

Jan Morris

Jan is a left-handed attacking player from Canterbury.

She started playing in North Canterbury, then gradually moved to the Christchurch competition and came under the wing of Trevor Flint. At that time, in the 1970s, Canterbury had a good group of high standard juniors, including choppers, all of whom helped Jan's game improve.

Jan's first trip overseas was a three month training stint in Japan during 1974. It was a real eye opener which stood her in good stead in the future.

Her first big international event was the 1975 Commonwealth Championships in Melbourne.



1981

Jan's first world championships was Birmingham in 1977, followed by Pyongyang in 1979, Novi Sad in 1981, Tokyo in 1983, Gothenburg in 1985,

Jan won the Oceania Doubles in 1978 and 1982, both with Angela Brackenridge.

On the national scene Jan won five singles and six doubles titles from 1977 to 1984.

She was NZ Player of the Year in 1984 and ranked No 1 five times between 1975 and 1984.

Jan achieved the treble in 1984 by winning the singles at the Nationals, North Islands and South Islands - the only woman to do so.

National Titles:

New Zealand Open

Women's Singles - 1977, 79, 80, 81, 84
Women's Doubles - 1977, 78, 79, 81, 82, 85
Under 18 Singles - 1973, 74
Under 18 Doubles - 1973, 74
Under 18 Mixed Doubles - 1972, 74
Under 16 Singles - 1972
Under 16 Doubles - 1970, 72

North Island Open

Women's Singles - 1978, 80, 84
Women's Doubles - 1974, 76, 77, 78, 82
Mixed Doubles - 1976, 79, 80
Under 18 Singles: 1974
Under 18 Doubles - 1972, 74
Under 18 Mixed Doubles - 1972, 74
Under 16 Singles - 1972
Under 16 Doubles - 1972
Under 16 Mixed Doubles - 1972



1977



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South Island Open

Women's Singles - 1973, 74, 75, 76, 77, 82, 83, 84

Women's Doubles - 1973, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 83, 84

Mixed Doubles - 1973, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 82, 83

Under 18 Singles - 1973, 74

Under 18 Doubles - 1971, 72, 73, 74

Under 18 Mixed doubles - 1973, 74

Under 16 Singles - 1971, 72

Under 16 Doubles - 1971, 72

Under 16 Mixed Doubles - 1972



NZ Team - First Oceania Championships
Auckland Stadium - 1978

L/R back -: **Trevor Flint** (coach), **Robert Blair**, **Richard Lee**,
Alf Harding (manager)

Front: **Jan Morris**, **Graham Lassen**, **Angela Brackenridge**,
James Morris, **Shelley Palmer**



NZ World & Commonwealth Championships Team 1977

L/R back: **James Morris**, **Robert Blair**, **Graham Lassen**,
Richard Lee, **Athol Attwood** (manager)
front: **Anne Stonestreet**, **Trevor Flint** (coach),
Jan Morris