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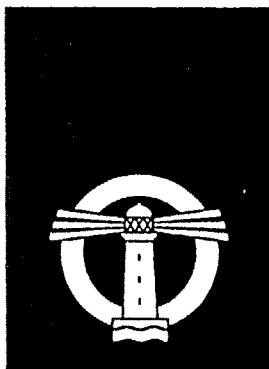
AUSTRALIAN VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT MELBOURNE 14-21 OCTOBER



NEW ZEALAND WAS REPRESENTED BY THE ABOVE GROUP

Front Row - Averil Roberts, Lynley Barker, Val Beaver, Janice Stead, Isabel Cleland. Middle - Kevin Fogarty, Eddie Millard, John Lelliott. Back - Bill Joker, Chip Eade.

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1995 AUSTRALIAN VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS

A very enjoyable trip for all the players although the Over 40 Womens Team didn't do as well as expected having close 5-6 losses to 3 Teams they were expected to beat. Their only other loss was to the Group Winner, South Australia, so they finished 4th on a countback. Val Beaver did well with 71% wins, Averil Roberts had 48% and Lynley Barker 43%.

The Over 50 Mens Team finished 7th and missed out on 6th place with a 5-6 loss to South Australia. Chip Eade had 50% wins, John Lelliott 42% and Eddie Millard 25%. The highlight of the Teams Event for Chip and John was giving the Over 50 Champion a fright when they both took Inh Van Le to three and came close to taking away his unbeaten record.

In the Presidents Teams Kevin Fogarty had 43%, Janice Stead 22%, Isabel Cleland 67% and Bill Joker 20%.

In the Individual Events Val Beaver and Averil Roberts, Seeded 8th beat the Top Seeds, P.Comerford and P.Tait(Vic) in the Quarter-Final 16-21 21-16 21-11, they beat the 5th Seeds C.Healy/J.Tregea (Qld) in the Semi-Final 21-14 21-18 but lost to the 2nd Seeds, A.Strack/J.Whisson(Qld) in the Final 21-16 12-21 14-21. A good win of Silver Medals in a strong Over 40 Womens Doubles field. John Lelliott won Bronze Medals in the Over 60 Mixed Doubles with Elaine Edwards and in the Over 60 Mens Doubles with Tom Sal.

In the Order of Merit Lists Val Beaver was No.7 in the Over 40 Women and Isabel Cleland No.4 in the Over 70 Women.

Highlight of the Trip

Chip and Eddie, Chip and Eddie,
They went together like a Cook Straight Fast Ferry,
The Aussie Girls (except Penny) all hate them,
They'd rather eat them than date them.

1996 NEW ZEALAND MASTERS GAMES

Just a reminder that entries close on 13 January and if anybody can't get an Entry Form let me know and I'll send you one. Travel by Air New Zealand and you can get 25% discount off normal fares by quoting DOM 3196/5. Table Tennis commences with Team Events at the Otago Stadium on Friday 9th February and Individual Events are on Saturday and Sunday 10th and 11th. Refer back to the last Newsletter for more detail.

1996 WORLD VETERANS

To be held at Lillehammer, Norway from 24-29 June. At this stage I haven't heard of anybody from New Zealand who is going to the World Veterans next year. The closing date for entries has been changed to 1 March so if anybody wants an entry form the Organising Committee Phone No. is 47 67 154694 or Fax 47 67 154921. Their address is Norges Bordtennisforbund, 8th World Veterans Table Tennis Championships, Hauger Skolevei 1, N-1351 Rud, Norway.

1996 AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

This popular Tournament will be held in Adelaide but it will be later than usual to enable them to hire a first class venue, the Powerhouse Basketball Stadium which has space for up to 20 Tables. The Tournament will run from Sunday 3rd to Sunday 10th November. A number of people have already decided to go and to make sure that we get suitable accommodation I would be pleased to hear from any others who are interested.

1996 RATING TOURNAMENTS

While it has not yet been finalised it appears likely that one Open Tournament from each Association will be used for Ratings plus the four Major Tournaments.

1996 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS

The 10th New Zealand Veterans Championships will be held at the Auckland Stadium from Good Friday 5 th April to Easter Monday 8th April. Already we know of a number of Australian players who are coming over and there should be good numbers taking part with the friendly atmosphere we always have at our Veterans Tournaments.

The Auckland Association have already put out a Bulletin and those who haven't received one who are interested in entering please contact the Auckland Secretary, Bob Lassen, P.O.Box 9247, Newmarket, Auckland with your name and address. Bob will send you any information you need including a list of Motels within one mile of the Stadium.

The usual Programme will apply with Team Events on the Friday and Saturday and the Individual Events on Sunday and Monday. I look forward to meeting you at the Auckland Stadium which has recently been upgraded, it is of a very high standard and there will be 19 Butterfly Europa Tables in use with the Sunflex 3 Star Orange Ball.

Entries will probably close about the end of February and Entry Forms should be distributed in the near future.

OTHER 1996 MAJOR TOURNAMENTS

- 17 March - North Harbour Masters Games (see last Newsletter)
- 1-3 June - North Island Championships at Wanganui
- 8-13 July - New Zealand Senior Championships at Auckland
- 9-11 August - South Island Championships at Dunedin

ACTIVELY AGEING BY HILLARY COMMISSION

I am attaching 2 more pages which could be of interest to some of you.

MEMBERSHIP

We have now completed 7 years of this Veterans Newsletter and the number of members has more than doubled since the first year. I sent out Invoices with the last Newsletter to those who hadn't paid, several of them have since paid but there are still 17 who have not. The next Newsletter will be in late February and those who haven't paid by then I will assume don't want to continue their membership.

Best wishes to you all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year.

Yours Sincerely,

John Lelliott

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Introduction

"It is never too late to be what you might have been."

George Eliot

New Zealand's ageing population is on the move. In the mid-1980s more than half a million Kiwis were over the age of 50. By the year 2000 this group is expected to account for more than a quarter of our population.

As people now expect to live longer, they also expect to live better. They want a good life - as well as a long life. Sport, fitness and leisure activities have a key role to play in helping people achieve this.

IT'S GOT TO BE GOOD FOR YOU

Sport is for life. The sheer number of people involved in Masters and Veterans sport show that New Zealanders really do believe in the value of lifetime activity. And that's great for the health and well-being of our nation.

Masters and Veterans sport has gathered real momentum over the past two decades. The concept is attractive to former competitors wanting to return to sport, as well as newcomers to competitive activity.

Studies have shown that older participants are drawn to Masters and Veterans sport by a combination of three main factors:

- the physical benefits of being fit;
- the psychological benefits of sport and fitness;
- the social value of being involved in sport.

IS YOUR SPORTS CLUB ACTIVELY AGEING?

Most sports clubs are keen to recruit new members. Fresh faces can add a

vitality and vigour - not to mention boosting membership numbers and income!

However, many clubs fail to put any effort into recruiting older adults. What they don't realise is that bringing Masters and Veterans into the club can bring benefits and, in many cases, offer vast experience as well.

Masters and Veterans members can help your club in the following ways:

- by providing enthusiastic and inspirational role models for younger members;
- by encouraging a "family" or team spirit of support and co-operation through a diversity of members;
- by offering a lifetime's experience to your sport, often as coaches, referees and administrators;
- by offering vast experience in business, promotions and other useful occupations;
- by adding a new dimension to social activities.

IN MANY CASES, OLDER REALLY DOES MEAN WISER.

WHAT YOU NEED TO CONSIDER FOR MASTERS AND VETERANS

Regular exercise, when adjusted to suit the age and ability of participants, can be of great benefit to a person's health and wellbeing. However, exercise without enjoyment is like champagne without bubbles - boring. If exercise is to be of any benefit at all, it must be FUN. To attract Masters and Veterans members to your club or activity you should:

- provide information about your club and what it offers;

- make facilities and programmes readily available to older participants;
- adapt fields, courts or rules to help older participants enjoy the activity;
- avoid putting them in embarrassing situations;
- let them participate at their own pace - people should not be forced to keep up with others in the group;
- provide opportunities to socialise - this is one of the main reasons that over 35s take up or return to sport.

MARKETING YOUR CLUB

The greatest response to a request for new members may come from potential Masters and Veterans participants who are apprehensive about becoming involved in sport. They may lack confidence, or they may have been out of sport for several years and need extra motivation to haul out their sports gear again.

The following suggestions may prove useful:

- arrange a have-a-go session/day with supervision provided;
- arrange a drop-in/have-a-go programme held on a morning or afternoon each week (supervision provided);
- try a "bring a friend" session where regular members introduce a new person;
- do not insist on registration;
- do not insist on the correct sportswear or uniform (perhaps

with the exclusion of suitable footwear);

- charge only a minimal fee (perhaps the first session could be free);
- arrange a session or game where interested people can come and watch the sport;
- form a sub-committee to deal exclusively with potential new members in the Masters and Veterans age group to provide follow-up after activities are completed;
- appoint an appropriate person who can act as co-ordinator to cater for new members and can go into the community and speak to various groups;
- consider whether your meeting place is well known in the community. How accessible is it?

SUMMARY

Why Do Masters And Veterans Sportspeople Take Part?

- Participation without embarrassment.
- To learn new skills/do new things.
- Fitness/health.
- Social contact.

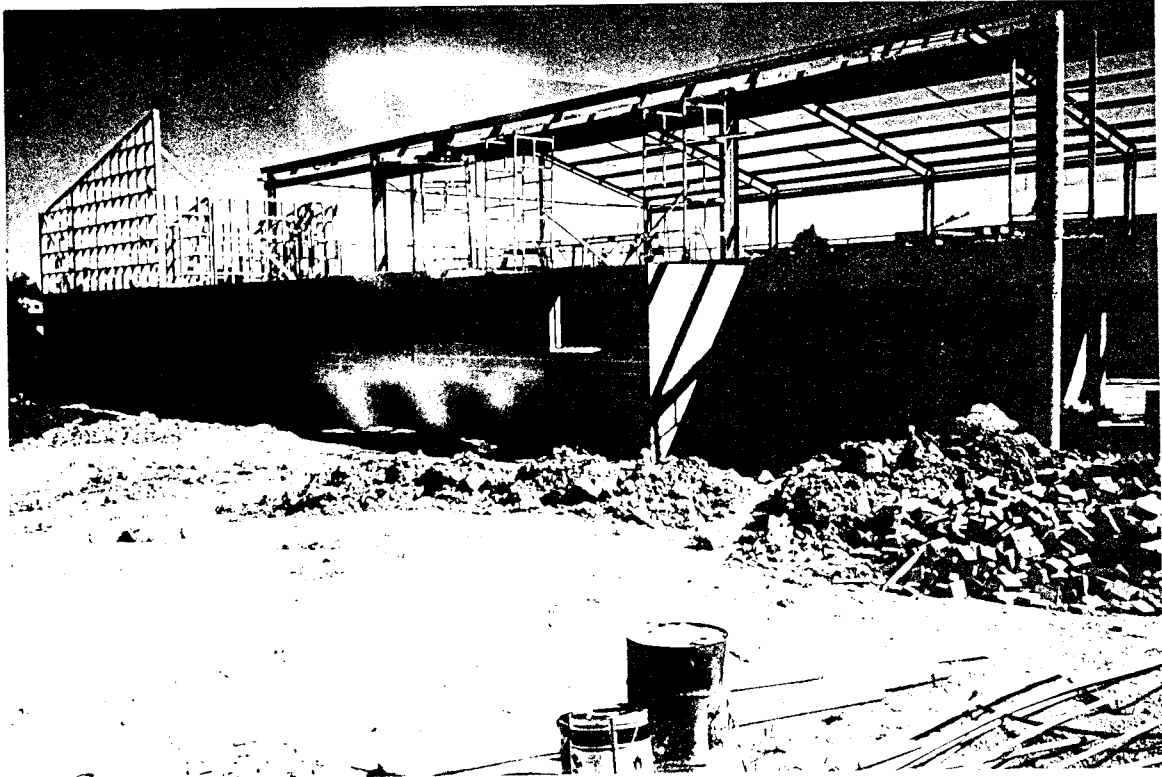
Why Do Masters And Veterans Sportspeople Stop Or Not Start?

- Lack of time/energy.
- Family/work commitments.
- Health/fitness reasons.
- Cost.
- Fear of failure.



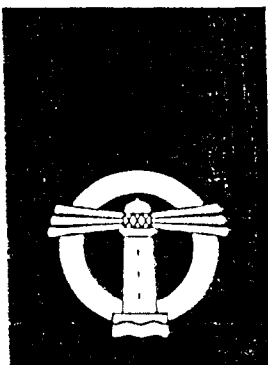
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NORTH HARBOUR TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION - NEW STADIUM UNDERWAY



Congratulations to the North Harbour Table Tennis Association for their initiative and all the hard work in fund raising and voluntary labour in getting their Stadium built. At the National Championships in Christchurch in 1994 I first heard of the proposal from Peter Root who from now on will be known as Peter the Root of the North Harbour Stadium. This can only be good for the future of Table Tennis not only for North Harbour but also for Auckland who will in the future have more space to fit in the large number of Asian Immigrants they have got in the last few years.

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MEMBERSHIP

Numbers are still going up and I'm pleased to advise that the Annual Subscription will remain at \$3 for 1996. National Insurance have continued their support and I would strongly recommend your support for them. It will be a few months before we know whether the Lottery Aged Committee will renew their grant.

NEW ZEALAND VETERANS 1996

The 1996 New Zealand Veterans Championships will be held in Auckland from Good Friday 5 April to Monday 8 April. All Associations have been sent Entry Forms and Individuals who entered last year should have received one. If anybody has a problem getting a form let me know and I'll send you one. Entries close on Wednesday 13 March. For those haven't made travel arrangements you can get a discount of 30% on Ansett by quoting MC10474. Air New Zealand have an Over 60 Golden Age discount of 30%. There are also 30% discounts for Over 60's on New Zealand Rail and 30% for Over 50's by Bus on both Intercity and Northliner. Don't forget to provide evidence of your age when making these bookings.

Weather Forecast - Good Friday - Frigy
Saturday - Sagy
Sunday - Suggy
Monday - Muggy

AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

The Australian Veterans 1996 Championships will be held at Adelaide in the Clipsal Powerhouse Basketball Stadium, 44A Crittendon Road, Findon, South Australia about 10 Minutes drive from the City Centre. It will be a bit later than usual and will commence on Sunday 3rd November and the latest news is that it should finish on Saturday 9 November. Accommodation may be limited due to a clash with other events so if anybody is interested in going let me know as soon as possible and we will try and help with arranging accommodation.

1996 MAJOR TOURNAMENTS

There will be changes to all the normal dates this year due to the introduction of the 4 Term School Year. The North Island Championships will be held at Wanganui over Queens Birthday Weekend from 1-3 June. The National Senior Championships will be at Auckland from 8-13 July but the Juniors will be from 22-27 September at Auckland. The South Island Championships are at Dunedin from 9-11 August. I hope to have more detail on the timing of Veterans Events in the next Newsletter.

NORTH HARBOUR MASTERS GAMES

To be held on Sunday 17 March with Over 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's Singles and Doubles. If you turn 50 on 16 March you can't play in the Over 50's as you have to have reached the age by 31 December, 1995. The contact is Robert Dunn (09)419-0157.

NEW ZEALAND RATING SYSTEM

There have been many changes to the system. All Association Open Tournaments except extra ones like Easter Opens are now on the list with Mens and Womens Open Singles, Over 40's, Over 50's, Under 21's, Under 19's, Under 17's and Under 15's all qualifying for points. There will be less points for Veterans and Junior Age Group Events to avoid them going too high on the Open Lists. This should be an improvement to the previous system but don't forget "To Err is Human but to foul things up completely requires a Computer".

NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION

"Our President (Ron Garrett) is a self made man and Worships his Creator".

As you are probably aware within a few months the Management Committee and National Council will no longer exist and will be replaced by a Board of Governors which will "Consist of Six Persons; Chosen to Decide; Whether New Zealand Table Tennis Will Survive".

A new Constitution will be considered at a Special General Meeting to be held in Auckland during the National Championships in July.

1996 NEW ZEALAND MASTERS GAMES

The Masters Games held in Dunedin 9-11 February was very successful and well organised. Numbers were well up on 1994 from 72 to 96 including the biggest number ever from the North Island. There was plenty of evidence to prove George Bernard Shaw was correct in his statement "We do not cease to play because we grow old, we grow old because we cease to play".

Harry and Barbara Dye celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary with a win in the Over 55 Mixed Doubles. Just a few days before, on Waitangi Day, Harry had also celebrated his 21st Birthday (the 3rd one). A number of well known South Island players from the past took part including Neville Brightwell, Bill Fogarty and his daughter Yvonne. Brian Foster was there but didn't play but his wife Ruth played well winning all the Over 45 Events. Bryan is back to making the Foster Tables which are very good value at \$600.

Every evening there were Social Functions at the Big Tent which attracted several hundred players from the 63 sports, including many Table Tennis players. One evening called the Bavarian Night there were 8 pages of popular old songs distributed and many of them were sung. One page is attached to give you an idea of the Social Side of the Masters Games.

On the Saturday afternoon there was a Rugby Match for retired players, such as Grant Fox, against Australia which ended in a 44-44 Draw.

On the same evening there was a Netball Match against Australia which New Zealand won 35-33 in a very exciting contest. It was

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hard to believe that Sandra Edge had retired, she looked fitter and was moving faster than any of our top New Zealand Table Tennis players.

A copy of the Teams and Individual results from the local paper is attached.

HIGHLIGHT OF 1995 AUSTRALIAN TRIP

Response from Eddie Millard to Newsletter No.31 - "A PENNY IS BETTER THAN NOTHING".

Yours Sincerely,

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** P.S. If the opposition gets a net or an edge against you at Easter call them Sandra.

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New Zealand Masters Games results

Table tennis

Results from Masters Games table tennis tournament — ~~TEAMS~~

Over 35: Yvonne, Kevin and John Fogarty (Dunedin), gold; Steve Jenkins, Alistair Rapley, Brian Gibson (Invercargill), silver; Malcolm Wong (Wellington), Ray Veint, Sandra Mitchell (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 45: Lynley Barker (Christchurch), Bruce Penberthy (Auckland), gold;

John and Graham Penberthy (Taupo), silver; June King, Ngaire and Ron Garrett (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 55: Eddie Millard (Palmerston North), John Lelliott (HV), gold; Robert Hurr, Barrie Kendall (Dunedin), silver; B Fogarty (Dunedin), Neville Brightwell (Christchurch), bronze.

Over 35: Mixed doubles. — Bruce Penberthy (Auckland) and Lynley Barker (Christchurch), gold; Kevin and Yvonne Fogarty (Dunedin), silver; Alistair Rapley and June King (Southland), bronze.

Over 35: Women's doubles. — Lynley Barker (Christchurch) and Yvonne Fogarty (Dunedin), gold; Ngaire Garrett and June King (Southland), silver; Sandra Mitchell and Pat Swale (Southland), bronze.

Over 35: Men's doubles. — Kevin Fogarty (Dunedin) and Bruce Penberthy (Auckland), gold; Maurice Burrowes and Barry Ellis (Dunedin), silver; John and Graham Penberthy (Taupo), bronze.

Over 35: Men's singles. — Maurice Burrowes (Dunedin), gold; Kevin Fogarty (Dunedin), silver; Barry Ellis (Dunedin), bronze. Plate: Bruce Penberthy (Auckland).

Over 35: Women's singles. — Yvonne Fogarty (Dunedin), gold; Lynley Barker (Christchurch), silver; Ngaire Garrett (Southland), bronze. Plate: Sandra Mitchell (Southland).

Over 55: Women's doubles. — Brenda Adamson and Rose Thompson (Invercargill), gold; Barbara Dye (Auckland) and Dorothy Papworth (Wag), silver; June Wilson (Gore) and Patricia Hannah (Christchurch), bronze.

Over 55: Women's singles. — Barbara Dye (Auckland), gold; Judy Kennedy (Dunedin), silver; Brenda Adamson (Invercargill) bronze. Plate Dorothy Papworth (Wanganui).

Over 55: Mixed doubles. — Barbara and Harry Dye (Auckland), gold; June Wilson (Gore) and Eddie Millard (P North), silver; Brenda and Clive Adamson (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 55: Men's singles. — John Lel-

liott (HV), gold; Alan Alabaster (Christchurch), silver; Barry Kendall (Dunedin), bronze. Plate: Stan Stout (Motuaka).

Over 55: Men's doubles. — John Lelliott (HV) and Eddie Millard (P Nth), gold; Clive Adamson and Colin Nentze (Invercargill), silver; Harry Dye (Auckland) and Alan Alabaster (Christchurch), bronze.

Over 45: Women's singles. — Ruth Foster (Dunedin), gold; Lynley Barker (Christchurch), silver; Ngaire Garrett (Invercargill), bronze. Plate: Janet Calder (Oamaru).

Over 45: Men's singles. — Barrie Kendall (Dunedin), gold; Ron Garrett (Invercargill), silver; Alan Alabaster (Christchurch) and Eddie Millard (P Nth), bronze. Plate: Graham Penberthy (Taupo).

Over 45: Women's doubles. — Barbara Dye (Auckland) and Ruth Foster (Dunedin), gold; Christine Colbert (Dunedin) and Lynley Barker (Christchurch), silver; Ngaire Garrett and June King (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 45: Men's doubles. — Eddie Millard (P Nth) and Alan Alabaster (Christchurch), gold; Bob Hurr and Barry Kendall (Dunedin), silver; Bruce Penberthy and Harry Dye (Auckland), bronze.

Over 45: Mixed doubles. — Ruth Foster (Dunedin) and Eddie Millard (P Nth), gold; Lynley Barker (Christchurch) and Bruce Penberthy (Auckland), silver; Ngaire and Ron Garrett (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 65: Women's singles. — Eliza Kearns (Dunedin), gold; June Wilson (Gore), silver; Doreen Humphries (Invercargill), bronze.

Over 65: Men's singles. — John Lelliott (HV), gold; Neville Brightwell (Christchurch), silver; Wally Dickson (Dunedin), bronze.

Over 60: Women's doubles. — Judy Kennedy (Dunedin) and June Wilson (Gore), gold; Doreen Humphries and Nancy Foley (Invercargill), silver; Valery Sim and Barbara Coker (Dunedin), bronze.

Over 65: Men's doubles. — John Lelliott (HV) and Hugh McIlwrath (Master-ton), gold; Bill Fogarty (Dunedin) and Neville Brightwell (Christchurch), silver; Stan Stout (Motuaka) and Barnsley Neumann (Nelson), bronze.

Over 65: Mixed doubles. — Doreen Humphries (Invercargill) and John Lelliott (HV), gold; Eliza Kearns and Jack Steel (Dunedin), silver; Josephine Steel and Roy Harris (Dunedin), bronze.

(49) IT'S A LONG WAY TO TIPPERARY

It's a long way to Tipperary,
It's a long way to go;
It's a long way to Tipperary,
To the sweetest girl I know;
Goodbye Piccadilly,
Farewell Leicester Square,
It's a long long way to Tipperary,
But my heart's right there!

**(53) IF YOU WERE THE ONLY
GIRL IN THE WORLD**

If you were the only girl in the world
And I were the only boy,
Nothing else would matter in the world today,
We could go on loving in the same old way;
A Garden of Eden just made for two,
With nothing to mar our joy,
I would say such wonderful things to you,
There would be such wonderful things to do,
If you were the only girl in the world
And I were the only boy.

**(54) MADEMOISELLE
FROM ARMENTIERES**

Mademoiselle from Armentieres, parley-vous,
Mademoiselle from Armentieres, same to you.
Who was the girl who lost her sheep
Thru' singing this chorus in her sleep,
Mademoiselle from Armentieres.

(58) DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE

I met a little bright-eyed doll
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside;
I met my little bright-eyed doll
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside.
I asked her for a little kiss
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside;
I asked her for a little kiss
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside.
She said "Have patience little man,
I'm sure you'll understand,
I hardly know your name."
I said "If I can have my way,
Maybe some sweet day
My name and yours will be the same."
I wed my little bright-eyed doll
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside;
I wed my little bright-eyed doll
Down by the riverside.

(60) GET ME TO THE CHURCH ON TIME

I'm getting married in the morning,
Ding Dong the bells are gonna chime,
Pull out the stopper,
Let's have a whopper,
But get me to the church on time!

I gotta be there in the mornin',
Spruced up and lookin' in my prime,
Girls come and kiss me,
Show how you'll miss me,
But get me to the church on time.
If I am dancin'
Roll up the floor;
If I am whistling . . .
Whew! Out the door!
For I'm getting married in the morning,
Ding Dong the bells are gonna chime,
Kick up a rumpus,
But don't lose the compass,
And get me to the church
Get me to the church
For Gawd's sake
Get me to the church on time.

**(62) HELLO, HELLO
WHO'S YOUR LADY FRIEND?**

Hello, Hello
Who's your lady friend?
Who's the little lady by your side?
I saw you with a girl or two —
Oh, Oh, Oh, Oh, I'm surprised at you;
Hello, Hello,
What's your little game?
Don't you think your ways you ought to mend?
It isn't the girl I saw you with this morning,
Who, who, who's your lady friend?

(63) LET ME CALL YOU SWEETHEART

Let me call you sweetheart,
I'm in love with you,
Let me hear you whisper
That you love me too.
Keep the love light glowing
In your eyes so blue,
Let me call you sweetheart,
I'm in love with you.

(64) WUNDERBAR

Gazing down on the Jungfrau
From our secret chalet for two,
Let us drink, Liebchen mein
In the moonlight benign
To the joy of our dream come true.

Wunderbar, wunderbar,
What a perfect night for love,
Here am I, here you are,
Why it's truly wunderbar!

Wunderbar, wunderbar,
We're alone and hand in glove,
Not a cloud near or far,
Why, it's more than wunderbar!

Oh, I care, dear, for you madly,
And I long, dear, for your kiss,
I would die, dear, for you gladly
You're divine, dear!
And you're mine, dear!



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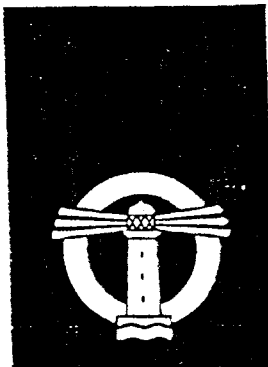
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SOCIAL EVENING - AT THE TOP KIWI WOMEN SOCIALISE WITH AUSSIE MEN
BOTTOM - LEFT TONY HERBERT, CENTRE ALAN TOMLINSON, RIGHT BILL BATES

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MEMBERSHIP

I enrolled a few new members at the Veterans and was able to collect about one third of this years subscriptions. I will continue collecting at the North Island, South Island and the National Championships and will distribute lists to those who assist in collecting subs in the different areas.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Will be held this year at Wanganui over Queens Birthday Weekend. Entries close on 30th April so if you want to enter you had better be quick. The Veterans events commence at 9.00 a.m. on Sunday 2nd June followed by Open Events at 1.30 p.m. It is expected that everything should be finished on Monday Afternoon.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Senior Nationals will be held in Auckland from 8th to 13th July. Entry Forms should be out by early May and entries close on 4th June. There is no programme available at present but it is expected that July 8th to 10th will cover the Mens and Womens Teams. A Special General Meeting to approve the new Constitution will be held at the Stadium on Thursday Morning 11th July followed by the Individual Events which include Over 35's, 45's and 55's.

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Will be held in Dunedin from 9th to 11th August. There is no definite programme available but it is likely that the Open and Veterans Events will commence on Saturday 10th August about 1.00 p.m. and should be completed on Sunday Afternoon.

AMERICAN VETERANS

Our Senior Members, Age 50 and older, are invited to participate in a Table Tennis Tournament called the Huntsman World Senior Games. It will be held in St. George, Utah from October 15th to 18th, 1996. You can only play in one Age Group and the number of Age Groups varies for each event. Mens Singles include Over 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75; Mens Doubles Over 50, 60, 65, 70; Mixed Doubles Over 50, 60, 70; Womens Singles Over 50, 60, 70; Womens Doubles Over 50. It appears that they don't get many Women entries. The Registration Fee is \$59 US Dollars if paid by August 25th or \$69 if after that date and by the closing date of September 25th. There is also a charge of \$5 for each event. However, the Registration Fee includes a participant shirt, Opening Banquet, Programme, Identification Badge, 10th Anniversary Medallion and an Official Results Booklet. If anybody is interested let me know and I will get you a Registration Form.

AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

To be held in Adelaide from November 3rd to 9th. A number of our members have already confirmed they are going and a few others are thinking about it. Some accommodation has already been booked and any others who are thinking of going please let me know as soon as possible as we might have a problem with accommodation.

1997 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS

Its a long way to Invercargill
Its a long way to go
Its a long way to Invercargill
To the best run Tournament I know
Goodbye Auckland, Farewell Manawatu
Its a long long way to Invercargill
But Ron Menchi would love to be there with you

1997 ASIAN VETERANS

The First Asian Veterans Championships will be held in Melbourne from Sunday 30 November to Saturday 6 December, 1997. The format will be the same as for the World Veterans with Over 40, 50, 60, 70 and 80 Age Groups. I've written to them and suggested they add Over 65 and 75 as most of you will agree that a 10 year gap is too big when you get past 60.

I've been asked to keep you all up to date with information and those who wish to receive Bulletins on this Tournament please let me know and I will arrange for you to get them.

1998 WORLD VETERANS

The latest information is that the Venue will now be at Manchester in England and not at Birmingham as previously advised. As quite a few of you are interested in this one we'll keep you up to date but it will probably be later in the year before we get more detail.

2000 WORLD VETERANS

You'll be pleased to know that the New Zealand Association have applied to host the Year 2000 World Veterans at Christchurch.

NEW ZEALAND RATINGS AS AT 16 APRIL, 1996

The top 20 in the Over 40's and the New Over 50 Lists.

<u>Over 40 Men</u>	<u>Over 40 Women</u>	<u>Over 50 Men</u>
1.=James Morris	1. Val Beaver	1. Bob Lassen
=Maurice Burrowes	2.Pam Shadbolt	2.William Weinstock
3. Bob Lassen	3.Christine Cunningham	3.Alan Tomlinson
4. William Weinstock	4. Averil Roberts	4.Chip Eade
5. Doug Pattinson	5. Pat McArthur	5.John Lelliott
6. Pat Low	6. Linda Wynks	6.Nam Hang Lee
7. Alan Tomlinson	7. Lynley Barker	7.Bruce Connolly
8. Geoff Rau	8. Kaylene Findlay	8.Robert Dunn
9. Terry Murphy	9. Pauline Bennyworth	9.Ron Garrett
10. Barry Wynks	10. Jill Edwards	10.Peter Root
11. Chip Eade	11. Joyce Coleman	11.Man Tin Lee
12. John Lelliott	12. Pamela Keene	12.Colin Tipper
13. Nam Hang Lee	13. Margaret McGregor	13.Bruce Penberthy
14. Kevin Fogarty	14. Elva Craig	14.John Te Pania
15. Bruce Connolly	15. Phyllis Hoete	15.Frank Wall
16. Robert Dunn	16. Val Scarr	16.Royden Galloway
17. Martin Duffy	17. Sue Shirriffs	17.Bill Otene
18. Peter Bennett	18. Gaylene Plowright	18.Chris Williams
19. Ron Garrett	19. Ngaire Garrett	19.John Cunningham
20. Jim Harris	20. Elsie Spooner	20.Alan Alabaster
<u>Over 50 Women</u>		
1. Christine Cunningham	2.Pat McArthur	3.Pauline Bennyworth
4. Joyce Coleman	5.Pamela Keene	6.Margaret McGregor
7. Elva Craig	8.Phyllis Hoete	9.Val Scarr
10. Gaylene Plowright	11.Ngaire Garrett	12.Elsie Spooner
13. Janice Stead	14.Margurette Green	15.Gladys Halford
16. Betsy Halse	17.Jeanette Wharehoka	18.Marie Rau
19. Annice Robottom	20.Jocelyn Jones	

1996 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Annual New Zealand Veterans was held at the Auckland Stadium from 5th to 8th April. With a large number of top Australian Veterans taking part the competition was the strongest ever and was thoroughly enjoyed by everybody.

James Morris, ex New Zealand Champion, playing in his first New Zealand Veterans was in good form beating Tommy Samuelson the 1995 Champion in the Over 40 Mens Singles Final. Alan Tomlinson, another ex New Zealand Champion, won both the Over 40 and Over 50 Mens Doubles partnered by Eugene Herman from South Australia

but Alan was soundly beaten by Bill Bates from Victoria in the Over 60 Mens Singles Final. Bill Bates also won the Over 65 Mens Singles and Doubles and the Over 65 Teams going through the Tournament unbeaten in Singles.

Pam Shadbolt played well to win the Over 40 Womens Singles beating Carol Hughes from NSW in the Final. Christine Cunningham also beat Carol Hughes in the Over 50 Womens Final.

The Number of Team Entries increased from 71 to 77 with 51 New Zealand Association Teams, 15 Composite and 11 from Australia. The Presentation Evening was well attended with a good band and a very friendly atmosphere as you can see from the photographs on the front cover.

TEAMS RESULTS:

0.40 Mens A - New South Wales - K.Cole, T.Samuelsson
 0.40 Mens B - North Harbour B - J.Cunningham, J.Te Pania
 0.40 Womens A - Composite A - V.Beaver, A.Roberts
 0.40 Womens B - North Harbour B - J.Edwards, P.McArthur
 0.50 Mens A - Auckland A - R.Lassen, W.Weinstock
 0.50 Mens B - North Harbour B - J.Cunningham, J.Te Pania
 0.50 Womens A - North Harbour A - C.Cunningham, P.McArthur
 0.50 Womens B - Waikato - J.Coleman, B.Halse
 0.60 Mens A - Composite - T.Herbert, N.McConnell
 0.60 Mens B - Auckland B - B.Stephens, A.Thomson, B.Torok
 0.60 Womens A - Auckland - B.Jackson, B.Dye
 0.65 Men - Victoria - B.Bates, R.Poon
 0.70 Men - Auckland - B.Dwyer, T.Sandberg, J.Coad

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

<u>Over 40's</u>	<u>GOLD</u>	<u>SILVER</u>
Mens Singles	J.Morris(NL)	T.Samuelsson(NSW)
Womens Singles	P.Shadbolt(WK)	C.Hughes(NSW)
Mens Doubles	E.Herman/A.Tomlinson (SA/A)	K.Cole/T.Samuelsson(NSW)
Womens Doubles	V.Beaver/A.Roberts(C/HV)	P.Bennyworth/P.Shadbolt(WK)
Mixed Doubles	T.Samuelsson/V.Beaver	R.Lassen/C.Cunningham(A/NH)
<u>Over 50's</u>		
Mens Singles	N.H.Lee(A)	W.Weinstock(A)
Womens Singles	C.Cunningham(NH)	C.Hughes(NSW)
Mens Doubles	E.Herman/A.Tomlinson(SA/A)	K.Cole/K.Sands(NSW)
Womens Doubles	C.Cunningham/P.McArthur(NH)	J.Coleman/B.Halse(WK)
Mixed Doubles	K.Cole/C.Hughes(NSW)	R.Lassen/C.Cunningham(A/NH)
<u>Over 60's</u>		
Mens Singles	B.Bates(Vic)	A.Tomlinson(A)
Womens Singles	B.Jackson(A)	R.Bates(Vic)
Mens Doubles	R.Gregory/J.Lelliott(WT/HV)	T.Herbert/N.McConnell(Q/Vic)
Womens Doubles	R.Bates/M.McGregor(Vic/WT)	A.Brugnoli/I.Silins(NSW)
Mixed Doubles	B.Otene/B.Jackson(WT/A)	R.Gregory/M.McGregor(WT)
<u>Over 65's</u>		
Mens Singles	B.Bates(Vic)	J.Lelliott(HV)
Womens Singles	I.Silins(NSW)	J.Ingpen(A)
Mens Doubles	B.Bates/R.Poon(Vic)	R.Gregory/J.Lelliott(WT/HV)
Womens Doubles	N.Brant/D.Lassen(CM/A)	M.Edmunds/I.Silins(c/NSW)
Mixed Doubles	J.Lelliott/N.Brant(HV/CM)	C.Roden/I.Silins(NSW)
<u>Over 70's</u>		
Mens Singles	C.Roden(NSW)	T.Sandberg(A)
Womens Singles	N.Brant(CM)	D.Lassen(A)
Mens Doubles	J.Coad/T.Sandberg(A)	J.Delahunty/W.Wilson(HV/WT)
Mixed Doubles	W.Wilson/N.Brant(WT/CM)	E.Cheal/D.Lassen(A)

MERIT LISTS: Announced at the Presentation Social Evening

<u>OVER 40 MEN</u>	<u>OVER 40 WOMEN</u>	<u>OVER 50 MEN</u>
1. J.Morris(NL)	1. P.Shadbolt(WK)	1. N.H.Lee(A)
2. T.Samuelsson(NSW)	2. C.Hughes(NSW)	2. W.Weinstock(A)
3. D.Pattinson(NH)	3. C.Cunningham(NH)	3. K.Sands(NSW)
4. R.Lassen(A)	4. K.Begg(Vic)	4. A.Alabaster(C)
5. A.Tomlinson(A)	5. A.Roberts(HV)	5. T.Herbert(Q)
6. T.Murphy(NH)	6. C.Beaver(CM)	6. R.Lassen(A)
7. F.Kenny(WA)	7. P.McArthur(NH)	7. E.Herman(SA)
8. W.Weinstock(A)	8. L.Barker(C)	8. K.Cole(NSW)
9. P.Bennett(WT)	9. V.Scarr(Wair)	9. C.Eade(WT)
10. C.Eade(WT)	10. K.Findlay(NH)	10. A.Tomlinson(A)

<u>OVER 50 WOMEN</u>	<u>OVER 60 MEN</u>	<u>OVER 60 WOMEN</u>
1. C.Cunningham(NH)	1. T.Herbert(Q)	1. B.Jackson(A)
2. C.Hughes(NSW)	2. J.Lelliott(HV)	2. R.Bates(Vic)
3. B.Davies(NSW)	3. W.Bates(Vic)	3. M.McGregor(WT)
4. P.McArthur(NH)	4. A.Tomlinson(A)	4. A.Robottom(Wang)
5. L.McConnell(Vic)	5. R.McConnell(Vic)	5. A.Brugnoli(NSW)
6. R.Bates(Vic)	6. W.Otene(WT)	6. I.Silins(NSW)
7. M.McGregor(WT)	7. G.Nesbitt(NSW)	
8= G.Plowright(WT)	8. D.Wong(A)	
8= M.Green(A)		

<u>OVER 65 MEN</u>	<u>OVER 70 MEN</u>
1. W.Bates(Vic)	1. C.Roden(NSW)
2. J.Lelliott(HV)	2. T.Sandberg(A)
3. C.Roden(NSW)	3. J.Delahunty(HV)
4. R.Poon(Vic)	4. J.Coad(A)
5. R.Gregory(WT)	
6. T.Sandberg(A)	
7. J.Coad(A)	
8. J.Delahunty(HV)	
9. J.Craig(NSW)	
10. K.Dwyer(A)	

QUEEN OF THE TABLE

An article in the Auckland Western Leader had a Photograph of Iris Rowntree (Nee Dove). After about 50 years without playing Iris recently attended the Waitemata Club and showed some of the skills that won her the New Zealand Womens Singles Title in 1935 at the young age of 16. At the time although she hadn't played much she was far too good for any New Zealand Women. Let's hope she starts playing regularly again and competes in the New Zealand Veterans in the years ahead.

Best wishes for the 1996 Season which is now underway and please feel free to contact me at any time if you need any more information.

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