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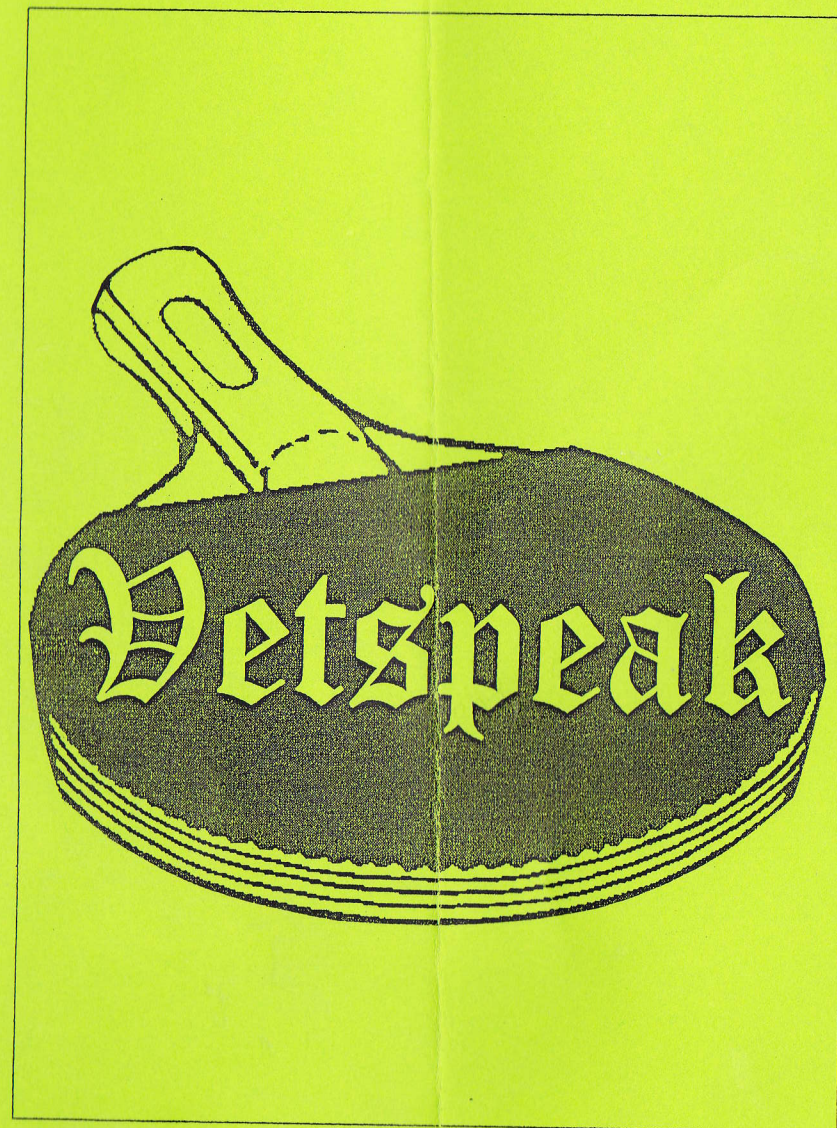


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A Newsletter for Table Tennis veterans, Masters, and social players, supported by the NZ Lotteries Grants Board's Aged Committee

Hi there oldies,

The Northern Districts Region is being revived and meetings among some of the associations representatives have put together plans for a veterans teams tournament.

NDJTT has continued with its junior teams tournaments in the past but NDTTR has found problems in getting the right mix for a veterans event.

The aim was not only to fill in a few gaps in the veterans programmes but also try to encourage the hundreds of social playing vets, without having them face hardened tournament players.

There often has been expressed a wish among non-tournament veterans and social players that they would like an occasional game against players from other associations, but against players of their own strength.

North Harbour had a most successful tournament two years ago, held mid-week, but last year it was changed to a weekend and the social players were "frightened off" by the tournament players becoming available because of the day selected.

One idea was for associations to enter a team(s) and the host association would then select the teams in grades. The only age barrier would be that all players would be over-40.

One of the problems would be that curse of the veterans playing well outside their age group. For example, it could mean that a team of 39-year-olds, could play a team of 75-year-olds.

I can't understand the set minds of administrators who give two-year gaps for the juniors from 11 to 21, then after 35 the gaps increase. In other words the older you get the harder it becomes.

Associations exist because of the veterans, as players and as administrators. Take away the oldies and there would be little left. Yet, apart from the national veterans there is little tournament life for them after 60. Most of the associations have 40, 50 and 60 divisions, the same as the North and South Islands and Summer. As can be seen in the following results the veterans numbers, after 50, are falling sharply in all associations. The most popular tournaments are in the growing Masters series, and that is because there have a greater age range.....but, alas, these tournaments are not recognised by TTNZ.

Perhaps the answer would be to tighten up the rules and regulations for the Masters so they come up to TTNZ tournament standard.....but then the relaxing atmosphere of the Masters would be lost.

Associations may consider having one-day veterans tournamentsjust veterans, or even have social player only sections. Most of these players are registered with associations, or would be soon.

Re-thinking IMR

There has to be a bit of thinking outside the square so perhaps a good place to start would be a two-tiered system for IMR. We have to find some way to increase our registered numbers yet eliminate the ridiculous situation of registering an 85-year-old rest homer because she wants to play social table tennis every month.

We are already forcing quite a number of social players to private unregistered little clubs but there are some in New Zealand who believe that all should be registered, without exception.

We must also evolve a system whereby associations who do not have competitive players on a scale of others do not pay extraordinarily high fees, while other associations who have the numbers and the money hold the national body to ransom over IMR payments.

Jackson the first

David Jackson became the first New Zealander to pass the International Referees examination.

There was a glowing report from his examiner who stated that it was rare for anyone to pass the exam at the first sitting.

This is another chapter in the remarkable achievements of the Jackson family. Bob is a Hall of Famer; Barbara, a winner of national vets titles and still playing interclub at Waitemata; as does David, who has been a multiple vets gold medallist; Peter, nearing the end of an Olympic and Commonwealth career; and Phillip a talented junior but who doesn't pick up a bat nowadays.

Island ping pong

For any veteran who wants to combine some leisure time in the beautiful Cook Islands with an occasional game of table tennis.....the sport has been revived in these exotic islands. Games are played in the Avatiu Recreational Centre in Rarotonga where there are 30 members and on nearby island Mangaia where there are more than 60 members.

Red Star do

I'm sure it is not too late for a quick note to the organisers at 22/140 Chapel St, Masterton, if you want to take your rightful place at the club's 40th Jubilee celebrations on September 20, 2003. Phone numbers are 06-378-7823, 06-377-4453 or 06-377-3488.

I might add that all views in this magazine are not necessarily the views of TTNZ, and that this magazine is financed by veteran members, advertising and grants from the Department of Internal Affairs

NORTH ISLAND

This was an exceptionally well run tournament. The timing was perfect and the organisers kept games right to the dot.

Again the oldies sections were not greatly attended but there is a feeling among the over-60s that, apart from the NZ Vets the older, older players are not well catered for, and for a 59-year-old to play a 70-year-old, was just too big a gap.

Veterans hold NZ table tennis together, from a playing point of view and in administration, and more cognisance should be given to these people.

Having said that, the NI over-40s, 50s and 60s were of a high standard and it was great to see so many South Islanders escape the snow to come to the sunny north.

It came as no surprise to see Val Beaver, Averil Roberts and Jill Murray get among the gongs in the 40s and 50s, but the big improver among the women were Pauline Bennyworth of Waikato and Harbour's Velma Mayclair.

Aucklander Kai Lai played some really great table tennis in the 50s to beat Ian Talbot, Kevin Fogarty, Doug Pattinson and Pat Low to take the title. Fogarty and Pattison have formed one of the most potent doubles combinations and did not disappoint in the 50s.

In the singles, Averil Roberts beat Jill Murray, Val Beaver beat Roberts and on the doubles Beaver and Murray took the doubles, in their 4,357,899th titles. They chalked up No 4,357,900 in the over-40s.

Counties-Manukau had a field day in the over-40s, winning every event, hitting the silver lode as well, for five golds and three silvers.

In the 60s Waitemata's Chip Eade won two doubles and was second in the singles in another match-up with Nam Hang Lee, of Auckland, and they are fast approaching the records of the Murray-Roberts-Beaver trio.

CANTEEN CAPERS



NI CANTEEN

We thank all you people who ate all our food.
Your compliments aplenty kept us in a happy mood.

Despite the hard work by our husbands and wives
Some people still managed to spice up their lives!

Robert B - our front man, who is normally so wary,
Expressed his enjoyment of mincing with Rosemary!

Our President Jack and wifey Geraldine
Took Rosemary downstairs for a private lunch scene!

North Harbour's prize man D B went a little more exotic.
He found Angelica and golden syrup on porridge quite erotic!!!

So, no matter how hectic the North Islands became
There was always some time for fun - if you were game!

By Velma Mayclair (North Harbour)

Psssst -

Dennis G from out west, whose Vetspeak is a winner,
Nibbled Rosemary on Cherr; Tomato for his Cordon Bleu dinner!

Another Counties player to revive some pleasant memories was Geoff Rau, a too infrequent veterans tournament entrant. He obviously was not impressed by his own form but there were many exquisite shots dredged up from the past. In the quarters and semis of the singles he had to come from behind to win at advantage in the fifth in both matches.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Jia Zhang (Ak) bt Bo Zutic (NH) 8 -9 4 6; Nha Nguyen (Wn) bt A Smith (NI) 3 5 6; David Jarvis (NH) bt Hamish Rennie (Wk) 9 8 4; Ian Talbot (Wn) bt Jorg Weinland (NI) -8 4 8 -10 8; Kai Lai (Ak) bt Grant Jones (NI) 2 1 3; B Rakovica (Ak) bt Paul Johnston (NH) 7 5 4; T Fischer (NH) bt Mark Nichol (Wk) 5 -11 -14 1 6.

Kevin Barry (CM) bt Zhang 7 -4 -9 6 9; Kevin Fogarty (NH) bt Nguyen -8 6 3 11; Chris Talbot (Wn) bt Jarvis 7 -9 5 15; Pat Low (CM) bt Ian Talbot 8 4 -6 13; Lai bt Doug Pattinson (NH) 4 4 7; Bryan McConnochie (Wn) bt Rakovica 11 7 16; Lindsay Ward (Wn) bt Fischer 9 4 4; Geoff Rau (CM) bt Nam Hang Lee (Ak) 7 1 4.

Barry bt Fogarty 8 -5 7 2; Low bt Chris Talbot 10 8 -4 -9 8; Lai bt McConnochie 6 6 5; Rau bt Ward -8 7 -9 7 10.

Barry bt Low 8 7 7; Rau bt Lai -8 3 -4 9 10.

Barry bt Rau 4 4 -7 3

Plate: Lee bt Zutic 8 9 6.

Men's doubles: Ian-Chris Talbot bt Jarvis-Smith 7 8 5; Lai-Zhang bt Paul Johnston (NH)-Bill Lomas (Tp) 3 3 5; Barry-Rau bt Lee-John Stapleton (NH) 5 7 5; Chris-Ian Talbot bt Low-David Scott (NH) -6 7 9 11; Lai-Zhang bt McConnochie-Ward 6 8 6; Fogarty-Pattinson bt Grant Jones (NI)-Weinland 5 -8 5 4.

Barry-Rau bt Chris-Ian Talbot -7 7 -7 8 7; Lai-Zhang bt Fogarty Pattinson 9 9 -7 7; Barry-Rau bt Lai-Zhang 10 -9 -4 8 6.

Women's singles: Pauline Bennyworth (Wk) bt Velma Mayclair (NH) 10 10 4; Val Beaver (CM) bt Lynette Bellamy (Wk) 5 8 6; Hillary Low (CM) bt K Stewart (Ak) 6 6 6; Averil Roberts (Wn) bt Christine Cunningham 8 5 7; Linda Simpson (CM) bt Bennyworth -6 6 6 -8 4.

Low bt Beaver 3 2 8; Simpson bt Roberts 4 3 -6 2; Low bt Simpson -11 7 6 8.

Plate: Stewart bt Cunningham 9 8 -14 7.

Women's doubles: Beaver-Roberts bt Simpson-Stewart -10 4 7 6; Beaver-Roberts bt Bellamy-Bennyworth 5 9 10.

Mixed doubles: Barry-Low bt Nichol-Bellamy 8 5 4; McConnochie-Bennyworth bt Lomas-Mayclair 6 6 4; Barry-Low bt McConnochie-Bennyworth -8 -13 3 10 9.

OVER-50

Men's singles: Kai Lai (Ak) bt Ian Talbot (Wn) 2 2 6; Jia Zhang (Ak) bt Paul Johnston (NH) 7 9 6; Paul Winder (Ak) bt David Scott (Ak) 10 -8 8 4; Doug Pattinson (NH) bt Nam Hang Lee (NH) 8 8 2; Lai bt Kevin Fogarty (NH) 3 3 3; Zhang bt Bryan McConnochie (Wn) 9 7 -6 -5 11; Pat Low (CM) bt Winder 6 6 3; Lai bt Pattinson 12 9 7; Low bt Zhang 7 -8 5 12; Lai bt Low -10 7 7 4.

Plate: McConnochie bt Talbot -10 7 -6 6 9.

Men's doubles: Lai-Zhang bt Bill Lomas (Tp)-Nha Nguyen (Wn) 3 5 8; McConnochie-Talbot bt Frank Collings (Tp)-Johnston 7 4 4; Fogarty-Pattinson bt Lai-Zhang -5 9 9 9; McConnochie-Talbot bt Lowe-Scott 5 5 6; Fogarty-Pattinson bt McConnochie-Talbot 4 5 9.

Women's singles: Pauline Bennyworth (Wk) bt Diane Te Pania (NH) 5 6 -11 2; Jill Murray (NH) bt Christine Cunningham (NH) 4 4 3; Averil Roberts (Wn) bt Velma Mayclair (NH) -8 5 8 9; Beaver bt Bennyworth -8 15 10 12; Roberts bt Murray 4 7 10; Beaver bt Roberts -8 9 9 -10 3.

Plate: Cunningham bt Te Pania 4 7 6.

Women's doubles: Beaver-Murray bt Nellie Milich (NI)-Te Pania 3 4 6; Mayclair-Roberts bt Bennyworth-Cunningham 4 -6 4 -4 11; Beaver-Murray bt Mayclair-Roberts 3 -7 7 9.

Mixed doubles: Scott-Mayclair bt Collings-Milich 4 7 4; McConnochie- Bennyworth bt Lomas-Te Pania 7 7 7; McConnochie-Bennyworth bt Scott-Mayclair 8 17 -7 7.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Wes Willis (Ak) bt John Cunningham (NH) 6 5 6; Paul Winder (Ak) bt Blair Melvin (Wt) 7 6 8; Chip Eade (Wt) bt Bruce Penberthy (Ak) 7 7 9; Willis bt Nha Nguyen (Wn) -7 7 3 8; Winder bt Robert Dunn (NH) 6 5 2; Nam Hang Lee bt Fleming Alison (NI) 6 6 7; Eade bt Willis -4 -12 4 7 6; Lee bt Winder -9 7 11 4; Lee bt Eade 4 6 13.

Plate: Alison bt Cunningham 4 -6 7 9.

Men's doubles: Penberthy-Winder bt Collings-Melvin 7 5 5; Eade-Willis bt Cunningham-Dunn 3 7 8; Alison-Lee bt Penberthy-Winder -9 4 9 9; Eade-Willis bt Alison-Lee -8 7 6 9.

Women's singles: Nellie Milich (NI) bt Margaret McGregor (Wt) 3 7 6; Merle Trenwith (Wt) bt McGregor def; Milich bt Trenwith -5 5 -8 10 11.

Mixed doubles: Eade-Trenwith bt Alison-Milich 3 6 5; Melvin-McGregor bt Alison-Trenwith 6 6 8; Eade-Trenwith bt Melvin-McGregor 9 7 4

Waitemata Open

David Jackson became the first veteran of the year to win an open singles title.

This tournament at Henderson was a revival for Waitemata as it has been off the tournament list for about three years. Much of its renaissance can be attributed to new committeeman Jackson.

Jackson beat Jia Zhang in the open singles but lost in four to Zhang in the over-35s.

The weekend was not greatly attended, with just a handful from Auckland, Northland and North Harbour, but the surprise of the older vets section was a lack of entries from Waitemata, an association which is one of the strongest (among the oldies) in NZ.

David Baker had a great weekend with two doubles titles and a second to Jackson in the over 40s.

Chip Eade, Waitemata's favourite son, entered only the 60s, as he does nowadays, to win that title and was possibly robbed of another when partner Blair Melvin tore a calf muscle during a mixed doubles before the men's doubles were played.

OVER-40

David Jackson (Wt) bt Nilo Puzin (Wt) 5 3 6; Bozidar Zutic (NH) bt Mike Carmody (Wt) 4 8 7; David Baker (NH) bt Zutic 4 7 7; Jackson bt Baker 9 6 8. Plate: Puzin bt Carmody -9 9 3 8.

Women's singles: Marlene Chin (Wt) bt Velma Mayclair (NH) 10 -7 6 5.

Open doubles: Baker-Zutic bt Mayclair-Puzon 8 7 5.

Mixed doubles: Baker-Mayclair bt Puzon-Chin 4 9 6.

OVER-50

Open singles: Carmody bt Mayclair 10 6 9; Paul Winder (Ak) bt Ron Leong (Wt) 6 5 7; David Scott (NH) bt Carmody 6 8 6; Scott bt Winder 8 8 -9 6. Plate: Leong bt Mayclair 6 5 11.

Open doubles: Bruce Penberthy (Ak)-Winder bt Mayclair-Scott 8 5 2; Eade-Leong bt Penberthy-Winder -4 -6 4 7 3; Mayclair-Scott bt Eade-Leong 9 3 -9 10. Penberthy-Winder won on countback.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Chip Eade (Wt) bt Harry Dye (Ak) 7 3 8; Paul Winder (Ak) bt Blair Melvin (Wt) def; Penberthy bt Bob Morse (Wt) 6 7 4; Bill Otene (Wt) bt Fleming Alison (NI) 9 18 -9 9; Eade bt Winder 6 5 -9 4; Penberthy bt Otene -11 4 8 -4 10; Eade bt Penberthy 8 11 9. Plate: Winder bt Alison -4 -7 7 9 8.

Men's doubles: Penberthy-Winder bt Dennis Galvin (Wt)-Otene -9 9 7 5; Alison-Dye bt Eade-Melvin def; Penberthy-Winder bt Alison-Dye 8 -4 3 6.

Women's singles: Merle Trenwith (Wt) bt Nellie Milich (NI) 6 8 -10 -7 11

Women's doubles: Milich-Trenwith bt Pamela Keene (Wt)- Margaret McGregor (Wt) 6 8 8.

Mixed doubles: Eade-Trenwith bt Morse-Keene 3 4 8; Alison-Milich bt Melvin-McGregor -6 def; Alison-Milich bt Eade-Trenwith -9 8 9 9.

OVER 65

Men's singles: Harry Dye (Ak) bt Ron Trautvetter (Wt) def; Fleming Alison (NI) bt Bob Morse (Wt) 9 3 3; Dennis Galvin (Wt) bt Lance Dove (Wt) 5 9 8; Dye bt Bill Otene (Wt) 6 8 -2 8; Alison bt Galvin 5 9 8; Alison bt Dye 3 5 5. Plate: Otene bt Dove 11 4 9.

Open doubles: Dove-Milich bt Brenda Hineflaar (Wt)-McGregor 5 8 7; Alison-Dye bt Morse-McGregor -10 3 9 7; Galvin-Otene bt Dove-Milich -7 6 -9 5 7; Galvin-Otene bt Alison-Dye 6 4 -10 5.

Women's singles: McGregor bt Milich 7 10 8.

Mixed doubles: Alison-Milich bt Dove-Hineflaar 4 8 -9 4; Otene McGregor bt Dove-Hineflaar 4 5 5; Otene-McGregor bt Alison-Milich 11 8 -9 10.

Wairarapa Open

Lindsay Ward has been in sparkling form recently and he made his presence felt at Masterton, then later at the North Island.

In the Wairarapa Ward bt Dennis Duncan in a strong 40s field after they had both put out in the semis the well-performed Ian Talbot and the hobbling Bryan McConnochie respectively

Making an all too rare appearance on the tournament tour was Helen Codlin, who does so much for NZ's youth nowadays, and she was far too good for the field of four in the 40s. Partnered by the Big Mac she shared the mixed doubles money.

I hope they gave a special medal to Paddy Field the only woman in the over-50s open singles.....and the Masterton funeral director-in training had to play the daunting McConnochie in the first round.

One of my heroes from way way back, Warren Evans, at times, can play some scintillating, unplayable table tennis, but ran into trouble in the massive brick walls of Ian Talbot in the 50s singles then Talbot and McConnochie in the doubles.

Facing the Talbot-McConnochie scrum machine would terrify even the ABs front row, and Evans and partner Paul Bargh would be the equivalent of a couple of Chihuahuas taking on a pair of Great Danes. But Evans took the singles and, with Bargh, the doubles in the 60s.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Murray Holdaway (Mn) bt Alastair Naismith (Wn) 9 8 -5 7; Depak Patel (Wn) bt Kevin Bird (Mn) 5 8 10; Ian Talbot (Wn) bt Kerry McGeehan (Mn) 1 7 2; Dennis Duncan (Mn) bt Paul Solt (Wn) 1 2 -7 3; Malcolm Wong (Wn) bt Shinji Ueta (Wr) 3 9 8; Terry Down (Wn) bt Russell Buchanan (Wn) 7 7 8; Lyndsay Ward (Wn) bt Holdaway 11 5 7; Talbot bt Patel 3 6 6; Duncan bt Wong 9 7 -7 10;; Bryan McConnochie (Wn) bt Down 2 7 8; Ward bt Talbot -2 8 17 9; Duncan bt McConnochie def; Ward bt Duncan 8 10 10.

Women's singles: Helen Codlin (HB) bt Paddy Field (Mn) 1 3 3; Val Scarr (Mn) bt Janette Richards (Mn) 7 6 5; Codlin bt Scarr 10 6 5.

Open doubles: Ward-Talbot bt Scarr-Ueta 6 6 5; Solt-Richard Ammundsen (Wn) bt Bird-Richards 4 8 12; Patel-Wong bt McGeehan-Field 3 5 7; McConnochie-Codlin bt Down-Lyall Hicks (Wr) 4 5 -8 10; Ward-Talbot bt Solt-Ammundsen 2 6 -9 6; McConnochie-Codlin bt Patel-Wong 1 12 4; McConnochie-Codlin bt Ward-Talbot -7 -9 6 9 2.

OVER-50

Open singles: Hugh Mcllwraith (Wn) bt Holdaway -4 10 -8 7 9; Ian White (Wn) bt McGeehan -10 6 6 2; Jim Jamin (Mn) bt Ammundsen 6 8 5; Talbot bt Ron Wells (HB) 4 1 9; Paul Bargh (Wn) bt Naismith 9 5 -8 13; Paul Escott (Wn) bt Evan Williams (Mn) 5 10 -8 5; McConnochie bt Field 3 5 6; Warren Evans (Wn) bt Mcllwraith 2 1 1; Jamin bt White 1 5 10; Talbot bt Bargh 5 4 6; McConnochie bt Escott 5 5 6; Evans bt Jamin 9 -8 -2 8 9; Talbot bt McConnochie -7 8 6 10; Talbot bt Evans -9 -5 6 7 8.

Open doubles: Jamin-Williams bt Escott-Naismith 7 5 2; Ammundsen-Wells bt White-Mcllwraith 4 -8 -9 7 11; Evans-Bargh bt McGeehan-Field 4 13 5; Talbot-McConnochie bt Jamin-Williams -9 4 -8 6 1; Evans-Bargh bt Ammundsen-Wells 6 9 -7 10; Talbot-McConnochie bt Evans-Bargh 5 10 6.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Evans bt Wells 3 7 10; Williams bt White -8 7 8 10; Ammundsen bt Bargh 6 4 4; Jamin bt Mcllwraith 7 5 -10 4; Evans bt Williams 3 3 3; Jamin bt Ammundsen 5 11 4; Evans bt Jamin 3 8 8.

Men's doubles: Bargh-Evans bt White-Mcllwraith 4 5 7; Williams-Jamin bt Ammundsen-Wells 3 8 6; Bargh-Evans bt Williams-Jamin 8 -5 9 -9 8.

Northland Open

It was great to see former NZ rep Robert Blair back and he seemed so relaxed it was obvious he was having some fun, a far cry from the intensity of the tournaments of 20 years ago. As with many tournaments this year the gals had to play with and against the guys in the veterans section.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Kevin Barry (CM) bt David Scott (NH) 3 5 8; Robert Blair (CM) bt Jorg Weinland (NI) 8 3 8; Blair bt Barry 12 12 -5 7.

OVER-50

Men's singles: Scott bt Fleming Alison (NI) 8 -8 8 7; Scott bt Bill Otene (Wt) 3 5 5.

Open doubles: Nellie Milich (NI)-Harry Dye (Ak) bt Paul Johnston (NH)-Mike O'Grady (NH) 8 10 8; Alison-Brent Davies(NI) bt Kevin Tongs-Dennis Clarke (NI) 4 8 -7 -7 6; Barry Jones (BoP)-Scott bt Milich-Dye 11 7 7; Dennis Galvin (Wt)-Otene bt Alison-Davies 6 -9 8 10; Jones-Scott bt Galvin-Otene 8 3 5.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Fleming Alison (NI) bt Dennis Galvin (Wt) -6 10 5 7; Bill Otene (Wt) bt Alison -6 10 5 7.

Open doubles: Galvin-Otene bt Doug Teasdale (NI)-Eunice McQuinn (NI) 6 5 7; bt Ray Palmer (NI)-Brian Massey (NI) 6 12 2; bt Peter Geange (NI)-Harry Dye (Ak) 6 3 -7 6; bt Nellie Milich (NI)-Alison 9 6 -10 9.....1
Milich-Alison bt Palmer-Massey 2 3 9; bt McQuinn-Teasdale 6 6 7; bt Geange-Dye - 5 5 6.....2
Geange-Dye bt McQuinn-Teasdale 6 11 10; bt Palmer-Massey 3 4 4.....3

Hawke's Bay Open

There were two notable wins in the men's singles, both involving Auckland's JiaZhang, who has been successfully patrolling the North Island.

Zhang had beaten David Jackson in four at Henderson, but at Napier lost to Paul Bargh in the first round of the 40s then bowed out to Jim Jarmin in the 50s men's final.

Jarmin has had some outstanding wins around the lower North Island and just keeps getting better with his no nonsense style. One of his victims was Bryan McConnochie at Napier, but the Capital's Big Mac is obvious in pain with a hip that needs some repairing.....not taking anything away from Jarmin who has been in great form this season

Hometown boy Russell Winkley made a bit of a mess of Jarmin in the 40s final after whacking the well-performed former Crusader Eddie Moore in a semi. Winkley later teamed with Zhang to take the open doubles with ease.

Again the women's section was notable for its lack of quantity.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Russell Clement (HB) bt Ian Campbell (HB) 3 9 -11 7; Paul Bargh (Wn) bt Jia Zhang (Ak) 8 -7 -9 11 8; Jim Jarmin (Mn) bt Ron Wells (HB) 6 -7 5 7; Russell Winkley (HB) bt Kevin Bird (HB) -8 8 8 7; Terry Down (Wn) bt Kerry McGeehan (Mn) 9 3 7; Eddie Moore (Wn) bt Mike O'Grady (NH) 7 9 4; Bryan McConnochie (Wn) bt Clement 8 7 7; Jarmin bt Bargh 6 8 7; Winkley bt Paul Johnston (NH) 8 7 7; Moore bt Down 6 7 4; Jarmin bt McConnochie 8 2 -7 10; Winkley bt Moore -7 11 7 8; Winkley bt Jarmin 6 7 10.

Women's singles: Kathy Allen bt Val Scarr (Mn) 5 10 8; Janette Richards (Mn) bt Paddy Field (Mn) 2 2 3; Allen bt Richards -9 7 6 7.

Open doubles: Zhang Winkley bt Campbell-Scarr 3 6 5; Johnston-O'Grady bt Field-McConnochie 9 9 -7 7; Richards-Jarmin bt Down-McGeehan 5 7 6; Bargh-Moore bt Clement-Wells -7 8 4 -10 4; Zhang-Winkley bt Johnston-O'Grady 12 6 -4 12; Bargh-Moore bt Richards-Jarmin 6 11 6; Zhang-Winkley bt Bargh-Moore 7 7 5.

OVER-50

Men's singles: Ron Wells (HB) bt Kerry McGeehan (Mn) 5 6 6; Paul Johnston (NH) bt Russell Clement (HB) 9 8 -7 8; Bryan McConnochie (Wn) bt Mike O'Grady (NH) 4 7 12; Jim Jarmin (Mn) bt Wells 1 5 -7 9; Johnston bt Paul Bargh (Mn) 9 7 -9 4; Jia Zhang (Ak) bt Eddie Moore (Wn) 5 6 8; Jim Jarmin (Mn) bt McConnochie 4 4 6; Zhang bt Johnston 9 8 7; Jarmin bt Zhang 11 -8 6 5.

Women's singles: Scarr bt Field 5 5 4.

Open doubles: McConnochie-McGeehan bt Scarr-Field -13 3 10 3; Johnston-O'Grady bt Bargh-Moore 9 6 -10 6; Clement-Wells bt McConnochie-McGeehan 9 8 9; Johnston-O'Grady bt Clement-Wells -9 8 -3 8 9.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Clement bt Moore 6 7 -4 -14 9; Wells bt Bargh 10 9 6; Jarmin bt Wells 5 -10 10 9; Jarmin bt Clement 6 -8 8 9.

South Canterbury Open

The Underdown family had a field day at home with Tim winning the 50 men's singles from Glenn Haszard of Christchurch, then he brought in the cavalry to win the doubles with wife Gill.

Haszard and father Charlie were former Franklin players in days of yore, but somehow lost his way and ended up in the Cathedral City. He is still chalking up a few miles in the tables with a singles win and a doubles second in the over-40s. In the 50s Haszard beat Tim Underwood in the round robin in five then lost to him in four in the final.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Glenn Haszard (C) bt Gregg Davey (C) -8 7 8 8; bt Mike Stapp (SC) 6 11 -18 -10 7; bt Steve Jenkins 1 8 9; bt Alan Moore (C) -8 6 7 6.....1
Davey bt Stapp 9 4 7.....2
Also: Stapp bt Jenkins -5 9 4 -8 5; bt Moore 5 5 8; Jenkins bt Moore 7 8 -8 -6 3.

Men's doubles: Davey-Moore bt Haszard-Jenkins 4 6 -9 9

OVER-50

Open singles: Moore bt Jenkins 4 5 11; bt Gill Underdown (SC) 9 -4 8 7; bt John Fox (SC) -11 6 6 2; Jenkins bt Gill Underdown 3 8 7; bt Fox 9 -8 9 7; Gill Underdown bt Fox -8 10 -5 3 9; Haszard bt Tim Underdown (SC) 6 -6 -4 9 12; bt Adamson 5 8 9; Tim Underdown bt Adamson 4 7 10; Haszard bt Jenkins 2 7 -5 -11 1; Tim Underdown bt Moore 10 7 1; Tim Underdown bt Haszard 8 5 -9 10.

Open doubles: Tim and Gill Underdown bt Adamson-Jenkins -9 7 5 9; Adamson-Haszard bt Moore-Fox 5 6 -10 7; Tim and Gill Underdown bt Adamson-Haszard -10 8 10 9.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Fox bt Adamson 10 -8 8 -6 -9 9 3.

Canterbury Open

Three outstanding national representatives, Lynley Barker, Malcolm Darroch and Alan Alabaster, were in great form at Christchurch. Darroch went through to his gold in the over-40s and no-one could even force him into double figures in any game. In the 60s Alabaster won the singles and mixed doubles.

Also in the 40s Barker won the singles coming from 0-2, won the mixed with Dave Samson, was runner-up in the women's doubles and in the 50s she took triple gold, the mixed, again, with Samson.

OVER-40

Men's singles: Allan Baines bt Alan Moore 8 -2 7 -4 6; Denver Glass bt Warren Haszard 5 -9 4 8; Malcolm Darroch bt Baines 3 3 4; Kim Hong Guen bt Tim Underdown (SC) 7 5 8; Stuart Wallace bt Harry Redmond -8 9 4 5; Alistair Armstrong bt Glass 6 6 6; Dave Samson bt Bruce Gloistein 9 6 2; Steve Craw bt Murray Hay 9 -3 9 -6 10; Brian Wilson bt Glenn Haszard 9 8 8; Darroch bt Kim Hong Guen 7 4 5; Wallace bt Armstrong 9 7 7; Samson bt Craw 3 7 2; Wilson bt Gregg Davey 6 8 7; Darroch bt Wallace 9 5 5; Samson bt Wilson -9 7 6 5; Darroch bt Samson 7 5 5

Plate: Murray Hay bt Underdown 7 1 6.

Men's doubles: Wilson-Hay bt Glass-Craw 4 4 -9 -7 4; Samson-Wallace bt Underdown-Redmond 9 5 9; Glenn Haszard-Darroch bt Kim Hong Guen-Davey 3 3 8; Wilson-Hay bt Warren Haszard-Armstrong 9 7 -8 2; Glenn Haszard-Darroch bt Samson-Wallace -8 8, 11 -11 8; Glen Haszard-Darroch bt Wilson-Hay 10 8 -7 14.

Women's singles: Alison Williamson bt Flora Lin 9 -9 9 9; Sheng Chen bt Gill Underdown (SC) -13 8 6 12; Sherry Chang bt Cathy Moore 2 2 5; Lynley Barker bt Williamson 11 9 4; Sheng Chen bt Sherry Chang 10 9 7; Barker bt Sherry Chen -7 -11 5 5 9.

Plate: Underdown bt Moore 4 2 2.

Women's doubles: Gill Underdown-Flora Lin bt Barker-Sherry Chang 9 -9 6 8.

Mixed doubles: Underdown-Underdown bt Derek-Flora Lin 8 10 4; Davey-Sherry Chang bt Craw-Sung Aye Jung 8 7 -16 7; Wallace-Wolliamson bt Alan-Cathy Moore 9 5 5; Samson-Barker bt Underdown-Underdown 5 4 -11 8; Davey-Sherry Chang 7 6 -4 7; Samson-Barker bt Davey-Sherry Chang 10 8 8.

OVER-50

Men's singles: Sonny She bt David Williams 12 8 14; Glen Haszard bt Moore 5 0 -8 -3 5; Tim Underdown (SC) bt Darryl Jones (MI) 6 6

7; Brian Wilson bt Geoff Colvin 9 1 9; Neil Gyde bt Denver Glass 4 7 4; Murray Hay bt Bruce Gloistein 1 2 11; Dave Samson bt She 8 – 5 8 8; Underdown bt Glen Haszard 10 1 7; Wilson bt Gyde –9 5 2 8; Hay bt Steve Craw 8 6 9; Samson bt Underdown 9 3 7; Wilson bt Hay 5 3 4; Samson bt Wilson 8 6 8.

Plate: Craw bt Glass 8 12 10.

Men's doubles: Hay-She bt Gyde-Williams 4 –7 7 3; Glass-Craw bt Jones-Moore –12 4 9 –9 9; Hay-She bt Samson-Underdown –7 6 9 –9 10; Wilson-Glenn Haszard bt Glass-Craw 9 6 –9 8; Wilson-Glenn Haszard bt Hay-She 5 1 7.

Women's singles: Gill Underdown bt Lyndsay van Hout 9 6 10; Lynley Barker bt Underdown –8 8 8 7; Sherry Chang bt Williamson –5 5 8 –16 8; Barker bt Chang 8 3 8.

Plate: Williamson bt van Hout –5 4 8 9.

Women's doubles: Gill Underwood-Young Do Lim 9 6 6; Barker-Chang bt Underdown-Young do Lim 10 8 –8 6.

Mixed doubles: Tim-Gill Underdown bt Colvin-Young Do Lim 9 13 9; Williams-van Hout bt Moore-Chang –7 9 5 7; Samson-Barker bt Underwood-Underwood 6 –8 8 3 6; Samson-Barker bt Williams-van Hout 1 9 9.

OVER-60

Men's singles: Bruce Gloistein bt Brian Anderson 7 –9 5 –11 9; David Williams bt Neil O'Brien 3 4 6; Darryl Jones (MI) bt John Armstrong 2 6 6; Alan Alabaster bt Gloistein –8 2 7 5; David Williams bt Jones 3 4 5; Alabaster bt Williams 5 3 3.

Plate: O'Brien bt Anderson 5 7 9.

Men's doubles: Williams-Jones bt Gloistein-O'Brien –9 6 4 5; Williams-Jones bt Alabaster-Armstrong 9 6 –10 8.

Women's singles: Kay Rouse bt Adrienne Fischer 8 5 8; Valda Smith bt Rouse –8 8 7 7; Alison Williamson bt Lyndsay van Hout 9 –8 9 7; Smith bt Williamson –8 9 4 8.

Plate: Van Hout bt Fischer 2 7 6.

Mixed doubles: O'Brien-Williamson bt Gloistein-Fischer 2 9 6; Alabaster-Rouse bt O'Brien-Williamson 9 9 4; Williams-van Hout bt Jones-Smith –7 9 7 7; Alabaster-Rouse bt Williams-van Hout 10 7 7.

News from Australia

Wheelchair Commonwealth Games medallist Joy Boyd, wife of NZ 70s winner Tom, lost to Beryl Davies and Carol Hughes in the NSW veterans championship finals but won four other matches in the 60s and 65s.

Tom won the 70s singles, the 70 doubles with Carl Pruess, and the 65s doubles with Bernie Kuiper.

Ken Cole lost to Inh Van Le in the 60s final, Carol Hughes won the 60s and Beryl Davies the 65s.

Joylene Morgan was runner-up with Wayne Heginbotham in the 40 mixed. Many other top players, including national veterans icon, Paul Pinkewich were in Brisbane for the nationals.

Joy will be a favourite for a table tennis medal at the Wheelchair Games in Christchurch in October.

How time flies

Browsing through a 1965 Whangarei Photo News the other day I came across an item that Neti Traill had won three titles. That was nothing extraordinary, neither was that her final opponent was Norma Attwood, nor that her women's doubles partner was Colleen O'Carroll, but among all those champions Northland had 38 years

ago Neti had a youngster as a mixed doubles partner..... Terry
Cockfield, now a successful vets player with North Harbour.

No doubt Terry would love to have the help of Neti nowadays.

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CALENDAR FOR VETERANS

2003

August

16 Otago Open at Dunedin
21 Entries close NZ Championships
22-24 SI Championships at Christchurch
30 Waikato Open at Hamilton
30-31 Wellington Spring Open at Petone

September

6-7 Auckland Open at Auckland
25 - Oct 4 NZ Championships at Wellington

Oct 26-Nov 1 Wheelchair Games at Christchurch

Nov 22 TTNZ AGM at Wellington

2004

Jan 10-14 Summer nationals at Nelson

Easter NZ Veterans Champs at Palmerston N.

Aug 26 Entries close NZ Champs at Auckland

Sept 27-Oct 4 NZ Championships at Auckland