

Neti Traill (nee Davis)

Neti was New Zealand women's singles champion eight times. A hard bat chopper, she was just as happy attacking from either wing. Whilst others mastered sponge, she stayed with her hard-pimpled bat.

At 14 Neti was New Zealand Junior Champion and at 17 won the NZ Open Women's Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles. She was named as Player of the Year 4 times over a fifteen year period (1960, 1968, 1971, 1975).

She first represented New Zealand at the age of 16 playing against the Japanese Champions when they toured NZ in 1960.

On a tour of Scotland and England in 1967 she won the Scottish open singles and doubles titles.

In 1971 she represented NZ at the first Commonwealth Championships in Singapore. In the teams event New Zealand won the Silver medal, with Neti winning all but one of her singles and ending the tournament with a Commonwealth ranking of No 5. With the same team she moved on to Nagoya, Japan, to compete in the World Championships.

She toured China in 1974 and competed in the Asian Union Championships in Yokohama, Japan, where the New Zealand team won a Bronze medal.

Neti has been involved with coaching in her home Association of Northland and in 1984 toured district Associations on behalf of NZTTA, successfully promoting the idea of employing a National Director of Coaching.

National Titles:

New Zealand Open

Women's Singles - 1960, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70

Women's Doubles - 1960, 61, 62, 65, 66, 68, 70

Mixed Doubles - 1958, 59, 60, 65, 68, 76

Under 18 Girls' Singles - 1958, 59, 60

Under 18 Girls' Doubles - 1958, 61

Under 18 Mixed Doubles - 1959, 61

Under 16 Girls' Singles - 1957, 58, 59

Under 16 Girls' Doubles - 1957, 59

North Island Open

Women's Singles - 1961, 62, 66, 70

Women's Doubles - 1960, 61, 70, 73

Mixed Doubles - 1960, 62, 74, 75

Under 18 Girls' Singles - 1957, 58, 60

Under 18 Girls' Doubles - 1958, 61

Under 18 Mixed Doubles - 1961

Under 16 Girls' Singles - 1954, 57, 58

