

Hi Everyone,

Just a quick note about subscription fees before we get into it. As of 30th April, you should have paid, made your first instalment or at least have contacted me directly letting me know your intention. Most of you have done so and the club very much appreciates your continued support. I am aware of a few people saying that they didn't receive their invoice. If you haven't received yours then please check your spam boxes (especially those with Gmail addresses for some reason). Let me know if you need me to resend it your way.

In Squash...

Squash interclub got started this week and I know all of those players will have paid because they wouldn't dream of jeopardising theirs, or their team's points by not being financial.

The ladies were first up on Tuesday night and it was a good start for our two main teams, **Team Kirsty & Team Shirley**

Round 1 - 30-Apr-2024

		Games							
Team 4 - Jax	Team 5 - Kirsty	1	2	3	4	5	Result		
Jacqui Mattsen	Mrs Kirsty J. Basher	4 / 15	8 / 15	15 / 6	13 / 15	0 / 0	1	3	
D1 230 ESHNJ3M	D1 254 ESHKJB	Played							
Ms Vanessa M. Fraser	Ms Samantha J. Stevens	8 / 15	6 / 15	3 / 15	0 / 0	0 / 0	0	3	
E2 114 ESHBVF	D1 228 ESHLS3S	Played							
Mags Le Roux	Ms Kelly Falconer	8 / 15	8 / 15	12 / 15	0 / 0	0 / 0	0	3	
F 98 ESHNMLR	E1 138 ESHKMF	Played							
Mrs Kitty R. Bruin-Langbroek	Ms Andrea K. Connell	15 / 10	8 / 15	15 / 12	15 / 13	0 / 0	3	1	
F 46 ESHLKBL	F 39 ESHLAKC	Played							
							Countback:	138 191	
							Total:	4 10	
							Bonus Points:	0 2	
Entered							Final Total:	4 12	

Round 1 - 30-Apr-2024

		Games							
Team 3 - Shiril	Team 6 - Jules	1	2	3	4	5	Result		
Ms Kay Lorimer	Julia M. Dallas	15 / 12	6 / 15	14 / 16	10 / 15	0 / 0	1	3	
D1 265 ESHLKML	C2 322 ESHBJMD	Played							
Miss Olivia S. Michalakakis	Miss Samantha Mattsen	7 / 15	7 / 15	9 / 15	0 / 0	0 / 0	0	3	
D2 197 ESHLOM	D2 208 ESHNS3M	Played							
Mrs Michelle Kelly	Ms Rhonda J. Larrington	15 / 8	15 / 7	15 / 4	0 / 0	0 / 0	3	0	
E2 128 ESHLMJK	F 40 ESHLRJL	Played							
Miss Tahlia Kemp	Ms Ellen J. Smith	15 / 6	15 / 7	15 / 11	0 / 0	0 / 0	3	0	
F 74 ESHLTRK	F 39 ESHLEJS	Played							
							Countback:	158 146	
							Total:	7 6	
							Bonus Points:	2 0	
Entered							Final Total:	9 6	

We also have Rhonda and Ellen making up numbers in **Team Jules** and. A difficult night for those girls but they are very much at the beginning of their squash journeys and wins are in the pipeline. Kitty helping out **Team Jax**. Fantastic to see so many of our ladies involved. By far the dominant force in this competition.

The mixed competitions got started last night and we had 3 team's at home for Round 1 to mixed fortunes. LT1's campaign has been dealt a blow from the outset with the news that **Max Moore** is out through injury forcing a team reshuffle which may (or may not) have made the difference in their 1st Round tie with Havelock. Our boys missed by one set.

Good old LT2 though. As reliable as they come at this club. They too hosting Havelock last night but the one set difference goes in their favour instead. **Saeng Lewis** in tremendous form on and off the court. He lands an uncharacteristic 3-0 win (mind you they did all go past 15) and then goes on to serve up one of his, now legendary, 'Saeng suppers'.

One set the difference also in LT4's division 5 encounter with Kereru but it's one to the farmers. Not a bad start for our LT4 lads though. Young Corban Murfin riding the wave of success from last weekend's junior 300 series win (see photo below) with a 3-0 win in his match.

LT3 secure a narrow victory over at Niven Street. What was the difference? Yep...you guessed it. Well done chaps!

Round 1 - 1-May-2024

Hawkes Bay 3		Lawn Tennis 3		Games					Result	
				1	2	3	4	5		
Mr Gerard Morris		Mr Jay D. Woods		15 / 13	15 / 9	15 / 11	0 / 0	0 / 0	3	0
C2 632		D1 477		Played						
Leeza J. Macleod		Mr Caleb Alexander		15 / 13	15 / 12	13 / 15	13 / 15	8 / 15	2	3
C1 481		D1 532		Played						
Mathew Adams		Mr Brody Haddon		15 / 9	15 / 10	5 / 15	5 / 15	12 / 15	2	3
D2 377		D2 400		Played						
Todd Alexander		Mr Wayne F. Muuren		15 / 12	11 / 15	11 / 15	10 / 15	0 / 0	1	3
E1 293		D2 345		Played						
ESHBG2M		ESHLJDW								
ESHLJLM		ESHLCA								
ESHBMA		ESHLBJH								
ESHBTA		ESHLWFM								
									Countback:	208 224
									Total:	8 9
									Bonus Points:	0 2
									Final Total:	8 11
Pending										

Eastern Junior 300 series - Waipukurau 28 April: Congratulations to our junior winners from Sundays competition. Division 1 Winner **Corban Murfin**, Division 2 Winner **Olivia Michalakis**, Div 2 3rd place **Nikos Michalakis**, Division 4 Runner Up **Xavier Bloor**. *(I presume Jules/Dino has sent through pics?)*

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Interclub Teams: For those teams hosting at HBLTS and using the kitchen please ensure you clean and tidy up after yourselves. If you need any supplies ie serviettes sauce let Gary know so he can order it in for you.

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Squash Tourney Roadie: Are you keen to head off into the wild blue yonder and experience a squash tournament outside of our Eastern region? The squash committee have looked at dates and think this might be a fun weekend away. **02/03 August Taumarunui Open** (bring your winter woollies – it has been known to be in the negatives on court for the early Saturday morning matches). You would need to take the Friday afternoon off for travel and back on the Sunday. (Tournament would be 3 games over Friday night and Saturday) Register expressions of interest and if we get a big enough contingent we can look to car pool/rental van over. Entries through to Holly if you are keen, and we will let you know the next steps.

Tournaments coming up: Enter on ISquash

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Eastern Junior 300 Series (18 August) at Surf City

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Hastings B and Below – 8th June 2024

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In Tennis...

Giulio will be providing the Saturday sessions:

10am – 11am Tennis Accelerator

11am – 12pm Cardio Tennis

Saturday **Club Day** will go ahead as normal at 1.30pm.

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Interclub: Ladies due to commence Tuesday 30 April and the Mixed competition a day later on Wednesday 1 May. Draws and Teams are now viewable in ISquash. Good luck to: Kay Lorimer, Shirley Rush, Kirsty Basher, Olivia Michalakis, Michelle Kelly, Tahlia Kemp, Kitty Bruin-Langbroek, Sam Stevens, Kelly Falconer, Andrea Connell, Rhonda Larrington and Ellen Smith for the ladies competition and teams LT1, LT2 LT3 LT4 and LT5 proudly captained by Dino Michalakis, Shaun Thompson-Gray, Leroy O’Riley, Andrew McLeod and Mike Willis/Holly Lomas.

Please note you **MUST** be a financial member of a club in order to play competitions (Tournaments/Interclub) – so please pay those sub invoices that went out to all at the beginning of April.

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Eastern Open Hastings – Congratulations to our winners from the weekend: Mens Div 2 Plate **Max Moore**, Mens Div 3 Consolation **Saeng Lewis**, Womens Div 3 Runner Up **Sam Stevens**

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In Petanque...

To the best of my knowledge, the prizegiving for the all Club Champs competitions will be held this Saturday 27th April. Bring a plate of something delicious and we will celebrate our winners over nibbles and drinks.

That's all for now. See you at the bar.

Gary.