



## Media Release

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### **New date in November confirmed for National Indigenous Touch Football Knockout**

The National Indigenous Touch Football Knockout confirmed for Dubbo's Apex Park on 11-12 November 2017.

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service's ***Quit B Fit – Tackling Indigenous Smoking Program*** and Manly Warringah Sea Eagles in conjunction with NSW Touch Football & Touch Football Australia and Dubbo Regional Council will host the 2017 National Indigenous Touch Carnival Knockout.

"The organising committee agreed to change the date and also review the registration and competitor criteria to encourage more registrations to ensure a highly successful event for Dubbo," said WACHS CEO Darren Ah See.

The Knockout will be open to senior men, women's and mixed and will feature a **prize pool of up to \$40,000** for winners and runner's up.

The key changes to the competition criteria include:

- The 2 day event will be open to senior teams only, with a minimum age requirement of players to be 16 years before 31 December 2017
- The event will be open ONLY to Men's Open, Women's Open and Mixed.
- Minimum of 10 players and maximum of 14 players per team with a minimum of 70 % players per team with Confirmation of Aboriginality (COA)
- COA is required otherwise players are deemed non-indigenous and NO protests allowed on COA if Common Seal Stamp is submitted
- First in best dressed policy with a maximum of 32 teams per division
- Entry fee \$500 per team non-refundable to be paid by 16 October 2017

- Referees to be supplied by the Event organisers

**“The revised registration and competitor details are now available on the event’s website [www.indigenoustouchknockout.sportingpulse.net](http://www.indigenoustouchknockout.sportingpulse.net)**

Mr Ah See encourages all interested players to get involved.

“We have received overwhelming support from the community and we thank the sponsors on board already including the Western NSW Local Health District, Cloudwize, Sydney University, and Western Plains Zoo.

“We will be moving forward in November with our plans to host a health hub and kids activity/entertainment area at the Knockout to promote healthy living,” he said.

For more information visit the KO website [www.indigenoustouchknockout.sportingpulse.net](http://www.indigenoustouchknockout.sportingpulse.net) or [www.wachs.net.au](http://www.wachs.net.au) and follow @quitbfit on Facebook and #quitbfit on Twitter and Instagram.

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