



Hi Everyone,



Come on then procrastinators, let's be having those entries. This is your last call. We are looking pretty good, with more entries than the previously postponed event but we still want you to get involved. If you need a partner then let us know. We will try our best to help (I just need to remember where I put that list of tennis playing superstars reserved for such occasions). Entries must be in by Wednesday 17th. Link to our online entry form

https://www.hblts.co.nz/tennis-entry-form.html

Put partner required in the registration details section if you want to employee our free matchmaking service.

Other Tennis Notices...

Back to this week though and regular Saturday tennis service is operating:

8.30am – 10am, Junior Hotshots. For our future tennis stars.

10am – 11am, Tennis Accelerator. A great place for the beginner/novice player to develop their tennis skills. \$10 for club members/ \$15 for non-members

11am – 12pm, Cardio Tennis. A fast paced tennis workout for the more experienced tennis players. \$10 for club members/ \$15 for non-members

Club Day in its regular spot at **1.30pm**.



Venue: Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis and Squash Club

Dates and Times: Monday 15th Apr - Friday 19th Apr

Monday 8th July - Friday 12th July Monday 30th Sept - Friday 4th Oct

8:30 am-12:30 pm

Cost: \$180 per Child

\$40 per day

Group Size: No more than 1:8 ratio

Prizes: For all children at the conclusion of the Programme

All coaching takes place at Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis & Squash Club, 13
Higgins Street, Marewa, Napier
Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis Club P.O. Box 4118, Napier
Payment to: Shand Tennis Coaching LTD, ASB: 12-3144-0304832-00

Contact Andrew:



027 276 5469

Andrew has a school Holiday Programme running in the mornings for the whole of next week which means that he won't be able to run any morning cardio sessions. To meet demand, he has informed that he will put on an extra cardio session on Wednesday evening at 6.30pm, in addition to the usual Tuesday & Thursday evening slots.

If you would like to get your child(ren) on the Holiday Programme for the week or even part of the week then you can link to the easy online enrolment form here https://www.hblts.co.nz/shand-tennis-coaching.html We have had some good interest for Andrew's Shand is proposed Friday Night Singles league. The idea being to offer more singles playing opportunity to our members, especially those that enjoy playing competitively. It's still early stages and will be dependent on getting enough names to make it viable. Thanks to those that have already responded. If there is anybody else that would like to put their name in for this then please let me know by return email or speak to Andrew directly.

Upcoming District tournaments



This event is free! No entry fees!

members of an affiliated Tennis Eastern Club.

Singles	Doubles
Entries close: 10th April 2024	Entries close: 14th April 2024
Venue: Greendale Tennis club	Venue: Greendale Tennis club
Sunday 14th April 2024	We are using singles, doubles or WTN
Men's Prems Grade: Anyone can enter	(which ever is higher) to determine
and Men's Reserve Grade: S6 (1800 to 1900 pts) & below	grade entry
Women's Grade: Open to anyone	Sunday 21st April 2024
Please note this is a knock out event with no consolation draws.	Men's Reserve Grade: S/D 6 (1800 to 1900 pts) & below
Should draws get higher than eight, some matches may need	Sunday 19th May 2024
to be played in advance of the main weekend.	Men's Prems Grade: Open to anyone
	Women's Grade: Open to anyone
	Mixed Doubles :Open to anyone



In Squash...

Very best of luck to our representative team that are competing in the Eastern Shield club competition this weekend. Starting tonight in fact. The players will be psyching themselves up for battle against Hastings, in Hastings, just as this newsletter is hitting your inbox.

Beginners Club Day: Organised every Saturday from 2.30pm. Designed for new players wanting to learn those core game play skills. Any members/non-members welcome.

Club Day: Organised play every Saturday from 3.15pm. Any members/non-members welcome. Come along and have a go. Racquets supplied.

Interclub: Teams have now been entered and the draws have been made so there is no backing out now suckers!! You will be contacted by principle sucker....I mean, your team captain prior to start date. Ladies due to commence Tuesday 30 April and the Mixed competition a day later on Wednesday 1 May.

Interclub Rules night: Were you keen to come along and visit squash rules and the etiquette of playing in an interclub team? Come along on **Monday 22 April** at **7.00pm** (allow 60 mins to cover rules questionnaire and open forum following)

Grading Levels update: If you have questions about the new grading system, please refer to the Future of Squash site - https://thefuture.squashnz.co.nz/new-changes/new-grading-system.

MySquash: Don't forget if you are intending to play competition matches this year you must confirm your link sent be SquashNZ (check your spam folder). If not then email support@squashnz.co.nz and provide your Full name, DOB and current email address and they will re-send the link through. NOTE this only applies to players already holding a grade. If you are wanting to be graded in order to play competition then you must register with ISquash on www.squash.org.nz, and also with MySquash www.squashnz.co.nz

Please note you MUST be a financial member of a club in order to play competitions (Tournaments/Interclub) – so please pay those subs that went out to all last week.

Oceania Junior Tournament: Good luck to our 4 club juniors that have travelled to Melbourne this week to participate in this international event, Caleb Alexander, Olivia Michalakis 2nd seed, Romeo Michalakis and Niko Michalakis.

Upcoming district tournaments: Enter on ISquash

Eastern Open Hastings (19-21 April) – *Player Series event DOUBLE POINTS*

Eastern Junior 300 series (28 April) at Waipukurau

In Petanque...



Congratulations to Barry Hunt, Bethne Gardner & Junior Puleitu & who won the Triples Club Champs on

Saturday. Great day of competition with a round robin followed by the final.

Prizegiving didn't occur on Saturday as most of the winners were not present. We propose to hold this on Saturday 27th April after club day. Bring a plate of something delicious and we will celebrate our winners over nibbles and drinks. I am sure some hot chips could be on offer as well.

Not too long now until the Station Bar & Grill sponsored Autumn Triples tournament. This will be held on weekend 11th &12th May Vicky is now collecting any items suitable for hamper raffles. Members are asked to pass on some appealing donations so she can do her usual great job of arranging them, ready for raffles. Thank you all in advance.

Wednesday afternoon pétanque is still going at 1pm. Barbara is leading this and has a few players coming along each week to enjoy the afternoon. Wednesday evenings – whilst the business house tennis has finished there are still people playing tennis under lights now, the walking club is back using our club as a meeting point and of course twilight pétanque will happen weather and daylight permitting. Very mild evening last night on the pistes.



Margaret also insisted that this photo also be added to the newsletter and she absolutely right to do so. It certainly presents our non Petanque playing members get a hard visualisation of some Petanque players playing some Petanque. You can get a very real sense of the intensity on the piste. How wonderful!

Hopefully we get some Petanque players playing some Petanque this Saturday for Club Day from 1pm as usual. Forecast is looking pretty good.

That's all for now,

Gary.