## Chess Association of Queensland Inter-School State Championship Tender

The Chess Association of Queensland (CAQ) is recognised under its constitution as the controlling body over the organised game and sport of chess in the state of Queensland. To encourage children's participation in chess, the CAQ annually oversees inter-school chess tournaments structured through regions and cities in the state, leading to qualification for a state final which determines champion teams.

To facilitate the organisation, operation, and running of the inter-school qualifying events and finals, the CAQ is seeking tenders from organisations, properly structured, to purchase a license to organise, operate, and run the Chess Association of Queensland Inter-School State Championship, and associated qualifying events. The license will take effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018, and subject to its terms, will continue until 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2022.

The inter-school tournaments shall be divided into the following divisions:

Secondary Girls; Primary Open; Primary Girls. The inter-school tournaments shall be organised, operated, and run in the following regions and cities: Brisbane: Wide Bay; Central Queensland; Mackay/Whitsundays; North Queensland; Far North Queensland; North-West Queensland; Toowoomba: Gold Coast: Sunshine Coast: Longreach and associated area;

It should be noted that the license does not apply to the following regions, which are subject to pre-existing arrangements:

Gold Coast; Toowoomba; Sunshine Coast;

Roma and associated area.

Secondary Open;

North-West Queensland.

Notwithstanding the pre-existing arrangement with North-West Queensland, the successful tenderer shall provide organisation, equipment, and promotion for the North-West Queensland competition.

## **Administrative and Financial Conditions**

- 1. Payment of an annual licence fee of a sum equivalent to 7.5% of gross income from any fees, charges, or other sources directly or indirectly associated with any such tournaments.
- The licensee may seek corporate and/or government sponsorship, conditional upon:
  Where the sponsorship exceeds \$2000, 20% of the total amount shall be paid to the CAQ.
- 3. Annual performance reports shall be submitted to the CAQ.

## Attributes required of a successful licensee.

The licensee must exhibit suitable knowledge and infrastructure for the successful organisation, operation, and running of the Chess Association of Queensland Inter-School State Championship, and associated qualifying events. In furtherance of encouraging children's participation, there shall be no limit on the number of teams from any school in qualification tournaments.

Where the licensee fails to meet the reasonable standards required by the CAQ in the organisation, operation, and running of the Chess Association of Queensland Inter-School State Championship, and associated qualifying events, and has made inadequate attempts to rectify those failings, then the CAQ, in its absolute discretion, may terminate the license.

## The timeline for tenders is:

- Tender opens on 1st July, 2017;
- Tender closes on 31st July, 2017;
- CAQ Council determination will be made on or before 20th August, 2017;
- Notification to applicants will be made on or before 31st August, 2017

No extensions will be made. Tenders must be submitted to the CAQ Secretary, Michael D'Arcy, in electronic form, by 5pm on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017. Address for service: michaeldarc@gmail.com.