

NEW ZEALAND VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT NORTH HARBOUR 2-5 APRIL, 1999



NEW ZEALAND TEAM MEMBERS WHO PLAYED AUSTRALIA - LEFT TO RIGHT STANDING
Sean CHEN, Nam Hang LEE, John LELLIOTT, David JACKSON, Val BEAVER,
William WEINSTOCK, Averil ROBERTS, Bob LASSEN, Lynley BARKER, Ulrike KUSCHE,
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MEMBERSHIP

Already in 1999 we have 8 new members, most of them joined at the New Zealand Veterans Championships at Easter and most of those members who were there paid for 1999. You will probably have noticed from the cover sheet that National Insurance has changed its name to Tower Insurance.

1999 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The venue this year is Palmerston North with the Juniors 20-25 September and the Seniors 26-30 September. A proposed Timetable has been distributed to Associations with Senior Teams on Sunday and Monday 26 and 27 Sept. with Team Finals played on Tuesday Evening at 7.00 p.m. B and C Grade Singles will commence at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday and played right through to the Finals on the day. Over 45 Singles and Mixed Doubles also commence at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday. Over 35, 45 and 55 Age Groups will be played on Wednesday commencing at 9.00 a.m. with the Finals played at 1.00 p.m. on Thursday. Open Events commence at 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday with the Open Events Finals at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday.

1999 SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

To be held in Invercargill over Queens Birthday Weekend 5-7 June. Entry Forms are with Associations and entries close on 10 May. The Veterans Events are combined with the Juniors on Sunday and Monday. Full details are on the cover sheet of the Entry Form.

1999 NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

To be held in Auckland in the July School Holidays July 9-11. No more detail available at present.

1999 AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

To be held on the Gold Coast from 11-18 September. Those who wish to play in New Zealand Teams please let me know as soon as possible. Also those who want accommodation please let me know at an early date. There seem to be a number of people who have not yet decided. Christine Cunningham will go if she wins enough money from Lotto.

Those who will be playing in the Teams can get shirts from me with the New Zealand Veterans Monogram for \$18 per shirt. Anybody who wants to order shirts please let me know your size, I think that two shirts would be the minimum required.

1999 AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES

Will be held in Adelaide from 27-29 September. Anybody interested please let me know and I will send you a Bulletin. More detail in the last Newsletter.

2,000 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS

To be hosted by the Manawatu (Personatu) Association in Palmerston North at Easter.

2,000 WORLD VETERANS

To be held in Vancouver, Canada May 20-28 which will probably include Team Events as well as Individuals. Interest seems to be growing and we will probably have over 20 from New Zealand going. Accommodation is being sold out quickly so if you want me to book for you please let me know straight away otherwise I'll go ahead and assume you are booking your own. A Bulletin with more detail should be available sometime in June.

EXTRA

Smile and give your face a good time (secret donor).

1999 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Played at North Harbour over Easter, once again it was a very successful and enjoyable Tournament and well organised. The first ever Veterans Test Match against Australia was played on the Thursday Evening with the New Zealand Mens Teams beating Australia 8-6, with the Over 40 Doubles not played, and the New Zealand Womens Teams losing to Australia 13-2. The overall result was Australia 19 New Zealand 10.

Two new Veterans from Auckland, Sean Chen and David Jackson, dominated the Over 40 Men winning Gold in the Teams, Gold and Silver in the Singles, Gold in the Doubles and David Jackson won Gold in the Mixed Doubles. Kay Crowell from Australia was the same in the Over 40 Women winning Gold in the Teams, Singles and Doubles and Silver in the Mixed Doubles partnered by John Fogarty (the partnership looks long term the way they danced together). One day during the Tournament the Referee, Mike McAvinue, turned 60 and celebrated by shouting a large number of those present to drinks and snacks including a Birthday Cake.

A new system was introduced in the Teams with the Australian and Composite Teams still getting the Medals but the top New Zealand Association Team in each Section receiving Trophies.

TEST MATCH:

Over 40 Men NZ 4 Aust.0; Over 50 Men NZ 3 Aust.2; Over 60 Men NZ 1 Aust.4; Over 40 Women NZ 0 Aust.5; Over 50 Women NZ 1 Aust.4; Over 60 Women NZ 1 Aust.4.

| <u>TEAMS:</u> | <u>GOLD</u> | <u>SILVER</u> | <u>ASSN. TROPHY</u> |
|---------------|--|---|---------------------|
| 0.40 Men | Auckland S.Chen,D.Jackson | North Harbour J.Cunningham,J.Te Pania | Auckland |
| 0.40 Women | South Australia L.Baker,K.Crowell | North Harbour V.Beaver,C.Cunningham K.Findlay | North Harbour |
| 0.50 Men A | Auckland R.Lassen,W.Weinstock | Composite K.Cole,I.Klaf | Auckland |
| 0.50 Men B | North Harbour J.Cunningham, J.Te Pania | Auckland M.Lee,B.Penberthy | North Harbour |
| 0.50 Men C | Waitemata CP.Adamson,D.Cooney | Southland CW.Adamson,C.Neutze | Waitemata |
| 0.50 Women A | North Harbour P.McArthur,J.Murray | Victoria V.Crumbie,P.Rosario | North Harbour |
| 0.50 Women B | Manawatu G.Halford,V.Scarr | Southland N.Garrett,P.Swale | Manawatu |
| 0.60 Men | Auckland M.Lee,N.H.Lee | Composite C.DeBondt,G.Nesbitt | Auckland |
| 0.60 Women | New South Wales B.Davies,C.Hughes | South Australia B.Bird,J.Stephens | Waitemata |
| 0.65 Men | Hutt Valley M.Allardyce,R.Menchi | Composite G.Nesbitt,D.Sherman | Hutt Valley |
| 0.70 Men | Hutt Valley J.Delahunty,J.Lelliott | Auckland J.Coad,T.Sandberg | Hutt Valley |

INDIVIDUALS:

| | <u>GOLD</u> | <u>SILVER</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 0.40 Mens Singles | S.Chen | D.Jackson |
| 0.40 Womens Singles | K.Crowell | L.Barker |
| 0.40 Mens Doubles | S.Chen/D.Jackson | K.Cole/I.Klaf |
| 0.40 Womens Doubles | L.Barker/K.Crowell | V.Beaver/A.Roberts |
| 0.40 Mixed Doubles | D.Jackson/V.Beaver | J.Fogarty/K.Crowell |
| 0.50 Mens Singles | I.Klaf | R.Lassen |
| 0.50 Womens Singles | B.Bird | V.Beaver |
| 0.50 Mens Doubles | K.Cole/I.Klaf | P.Low/D.Pattinson |
| 0.50 Womens Doubles | V.Beaver/A.Roberts | B.Bird/P.Rosario |
| 0.50 Mixed Doubles | I.Klaf/B.Bird | D.Pattinson/C.Hughes |

| <u>INDIVIDUALS Cont'd</u> | <u>GOLD</u> | <u>SILVER</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 0.60 Mens Singles | C.DeBondt | N.H.Lee |
| 0.60 Womens Singles | B.Bird | P.Rosario |
| 0.60 Mens Doubles | C.DeBondt/G.Nesbitt | M.Lee/N.H.Lee |
| 0.60 Womens Doubles | B.Bird/J.Stephens | B.Davies/P.Rosario |
| 0.60 Mixed Doubles | N.H.Lee/B.Bird | E.Moore/J.Coleman |
| 0.65 Mens Singles | J.Lelliott | B.Otene |
| 0.65 Womens Singles | A.Robottom | N.Milich |
| 0.65 Mens Doubles | K.Armstrong/E.Moore | H.Dye/B.Otene |
| 0.65 Womens Doubles | D.De Low/A.Robottom | B.Infelaar/N.Milich |
| 0.65 Mixed Doubles | J.Lelliott/A.Robottom | L.Calder/N.Milich |
| 0.70 Mens Singles | J.Coad | J.Delahunty |
| 0.70 Mens Doubles | J.Delahunty/J.Lelliott | J.Coad/T.Sandberg |
| 0.70 Mixed Doubles | W.Wilson/N.Brant | R.Lynch/D.De Low |
| 0.75 Mens Singles | H.Taylor | T.Sandberg |
| 0.75 Womens Singles | D.De Low | N.Brant |
| 0.75 Mixed Doubles | H.Taylor/N.Brant | T.Sandberg/D.De Low |

MERIT LISTS:

The following Merit Lists were announced at the Presentation Evening but they were reduced from the usual ten to five.

| <u>Over 40 Men</u> | <u>Over 40 Women</u> | <u>Over 50 Men</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.Sean Chen(A) | Kay Crowell(AU) | Igor Klaf(AU) |
| 2.David Jackson(A) | Lorraine Baker(AU) | Bob Lassen(A) |
| 3.Bob Lassen(A) | Val Beaver(NH) | Mick Wright(AU) |
| 4.Kevin Fogarty(NH) | Christine Cunningham(NH) | Pat Low(A) |
| 5.John Yang(?) | Lynley Barker(C) | William Weinstock(A) |

| <u>Over 50 Women</u> | <u>Over 60 Men</u> | <u>Over 60 Women</u> |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1.Betty Bird(AU) | Case De Bondt(AU) | Betty Bird(AU) |
| 2.Val Beaver(NH) | Nam Hang Lee(A) | Prisca Rosario(AU) |
| 3.Christine Cunningham | Geoff Nesbitt(AU) | =(Carol Hughes(AU) |
| 4.Anne McLean(A) | Man Tin Lee(A) | =(Beryl Davies(AU) |
| 5.Averil Roberts(HV) | Terry Cockfield(NH) | Anice Robottom(Wang) |

| <u>Over 65 Men</u> | <u>Over 70 Men</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1.John Lelliott(HV) | John Lelliott(HV) |
| 2.GeoffNesbitt(AU) | Jim Coad(A) |
| 3.Bill Otene(WAIT) | Jim Delahunty(HV) |
| 4.Eddie Moore(C) | Theo Sandberg(A) |
| 5.Keith Armstrong(C) | Ron Lynch(AU) |

OBITUARY:

Col Roden from New South Wales passed away suddenly on Monday 22 March, doing what he loved, playing Table Tennis at the Age of 75. He played in the New Zealand Veterans many times accompanied by his Wife Ruth and they made and they made many friends, he won a large number of New Zealand Titles including winning all three over 70 Titles in 1993. He was a permanent fixture in New South Wales Teams at the Australian Veterans. As well as an accomplished player he was a National Umpire and a great worker for Veterans Table Tennis and will be sadly missed by Australian and New Zealand Veterans. Our deepest sympathy to his wife Ruth.

RATING LISTS:

There has not been a Rating List issued this year but those of you who have access to the INTERNET will be able to see regular updates of David Jacksons Lists.

Yours Sincerely,

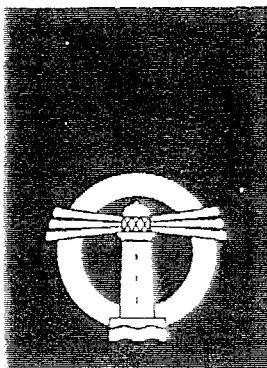
John Lelliott

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PHOTOGRAPH OF MOST OF THOSE WHO WENT TO THE AUSTRALIAN VETERANS



BACK - EDDIE MOORE, KEVIN FOGARTY, JOHN FOGARTY, JOHN WILLIAMS
MIDDLE - VAL SCARR, DENVER GLASS, JOACHIM KUSCHE, DOUG PATTINSON,
EDDIE MILLARD, JANICE STEAD.
FRONT - LYNLEY BARKER, AVERIL ROBERTS, VAL BEAVER, ANNE McLEAN
ABSENT - BRUCE & MARGARET CONNOLLY, ULRIKE KUSCHE, OEA BURNETT
AND RON ANDERSON(A LAST MINUTE REPLACEMENT FOR THE
OVER 60's MENS TEAM).



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I'm sorry this issue is so late but I havent been well for months and everything has taken a lot longer to do. Three weeks ago, after 3 months waiting, I managed to get an appointment with a specialist who diagnosed me with having Parkinsons Disease and wouldn't let me travel to the Australian Veterans. However, she also said after 3 months treatment it would probably be cured, I hope she's right. A few days prior to his departure to the Australian Veterans I rang Doug Pattinson about accommodation and told him I had Pattinsons Disease, sorry Doug it was a bad mistake.

FUTURE OF NEWSLETTER

I have been running the Veterans Newsletter for 11 years and gave a firm undertaking that I would run it until the year 2,000. Could anybody interested in taking over from me please let me know as soon as possible. I've had over 70 years of good health, mainly due to regular Table Tennis, so I can't complain about my current condition. Recently to my surprise, I got a get well Card from Australia signed by about 100 Australian Veterans.

OBITUARY

I regret to advise that Les Field from the Wairarapa Assn. passed away on the 10th June which was one month prior to his 55th Birthday. Our deepest sympathy to his wife Paddy and her family, Les had been ill for some years but kept on playing Table Tennis including going to the World Veterans last year. Les and Paddy are in the photograph of the Group who went to Manchester on the cover of Newsletter No.43 dated 23rd August,1998.

E-MAIL

I've heard from one of his mates in Auckland that David Jackson has a crush on E-Mail. His mate told me that David would rather have an F in front and call it FE-MAIL.

2,000 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS

This popular Tournament will be hosted by the Manawatu Association and be held in Palmerston North from Good Friday 21st April to Easter Monday 24th April, there could also be something on the Thursday Evening. I've heard that there are other sporting events on at the same time including the Tennis Teams Tournament which always has large entries. I would advise those travelling from outside the area to book accommodation as soon as possible to avoid missing out.

AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

I've heard that next year they will be held in New South Wales but the actual venue has not yet been decided.

WORLD VETERANS

To be held in Vancouver, Canada from May 20th to 28th,2000. Ther are about 18 going from New Zealand most of them from the Manawatu Veterans Club. If anybody else is thinking of going please let me know and I will send you the latest Bulletin with full details.

NEW ZEALAND MASTERS GAMES

To be held in Dunedin from 5th to 7th February. See the details later in this Newsletter.

SUMMER NATIONALS

Will be held once again in Nelson from 8th to 14th January,2000.

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Will be held in Timaru probably over Queens Birthday weekend.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Next year they will be held in Taupo, the home of the Penberthy family. John or Graham may be able to provide more information for the next Newsletter.

YEAR 2000 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

They will be hosted by the Canterbury Association in Christchurch almost certainly in the SchoolHolidays in late September.

SOUTH PACIFIC MASTERS GAMES

I recently heard that the inaugural South Pacific Masters Games will be held in Hamilton from 29th January to the 6th February. It will clash with the New Zealand Masters Games unless they hold the Table Tennis in late January. The contact address is P.O.Box 9048, Hamilton, Phone (07)849.1734.

1999 AUSTRALIAN VETERANS

This popular Tournament held on the Gold Coast from 11th to 18th September had 238 Entries in a strong field this included 19 from New Zealand compared with 9 in 1998.

Our Over 50 Womens Team did very well to come 2nd out of 8 Teams which led to them all being on the Merit List, Val Beaver with 76% was No.5, Lynley Barker with 67% was No.7 and Averil Roberts 57% No.10. Our Over 40 Mens Team finished 5th out of 10 Doug Pattinson finished with 53%, Kevin Fogarty 46%, John Fogarty 25% and Joachim Kusche 22%. The Over 40 Womens Team were 6th out of 8 with Anne McLean 48%, Val Scarr 38% and Oea Burnett 29%. The Over 50 Men were 9th out of 10, Bruce Connolly got 56%, Eddie Millard 15% and John Williams 4%. The Over 60 Men were 8th out of 10 with Denver Glass 33%, Eddie Moore 30% and Ron Anderson 4%.

In the Individual Events Kevin Fogarty and Doug Pattinson beat the top seeds W.Heginbotham and D.Beaumont in the 2nd Round of the Over 40 Mens Doubles but lost in the Quarter Finals to T.Samuelsson and D.Schull. Val Beaver partnered by the Over 40 Mens Singles Champion got to the final of the Over 40 Mixed Doubles losing to top seeds P.Pinkewich and K.Crowell. Doug Pattinson won his Group in the Over 50 Mens Singles but lost in the Quarter Finals to A.Drury. In the Over 50 Womens Singles Val Beaver and Lynley Barker won their Groups but they both lost their first match in the main draw.

Kangaroo Medals Won - SILVER Over 50 Womens Team Val Beaver, Lynley Barker and Averil Roberts. SILVER Val Beaver Over 40 Mixed Doubles.

1999 SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

| <u>OVER 35's</u> | <u>GOLD</u> | <u>SILVER</u> |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Mens Singles | D.Jackson | L.White |
| Womens Singles | U.Kusche | Y.Fogarty |
| Mens Doubles | J.Kusche/D.Samson | S.Wallace/M.Wilson |
| Womens Doubles | U.Kusche/S.Mitchell | B.Adamson/P.Swale |
| Mixed Doubles | J.and Y.Fogarty | L.White/S.Mitchell |
| <u>OVER 40's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | D.Jackson | S.Wallace |
| Womens Singles | U.Kusche | N.Garrett |
| Mens Doubles | J.Fogarty/D.Jackson | R.Garrett/A.Moore |
| Womens Doubles | S.Chang/U.Kusche | N.Garrett/J.King |
| Mixed Doubles | J.and Y.Fogarty | J.and U.Kusche |
| <u>OVER 50's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | C.Neutze | R.Garrett |
| Womens Singles | N.Garrett | J.King |
| Mens Doubles | K.Armstrong/E.Moore | C.Adamson/C.Neutze |
| Womens Doubles | N.Garrett/J.King | S.Chang/P.Swale |
| Mixed Doubles | N.and R.Garrett | C.Neutze/J.King |

SOUTH ISLAND (CONTINUED)

| <u>OVER 60's</u> | <u>GOLD</u> | <u>SILVER</u> |
|------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Mens Singles | C. Neutze | E. Moore |
| Womens Singles | B. Adamson | D. Humphries |
| Mens Doubles | C. Adamson/C. Neutze | K. Armstong/E. Moore |
| Womens Doubles | Not Held | |
| Mixed Doubles | B. and C. Adamson | N. Tapper/D. Humphries |

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

| <u>OVER 35's</u> | | |
|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mens Singles | S. Chen | K. Barry |
| Mens Doubles | S. Chen/J. Yang | S. Lui/A. Phang |
| Other Over 35's | Not Held | |
| <u>OVER 40's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | S. Chen | R. Lassen |
| Womens Singles | A. McLean | V. Beaver |
| Mens Doubles | S. Chen/J. Yang | S. Lui/A. Phang |
| Womens Doubles | V. Beaver/A. Roberts | C. Cunningham/A. McLean |
| Mixed Doubles | D. Jackson/V. Beaver | S. Chen/A. Roberts |
| <u>OVER 50's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | W. Weinstock | N. H. Lee |
| Womens Singles | V. Beaver | J. Murray |
| Mens Doubles | M. Lee/N. H. Lee | R. Lassen/B. Penberthy |
| Womens Doubles | V. Beaver/A. Roberts | C. Cunningham/A. McLean |
| Mixed Doubles | R. Lassen/C. Cunningham | B. Penberthy/V. Beaver |
| <u>OVER 60's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | N. H. Lee | M. Lee |
| Womens Singles | M. McGregor | P. Keene |
| Mens Doubles | M. Lee/N. H. Lee | H. Dye/W. Otene |
| Womens Doubles | P. Keene/M. McGregor | B. Dye/N. Milich |
| Mixed Doubles | W. Otene/M. McGregor | B. and H. Dye |

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

| <u>OVER 35's</u> | | |
|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mens Singles | S. Chen | M. Darrock |
| Womens Singles | H. Low | V. Beaver |
| Mens Doubles | S. Chen/P. Low | K. Barry/G. Rau |
| Womens Doubles | V. Beaver/A. Roberts | H. Low/J. Murray |
| Mixed Doubles | S. Chen/A. Roberts | L. White/V. Beaver |
| <u>OVER 45's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | G. Rau | W. Weinstock |
| Womens Singles | V. Beaver | C. Cunningham |
| Mens Doubles | K. Fogarty/W. Weinstock | R. Lassen/D. Pattinson |
| Womens Doubles | V. Beaver/A. Roberts | C. Cunningham/D. Te Pania |
| Mixed Doubles | B. Wynks/A. Roberts | D. Pattinson/V. Beaver |
| <u>OVER 55's</u> | | |
| Mens Singles | N. H. Lee | R. Lassen |
| Womens Singles | C. Cunningham | J. Coleman |
| Mens Doubles | M. Lee/N. H. Lee | R. Dunn/W. Willis |
| Womens Doubles | C. Cunningham/N. Milich | P. Bennyworth/J. Coleman |
| Mixed Doubles | R. Lassen/C. Cunningham | N. H. Lee/P. Bennyworth |



**NEW ZEALAND
MASTERS GAMES**

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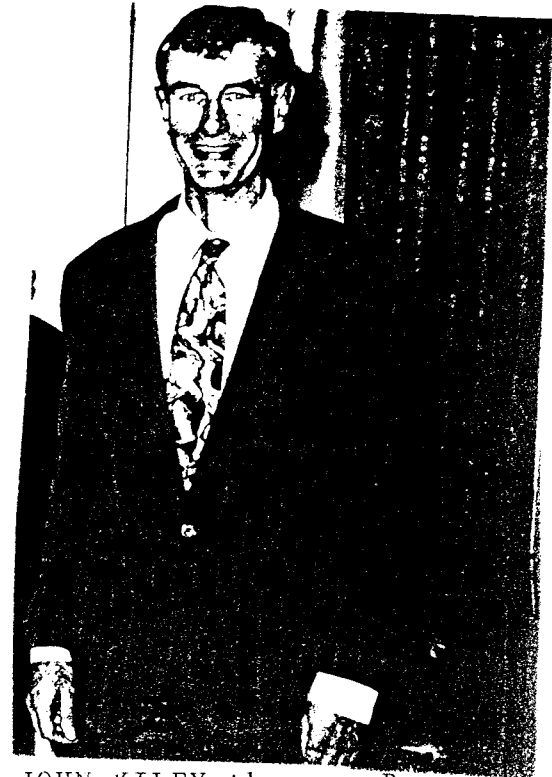
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THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

I have a list of people I know
all written in a book
and every year at Christmas time
I go and take a look
and that is when I realise
that those names are a part
not of the book they're written in
but of my very heart
for each name stands for someone
who has crossed my path sometime
and in that meeting they've become
a treasured gem of mine
and once you've met some people
the years cannot erase
the memory of a pleasant word
or of a friendly face
so when I send a Christmas card
that is addressed to you
it's because you're on the list of
folk I'm indebted to
and you are one of many folk who
in times past I've met
and you happen to be one of those
I don't want to forget
and whether I have known you for
many years or few
in some way you have a part in
shaping things I do
This, The spirit of Christmas, that
forever and ever endures
may it leave you it's richest blessing
in the heart of you and yours

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS

FEEL FREE TO COPY THE ABOVE AND
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JOHN KILEY the new Boss
of Table Tennis New Zealand



Preparing herself for a
big match in Doubles
against the Top Seeds.

VETERANS RATINGS AS AT 28th JULY

| <u>OVER 40 MEN</u> | <u>OVER 40 WOMEN</u> | <u>OVER 50 MEN</u> | <u>OVER 50 WOMEN</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. S. CHEN | Y. FOGARTY | R. LASSEN | V. BEAVER |
| 2. D. JACKSON | V. BEAVER | P. LOW | L. BARKER |
| 3. R. LASSEN | U. KUSCHE | W. WEINSTOCK | A. ROBERTS |
| 4. K. BARRY | L. BARKER | W. EVANS | A. McLEAN |
| 5. M. BURROWES | A. ROBERTS | A. TOMLINSON | C. CUNNINGHAM |
| 6. L. WARD | A. McLEAN | D. PATTINSON | J. MURRAY |
| 7. D. HALL | C. CUNNINGHAM | A. ALABASTER | P. McARTHUR |
| 8. P. LOW | J. MURRAY | N. H. LEE | V. SCARR |
| 9. W. WEINSTOCK | P. McARTHUR | B. CONNOLLY | J. COLEMAN |
| 10. W. EVANS | L. WYNKS | C. EADE | K. FINDLAY |
| 11. A. TOMLINSON | V. SCARR | C. WILLIAMS | P. BENNYWORTH |
| 12. D. PATTINSON | J. COLEMAN | A. ROBERTS | N. GARRETT |
| 13. F. ZHAO | K. FINDLAY | P. ROOT | S. SHIRRIFFS |
| 14. A. ALABASTER | P. BENNYWORTH | P. BENNETT | M. McGREGOR |
| 15. A. PHANG | N. GARRETT | T. RUTLEDGE | J. WHAREHOKA |
| 16. N. H. LEE | S. SHIRRIFFS | G. DOYLE | M. COSTELLO |
| 17. J. YANG | L. GARDNER | M. WARREN | R. McKECHNIE |
| 18. T. MURPHY | M. McGREGOR | M. T. LEE | D. TE PANIA |
| 19. B. WYNKS | J. WHAREHOKA | C. T. CHANG | J. KING |
| 20. K. FOGARTY | M. COSTELLO | J. LELLIOTT | M. GREEN |

| <u>OVER 60 MEN</u> | <u>OVER 60 WOMEN</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A. TOMLINSON | P. McARTHUR |
| 2. N. H. LEE | J. COLEMAN |
| 3. A. ROBERTS | M. McGREGOR |
| 4. G. DOYLE | J. WHAREHOKA |
| 5. M. T. LEE | M. GREEN |
| 6. J. LELLIOTT | P. HOETE |
| 7. C. TIPPER | E. SPOONER |
| 8. W. OTENE | A. ROBOTOM |
| 9. N. PARSONS | G. HALFORD |
| 10. C. NEUTZE | K. THOMPSON |

I still believe that miracles
 can happen every day,
 I still think angels sometimes
 come to wipe our tears away.
 When night seems darkest,
 I believe we'll see a light shine clear,
 and when the storm is gone,
 I'm sure a rainbow will appear.

AMANDA BRADLEY

Yours Sincerely,

John Lelliott

John Lelliott,
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PHOTOGRAPH OF 'THE BRIDAL PARTY' - MEDAL WINNERS IN THE OVER 50 MIXED DOUBLES. FROM LEFT, KEN COLE & LYNLEY BARKER - BRONZE, DOUG PATTINSON & ANNE McLEAN - SILVER, VALERIE BEAVER & THOMAS SAMUELSSSEN - GOLD, CHRISTINE CUNNINGHAM & BOB LASSEN - BRONZE.



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I seem to have got myself elected to keep this newsletter going since John is no longer able to do it. Unfortunately he is now virtually confined to a chair and has very limited movement, but is still very much aware of what is going on. His daughter and son-in-law who live in Guatemala are staying with him at present. They have hired a wheelchair and are managing a few outings. One of his first requests was to visit 'Club night' of Empire Table Tennis Club. Surprise, surprise!! I am sorry my sense of humour is not in the same league as John's so you may miss the jokes, but I dare say he will forward some to me from time to time so you will not feel deprived. If anyone has any articles or information which they think appropriate for this newsletter, please forward them to me.

OBITUARY

I regret to advise those who don't already know, that Isabel Cleland, one of our most enthusiastic members from Hutt Valley, passed away on 25 March aged 76 years. Isabel had not been well for a few years but continued to be very active in both administration and playing. She will be sadly missed.



12.12.23 - 25.03.2000

2000 NEW ZEALAND VETERANS

This popular annual Easter Tournament was hosted by the Manawatu Assn. They did an excellent job and I am sure it was enjoyed by all who participated, both on the tables and in the social area. Many thanks to Shona and Andrew who worked tirelessly throughout the weekend. The only problems were the 'Aussies'. First Thomas Samuelssen left his passport at home so missed his plane to Wellington. He managed to get a flight next day but didn't know where he was staying!! (at my place). He DID know the Tournament was in Palmerston North and was lucky Sandra and Ron Lynch were on the same plane and gave him a lift there. Beryl Davies then became the problem. First she collapsed during her first match of the Championships, THEN when we all got back to Hutt Valley after the Tournament and settled down for a quiet evening, she informed us she had left her airline ticket and passport under the mattress in her Motel room in Palmerston North. They were due at Wellington airport at 5am next day. After many phone calls, thank you Eddie Millard for coming to our rescue and meeting us halfway. Neither Steve nor I felt like another 4 hours of driving.

Results were:-

OVER 40

Mens Singles
Womens Singles
Mens Doubles
Womens Doubles
Mixed Doubles

GOLD

T. Samuelssen
A. McLean
K. Fogarty/D. Pattinson
S. Shirriffs/L. Wynks
B. Wynks/A. Roberts

SILVER

K. Cole
V. Scarr
K. Cole/T. Samuelssen
L. Barker/P. Bennyworth
R. Lassen/C. Cunningham

OVER 50

Mens Singles
Womens Singles
Mens Doubles
Womens Doubles
Mixed Doubles

T. Samuelssen
A. McLean
R. Lassen/D. Pattinson
C. Cunningham/A. McLean
T. Samuelssen/V. Beaver

K. Cole
V. Beaver
B. Connolly/N. Lee
V. Beaver/A. Roberts
D. Pattinson/A. McLean

OVER 60

Mens Singles
Womens Singles
Mens Doubles
Womens Doubles
Mixed Doubles

OVER 65

Mens Singles
Womens Singles
Mens Doubles
Womens Doubles
Mixed Doubles

OVER 70

Mens Singles
Womens Singles
Mens Doubles
Womens Doubles
Mixed Doubles

GOLD

N. Lee
C. Hughes
C. Eade/N. Lee
B. Davies/C. Hughes
C. Tipper/A. Robottom

G. Nesbitt
A. Robottom
B. Halpin/E. Moore
B. Meads/A. Robottom
G. Nesbitt/A. Robottom

D. Sherman
J. Woodward
R. Lynch/D. Sherman
E. Spooner/J. Woodward
L. Calder/J. Woodward

SILVER

C. De Bondt
B. Davies
C. De Bondt/G. Nesbitt
A. Robottom/E. Spooner
A. Alabaster/B. Davies

E. Moore
M. McGregor
B. Burns/J. Cheal
M. McGregor/N. Milich
D. Galvin/M. McGregor

R. Lynch
P. McAllister
L. Calder/B. Neumann
P. McAllister/R. Orange
S. Cooper/P. McAllister

MERIT LISTS as announced at the Presentation Dinner:-

OVER 40 MEN

1. T. Samuelssen
2. K. Cole
3. D. Pattinson
4. K. Fogarty
5. R. Dunn
6. C. Talbot
7. D. Scott
8. = S. Craw
J. Te Pania

OVER 50 WOMEN

1. L. Barker
2. V. Beaver
3. C. Cunningham
4. A. McLean
5. A. Roberts
6. V. Scarr
7. S. Shirriffs
8. P. Bennyworth

OVER 65 MEN

1. G. Nesbitt
2. E. Moore
3. J. Cheal
4. C. Adamson
5. B. Burns
6. R. Menchi
7. R. Lynch
8. D. Galvin

OVER 40 WOMEN

- V. Beaver
L. Barker
C. Cunningham
A. McLean
S. Lynch
L. Wynks
V. Scarr
= N. Garrett
S. Shirriffs

OVER 60 MEN

- N. Lee
C. De Bondt
A. Alabaster
C. Eade
C. Tipper
G. Nesbitt
R. Galloway
J. Jarmin

OVER 65 WOMEN

- A. Robottom
M. McGregor

OVER 70 WOMEN

1. J. Woodward
2. P. McAllister

OVER 50 MEN

- T. Samuelssen
K. Cole
D. Pattinson
R. Lassen
N. Lee
S. Craw
B. Connolly
C. Eade

OVER 60 WOMEN

- C. Hughes
B. Davies
A. Robottom
G. Halford
M. McGregor
N. Milich
J. Woodward
P. McAllister

OVER 70 MEN

- D. Sherman
R. Lynch
L. Calder

2000 ASIA PACIFIC MASTERS GAMES

This Tournament will be held on the Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia from 28 October to 5 November 2000. If anyone is interested in competing in the Tournament which includes 40 different sports including table tennis, either contact me, or the website is www.mastersgames.com.au. Phone 0061755640480, Fax 0061755640498.

2000 AUSTRALIAN VETERAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year the Tournament is going to be held in Campbelltown, New South Wales. Campbelltown is about 48km from Sydney. The proposed dates are 18 - 25 November. The reason for the lateness this year is because of the Olympics and Para Olympics both also being held in Sydney during September/October. If anyone is thinking about attending these Championships please contact me as soon as possible as I understand handy accommodation is filling up quickly. I will also need to know so I am able to advise TTA of our probable team entries.

2000 NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year they will be hosted by the Canterbury Association in their new Stadium on Blenheim Road. I have not seen this new venue but have been assured it is a huge improvement on Selwyn Street. The format for the Tournament has reverted back to having the juniors and seniors all competing together. The Tournament will run from 30 September/8 October.

VETERANS RATINGS AS AT 21/05/00

OVER 40 MEN

1. S. Chen
2. D. Jackson
3. N.H. Lee
4. G. Rau
5. R. Lassen
6. K. Barry
7. D. Pattinson
8. W. Weinstock
9. P. Low
10. A. Alabaster

OVER 40 WOMEN

- V. Beaver
- Y. Fogarty
- A. McLean
- C. Cunningham
- U. Kusche
- L. Barker
- V. Scarr
- A. Roberts
- J. Murray
- S. Shirriffs

OVER 50 MEN

- N.H. Lee
- R. Lassen
- D. Pattinson
- W. Weinstock
- P. Low
- A. Alabaster
- C. Eade
- R. Dunn
- C. Tipper
- S. Crow

OVER 50 WOMEN

- V. Beaver
- A. McLean
- C. Cunningham
- L. Barker
- V. Scarr
- A. Roberts
- J. Murray
- S. Shirriffs
- P. McArthur
- N. Garrett

OVER 60 MEN

1. N.H. Lee
2. A. Alabaster
3. C. Eade
4. C. Tipper
5. E. Moore

OVER 60 WOMEN

- P. McArthur
- J. Coleman
- A. Robottom
- J. Wharehoka
- M. McGregor

A thought:-

A meal without a wine is like a day without sunshine.

I ask anyone who still wishes to receive this newsletter and who has not paid their 2000 subscription to do so as soon as possible to enable me to keep it going. The printing and postage costs are quite high. I will be at the North Island Champs if anyone wants to pay up then.

Yours sincerely



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