

10. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – LUKE SEARLE AND TEGAN MADDEN

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present an application for funding to the Board’s Funding Assessment Committee from the 2006/07 Youth Development Funding Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicants are: Luke Searle, an 18 year old from the Wainoni community and Tegan Madden a 13 year old from Burwood who are seeking funding assistance to attend the New Zealand Boxing Championships in Taupo from 25-28 May 2007.

Luke Searle

3. Luke has been boxing for four years with the A-town Boxing Gym, located in Aranui. He has three New Zealand titles in his weight. Luke has very few potential opponents in the South Island therefore it is crucial that he attend these larger events to gain experience and maintain his ranking. The trip was of great benefit, although he lost a close bout, it will help prepare Luke for 2007 New Zealand Championships and for his future international goals, for example Oceania, Commonwealth, Olympic and World titles.
4. Luke is a student at the New Zealand Institute of Sport on a part scholarship for his training fees. Luke spends 10-15 hours per week training for boxing and is a huge asset at A-Town boxing gym as he takes on more leadership roles, for example, coaching junior club members and also sitting on the committee for the club. Luke lives with his girlfriends parents and is on a training benefit while studying at the NZIS.

Tegan Madden

5. Tegan has been boxing for four years with the A-town Boxing Gym, located in Aranui. Tegan has two previous New Zealand Championship titles and easily won her bout this year by 16 points to a 16 year old, bringing her tally of NZ Championship titles to three. The trip was of great benefit to Tegan and will help prepare her for 2007 New Zealand Championships and for her future international goals, for example Oceania, Commonwealth, Olympic and World titles.
6. Tegan spends 10 hours per week training for boxing and is a huge asset at A-Town Boxing Gym as she takes on more leadership roles, for example coaching junior club members. Tegan is a student at Cathedral College, with heavy school and sport time commitments. Tegan’s father works and is a strong supporter of Tegan sporting achievements in boxing.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. To fundraise for this trip both Tegan and Luke sold firewood and ran raffles. Luke also ran four boxing classes for the Aranui Sports Academy.

Expense	Cost (\$)
Airfare (return)	520
Car Rental	216
Accommodation	180
Food	140
Transport (transfers, inter-venue shuttle)	80
Entry fees	50
Total Cost	\$1,186
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$ 500 each

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

8. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. No.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

10. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Yes.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

12. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Yes.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not required.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board's Funding Assessment Committee allocate \$600 from the 2006/07 Youth Development Funding Scheme to be split equally between Luke Searle and Tegan Madden to support their attendance at the New Zealand Boxing Championships in Taupo from 25-28 May 2007.