complete the attached nomination form and submit electronically to the Secretary NZ Bridge no later than 15th Nov 2019. The application should be accompanied by a summary of bridge contested as a pair thus far and intended events to be contested during the remainder of 2019 and for 2020.

While there will be some financial support provided it is expected that selected players will undertake some fundraising both individually and as a squad under the direction of coordinator Sam Coutts.

NZ Bridge and the NZ Bridge Foundation have previously provided generous support to those players contesting the annual youth week held at Canberra.

Given the likely cost of this latest initiative in 2020 a decision has been made to provide limited financial support for the 6 players who will form the test team for Canberra. Any other players participating at Canberra will have to fully self-fund for 2020.

Sam will contact those players direct once the test team has been confirmed.

Regards

Alister Stuck
National Secretary
NZ Bridge Inc

