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## 2018 MITRE 10 CUP SEMI FINAL: Auckland v Wellington

Auckland secured a top of the table finish with a fantastic victory against North Harbour on Sunday and so host Wellington here on Saturday, with kick off at 5:05pm. The last game against Wellington saw Auckland sneak past so they will want to stamp some authority on the game and ensure they book a spot in the final.

We have 125 tickets up for grabs, first in first served, from 7.00am tomorrow at Gate G reception (limited to two tickets per member of The Hood).

Please note that there is no Traffic Management Plan in place for this game.

## **Update from CEO Nick Sautner:**

As you may have seen discussion in the media recently around a proposal for a waterfront stadium, we wanted to provide The Hood with an update.

Eden Park is focussed on a strategic approach for the next 10 years given the challenging economic outlook. The Eden Park Trust is not opposed to a downtown stadium however given the Mayor has signalled it is likely to be more than 10 to 15 years away we would like to ensure Eden Park is utilised for events that benefit the local community and wider city of Auckland. Therefore we are working to give effect to the Unitary Plan provisions which involves collaborating with Auckland Council, the Albert-Eden Local Board and local business associations to maximise community events and involvement at the Park.

Eden Park is for all of Auckland and New Zealand not solely for supporters of rugby and cricket. We have a commitment from Council and Government that any consideration of a new stadium for Auckland would:

- very carefully consider the substantial public investment that has already been made in Eden Park and the value that would be lost if Auckland were to choose to build a new stadium, and
- fairly compare a possible new stadium with Eden Park, including the costs (less than half that of a new stadium) of further developing Eden Park to provide any additional features that may be part of a new stadium including a retractable roof.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Park!



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