



The Big Serve

TABLE TENNIS SOUTHLAND

August 2025

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITH TTS - WAYNE MCEWAN

We have been getting good numbers on club nights - if you have a friend - introduce them to the game of table tennis. We still have more access cards available if people want to buy them - contact me for details. Remember the Otago Open is on 13 September. Get your entries in.

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.

HELLO CLUB

Access card holders must book their times through Hello Club and a reminder it is for off-peak times only. Hello Club has a full listing of TTS events online.

Hello Club has recently updated TTS to Hello Club V2. As part of this process, TTS members need to provide their email and update their password to activate their accounts.

FUNDRAISING FOR THE JUNIOR TEAMS HEADING AWAY TO THE NZ NATIONALS

The decision has been made that fundraising for the juniors has finished. A weekend day for a training camp for Southland players will be coming up. \$680 plus \$20 was raised. Nathan has done a superb job of fundraising.

GROUP COACHING WITH NATHAN

Group coaching is also on Tuesdays 5.30 to 6.30 pm and Sundays from 12 pm until 1 pm. Each session is \$5.00 per player.

E-mail Nathan at itsallaboutnath@hotmail.com to book.

WINTER COMPETITION RESULTS

Our main Winter Interclub competition finished on Wednesday 9 July, followed by semi-finals (16 July) and the final on 23 July and some fantastic games took place to finalise placings for 2025.

A Grade

Gore Town & Country took out the final of A Grade in the Table Tennis Southland Winter Interclub for a fourth successive year on 16 July 2025. They beat Eagles 1 by 4 matches to 1 in the final.

Star player Willie Brocks went through the season unbeaten winning all 14 games. He was ably supported by Mark Corson 3rd who won 75% of his games. Nathan Kennedy 2nd also went through the season unbeaten. Andrew Fleming 4th and Greg Buzzard 5th also won 75% of their games.

B Grade

A close season with J T's winning against Team Liu. Jeremy Smith and Tom Giller won 3 games to 2 against David and Ken Liu in the final. Isaac Lindsay 1st won 90% of his games, Jeremy Smith 2nd won 88.9% and Tom Giller 3rd 80%, David Liu 4th 73.7% and Slade Fordyce 5th 72.2%.

The President's cup was awarded to The 3 Stooges Team - Keith and Alex Brinkworth (Dominic Patterson was absent on the night). This is for punctuality, dress code and sportsmanship.

Table Tennis Southland would like to thank the organiser Richard Cavanagh for organising the competition.

A W HAMILTON INDIVIDUAL NIGHT, 6 AUGUST 2025

On Wednesday 6 August we ran our singles competition with some fun games throughout the night. Players had point handicaps with two pools of players. Willie Brocks showed his class having the lowest handicap and having to make up point differentials to win all of his games. He beat Deborah Cooper in the final to take the 2025 title.

Final Results

1st Willie Brocks
2nd Deborah Cooper
3rd Isaac Lindsay

Thank you to the Eagles Table Tennis club who provided prizes for the event and to Yulia who helped with presentations at the end.

SELECTION OF SOUTHLAND TEAMS FOR NATIONALS

Congratulations to all those players who are representing Southland at the NZ Nationals in September - best of luck to you all. Go Southland.

SOUTHLAND RESIDENTIALS, 17 AUGUST 2025

The ILT Southland Residential Table Tennis Championship was held on 17 August and some great games throughout the day with 51 players participating over the event. Willie Brocks showed his skill, class and experience with his fourth Southland Residential title in a row beating Carl Rodmell in four matches. He also won both the O40 and O60 singles titles.

Deborah Cooper took out the A Grade Women's Open event beating top junior player Emma Bathurst in the final by 4 games to 2 in a close game.

Greg Buzzard and Richard Cavanagh played well as a combination to take their seventh Southland Men's Doubles Event including upsetting Title favorites Willie Brocks and Wayne McEwan by 3 games to nil. Megan Parkinson and Yulia Shalina combined well to take out the Women's doubles event, with Megan also teaming up with Nathan Kennedy to win the Open Mixed Doubles.

In Junior events, Emma Bathurst and Slade Fordyce starred in various events. Emma was second in the Women's Open, also taking out the U19 and U21 events singles, and doubles with Slade. Slade also won the Men's Second Grade singles and the U15 singles. There were some great games in all junior events with some very close games.

10 Players took part in our Parkinsons events, where the games were thoroughly enjoyed by our players. Robin Laing beat Richard Blee in the final and then teamed up with Richard to win the doubles title.

A big thank you to the organisers and the people that helped on the day, Megan, Gillian, Richard, Deborah, and Wayne. The day was a great success and around 15 players finished off with a meal out at Ocean Seafood Restaurant.

Main results below and full results can be found on Tournament Planner and a big thank you for ILT with sponsorship. Photos are at the back.

<https://tnz.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/9FD82BBC-C401-4916-AE5A-728B4C98EB9F>

Open Men's - Singles

1st - Willie Brocks

2nd - Carl Rodmell

3rd / 4th - Nathan Kennedy (withdrew)

3rd / 4th - Greg Buzzard

Open Women's Singles

1st - Deborah Cooper

2nd - Emma Bathurst

3rd / 4th - Athena Garcia

3rd / 4th - Megan Parkinson

Open Men's Doubles

1st - Greg Buzzard and Richard Cavanagh

2nd - Mike Morus and Karoly Erdelyi

3rd / 4th - Mark Corson and Nathan Kennedy

3rd / 4th - Willie Brocks and Wayne McEwan

Open Women's Doubles

1st - Megan Parkinson and Yuliya Shalina

2nd - Emma Bathurst and Lynley Routhan

3rd - Athena Garcia and Evie Rout

Open Mixed Doubles

1st - Nathan Kennedy and Megan Parkinson

2nd - Willie Brocks and Lynley Routhan

3rd / 4th - Greg Buzzard and Emma Bathurst

3rd / 4th - Wayne McEwan and Deborah Cooper

Parkinsons Group Singles

1st - Robin Laing

2nd - Richard Blee

3rd / 4th - Roger Scheele

3rd / 4th - Lynda Hampton

Parkinsons Group Doubles

1st - Robin Laing and Richard Blee

2nd - Diana Bonisch and Robert Mexted

3rd / 4th - Nicola Brandsen and Craig Rodgers

3rd / 4th - Jan Blee and Morriss James

Second Grade Men's Singles

1st - Slade Fordyce

2nd - David Liu

3rd / 4th - Vaughan Ujdur

3rd / 4th - Thomas Giller

Second Grade Men's Doubles

1st - Slade Fordyce and David Liu

2nd - Maurice Rodway and Vaughan Ujdur

3rd / 4th - Hayden Fordyce and Tom Giller

3rd / 4th - Alex Brinkworth and Keith Brinkworth

O60 Combined Singles

1st - Willie Brocks

2nd - Greg Buzzard

3rd - Deborah Cooper

4th - Thomas Giller

O60 Doubles

1st - Greg Buzzard and Deborah Cooper

2nd - Willie Brocks and Lynley Routhan

O40 Combined Singles

1st - Willie Brocks

2nd - Karoly Erdelyi

3rd / 4th - Richard Cavanagh

3rd / 4th - Mike Morus

O40 Combined Doubles

1st - Mike Morus and Karoly Erdelyi

2nd - Willie Brocks and Wayne McEwan

3rd / 4th - Greg Buzzard and Deborah Cooper

3rd / 4th - Richard Cavanagh and Megan Parkinson

O30 Combined Singles

1st - Karoly Erdelyi

2nd - Wayne McEwan

3rd / 4th - Yuliya Shalina

3rd / 4th - Mike Morus

O30 Combined Doubles

1st - Mike Morus and Karoly Erdelyi

2nd - Mark Corson and Yuliya Shalina

3rd / 4th - Keith Brinkworth and Miles Pask

3rd / 4th - Wayne McEwan and Megan Parkinson

U21 Combined Singles

1st - Emma Bathurst

2nd - Peter McIntyre

U21 Combined Doubles

1st - Emma Bathurst and Slade Fordyce

2nd - Ken Liu and Peter McIntyre

U19 Combined Singles

1st - Emma Bathurst

2nd - Slade Fordyce

3rd / 4th - Ken Liu

3rd / 4th - Peter McIntyre

U19 Combined Doubles

1st - Emma Bathurst and Slade Fordyce

2nd - Ken Liu and Peter McIntyre

3rd - Alex Brinkworth and Amaya Swale-Jones

U15 Combined Singles

1st - Slade Fordyce

2nd - Aatman Parashar

3rd / 4th - Ken Liu

3rd / 4th - Amaya Swale-Jones

U15 Combined Doubles

1st - Slade Fordyce and Ken Liu

2nd - Aatman Parashar and Amaya Swale-Jones

3rd / 4th - Athena Garcia and Evie Rout

3rd / 4th - Jakaya Lonneker and George Ramsay

U13 Combined Singles

1st - Athena Garcia

2nd - Evie Rout

3rd / 4th - George Ramsay

3rd / 4th - Kimali Samaeasuriya

U13 Combined Doubles

1st - Athena Garcia and Evie Rout

2nd - Kimali Samaeasuriya and Jillian Liu

U11 Combined Singles

1st - Thomaz Newey

2nd - Kimali Samaeasuriya

3rd / 4th - Jillian Liu

3rd / 4th - Elliot Thayer

U11 Combined Doubles

1st - Kyla Rose Jarvis-Patterson and Jillian Liu

2nd - Molly Gibbs and Elliot Thayer

CARD HIRE

Remember card hire options are available. If interested, contact Wayne McEwan for details. Mobile 0274 363 322 (in the afternoons and evenings only) or email office@tabletennissouth.org.nz

A FLASH BACK IN TIME ...

For those who can remember way back to 1989!!!



L/R back: Justin Cashell, Craig Henderson
F: Wayne McEwan, Joan Henderson (coach), Nathan Kennedy



L/R back: Mark Corson, Ron Garrett, Brian Gibson
F: June King, Lena Wilson, Ngaire Garrett



Our own Megan Parkinson who played for Wellington

ANY QUESTIONS

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

Maurice Rodway (Chairman), Richard Cavanagh, Deborah Cooper, Nathan Kennedy and Kevin Toomey.



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

WINTER COMPETITION 23 JULY 2025



A Grade Winners - Willie Brocks and Mark Corson



A Grade runners-up - Nathan Kennedy, Richard Cavanagh and Greg Buzzard



B Grade Winners – Jeremy Smith and Tom Giller



B Grade runners-up - David and Ken Liu



**Winner of Presidents Cup for 2025 - The 3 Stooges Team
Alex and Keith Brinkworth (Dominic Patterson absent)**



A Grade Winter Interclub - Final Averages after 10 rounds

	Player Name	Team	Played	Wins	Losses	Win %
1	Willie Brocks	Gore	20	88	0	100.0
2	Nathan Kennedy	Eagles 1	12	48	0	100.0
3	Mark Corson	Gore	20	68	5	75.0
4	Andrew Fleming	Eagles & Birdies	20	68	5	75.0
5	Greg Buzzard	Eagles 1	12	42	3	75.0
6	Richard Cavanagh	Eagles 1	14	45	4	71.4
7=	Wayne McEwan	The Geriatrics	14	39	6	57.1
7=	Deborah Cooper	The Geriatrics	18	51	10	44.4
9	Mark Moore	Eagles 2	20	46	12	40.0
10	Steve McVicar	Eagles & Birdies	20	36	15	25.0
11	Miles Pask	Eagles 2	20	29	16	20.0
12	Jeremy Gibson	The Geriatrics	8	14	7	12.5
13	Megan Parkinson	The Yuligans	20	17	18	10.0
14	Yuliya Shalina	The Yuligans	20	19	19	5.0

B Grade Winter Interclub - Final Averages after 10 rounds

	Player Name	Team	Played	Wins	Losses	Win %
1	Isaac Lindsay	Spin Reapers	20	18	2	90.0
2	Jeremy Smith	J T's	18	16	2	88.9
3	Tom Giller	J T's	20	16	4	80.0
4	David Liu	Team Liu	19	14	5	73.7
5	Slade Fordyce	Spin Reapers	18	13	5	72.2
6	Peter McIntyre	The Silly Billy's	16	11	5	68.8
7	Ken Liu	Team Liu	17	7	10	41.2
8	Vaughan Udjer	Y E A	20	8	12	40.0
9	Nathan Beirowski	The Silly Billy's	14	3	11	21.4
10	Dominique Patterson	The 3 Stooges	6	1	5	16.7
11	Keith Brinkworth	The 3 Stooges	14	2	12	14.3
12	Alex Brinkworth	The 3 Stooges	18	2	16	11.1
13	Gabriel Brosque	Y E A	10	1	9	10.0
14	Yannik	Y E A	6	0	6	0.0

A W HAMILTON INDIVIDUAL NIGHT, 6 AUGUST 2025
Presented by Yulia Shalina – Prizes donated by the Eagles Club



1st Willie and Yulia



2nd Deborah and Yulia



3rd Yulia and Isaac

RESIDENTIALS 16 AUGUST 2025
A snapshot of some of the winners and runners-up



Open Men's Singles
1st Willie Brocks, 2nd Carl Rodmell



Open Women's Singles
2nd Emma Bathurst, 1st Deborah Cooper



Open Men's Doubles
1st Greg Buzzard / Richard Cavanagh



Open Men's Doubles
2nd Mike Morus / Karoly Erdelyi



Open Women's Doubles
1st Yuliya Shalina / Megan Parkinson



Open Women's Doubles
2nd Lynley Routhan / Emma Bathurst



Open Mixed Doubles
1st Megan Parkinson / Nathan Kennedy



Open Mixed Doubles
2nd Willie Brocks / Lynley Routhan



Over 60 Combined Singles
1st Willie Brocks, 2nd Greg Buzzard



Over 60 Combined Doubles
1st Deborah Cooper / Greg Buzzard



Over 40 Combined Singles
1st Willie Brocks, 2nd Karoly Erdelyi



Over 40 Combined Doubles
1st Mike Morus / Karoly Erdelyi



Over 40 Combined Doubles
2nd Willie Brocks / Wayne McEwan



Over 30 Combined Singles
1st Karoly Erdelyi / 2nd Wayne McEwan



Over 30 Combined Doubles
1st Mike Morus / Karoly Erdelyi



**Over 30 Combined Doubles
2nd Mark Corson / Yuliya Shalina**



**U21 Combined Singles
1st Emma Bathurst**



**U21 Combined Singles
2nd Peter McIntosh**



**U21 Combined Doubles
1st Slade Fordyce / Emma Bathurst**



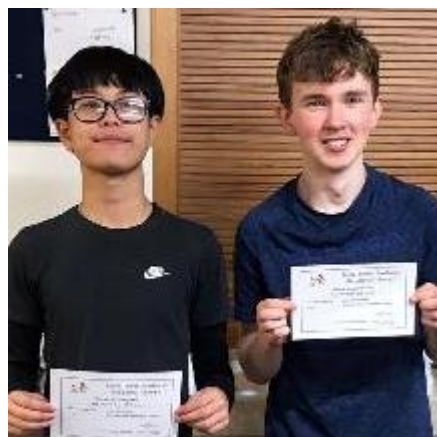
**U21 Combined Doubles
2nd Peter McIntyre / Ken Liu**



**U19 Combined Singles
1st Emma Bathurst**



**U19 Combined Doubles
1st Slade Fordyce / Emma Bathurst**



**U19 Combined Doubles
2nd Ken Liu / Peter McIntyre**



**U15 Combined Singles
1st Slade Fordyce**



U15 Combined Singles
2nd Aatman Parashar



U15 Combined Doubles
1st Ken Liu / Slade Fordyce



U15 Combined Doubles
2nd Aatman Parashar / Amaya Swale-Jonest



U13 Combined Singles
Nathan Kennedy with 1st Athena Garcia



U13 Combined Singles
Nathan Kennedy with 2nd Evie Rout



U13 Combined Doubles
Nathan Kennedy with 1st Athena Garcia / Evie Rout



U13 Combined Doubles
2nd Kimali Samaeasuriya / Jillian Liu with Nathan Kennedy



U11 Combined Singles
Ron Garrett with 1st Thomaz Newey



U11 Combined Singles
Ron Garrett with 2nd Kimali Samaeasuriya



U11 Combined Doubles
Ron Garrett with 1st Jillian Liu / Kyla Rose Jarvis-Patterson



U11 Combined Singles
2nd Molly Gibbs and Elliot Thayer



Second Grade Men's Singles
1st Slade Fordyce



Second Grade Men's Doubles
1st Slade Fordyce / David Liu



Umpire of the Day
Richard Cavanagh



Parkinson's Group Combined Singles
1st Robin Laing



Parkinson's Group Combined Singles
2nd Richard Blee



Parkinson's Group Combined Doubles
1st Robin Laing and Richard Blee



Parkinson's Group Combined Doubles
2nd Robert Mexted, Diana Bonisch with Nathan Kennedy

**Congratulations to all those
Southland players selected for
2025 Nationals in Auckland**

20 to 28 September

Men's A Team

- Richard Cavanagh, Captain
- Mark Corson
- Nathan Kennedy

Men's B Team

- Tom Giller Captain
- Isaac Lindsay
- Peter McIntyre

Women's Team

- Megan Parkinson, Captain
- Yuliya Shalina
- Emma Bathurst

U13 Girls Team

- Evie Rout, Captain
- Athena Garcia
- Draft Player

Head Coach – Nathan Kennedy

Go Southland!



CALENDAR FOR 2025

Sunday Group Coaching	Cost \$5 - 12 pm to 1 pm. E-mail Nathan: itsallaboutnath@hotmail.com
Tuesday Group Coaching	Cost \$5 - 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm. E-mail Nathan: itsallaboutnath@hotmail.com
Tue 22 July to 9 Sept	Primary School 6 to 8 year olds Term 3 - 8 weeks
Thur 24 July to 11 Sept	Primary School 9 to 11 year olds Term 3 - 8 weeks
Wed 13 Aug to 17 Sept	Spring Interclub Competition (6 weeks)
25 - 27 August	New Zealand Secondary Schools Cup, Hamilton, U15, U19
29 - 31 August	Auckland Senior Open, Auckland
30 August - 5 September	AIMS Games, Tauranga, Born in 2012, 2013 + Para
5 - 6 September	NZ Para Team preparation camp, TBC - NZ Selected Para team
6 September	Waitemata Senior Open, Waitemata
6 - 7 September	Nelson Closed, Nelson
13 September	Otago Open, Dunedin
13 - 14 September	Manawatu Open, Palmerston North
20 Sept to 5 October	Term 3 school holidays
20 - 28 September	New Zealand Open Championships, Auckland, U13, U15, U19, Open (Grades); Seniors followed by Juniors
24 - 25 September	International Para Classification, Venue TBC, Auckland
26 - 28 September	2025 ITTF-Oceania Para Championships, Rosehill College, Auckland
2 - 4 October	New Zealand Para Open Championships, Rosehill College, Auckland, Para Classes 1-11
Wed 8 Oct to 12 Nov	Ping Pong Competition
18 - 25 October	Australian National Veterans Championships, Moreton Bay, Queensland O30+, Players MUST play teams to play individuals. Teams to be selected and endorsed by TTNZ
15 November	Waitemata Closed, Waitemata
16 November	Auckland Spring Open, Auckland
10 - 14 December	National Summer Games - Special Olympics, Christchurch
19 December	Term 4 school holidays