

Joint Statement to the Northside Squash Community

On Thursday, February 4, representatives of a number of Brisbane Northside centres met with the President and Vice President of Q Squash at their offices at Lutwyche. All those present would like to acknowledge both the constructive nature of the discussions and the spirit of goodwill in which they were conducted.

There was strong agreement on the need for reunification of the Brisbane competition and that this process should take place under the auspices of Q Squash. The centre and player representatives agreed to recommend this course of action to their respective communities.

As part of its commitment to achieving this goal, the Q Squash representatives will recommend to their Board that it recognise an interim advisory panel for the Winter 2010 season, to be comprised of representatives from each of the participating centres. This panel will operate within the framework established by the articles of association of Q Squash Ltd., and in a manner consistent with the Pennant Committees of earlier competitions.

Its role will be to assist in the operation of the competition and to solicit actively player suggestions for its improvement in future seasons. The panel will draw two members from each centre, one to be an elected representative of the affiliated players and the other to be the centre operator or nominee.

The Q Squash representatives also agreed to organise a professionally facilitated workshop in mid 2010 to discuss the future of squash in Queensland. While the precise timing of this event cannot be determined at the time of writing, it is to be hoped that this very early notice will allow as many interested people as possible to be aware that the event will take place, and to make every effort to attend.

The Q Squash representatives indicated that they would undertake such constitutional changes as are deemed necessary to secure the future of the game in this State - a process which will be driven primarily by the views expressed at this workshop.

It is to be hoped that these steps will significantly assist the drive towards unity and development of our game.

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