



The Big Serve

TABLE TENNIS SOUTHLAND

August 2023

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITH TTS - WAYNE MCEWAN

It's starting to get slightly lighter with the promise of spring.

CLUB NIGHTS

The Eagles Club is open from 7 to 9pm on Monday and Lindis Club is open from 7 to 9pm on Tuesday. (Anyone is welcome to come along to Eagles and Lindis clubs). Cost is \$5.00 per player.

SUNDAY COACHING AND TRAINING

This is from 10am to 11.30am on Sundays. Sessions are \$5 and are not limited to juniors. All players interested and available for Southland teams are requested to attend where possible.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING FOR NATIONALS

Additional training sessions for players keen to play in a Southland team will start Thursday 10 August - 4.30 to 5.30, or 6.30 to 8pm (note half the hall is used for Year 7/8 and Secondary Singles competition in later session).

NEW ZEALAND NATIONALS

The dates are Saturday 23 September - Sunday 1 October. This will be great for Invercargill and local players not having to travel far. TTNZ will run the event, with TTS being the host, with the event being held at Stadium Southland. Ron Garrett is coordinating arrangements with TTNZ, and Richard Cavanagh is coordinating volunteers in setting up Stadium Southland.

Help will also be required in setting up tables/barriers/stands etc at the stadium the day before the event and dismantling everything at the end of the tournament (with thanks to ILT Foundation for its help with funding 10 new Donic tables). Please contact Richard 027 4916 904 to offer your assistance. Contact Ron Garrett 027 2019 059 if you can assist with being table runners (taking score boards from control to tables and return results - mainly during individual events), computer results operators (anyone who can input results) and umpiring (mainly individual knockout events). Let's make this the best Nationals ever.

Individual Entries

Entry forms for individual events are now online at www.tabletennis.org.nz then click on competitions/ttnz tournament website/upcoming events.

SPONSORSHIP FOR TT NATIONALS

Attached at back of newsletter is a sponsorship form for the NZ Nationals. The work involved in running this event involves many hours prior to event.

We have a brochure available setting out conditions of sponsorship. If you are able to assist please contact Ron 027 2019 059 or Richard 027 4916 904.

TT KIDZ PROGRAMME

Term 2 TT-Kidz programme, run by Jacqui Bathurst and Keegan Jackson for beginners has just ended. The Term 3 programme started last Sunday with Jacqui and Emma Bathurst running it. This is a TTNZ initiated programme involving fun, skills and learning the game with a bigger ball.

OTAGO OPEN, DUNEDIN 7-8 JULY

Podium finishes for Southlanders were:

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| 1st | Men's Singles Para Standing - Keegan Jackson |
| 1st | Men's Doubles Para Standing - Keegan Jackson and John Henry Marrable (O) |
| 2nd | Men's Doubles - Willie Brocks and Edwin Nieman (O) |
| 2nd | Mixed Doubles - Willie Brocks and Shelley Neal (O) |
| 1st | Men's Second Grade Doubles - Keegan Jackson and Ben Cummings (C) |
| 2nd | O30 Men's Singles - Willie Brocks |
| 3rd/4th | O45 Men's Singles - Willie Brocks |
| 3rd/4th | O45 Men's Doubles - Willie Brocks and Edwin Nieman (O) |
| 3rd | U21 Mixed Doubles - Keegan Jackson and Lauryn Fleming |
| 3rd/4th | U19 Girls Doubles - Lauryn Fleming and Ella Woodward (O) |
| 4th | U15 Girls Singles - Abigail Bottger |
| 2nd | U15 Mixed Doubles - Abigail Bottger and Alex Szeshing Lai (O) |
| 3rd | U15 Mixed Doubles - Amaya Swale-Jones and Ozan Biner-McGrath (O) |
| 2nd | U13 Girls Singles - Abigail Bottger |
| 4th | U13 Girls Singles - Amaya Swale-Jones |
| 2nd | U13 Girls Doubles - Abigail Bottger and Amaya Swale-Jones |



Keegan Jackson



Abigail Bottger



Willie Brocks / Edwin Nieman



**2nd Grade Men's Doubles
1st Ben Cummings / Keegan Jackson**



**Men's Open Para Doubles
1st John Marrable / Keegan Jackson**



**Men's Open Para Singles
1st Keegan Jackson**



**U13 Girl's Singles
2nd Abigail Bottger / 1st Tracey Hsia**



**U13 Girl's Doubles
2nd Abigail Bottger
(absent Amaya Swale-Jones)**

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS / PALMERSTON NORTH 13-16 JULY

Podium finishes for Southlanders were:

3rd O30 Women's Singles - Gemma Buzzard
3rd/4th O30 Combined Doubles - Gemma Buzzard and Yang Low (W)

WINTER INTERCLUB - UPDATE

The last week of Winter Interclub is this Wednesday night with some exciting games on offer. In A Grade Gore Town & Country and IWMC Red are tied on 24 points all. They will be playing for the A Grade title this week, there also promises to be some great games on offer.

In B Grade two full rounds have been played and now we come to finals night. IWMC Blue will be playing Eagles 3 in the final and this promises to be an exciting encounter. Come down and watch some great games that will take place. Presentations and supper will follow at the conclusion of play on the night. Players, please bring a plate on the night for supper, and remember to get entries in for our upcoming spring table tennis competition.

Full results and up-to-date averages are available for viewing at stadium and on our TTS website
<http://www.tabletennissouth.org.nz/interclub-2023>

TABLE TOPPERS

Tuesday and Thursday table toppers started again on 1 and 3 August and runs to 19 and 21 September.

2023 SCHOOLS TERM 3 SINGLES COMPETITION - YEARS 7-8 AND SECONDARY SCHOOL

This starts on 3 August and finishes on 14 September. If you missed the entry details, but wish to be involved each week, please contact Ron Garrett 027 2019 059.

SPRING COMPETITION - SIX WEEKS - 16 AUGUST TO 20 SEPTEMBER

Entries are out for the spring competition. The format is a two-person team. \$40.00 per team (entry) - night fees \$7.00 adult, \$5.00 students. Good practice for the Nationals in Invercargill.

Entry Forms available at Garrett Stadium or can be found on our TTS website:

<http://www.tabletennissouth.org.nz/>

Entries close on Thursday 10 August 2023 with Richard Cavanagh, Table Tennis Southland, email rgcavanagh146@gmail.com



2023 CALENDAR

Some dates are still to be advised - once they are known we will let you know.

ANY QUESTIONS

First point of call is Wayne McEwan but if you have any questions, you can ask the Committee members who are:

Richard Cavanagh, Deborah Cooper, Renata Jackson, Kelly Martin, Conor McAuliffe, Maurice Rodway and Kevin Toomey.

Cheers from operations manager Wayne McEwan and the TTS management committee team.



TABLE TENNIS NEW ZEALAND 2023 OPEN JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Stadium Southland
23 September to 1 October 2023

BECOME A SPONSOR

ILT, ILT Foundation and Community Trust South -
have provided funding for stadium hire and 10 new tables for the event.



We are looking for amazing sponsors for this event, last held in Invercargill in 2002

OPEN EVENT SPONSOR (Teams and Individuals)

\$1,000.00

- Name on all Open Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles
- Ability to promote your company prior to trophy presentation
- Bring along your promotional material
- Name on two main courts being "live streamed"
- Present trophies / medals to winners
- Name included on draws and results



JUNIOR EVENT SPONSOR (Teams and Individuals)

\$500.00

- Name on all Under 19, 15 and 13 events
- Bring along your promotional material
- Present trophies / medals to winners of junior events
- Name included on draws and results



B, C AND D GRADE EVENTS

\$500.00

- Name on all B, C and D Grade events
- Bring along promotional material
- Present medals to winners of graded events
- Name included on draws and results



VETERAN EVENTS (Over 45 and 55 age group events)

\$300.00

- Name on all veteran age group events
- Bring along promotional material
- Present medals to winners of veteran events
- Name included on draws and results



UNDER 21 and OVER 30 EVENTS

\$300.00

- Name on these events
- Bring along promotional material
- Present medals to winners of these events
- Name included on draws and results



TABLE SPONSORS

\$150.00

- Name on a table / court area (except two main tables)



Additional Funding required to make the event proud of Southland

Table Tennis Southland thanks all sponsors in helping us to make this event a success. If you are unable to help as a main sponsor for events listed we will be pleased to accept help in following areas:

- Provision of clipboards for matches (50)
- Provision of pens for scoreboards and officials (80)
- Provision of copy paper and toner
- Engraving of trophies (approx. 18)
- Meals for officials and local helpers
- Transport of equipment TTS Stadium (Garrett Stadium) to ILT Stadium Southland and return
- Vehicle hire for officials



A bit of history in running National Table Tennis events in Invercargill:

Southland has successfully hosted:

- New Zealand Open Championships 1992 and 2002
- New Zealand Veteran Championships 1997, 2006 and 2011
- South Island Championships 13 times since 1939
- International - Hungary (2), England, Japan (2), Australia and Czechoslovakia (from 1939 to 2000)

Where will teams / players come from:

We expect players from Northland, Auckland, Waitemata, Counties- Manukau, North Shore, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Manawatu, Whanganui, Wellington, Marlborough, Nelson, Canterbury, South Canterbury, Otago and Southland

Event Hosts:
Table Tennis Southland



Event Managers:
Table Tennis New Zealand



Sunday Club from 30 April	10am - 11.30am
Wed 3 May to 9 Aug	Winter Interclub Competition (15 weeks)
Sun 30 July - Sun 17 Sept	Term 3 TT-Kidz
Tue 1 Aug - Tue 19 Sept	Primary School 6 to 8 year olds - Term 3, Invercargill
Thu 3 Aug - Thu 21 Sept	Primary School 9 to 11 year olds - Term 3, Invercargill
Thur 3 Aug - Thur 14 Sept – 6.30pm	Years 7/8 and Secondary School Singles Competition - 7 weeks
Fri 11 Aug - Sun 13 Aug	South Island Open Championships, Christchurch
Wed 16 Aug - Wed 20 Sep	Spring inter-club competition (6 weeks), Invercargill
Mon 28 Aug - Wed 30 Aug	New Zealand Secondary Schools, Hamilton
Sept date TBC	Southland v Otago Juniors, Invercargill
Mon 4 Sep - Fri 8 Sep	Aims Games (Year 7/8), Tauranga
Sat 16 Sep - Sun 17 Sep	Nelson Open, Nelson
Sat 16 Sep	Southland Residential Champs, Invercargill
Sat 23 Sep - Sun 1 Oct	NZ Open Senior and Junior Champs, Invercargill
Sat 23 Sep - Sun 8 Oct	Term 3 school holidays
Sat 30 Sep - Sat 7 Oct	Australian Veteran Championships, Canberra
Wed 11 Oct - Wed 8 Nov	Ping Pong Competition (5 weeks) - Invercargill
TBC	NZ PARA Camp and Open Champs, TBC
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Sat 18 Nov - Sun 19 Nov	New Zealand Ping Pong Finals, Invercargill, TBC