



The Big Serve

TABLE TENNIS SOUTHLAND

January 2024

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITH TTS - WAYNE MCEWAN

Welcome back to the new year. We hope you had an enjoyable break and are looking forward to the new table tennis season.

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.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please note your diaries - the AGM will be held at Garrett Stadium on **Wednesday 31 January 2024**. Have a think - would you be interested in coming on a committee?

If you would like to discuss ideas for any particular area of local table tennis under General Business, please come along and advise Chairman of an area you would like to discuss.

We are looking for volunteers to help in various aspects of table tennis for 2024, what can you do, what area can you help in e.g. coaching, tournaments, interclub. We are looking for coaches. Please let Richard know if you have any interest here or what area you can help with. rgcavanagh146@gmail.com

ROBOT MACHINES

TTS has another robot machine. This is free to use on Club nights. It is the responsibility of the player to assemble the robot machine and put away at the end of the session. Instructions on how to assemble the robot will be put on the back wall.

Players with membership cards can also use the machine - please contact Wayne in the first instance.

SOUTHLAND VERSUS OTAGO MATCH

The clash between Otago and Southland will be held in Invercargill on **Saturday, 16 March 2024**. Next year this clash will be held in Dunedin.

AUTUMN, WINTER AND SPRING COMPETITIONS

It has been agreed to change the autumn winter and spring competition nights to **Thursdays**. See calendar at back of newsletter.

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.

CALENDAR FOR 2024

22 - 25 January	TTNZ National Hopes Camp - Location TBC
27 - 28 January	TTNZ Club Coach Course + TTKidz Activator Course
Wed 31 January	TTS Annual General Meeting, Garrett Stadium at 7pm
9 - 11 February	ITTF Level 1 Coach Course
16 - 18 February	Auckland Summer Open
Sunday Club	10 am - 12 noon - TBC
2 - 3 March	TTNZ Qualifier 1, Waitemata
9 - 10 March	TTNZ Qualifier 2, Wellington
16 March	Wellington Veteran Open
Sat 16 March	Southland vs Otago Match held at Garrett Stadium
Thur 21 March to 25 April	Autumn Competition (6 weeks)
23 - 24 March	TTNZ Qualifier 3, Marlborough
28 March - 1 April	New Zealand Open Veteran Championships Taupo Events Centre, Taupo
6 - 7 April	TT Kidz Activator Training Course, Location TBC
6 - 7 April	North Shore Open, Auckland
13 April to 28 April	Term 1 school holidays
14 -17 April	TTNZ Para Teams Challenge + National Development Camp 1 Manurewa
15 to 17 April	TTNZ National Hopes Camp - - Location TBC
19 - 21 April	TTNZ South Island Individual Championships, Edgar Centre, Dunedin
19 - 21 April	Halberg Games, Kings College, Auckland
27 - 28 April	Bay of Plenty Open, Tauranga
Thur 2 May to 8 August	Winter Interclub Competition (15 weeks)
4 - 5 May	Wellington Autumn Open
Tue 7 May to 25 June	Primary School 6 to 8 year olds Term 2 - 8 weeks
Thur 9 May to 27 June	Primary School 9 to 11 year olds Term 2 - 8 weeks
11 May	Country Clubs - Location TBC
11 - 12 May	Marlborough Open, Blenheim
18 - 19 May	Waitemata Open, Auckland
Sat 25 May	Southland Open Invercargill
1 - 3 June	South Island Teams Championship - Location TBC
1 - 3 June	TTNZ North Island Teams Championships, Auckland

14 - 16 June	Counties Manukau Open
Wed 19 June	Southland Secondary School Champs, Invercargill
22 June	Hawkes Bay Open, Napier
23 June	Auckland Junior Open, Auckland
28 - 30 June	North Island Individual Championships Taupo Events Centre, Taupo
6 July to 21 July	Term 2 school holidays
6 July	Whanganui Open, Whanganui
13 -14 July	TTNZ Women's & Girls Only Tournament - Location TBC
16 - 19 July + 21 - 24 July	Fa20 Taipei Para Open + Fa40 Thailand Para Open Taipei, Thailand
19 - 20 July	Otago Open, Dunedin
20 - 21 July	Northland Junior & Senior Open, Whangarei
27 - 28 July	Wellington Open, Wellington
27 July	Nelson Closed, Nelson
Tue 30 July to 17 September	Primary School 6 to 8 year olds Term 3 - 8 weeks
Thur 1 Aug to 19 September	Primary School 9 to 11 year olds Term 3 - 8 weeks
10 - 11 August	TTNZ Women's & Girls Only Tournament, Christchurch
Thur 15 Aug to 19 September	Spring Interclub Competition (6 weeks)
17 - 18 August	Waikato Open, Hamilton
23 - 25 August	Auckland Open, Auckland
2 - 4 September	New Zealand Secondary Schools Cup Barber Hall, Arena Manawatu, Palmerston North
Sat 7 September	Southland Residentials Invercargill
8 - 13 September	AIMS Games, Tauranga
14 - 15 September	Nelson Open, Nelson
21 - 22 September	Manawatu Open, Palmerston North
28 September to 13 October	Term 3 school holidays
5 - 13 October	New Zealand Senior & Championships, Saxton Stadium, Nelson
17 November	Auckland Spring Open, Auckland