

Hi Everyone,

We are just about to launch ourselves into a big March month of doubles events across all sporting codes, starting with the Petanque Club Champs Doubles competition this Saturday (2<sup>nd</sup>). We have 11 pairs entered which equals 22 players out of our 32 member list. Great turnout. Best of luck to all taking part.



Hawke's Bay Lawn  
TENNIS &  
SQUASH  
CLUB

**HOLCIM  
DOUBLES**

Entries close  
Friday 1st  
March 2024

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Next **Friday & Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>** we have two events running concurrently. Our **Open Squash Doubles tournament sponsored by Holcim** is offering a cool \$500 top prize. I know that many of our club players have got their names in the hat already but there is still time if you don't. Enter via Isquash by Saturday latest and add your partner's details in the notes section. Let's see who was paying attention at the squash doubles clinic on Tuesday night.

The **tennis Club Champs Doubles** will be operating on those same two days so it could be that some of our joint tennis and squash members are in two minds as which competition they should be supporting (or it could be that you have elected to go to Beer Appreciation Day in Havelock instead...Cheers Tommy). We certainly have appreciation for our members getting involved in any which way they can. Numbers for the club champs doubles are looking good and it is great to see so many of our ladies going into the draw. However, there is plenty of room for more. In particular, I would like to see some of our premier graded men getting involved. Follow the link to enter <https://www.hblts.co.nz/tennis-entry-form.html>.

You can use the same link above to enter the tennis club champs mixed doubles which takes place the following weekend, **Fri 15<sup>th</sup> & Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March**.



## Open Doubles Tennis Tournament

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

A and B Grades for both men & women

Still only \$20 per player entry

Entries close Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Do it online – follow the QR code

Contact for entries:

Kristen Nash, 021 737 129, [kristennash007@gmail.com](mailto:kristennash007@gmail.com)

Grade allocation and design of division draws are subject to number of entries and tournament control's discretion



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We know that's not enough tennis for you, so we will throw in the bonus Langley Twigg Open Doubles tennis tournament on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** and an opportunity to play for some hard cash instead of some tatty old silverware. A great fun, one day event that doesn't take itself too seriously. It's about inclusion as much as it is about competition so don't be shy. Get your entry in by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Use the same entry form link from our website <https://www.hblts.co.nz/tennis-entry-form.html>

## Other Tennis Notices ...

**Please note that we are hosting a district junior rep quadrangular challenge competition here this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, so all courts are unavailable for these two days. Just to be clear, there will be no Accelerator, Cardio or Club Day tennis this Saturday. We apologise for this inconvenience to our regular Saturday session players.**

Round 7 of our Wednesday night **Business House Tennis** competition looked very much like being null and void due to a heavy shower coming through at start of play but it's legacy is nothing more than a short delay and so Continuous Spouting further their bid for the A Grade title with a 23-15 win over Tumu Timbers, stretching their lead to 11 points at the top of the table. BNZ and Bad Kids have both been guilty of uncharacteristic slip ups this year and they will now realise that only one of them can realistically make it to the final of this campaign, so that is where the competition will be for the remaining rounds. Bad Kids hold a 3 point advantage at this stage.

Pint Club take down B Grade champions Rensch Builders with a fairly convincing 24-15 victory that elevates them to the top. It's their 3<sup>rd</sup> maximum in as many weeks so they have got the momentum but do they have enough gas in the tank to get themselves over the finish line ahead of the rest. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Langley Twigg will stick with them I'm sure and it's still too early to write off the champs. They are 7 points off the lead but Pint Club and Langley Twigg yet to face off. Keep up with results on our website

<https://www.hblts.co.nz/business-house-tennis.html>

Our **mid-week ladies interclub** teams have had a testing morning, having to evacuate the courts a couple of times due to showers so well done to them for sticking it out. Let's have a look at the progress of our teams so far this year. The points tables below won't include today's results:

#### Teams for 2nd Round Premier Grade

Team	Played	Rnd:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total	Members
<a href="#">Havelock North Golden Delicious</a>	4		6	5	4	4				19	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Greendale Jets</a>	4		5	3	6	4				18	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Havelock North Craft &amp; Hern</a>	4		2	5	6	2				15	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Greendale Blue Belles</a>	4		4	1	2	6				13	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Waipukurau Emeralds</a>	4		4	1	4	1				10	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Hawkes Bay Lawn Moas</a>	4		2	4	0	2				8	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Havelock North Mirka's Mates</a>	3		0	0	5					5	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Eskview White</a>	3		1	2	0					3	<a href="#">List</a>

#### Teams for 2nd Round A Grade

Team	Played	Rnd:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total	Members
<a href="#">Hastings A</a>	4		6	3	4	6				19	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Havelock North Sets in the City</a>	4		6	5	6	2				19	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Havelock North Good Gets</a>	4		2	6	6	4				18	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Hawkes Bay Split Steps</a>	5		0	5	2	4	6			17	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Porangahau A</a>	5		0	3	4	3		6		16	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Nelson Park Stars</a>	4		6	1	0	3				10	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Clive Satellites</a>	4		4	1	2	2				9	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Waipukurau Chicks</a>	6		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<a href="#">List</a>

#### Teams for 2nd Round A Reserve Grade

Team	Played	Rnd:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	Members
<a href="#">Greendale Puriri</a>	4		6	2	3	6							17	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Eskview Blue</a>	4		3	4	4	4							15	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Greendale Gaggles</a>	4		3	1	5	4							13	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Hawkes Bay Rocky Road</a>	3		5	3	2								10	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Clive Comets</a>	4		0	6	2	2							10	<a href="#">List</a>
<a href="#">Havelock North Serve n Tonic</a>	3		0	1	0								1	<a href="#">List</a>



## In Squash...

# LADIES ONE DAY TOURNAMENT

## D GRADE AND BELOW

Enter on iSquash or contact Michelle for more info  
admin@squasheastern.co.nz

**WHEN:** Saturday 2nd March 2024

**WHERE:** Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis & Squash Club

**WHO:** Ladies D grade and below.

**WHAT:** Guaranteed minimum of 2 games. Games are for points. PAR to 15, best of 5

Division and spot prizes up for grabs.

**\$20 Entry Fee**



The Squash Eastern lower grade ladies one day tournament will be in operation this Saturday from 10am. Best of luck to all of our ladies/girls taking part in the competition and especially to Shirley Rush who is making her way back to the squash court after a number of years away from the game. No practice matches. Straight into it. Class! I am not really sure if the above draw will be legible in this newsletter but I have included it anyway.

Congratulations to our winners from last weekend's one day tournament at HBSRC:

**Shaun Thompson-Gray** Div 3 Runner Up, **Rob Leith** Div 3 3<sup>rd</sup> place, **Louie Thompson-Gray** Div 6 Winner, **Caleb Alexander** Div 8 Winner, **Samantha Stevens** Div 9 Runner Up, **Michelle Kelly** Div 13 Runner Up

**Interclub (Ladies and Mixed)** is due to start Tuesday 30 April and Wednesday 1 May. Entries must be in to Eastern by the end of March. Get your names up on the sheets on the noticeboard now. *Remember you must be graded and a financial member in order to play interclub.*

**Eastern Junior 200 Series:** First one for 2024 to be held at HBLTS on **Sunday 24 March**. Enter now via Isquash or contact Dino/Jules

**Squash Club Day** is Saturday from 3.15pm. Any members/non-members welcome. Come along and have a go. Racquets supplied. Our squash committee are keen to press upon you the need to check your shoes before entering the squash courts (checking your kid's shoes as well). We have had a couple of cases recently where tar has been tracked onto the courts and this involves a bit of scrubbing.

**Intraclub League** Each Wednesday evening. Players should arrive at the club 6.00pm for a 6.15pm start.

## In Petanque...



HBLTS members had a very impressive showing at the **Masterton Triples** last weekend with 7 of the 10 members



that made the trip finishing in the top 4 places.

Sharon Cannon and her two team players from Wanganui East (Christine and Claire) won the event. John, Eddie and Robin (pictured above) were runners up. Well done gents! Bethne and Barry in the 3rd equal team along with Vicky and her team. Great to see so many of the Lawns players picking up the prizes.

As mentioned at the top of this newsletter, the **Club Champs Doubles** are in operation this Saturday. Format will be (2) rounds for (10) teams with the (4) teams with byes playing in the 3rd round, the rest can have a lunch break. Two more rounds to follow. This means all teams will have played 4 games and the results leading to playoff, semis then finals for the top four teams. **9.30am for a 10am start.**

**Te Whero trophy, 17<sup>th</sup> March** at our club. Only a few names on the list on the noticeboard for this so far. Add your name if you would like to challenge Napier Petanque for the trophy.

Please note that the **Trivia Night** planned for tomorrow has been cancelled. The late decision came after a couple of teams pulled out leaving only 9 teams available for the night. Whilst we could have gone ahead with that number of teams, the consensus between organising parties is that it would be better to put this off to a later date when we hope that more of our regular teams and players will be available.

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

Gary.