

IP Survey results 2014

Survey sent out to approx 180 people
47 answered.

Question 1

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Answer Choices –	Responses –
I have played in the IP finals	72.34% 34
I have trialed for the IPs	10.64% 5
I have not played in the IPs (trials or final) but would like to	2.13% 1
I don't play in the IPs but I follow the results	6.38% 3
I have no interest in the IPs	8.51% 4
Total	47

Question 2

What national grade are you?

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Answer Choices –	Responses –
Junior	0.00% 0
Intermediate	19.15% 9
Open	76.60% 36
Youth	4.26% 2
Total	47

Question 3

Please rank the answers below, 1 being 'I strongly disagree' and 7 being 'I strongly agree'

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
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The IPs are one of New Zealand's prestigious teams events	4.26% 2	14.89% 7	10.64% 5	12.77% 6	17.02% 8	19.15% 9	21.28% 10	47
The IPs are only suited to a select group of players	8.51% 4	21.28% 10	17.02% 8	14.89% 7	17.02% 8	14.89% 7	6.38% 3	47
Anyone can enter the IP trials	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	4.26% 2	29.79% 14	40.43% 19	47
I am proud of my province if our IP team does well	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	0.00% 0	6.38% 3	17.02% 8	23.40% 11	40.43% 19	47
The IPs are like any other big teams tournament	10.64% 5	23.40% 11	19.15% 9	14.89% 7	17.02% 8	8.51% 4	6.38% 3	47
There should be no IPs	63.83% 30	8.51% 4	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	2.13% 1	6.38% 3	6.38% 3	47
The IPs are worth the cost to NZBridge	10.64% 5	12.77% 6	4.26% 2	19.15% 9	10.64% 5	14.89% 7	27.66% 13	47
The IPs do not offer value for money	17.02% 8	21.28% 10	12.77% 6	21.28% 10	14.89% 7	12.77% 6	0.00% 0	47
The IPs are an important part of Bridge in New Zealand	2.13% 1	10.64% 5	6.38% 3	21.28% 10	10.64% 5	17.02% 8	31.91% 15	47
The IPs foster bridge in Canterbury	10.64% 5	19.15% 9	14.89% 7	14.89% 7	14.89% 7	12.77% 6	12.77% 6	47
The IPs provide a step up to International representation	4.26% 2	14.89% 7	17.02% 8	17.02% 8	19.15% 9	21.28% 10	6.38% 3	47
The IPs are more competitive than other tournaments	10.64% 5	6.38% 3	19.15% 9	29.79% 14	21.28% 10	8.51% 4	4.26% 2	47
More players should be encouraged to trial for the IPs	4.26% 2	4.26% 2	10.64% 5	14.89% 7	10.64% 5	27.66% 13	27.66% 13	47
The IPs (or trials) are one of the main events I play each year	25.53% 12	14.89% 7	10.64% 5	14.89% 7	8.51% 4	10.64% 5	14.89% 7	47

Question 4

How much funding should NZBridge give to... (1 being the least, 7 being the most)

Answered: 47

Skipped: 0

	1 –	2 –	3 –	4 –	5 –	6 –	7 –	Total –
Marketing	4.26% 2	4.26% 2	19.15% 9	23.40% 11	27.66% 13	21.28% 10	0.00% 0	47
Website and Social Media	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	19.15% 9	29.79% 14	23.40% 11	12.77% 6	2.13% 1	47
International Trips	10.64% 5	19.15% 9	10.64% 5	27.66% 13	10.64% 5	12.77% 6	8.51% 4	47
IP Finals	2.13% 1	8.51% 4	12.77% 6	31.91% 15	23.40% 11	19.15% 9	2.13% 1	47
National Congress	2.13% 1	2.13% 1	14.89% 7	27.66% 13	17.02% 8	21.28% 10	14.89% 7	47
Club support & development	4.44% 2	6.67% 3	6.67% 3	20.00% 9	24.44% 11	26.67% 12	11.11% 5	45
Membership recruitment and retention	4.35% 2	4.35% 2	13.04% 6	13.04% 6	13.04% 6	26.09% 12	26.09% 12	46
Tournaments for Juniors and intermediates	2.13% 1	4.26% 2	12.77% 6	29.79% 14	27.66% 13	14.89% 7	8.51% 4	47
Teaching	0.00% 0	4.26% 2	8.51% 4	21.28% 10	19.15% 9	27.66% 13	19.15% 9	47
Director development	0.00% 0	4.26% 2	14.89% 7	25.53% 12	25.53% 12	21.28% 10	8.51% 4	47
Technology (eg.scorer program/bridge pads)	2.17% 1	13.04% 6	13.04% 6	23.91% 11	23.91% 11	15.22% 7	8.70% 4	46

Comments

Showing 1 response

- youth development. bridge in schools

Question 5

I would be willing to contribute to my costs of attending the IP finals

Answered: 47

Skipped: 0

Answer Choices –	Responses –
Yes	85.11% 40
No	14.89% 7
Total	47

Question 6

If you answered yes to Question 5, how much would you be willing to contribute?

Answered: 39

Skipped: 8

Answer Choices –	Responses –
Up to \$100	20.51% 8
Up to \$200	35.90% 14
Up to \$300	17.95% 7
Up to \$500	2.56% 1
Any amount	0.00% 0
My airfares	20.51% 8
My accomodation	23.08% 9
Total Respondents: 39	

Comments

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- I don't think it should be priced too high to make it unaffordable for too many so feel that pitching it at around \$200-\$250 is about right.
- Travel subsidy should be minimum cost (ie cheapest airfare and if players wish to take more expensive option that is their problem.
- Half my airfare.
- the ip's trialing format needs revamped. Needs to be held on more than one days bridge.
- I thought they did pay - if the cost is wholly financed by the applicable club - not very fair.

Question 7

Do you have any further comments regarding the IPs?

Answered: 16

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- When we had 30,000 members, the IPs involved one team for each of six provinces. The finals ran at bridge clubs (low cost). Now we have 14,000 members, we have seven provinces and five teams each. The cost per member has risen to 12.5 times what it used to be. It needs to be simplified. The international programme is a big waste of money and could be substantially reduced to cut costs. The IPs are a small cost in comparison. Spend the money on drumming up numbers and supporting them.
- Interprovincial competition is common in most sports. The IP's have lost mana but were once a preeminent event in NZ and went around the provinces. Mixing it with the Congress has not served it well. Personally I think the effort to reestablish it in the NZ calendar as a significant event is money and effort well spent.
- trial format of swiss pairs is the best way to select a team
- I think it should rotate around the provinces in the long term.
- IP Finals are a dirty word in Canterbury, most of the people who talk about them, only bitch about them (trials format/teammates)
- Would need to be circulated regionally to enable participation.
- Prefer 6-person teams. I like the new venues and dates.
- I believe very sport has IP competitions so it would be shame to lose them. Cost is a factor though.
- Prefer IPs to be hosted during or before Congress.
- I have always been of the view that the IPs are for the "top players"
- I feel that it is one of those 'secret' things (along with a lot of other Ladders etc. and that not enough encouragement is given to the 'joe' average Junior or Intermediate player to encourage them to enter tournaments of any sort.
- Yes it is essential they are maintained. If not cost effective NZ Bridge should look at reducing International Fund.
- In the 1970s they were a major tournament. Not any more!!!
- It would be nice to see the province put effort into developing players who are keen and interested in playing at a high level. I.e. mentoring, talent id, squad training / guest lectures.
- no, the survey has covered them.
- 6 person teams rotating around the main centers