



The Big Serve

TABLE TENNIS SOUTHLAND

October 2023

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITH TTS - WAYNE MCEWAN

We hosted the New Zealand Nationals on Saturday 23 September. There was some superb games played and we had very favourable comments regarding Stadium Southland.

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

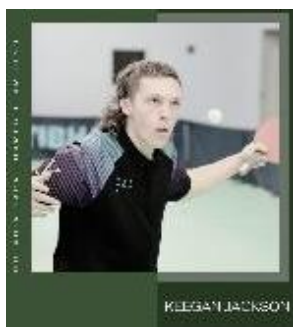
This is from 10am to 11.30am on Sundays. Sessions are \$5 and are not limited to juniors.

OCEANIA PARA CHAMPIONSHIPS

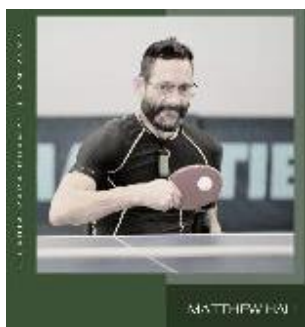
Keegan Jackson along with Matthew Hall, James Goulding and Matthew Britz have been selected to compete at the 2023 ITTF Oceania Para Championships to be held in Honiara, Solomon Islands from 17-20 November. We wish them well with their tournament. Go Keegan - awesome achievement!

SPRING COMPETITION

Our Spring Table Tennis competition finished after six weeks. In A Grade the Eagles 1 team of Nathan Kennedy and Gemma Buzzard took out the A Grade in first place. They continued on their great form from being the best team in the first round robin. In second place this went to the IWMC 1 team of Kelly Martin and Steve McVicar. In B Grade the Eagles 1 Team of Mark Moore, Daryll King and Regieson Cordova took out first place. In second place that went the IWMC 3 team Gordon McMillan and Greg Erskine narrowly over their IWMC 2 team in third place. A full list of the results, team finish positions and averages can be found on our website.



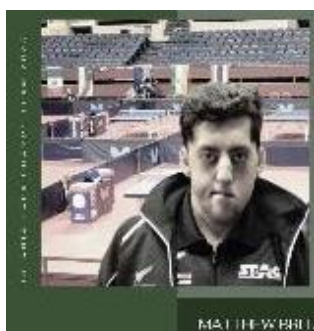
KEEGAN JACKSON



MATTHEW HALL



JAMES GOULDING



MATTHEW BRITZ



A Grade - Gemma Buzzard and Nathan Kennedy



B Grade - Mark Moore

TERM 3 TUESDAY AND THURSDAY TABLE TOPPERS

This has finished for the term. We had great attendance and the players enjoyed their sessions. Thanks to the parents who helped on the Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Photos are attached at the back.

TTNZ NATIONALS - RESULTS

In team's events we had 271 players that played over teams' events, and then 259 individual entries with 52 events. Players came from all over New Zealand and also had an international presence with players from New Caledonia, Cook Islands and USA. It was a great event and some awesome table tennis matches. Special thanks to the sponsors, coaches, volunteers and supporters.

In recognition of this TTS is going to have a fun year-end function at Garrett Stadium at 7pm on **Friday, 24 November** - supper will be provided and also some fun games of table tennis. Please note your diaries - all welcome to attend. An email will be sent out closer to the time so we can get an idea of numbers.

NEW ZEALAND OPEN SENIOR AND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS - INDIVIDUALS 23 SEPTEMBER TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

Team finishes for Southlanders were:

- 1st Senior Teams Women's B Grade - New Caledonia - Emma Bathurst / Maylis Giret / Lea Lai Van
- 3rd Senior Teams Women's B Grade - Southland A - Gemma Buzzard / Lauryn Fleming / Deborah Cooper

Podium finishes for Southlanders were:

- 1st O45 Men's Doubles - Willie Brocks / Alistair Armstrong (C)
- 1st O30 Women's Doubles - Gemma Buzzard / Aurora Lim (A)
- 1st D Grade Women's Singles - Megan Parkinson
- 2nd O55 Mixed Doubles - Willie Brocks / Deborah Cooper
- 2nd O55 Women's Doubles - Megan Parkinson / Thelma Mathieson (N)
- 2nd O45 Women's Doubles - Lynley Routhan / Anny Li (C)
- 2nd D Grade Women's Singles - Abigail Bottger
- 2nd B Grade Women's Doubles - Gemma Buzzard / Maia Cavanagh (O)
- 3rd D Grade Men's Doubles - Jeremy Gibson / Dimitri Bell (N)
- 3rd D Grade Men's Doubles - Richard Cavanagh / Michael Kamson (M)

Awesome achievements for all the Southland players!

2023 TTNZ PARA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, AUCKLAND - 6-8 OCTOBER

Podium finishes for Southlanders were:

- 1st Open Class 6-11 - Women's Singles - Jacqui Bathurst
- 1st Class 10-18 - Women's Singles - Jacqui Bathurst
- 1st Class 8-11 Women's Doubles - Jacqui Bathurst / Cadence Grant (T)
- 1st U19 Class 6-11 Combined Singles - Keegan Jackson
- 1st Class 8-11 Men's Doubles - Keegan Jackson / Victor Claude Kamizona (BoP)

- 1st Open Class 6-11 Combined Doubles - Keegan Jackson / Victor Claude Kamizona (BoP)
- 3rd Class 7-10 Men's Singles - Keegan Jackson
- 3rd Open Class 6-11 Combined Doubles - Jacqui Bathurst / Joshua Mark Rae (Marshlands)



Jacqui Bathurst



Keegan Jackson

Awesome achievements for Jacqui and Keegan!

PING PONG TOURNAMENT, 18 NOVEMBER

Enter the ping pong tournament which is scheduled for 18 November. Entry forms will be sent out shortly. On Wednesday nights you can come along and play with hard bats \$8.00 per session (bats provided) - good practice for the ping pong tournament.



ANY QUESTIONS

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

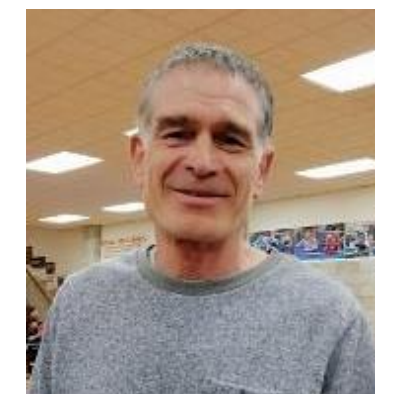
Richard Cavanagh, Deborah Cooper, Renata Jackson, Kelly Martin, Conor McAuliffe, Maurice Rodway and Kevin Toomey.

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



Some photos taken of Term 3 Tuesday and Thursday players and parent helpers







A BIG THANK YOU

Table Tennis Southland would like to extend its appreciation to the following organisations and people who helped to make the New Zealand Junior and Senior Teams and Individual Table Tennis Championships in ILT Stadium Southland, Invercargill a success.

This was the highlight of our season. Not often do we get the opportunity to hold a major event such as these championships.

We received many comments on the nine-day event from players, officials and general public.

Let's look forward to not having to wait another 21 years to get the opportunity to hold this major event.

To the following - thank you.

Table Tennis New Zealand Event Team

Warren Ogilive - Auckland (TTNZ - CEO), Chris Young - Auckland (TTNZ Operations Manager), John Lea - Papamoa (Overall Competition Manager), Mark Counter - Waikato (Competition Manager Seniors), Alan Moore - Christchurch (Referee - Juniors), Hamish Rennie (Referee - Seniors), Averil Roberts - Wellington (International Umpire), Bob Hurr - Alexandra (International Umpire), Chris Arthur - Auckland (TTNZ Board Chair in attendance for Senior events)

TTS Obtained Sponsors

ILT Foundation - Grant towards 10 new tables and nets, new scoreboards.

Craigs Investment Partners, Invercargill - Senior Teams and Individuals (represented at medal presentation by David Goble, Jason Kennedy and Regan Thwaites)

Waste Management NZ Limited - Junior Teams and Individual events

H & J Smith - B, C and D Grade events

Blair Davies Building - Veteran events

Frank Cavanagh - Under 21 and Over 30 events

Table Sponsors - Eagles Table Tennis Club, Lindis Table Tennis Club and Table Toppers Club

TTNZ Obtained Sponsors

ILT - Grant towards stadium hire

CTS - Grant towards stadium hire

Aotearoa Trust - Grant towards officials' expenses

Equipment Setup and Dismantle Team

Richard Cavanagh, Deborah Cooper, Maurice Rodway, Conor McAuliffe, Mark Corson, Nathan Kennedy, Ron Garrett, Blair Davies, Gemma Buzzard, Debbie Garrett, Jacqui Bathurst, Tom Giller, Jeremy Gibson, Andrew Fleming, Keith Pyne, Matthew Fogarty

Assembling new tables - Kelly Martin

Tournament Control Help and Table Runners

Debbie Garrett, Gemma Buzzard, Gillian Cavanagh, Megan Parkinson, Jacqui Bathurst, Jessica MacAskill (Waikato)

TTNZ Host Relations

Ron Garrett, Richard Cavanagh

Official Opening of Championships

We are grateful to Graeme Hawkes (Junior Opening) and Suzanne Prentice (Senior Opening) from Invercargill Licensing Trust for opening the Championships

ILT Stadium Staff

A big thank you to Morgan Bragg and her team at ILT Stadium for their great support throughout.

Table Tennis Otago

Thanks for loan of barriers and umpire tables. We will return the favour when you hold a major event.

Richard Cavanagh

Chairman

Table Tennis Southland

Ron Garrett

TTS and TTNZ Life Member

Host Liaison/Coordinator



Some photos taken of Southland players at the TTNZ Nationals



Senior Teams Open Women's B
Southland: Deborah Cooper / Lauryn Fleming / Gemma Buzzard 3rd
New Caledonia: Lea Lai Van / Maylis Giret / Emma Bathurst (S) 1st
Otago: Debra Newell-King, Molly Newell, Maia Cavanagh 2nd



Team Photo - New Caledonia with Blair Davies against Southland No. 1 Team - Andrew Fleming, Willie Brocks, Nathan Kennedy and Richard Cavanagh



O45 Men's Doubles
Willie Brocks / Alistair Armstrong (C) 1st, Heath Murdoch (Waik) / Depak Patel (W) 2nd



O30 Women's Doubles
Gemma Buzzard / Aurora Lim (A) 1st / Maylis Giret (NC) / Monique Neal (Waik) 2nd



D Grade Women's Singles
Megan Parkinson 1st, Abigail Bottger 2nd



O55 Women's Doubles
Chris Young (Waik) / Anny Li (C) 1st / Megan Parkinson / Thelma Mathieson (N) 2nd



Over 55 Mixed Doubles
Heath Murdoch (Waik) / Anny Li (C) 1st / Deborah Cooper / Willie Brocks 2nd



Over 45 Women's Doubles
Anny Li (C) / Lynley Routhan 2nd



B Grade Women's Doubles
Evelyn Nashiro (N) and Ana Vasquez Ramirez (N) 3rd
Monique Neal (Waik) / Barb Shepp (Waik) 1st
Maia Cavanagh (O) / Gemma Buzzard 2nd



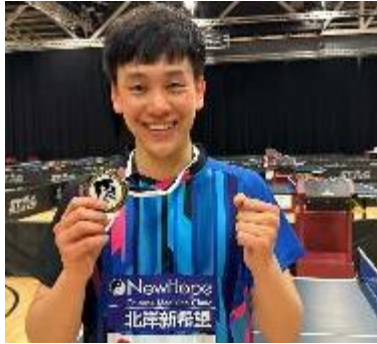
D Grade Men's Doubles
 Jeremy Gibson / absent Dimitri Bell (N) 3rd
 Richard Cavanagh / absent Michael Kamson (M) 3rd
 Leon Cross (Northland) / Hyrum Sunnex (Waik) 1st
 Jayden Liu (North Shore) / Rex Zhou (North Shore) 2nd



U13 Girls Team
 New Caledonia vs Southland
 New Caledonia: Eleo Guyan, Sarinah Yvonne Naurodia, Yvanito Martin with Philippe Bonnefois (Coach)
 Southland: Abigail Bottger, Amaya Swale-Jones, Evie Rout, Athena Garcia, Amelia Liang with Chris Jones (Coach)



Maia Cavanagh (O) / Gemma Buzzard



Winner of A Grade Men's Singles - Dean Shu (A)



Winner of A Grade Women's Singles - Hannah Li (A)

CALENDAR FOR 2023	
Sunday Club from 30 April	10am - 11.30am
Wed 11 Oct - Wed 8 Nov	Ping Pong Competition (5 weeks) - Invercargill
Frid 17- Mon 20 Nov	2023 ITTF Oceania Para Championships - Honiara, Solomon Islands
Sat 18 Nov	New Zealand Ping Pong Finals, Invercargill
Fri 24 Nov - 7pm	Fun night of table tennis – prize giving and supper provided.
CALENDAR FOR 2024	
Wed 31 Jan 2024	TTS Annual General Meeting, Garrett Stadium at 7pm
Sat 25 May 2024	Southland Open Invercargill
Sat 7 Sept 2024	Southland Residentials Invercargill

Other dates will be added to the TTS calendar once known.