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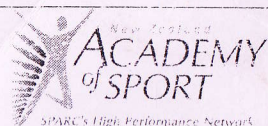


# Table Tennis New Zealand

## 2008

### *Annual Report and Statement of Accounts*

*for year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2008*



# Table Tennis New Zealand

**TABLE TENNIS NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED**

**SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT  
AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

for presentation to the

**Annual General Meeting**

to be held at

**KINGSGATE HOTEL  
FITZHERBERT AVENUE  
PALMERSTON NORTH**

on

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2008**

**Commencing at 10.00am**

2008

## OFFICERS

### BOARD

Alan Moore (Chair)  
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Bob Inns (appointed)

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### COACHES

Li Chunli (Head Coach)  
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### SELECTORS

Bryan Keane, Convenor (resigned 18 March)  
Murray Finch, Convenor (from 30 March)  
Li Chunli  
Wayne Gear

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Ron Garrett, Executive Director

Averil Roberts, Administration Officer (to 10 March 2008)  
Peter Chard, Administration Officer (10 March – 29 August 2008)  
Gina Connell, Change Manager (from 1 September 2008)  
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David Jackson, John Stapleton

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Junior Development Officers: Murray Finch, Wayne Gear

Player Liaison Officer: Shane Laugesen

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## INTRODUCTION

2008 has been a year of change for the Table Tennis New Zealand Board and one which has been difficult to manage. The financial situation of the organisation has dictated most of the decision making processes the Board has had to face. Despite this less than desirable state the Board has been able to produce a positive new strategic plan to lead the way through to 2012 and beyond.

A process to address the specific needs of the Table Tennis New Zealand administrative structure has been instituted to ensure the work of Table Tennis New Zealand staff is well directed and soundly managed. The need to restore financial security for Table Tennis New Zealand has required the Board to reduce administrative overheads to a minimum while still delivering services as usual to all Associations.

The Board thanks Ron Garrett for the tremendous amount of work he has undertaken since taking the reins as Executive Director last year. We have been very fortunate to have extended his tenure from three months to well over a year. His steady hand at the tiller has guided us through a difficult financial position since early 2007.

Thanks are also owed to Averil Roberts for her service to Table Tennis New Zealand administration. Her departure left a gap which proved difficult to fill. The Board is currently re-evaluating the positions of Administration Officer and Executive Director.

Our representative teams have all given their best at a variety of tournaments throughout the year. In Guangzhou, New Caledonia, Australia and Tahiti all players performed well.

Karen Li proved that she is the best woman player in Oceania, but unfortunately was denied a place at the Olympic Games by very tough qualification criteria set by the New Zealand Olympic Committee.

The relinquishment of hosting rights for the World Junior Championships, due to the extremely high cost of running the tournament, has meant that our successful girl's team must travel to Madrid for the tournament.

The cost of involvement in all high performance areas has meant a strain on the resources of everyone throughout this past twelve months. The re-targeting of funds from Nation to Regional, by the various funding agencies that have supported us in the past, will see a continuing inability of Table Tennis New Zealand to adequately support our representative teams, managers and officials. Greater efforts will need to be made by local associations to support their high performance team members with training and travel expenses.

Our small band of international umpires has attended a number of tournaments, World Junior Championships, Cadet Challenge, World Teams Championships, and in particular the Olympic Games, a real mark of excellence for Averil Roberts. All have performed well and invitations continue to come in for their services.

On behalf of the Board I wish to extend my thanks to all Association Boards and Management Committees for the work you do in the provinces to keep our sport alive and well.

Merry Christmas and best wishes to all for 2009.

*Alan Moore*  
*Chair*

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

This has been a year of consolidation on the financial front with our funds position now into the black, but we have a long way to go to ensure we have a good cashflow and allow the Board to make decisions on progress, knowing that we have funds to do so.

Our biggest cut back has been in the High Performance area and I have received criticism for that, but I make no apologies. If we do not have money we do not spend it.

Funding is getting more difficult to obtain, particularly at National level. Gaming Trusts have cut back on National funding. While we often hear "Why doesn't Table Tennis New Zealand find the funds" we do not see those people putting their hand up to secure this.

Highlights of the year have been the outstanding effort by Karen Li, proving she is the best female player in Oceania, but unfortunately the NZOC sets a criteria above the ITTF Criteria for Olympic qualification.

The Junior Girls proved again they are the best junior team in Oceania and will represent New Zealand at the Junior Finals in Madrid.

The other disappointment besides the Olympics was withdrawing from holding the World Junior Championships in North Shore because we were not able to raise the funding required. It was always a challenge to find an extra \$400,000 required. Unfortunately the conditions set for running an International event such as this make it difficult for smaller countries to compete.

We have a good group of younger players and given the support, opportunity for International play and their own dedication to training and performing, the future looks bright. Table tennis is not financially rewarding in New Zealand so we have to be very careful we do not put conditions on players that make it difficult for them.

The Board has put together a Strategic Plan for the future with more emphasis on associations putting in place pathways to develop and encourage their players to compete at the highest level. This will receive robust debate at the Annual General Meeting.

During the full year, Table Tennis New Zealand was successful in obtaining a number of grants (listed in financial report), and in this regard I would like to thank the various organisations for their support.

This year we lost the services of Averil Roberts, who served us so well as Administration Officer for many years. Averil was a wealth of table tennis knowledge, a loss to Table Tennis New Zealand's administration, but not a loss to the sport, still playing and umpiring.

Peter Chard was Administration Officer till end of August and presently Gina Connell is filling the role and also doing a complete evaluation of administration services required at National level.

I have finished my stint as Executive Director at end of financial year, and while I can say my time has been a struggle at times, it has been an interesting 17 months.

*Ron Garrett*  
*Executive Director*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

2008 Registrations as 30 September 2008 are not available as returns are incomplete from many Associations so do not give an accurate figure. This is disappointing as true figures have a huge advantage in seeking funding, both at National and Association level.

## **AWARDS**

Player of the Year – **Karen Li**

Junior of the Year – H N Ballinger Cup – **Natalie Paterson**

Junior Player of the Year - Russell Dickey Memorial Trophy – **Phillip Xiao**

## **HIGH PERFORMANCE**

### **2008 High Performance Events**

The 2008 High Performance programme included the following international events:

#### **Senior**

- World Teams Championships, Guangzhou, China
- Olympic Qualification Tournament, Noumea, New Caledonia
- Oceania Championships, Papeete, Tahiti
- Australian Senior Championships, Melbourne, Australia

#### **Junior**

- World Junior Circuit (Oceania region), Papeete, Tahiti
- World Cadet Challenge qualification, Papeete, Tahiti
- Oceania Championships, Papeete, Tahiti
- World Cadet Challenge, Helsingborg, Sweden
- World Junior Championships, Madrid, Spain

### **International Programme Overview - SENIOR**

#### **World Teams Championships, Guangzhou, China**

- New Zealand Women's Team finished 36<sup>th</sup> and the New Zealand Men's Team finished 67<sup>th</sup>

#### **Olympic Qualification Tournament, Noumea, New Caledonia**

- Karen Li (North Harbour) won the Oceania Women's Olympic Qualification Tournament without dropping a match

#### **Oceania Championships, Papeete, Tahiti**

- New Zealand Women's Team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and the New Zealand Men's Team finished 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Sun Yang (Canterbury) won a silver medal in the Open Women's singles
- John Cordue (Auckland) and Shane Laugesen (Auckland) won a silver medal in the Open Men's doubles
- Sun Yang (Canterbury) and Jenny Hung (Canterbury) won a silver medal in the Open Women's doubles
- Ryan Zhu (Auckland) and Sun Yang (Canterbury) won a silver medal in the Open Mixed doubles
- Ryan Zhu (Auckland) won a silver medal in the Under 21 Men's singles
- Jenny Hung (Canterbury) won a silver medal in the Under 21 Women's singles
- Nathan Lowe (Auckland) and Ryan Zhu (Auckland) won a gold medal in the Under 21 Men's doubles
- Jenny Hung (Canterbury) and Sophie Shu (Auckland) won a gold medal in the Under 21 Women's doubles

#### **Australian Senior Championships, Melbourne, Australia**

- New Zealand Women's Team finished 7<sup>th</sup> and the New Zealand Men's Team finished 6<sup>th</sup>

## **HIGH PERFORMANCE (cont)**

### **International Programme Overview - JUNIOR**

#### **World Junior Circuit (Oceania region), Papeete, Tahiti**

- New Zealand Under 18 Girl's A Team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and New Zealand Under 18 Girl's B Team finished 4<sup>th</sup> and the New Zealand Under 18 Boy's Team finished 4<sup>th</sup>
- New Zealand Under 15 Girl's Team finished 4<sup>th</sup> and the New Zealand Under 15 Boy's Team finished 1<sup>st</sup>
- Kevin Wu (Auckland) and Lingnan Kong (Auckland) won silver in the Cadet Boy's doubles
- Angie Guo (Auckland) and Julia Wu (Auckland) won silver in the Cadet Girl's doubles

#### **World Cadet qualification, Papeete, Tahiti**

- Kevin Wu (Auckland) and Angie Guo (Auckland) qualified to represent the Oceania region at the World Cadet Challenge in Helsingborg, Sweden

#### **Oceania Championships, Papeete, Tahiti**

- New Zealand Under 18 Girl's Team finished 1<sup>st</sup> and the New Zealand Under 18 Boy's Team finished 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Jenny Hung (Canterbury) won a silver medal in the Under 18 Girl's singles
- Lingnan Kong (Auckland) won a gold medal in the Under 15 Boy's singles
- Kevin Wu (Auckland) and Lingnan Kong (Auckland) won a silver medal in the Under 15 Boy's doubles
- Angie Guo (Auckland) and Julia Wu (Auckland) won a gold medal in the Under 15 Girl's doubles

An undoubted disappointment during the 2008 season was Karen Li's non-selection for the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games, despite qualifying for the Games under the International Table Tennis Federation criteria. This was primarily due to the strict standard selection criteria adhered to by the New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC). It is important for TTNZ to lobby the NZOC to consider an individualized approach to selection criteria for Olympic and Commonwealth Games that takes into account the differing qualification criteria of each International Federation, participation numbers in each sport, availability of funding, and opportunity for promotion of a given sport.

In the junior ranks it was pleasing to note the progress of a number of players who performed particularly well at the 2008 Oceania Championships in Papeete, Tahiti. Of particular note was the effort of the New Zealand Under 15 Boy's Team in winning gold in the 2008 Tahiti Junior Open Cadet Teams event. This is the first time that a New Zealand team has won a World Junior Circuit Teams event. In addition, the New Zealand Under 18 Girl's Team qualified for the 2008 World Junior Championships in Madrid, Spain.

#### **Training Camps**

Chunli Li organized, and ran, a training camp in preparation for the World Teams Championships over December 2007 / January 2008. Zhu Hui assisted with training of the New Zealand Men's Team. The training camp was held at the Panmure YMCA. TTNZ has 10 tables stored at this venue. Two regional training camps were held in the Central region, and one in the Northern Region. No regional camps were held in the Southern Region.

#### **Grants**

A grant was received from The Southern Trust as a contribution towards airfares for travel to the events in Tahiti (World Junior Circuit, World Cadet Challenge qualifying, Oceania Championships).

#### **The Future**

The TTNZ Board has identified the challenge of developing and supporting elite player development at all levels however, it is recognised that TTNZ has limited funding streams. Most funding is directed at running a skeleton administration structure (funding from SPARC, and funding from association affiliation fees). In recent years TTNZ have managed to source partial funding for a National Head Coach through gaming trust funding.

## **HIGH PERFORMANCE (cont)**

However, the National Head Coach position was handicapped by a lack of funding for training camps, and coach travel. Table Tennis New Zealand has never received gaming trust funding for national training camps (funding has been received from SPARC for training camps in preparation for major international events). With national gaming trust funding further on the decline it is becoming more difficult for Table Tennis New Zealand to fund the high performance programme to any great degree.

Most player development activities currently take place at association level where there are a number of qualified coaches who conduct private one on one coaching and squad group training sessions. Additionally, associations have the ability to generate funds via multiple revenue streams. Therefore, it may be prudent for associations to take ownership of high performance table tennis in New Zealand. In doing so, associations would become responsible for driving the development of their high performance athletes and officials and offer an increased level of training, competition, coaching, and managerial opportunities.

Under this scenario Table Tennis New Zealand would offer assistance to associations delivering high performance programmes in such areas as advising on grant applications to charitable trusts, seeking out funding opportunities for high performance from partners such as SPARC, and coordinating the sharing of information and opportunities between associations. In addition, Table Tennis New Zealand would remain responsible for the organization of teams travelling to international competition to which only official New Zealand teams are eligible. Table Tennis New Zealand would remain the final decision maker on the selection of New Zealand teams, and the appointment of coaches and managers to travel with those teams.

It is necessary for associations to recognise the limitations of the current structure and consider possibilities for the future that will offer more opportunities for the select group of high performance athletes in New Zealand who are the potential role models and promotional tools of the future.

**Shane Warbrooke**  
**High Performance Director**

## **SELECTORS REPORT**

There are many table tennis positives to come out of the 2008 season. Some specific highlights on the international stage include:

- Karen Li's winning of the Oceania Olympic Qualification Tournament in dominant style.
- The under 18 Girls team winning the under 18 Oceania Teams event, thereby qualifying for the World Junior Championships for the 4<sup>th</sup> successive year.
- Lingnan Kong winning the Oceania Boys Cadet Singles Championship.
- Kevin Wu and Lingnan Kong winning the World Junior Circuit Cadet Teams title in Tahiti.

In addition, this season we have seen:

- Nathan Lowe and Ryan Zhu show the benefit of the international experience as they demonstrate the ability and intent to take over the mantle of senior mens team leaders, filling the gap left by the retirements of Peter Jackson, Aaron Li and Andrew Hubbard in recent years.
- The continuing development of the rising talent in the women's division. Michelle McCarthy was a standout during the year, producing excellent performances against established national senior representatives Sun Yang, Jenny Hung and Sophie Shu. Villa Yan and Sarah Ho follow closely behind this group.
- The junior girls have continued to develop with Angie Guo emerging as a fine prospect, qualifying to represent Oceania at the World Cadet (under 15), being selected in the team to the World Junior Championships and making a mark at senior level nationally. Jennifer Tseng was another standout, extraordinarily winning under 15 and under 13 singles titles at both the National and North Island Championships.
- Phillip Xiao dominated the junior boys division, continued to develop as a senior and almost led his team to an unlikely upset against Australia in the final of the Oceania under 18 boys teams event.

- Junior boys progressing well in the seniors, with the likes of Phillip Xiao, Kevin Wu, Lingnan Kong, James Harter and Yotam Bar-Shalom all making their mark.
- The resurgence of the Wellington junior boys providing a legitimate challenge to the continually strong Auckland in this division.

Without doubt the biggest disappointment of the year was the failure of the NZOC to select Karen Li for the Beijing Olympics. While, as a sport, we are making excellent progress in the areas of results, skill development work ethic and conduct, we are not without our challenges and issues.

- We continue with the ongoing struggle to get the majority of our top and emerging players to attend local tournaments. We appreciate the financial and educational demands on players that can impact on their ability to play tournaments. However, players must realize that it is only by playing tournaments at the highest level available that they can improve the application of their skills under the intense pressure of competition. In addition, this is the information (results from these tournaments) that selectors must use to make selectorial decisions. The more results we have the better the decisions we can make.
- Our sport has a profile of a large number of academic high achievers amongst our best juniors. With the change in the education system over recent years to an increasingly user-pay environment at tertiary level and constant assessment at secondary school, players are coming under increasing stress from the demands of their education at senior school and university levels. We are experiencing the loss to the sport of previously committed table tennis players during this time. If we are to keep these players in the game, we need to demonstrate understanding, flexibility and support of them and their changing circumstances. If not, we run the real risk of going through a futile exercise of producing promising juniors only to repeatedly lose them in their late teens. If we can keep our best players in the game until their mid-twenties – when they start producing their best table tennis – then this issue needs to be addressed at both National and Association level. If we lose them unnecessarily before this we are wasting our very limited resources needlessly.
- The breakdown in relationships between some of our better players and their association. In part this is related to the previous issue. It seems that conflict often arises between associations and players as the players reach the transitional stage into adulthood as well as the demanding educational times or enter the workforce and are unable to manage their table tennis commitments in the same way they have previously. Lack of understanding on both sides of the perspective of the other has led to a disturbing number of our best young players leaving the game, or reducing their commitment and involvement and/or, in some cases, not being available or eligible to represent their association. Action needs to be taken to reverse this trend.
- Funding. Over recent years we have worked very hard to increase the number of opportunities for our players to gain international exposure and experience. However there is a cost to this. With the tenuous state of ITNZ's finances and the increased difficulty of getting funding at National level from traditional sources (in recent times) such as gaming trusts and SPARC, the financial burden of representing their country in our sport falls on players and their parents. As players get better (especially when they are young) this burden increases and many players have to make decisions on which events offer them best value for the money spent. A continuation of the inability to offer financial support to our national representatives (at either national or provincial level) is likely to result in the dilution of the quality of our teams and slow down the development of our best players as they get less international experience in the developmental parts of their careers.

The season was a busy one for the selectors, especially in the first half of the year with many international events. Also early in the year we were faced with the departure from the panel of the previous convenor, Bryan Keane, for personal reasons. The loss of Bryan's experience and balance was immediately obvious. However we were able to welcome Wayne Gear onto the panel with his enthusiasm as well as a fresh perspective. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Chunli and Wayne, as fellow selectors, for their hard work and the integrity that they brought to the role. There is no doubt that, as a panel, we are passionate about our sport and the role that we play in advancing it at all levels.

**Murray Finch**  
**Convenor of Selectors**

## UMPIRES

2007/08 has been quite an active year for our international umpires. Umpires have officiated at:

- World Junior Championships;
- World Cadet Challenge;
- World Teams Championships; and
- Olympic Games.

Not all opportunities which are offered to us are able to be accepted for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is the cost of travel to the various tournament venues.

Association management committees can play a vital role in assisting our officials by applying for grants to help defray the high cost of air travel. The experience gained from the attendance at major events, by your officials, will repay your efforts by improving the standards of your own championship tournaments.

The year ahead will see an equally full calendar of events with umpires heading for many parts of the world. Invitations will continue to come in to us if we maintain our high standards and meet the expectations of the hosts. Hard work will see an addition to our sole Blue Badge holder, Averil Roberts, in the foreseeable future.

Our IU ranks have been bolstered by two this year with Malcolm Wong and Richard Ammundsen passing the difficult IU exam. Fewer regional and national badges have been achieved this past year, but notably from the Manawatu three players did very well to pass their regional exams.

The URC still has work to do in encouraging more coaches to obtain an umpiring qualification. The level two ITTF coaching course has a pre-requisite of an umpiring qualification so for those coaches who have attained their level one certification and have not got either regional or national badges it is time to prepare for this next step.

The use of the qualified National Referees at tournaments is very gratifying and the experience gained by this group throughout 2008 will mean a great step forward for tournament committees and tournament management teams around the country.

The URC will be planning a refresher for qualified referees as well as a complete course to cater for those officials wishing to extend their qualifications to be delivered at some time during 2009/10.

Remember to appreciate the work of every umpire, qualified or not, in every match you play and most of all please let them know that by saying "thank you" at the conclusion of the game.

Here's to a successful year for all in 2009, play hard, play fair.

**Alan Moore**  
**Convenor**

## NEW ZEALAND UMPIRES

### *International Umpires*

Ammundsen, Richard  
Fan, Daniel  
Garrett, Ron  
McAvinue, Michael  
Penberthy, Bruce  
Scarr, Val  
Woo, George

Cook, David  
Farquhar, Gary  
Jackson, David  
McCully, Ray  
Roberts, Averil  
Wilkinson, George

Darroch, Tony  
Fraser, Keith  
Kusche, Joachim  
Moore, Alan  
Stapleton, John  
Wong, Malcolm

### *National Umpires*

Adamson, Clive (Southland)  
Chun, Emillia  
Ee, Chiong Boon  
Griffiths, Craig  
Hyden, Ric  
Keane, Bryan  
Mummery, Lee  
Stead, Janice  
Wells, Ron

Allardyce, Mervyn  
Craw, Stephen  
Escott, Paul  
Hurr, Bob  
Jarmin, Jim  
Moffat, Ivan  
Perry, Nigel  
Swale, Patricia  
Willis, Wes

Burns, Bill  
Dunn, Robert  
Fogarty, John  
Hau, Peter  
Jary, John  
Moore, Cathy  
Rennie, Hamish  
Tizard, Nelson  
Woodman, Darry

### *Regional Umpires*

Barge, Lorna  
Davey, Gregg  
Galvin, Dennis  
Hovey, Colin  
Kendall, Barrie  
Marr, Andrew  
Meads, Betty  
Millard, Vanessa  
Palmer, Merv  
Purvis, Ian  
Seaholme, Tim  
Smith, Kel  
Thomson, Bryan  
Ward, Alan  
Williams, David

Baynosa, Rowel  
Davison, Terry  
Gross, Robert  
Irvine, Tony  
Kiley, John  
McBride, David  
McLean, Anne  
Moore, James  
Pascoe, Max  
Rew, Fraser  
Sew Hoy, Robin  
Stratford, Megan  
Wang, Edward  
Ward, Lindsay  
Williams, John

Cunningham, Tony  
Duffy, Dennis  
Hickford, Stewart  
Jiang, Leon  
Lin, Derek  
McKechie, Raima  
Meijer, Ron  
Neal, Eric  
Paterson, Natalie  
Samson, Dave  
Simpson, Graham  
Stretton, Brent  
Wang, Esther  
Wells, Rex  
Yang, Robin

### *Junior Umpire Badge Holders*

Collins, Myles  
Geerlings, Vanya  
Hyun, Daeho  
Nichol, Ryan  
Zhang, Alice

Du, Tian  
Gudsell, Thomas  
Jin, Jennifer  
Quaedrvlieg, Jori

Ee, Dawn  
Haxton, Daniel  
Li, Donglai  
Yan, Villa

Umpires to qualify during the year were:

Regional  
International  
Junior

Natalie Paterson, James Moore, Tim Seaholme  
Richard Ammundsen, Malcolm Wong  
Angel Huang

## RANKINGS

At the time of printing, rankings were unavailable so have been provided as a supplementary report and also available on the ttnz website as soon as they are available.

## RATINGS

The Rating Lists are based on points gained through participation in national championship played in New Zealand. With no New Zealand rating system this year we have by courtesy of David Jackson used the Oceania system. Only the top 10 players in each category are listed in this report. The full list can be viewed on the TTNZ website (<http://www.tabletennis.org.nz>). Final lists for 2008 as at 30 September are listed on the following pages:

<b>MEN</b>				<b>WOMEN</b>			
1	Jong Eub HAN	1630	C	1	Karen LI	1506	NH
2	Shane LAUGESEN	1592	A	2	Sun YANG	1332	C
3	Brad CHEN	1556	NH	3	KIM Jung Mi	1317	A
4	Nathan LOWE	1525	A	4	YANG Jiang	1258	C
5	Ryan ZHU	1506	A	5	DONG Shan	1249	A
6	Chao LIU	1485	A	6	Jenny HUNG	1231	C
7	Peter CRAVEN	1451	A	7	Christine LITTLE	1224	A
8	James HAN	1429	N	8	Lee Hyo JOO	1223	C
9	John CORDUE	1404	A	9	Sophie SHU	1173	A
10	Simon WALLACE	1393	A	10	Li Tong	1149	C

<b>OVER 40 MEN</b>				<b>OVER 40 WOMEN</b>			
1	Jong Eub HAN	1630	C	1	KIM Jung Mi	1317	A
2	Lyndon WHITE	1306	C	2	Christine LITTLE	1224	A
3	Julian WOOTTON	1270	W	3	Kadia KELLER-RICE	1118	WK
4	Jun TANG	1227	NH	4	Sabine WESTENRA	1108	W
5	Jia ZHANG	1218	WK	5	Tutty TANFANA	1094	C
6	Steven (Hui) ZHU	1209	A	6	Hilary LOW	1020	A
7	Bryan MCCONNOCHIE	1190	W	7	Val BEAVER	1015	NH
8	William STEWART	1163	C	8	Raewyn YOUNG	0988	W
9	Douglas PATTINSON	1157	NH	9	Tetyana SULIMOVA	0976	WT
10	Chip EADE	1147	WT	10	Anna LIN	0955	NH

<b>OVER 50 MEN</b>				<b>OVER 50 WOMEN</b>			
1	Jia ZHANG	1218	WK	1	Christine LITTLE	1224	A
2	Steven (Hui) ZHU	1209	A	2	Val BEAVER	1015	NH
3	Bryan MCCONNOCHIE	1190	W	3	Tetyana SULIMOVA	0976	WT
4	Douglas PATTINSON	1157	NH	4	Anna LIN	0955	NH
5	Chip EADE	1147	WT	5	Merle SNEDDON	0946	MN
6	Lindsay WARD	1144	W	6	Lesley GARDNER	0900	C
7	John FOGARTY	1106	O	7	Averil ROBERTS	0871	W
8	Alan ALABASTER	1083	C	8	Lynley BARKER	0862	C
9	Bruce CONNOLLY	1071	W	9	Pauline BENNYWORTH	0845	WK
10	Patrick LOW	1069	A	10	Ngaire GARRETT	0827	S

<b>OVER 60 MEN</b>				<b>OVER 60 WOMEN</b>			
1	Jia ZHANG	1218	WK	1	Val BEAVER	1015	NH
2	Bryan MCCONNOCHIE	1190	W	2	Merle SNEDDON	0946	MN
3	Chip EADE	1147	WT	3	Lynley BARKER	0862	C
4	Alan ALABASTER	1083	C	4	Pauline BENNYWORTH	0845	WK
5	Bruce CONNOLLY	1071	W	5	Ngaire GARRETT	0827	S
6	Nam Hang LEE	1055	A	6	Alison WILLIAMSON	0810	C
7	Sam YIP	1016	A	7	Diane TE PANIA	0776	NH
8	CHEN Chuangjie	0996	A	8	Christine CUNNINGHAM	0760	NH
9	Che Toi CHANG	0994	A	9	Valerie SCARR	0729	MN
10	Fleming ALISON	0993	NL	10	Jill MURRAY	0715	NH

## RATINGS (cont)

The Rating Lists are based on points gained through participation in national championship played in New Zealand. With no New Zealand rating system this year we have by courtesy of David Jackson used the Oceania system. Only the top 10 players in each category are listed in this report. The full list can be viewed on the TTNZ website (<http://www.tabletennis.org.nz>). Final lists for 2008 as at 30 September are listed on the following pages:

<b>OVER 70 MEN</b>				<b>OVER 70 WOMEN</b>			
1	Nam Hang LEE	1055	A	1	Alison WILLIAMSON	0810	C
2	CHEN Chuangjie	0996	A	2	Annice ROBOTOM	0686	MN
3	Fleming ALISON	0993	NL	3	Margaret MCGREGOR	0682	WT
4	Jim JARMIN	0983	MN	4	Barbara JACKSON	0660	WT
5	Cohn HIPPER	0907	O	5	Nellie MILICH	0650	NL
6	Don REDFERN	0882	NL	6	Elsie SPOONER	0574	MN
7	Paul WINDER	0881	A	7	Irene KENT	0563	C
8	Terry COCKFIELD	0860	NH	8	Barbara TABB	0507	C
9	Eddie MOORE	0846	W	9	Betty THOMPSON	0468	MN
10	Geary DOYLE	0840	WK	10	Joy MOZER	0465	W

<b>UNDER 21 MEN</b>				<b>UNDER 21 WOMEN</b>			
1	Nathan LOWE	1525	A	1	Jenny HUNG	1231	C
2	Ryan ZHU	1506	A	2	Sophie SHU	1173	A
3	Steven ZENG	1389	A	3	Michelle MCCARTHY	1080	WK
4	Phillip XIAO	1384	A	4	Jiani HU	1070	N
5	Jonathan YAM	1248	C	5	Hanna SQUIRE	1009	W
6	Kevin WU	1246	A	6	Sabine VOGELSANG	0996	A
7	Jonathan WANG	1240	WK	7	Villa YAN	0990	A
8	Matthew LOWE	1214	A	8	Jennifer JIN	0902	WK
9	Terry ZENG	1173	A	9	Helen CHEN	0876	NH
10	James HARTER	1171	W	10	Sally HO	0871	A

<b>UNDER 18 BOYS</b>				<b>UNDER 18 GIRLS</b>			
1	Steven ZENG	1389	A	1	Jenny HUNG	1231	C
2	Phillip XIAO	1384	A	2	Villa YAN	0990	A
3	Kevin WU	1246	A	3	Jennifer JIN	0902	WK
4	Jonathan WANG	1240	WK	4	Helen CHEN	0876	NH
5	Matthew LOWE	1214	A	5	Sally HO	0871	A
6	Terry ZENG	1173	A	6	Jessica MACASKILL	0867	S
7	James HARTER	1171	W	7	Misae TANAKA	0816	W
8	KONG Lingnan	1155	A	8	Angie GUO	0673	A
9	Hanson JING	1149	NH	9	Julia WU	0624	A
10	Jackson CHU	1125	NH	10	Phoebe JIN	0621	A

<b>UNDER 15 BOYS</b>				<b>UNDER 15 GIRLS</b>			
1	Kevin WU	1246	A	1	Angie GUO	0673	A
2	KONG Lingnan	1155	A	2	Julia WU	0624	A
3	Samuel LIU	1046	A	3	Phoebe JIN	0621	A
4	Martin MURDOCH	1038	W	4	Hwei Ching LIM	0541	A
5	Lucian LAVIE	1019	A	5	Catherine YEUNG	0476	NH
6	Thom NGUYEN	0999	W	6	Jennifer TSENG	0474	A
7	Richard HORNBY	0974	C	7	Dawn EE	0467	A
8	Michael FONG-ROSS	0970	A	8	Amanda YEUNG	0454	NH
9	Oliver SCARLETT	0961	A	9	Angel HUANG	0377	C
10	CHENG Zhiyang	0960	A	10	Clara JUNG	0341	NH



## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

### ***World Junior Table Tennis Championships***

(Held in Palo Alto, San Francisco, USA 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2007)

**Represented by** Jenny Hung, Sophie Shu, Villa Yan, Helen Chen

**Manager/Coach** Wayne Gear

36 countries took part in the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the World Junior Championships, held in Palo Alto's Stanford University in San Francisco, California. The standard of play was again of a very high level, with many of the players showing such potential that it is unlikely that they will have any difficulty with the transition from the Junior to the Senior league.

China was still very dominant in the girls' section and was relatively unchallenged by the other teams. In the boys section, China claimed the majority of titles; however it was evident that a greater number of players from countries such as England, Russia, France, Korea and Japan and others contested the Chinese domination.

The atmosphere in the boys' teams' semi-finals and final was absorbing and for me this was the highlight of the tournament. China took out France 3-2 in one semi-final and Korea beat Japan in the other semi-final. The final was won by China 3-2 over Korea.

The host country excelled with the quality of the accommodation and the meals provided to team members and the opening ceremony and the general presentation of the sport in the main arena was simply awesome – the presentation of the stadium (flooring, barriers, tables etc) was outstanding with instant replays shown on the big screen at the centrepiece of the stadium.

Initially however there had been lack of communication and information provided by the hosts to the competing countries. Transportation from the hotels to the venue left a little to be desired initially as well, with some buses not keeping to schedule and too few buses available. To the hosts' credit however, the complaints were acted upon and the transport difficulties were rectified early on in the tournament.

USA has clearly set the benchmark in areas such as the playing conditions and hospitality, creating a hard act for future host countries to follow. Coaches, players and officials all to be impressed with the way the tournament was run.

### ***New Zealand team's performance***

The New Zealand players achieved some good results, without setting the world on fire. Their 15<sup>th</sup> placing was below the players' expectations but was a fair reflection of where we are at the moment.

In the group section play, New Zealand was outclassed by both Japan and Romania but played and fought exceptionally well against France, eventually losing 3-1 but only narrowly missing out on being ahead 2/0 after the first two matches. France went on to finish in 9<sup>th</sup> place overall.

- In the post section play, New Zealand played Slovakia and were beaten convincingly 3-0.
- Next up was Brazil where New Zealand lost 3-1 (but this was a match I felt New Zealand could have won, if things had gone our way.).
- The final match was against the USA where the girls put on a good performance winning 3-1.

### ***World Junior Table Tennis Championships (cont)***

(Held in Palo Alto, San Francisco, USA 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2007)

All the New Zealand players performed creditably at times, with the senior player in the team, Sophie Shu, achieving the best results and really lifting her performance from 2006.

The World Junior Championships are always held in December each year and this is not an ideal time for New Zealanders, due to the end of the school year, school examinations etc. Furthermore December is our off season so our players often lack match practice and due to our geographical isolation, have not been able to benefit from "warm up" tournaments and/or high level training camps. It is noted that the team's event consisted of 6 European sides and one less African and South American side, making it harder for New Zealand to better their 2006 performance.

I feel that the New Zealand team performed well and acted professionally and in a disciplined manner throughout the tournament. Some of the feedback I received from officials was that the New Zealand girls were some of the easiest to officiate. This is a credit to the girls themselves who showed a commendable attitude and manner both on and off the table.

### ***Observations***

Despite the tough competition, the experience of competing at an event such as the World Championships is invaluable, as the exposure to such high level table tennis is both educational and motivating. The players seemed to enjoy themselves a lot both on and off the table and I cannot stress enough the importance of New Zealand teams continuing to compete at these types of events, if the sport of table tennis is to develop in New Zealand.

One aspect of concern to me however, is the rate of improvement over the past year of some of the overseas players compared with the New Zealand players. While to some extent we cannot expect to be able to compete with some of the "powerhouses" of table tennis, such as China, England, Japan and Korea, with their disciplined and professional fulltime programmes, there are however other countries similar in size to New Zealand, where players have shown considerable improvement over the past year.

In analysing the situation further, it seems to me that there are some areas which are critical to the development of players, namely:

- Some of our players who are currently travelling overseas for training in the off season would appear to be being used merely as training or sparring partners and they are not getting the intense match play or competition which is so vital for improvement.
- In speaking to a number of overseas coaches, they all acknowledged the importance of high level international training *combined with tournaments and match play*.

I feel that despite the high cost of international exposure/experience, it is something that New Zealand must pursue if our players are to be competitive at the top level.

Australian player, Trent Carter, is a prime example of what can be achieved with intensive high level competition. Trent participated in five World Junior Circuit events this year and the World Junior Championship finals. He won the WJC event in Venezuela beating a number of top players on the way. With all this match play behind him, Trent had an outstanding world Championship tournament beating the top junior from Turkey, who is ranked No 4 in Europe, the top Hong Kong Junior and the No 3 Japanese player, on his way to the last 16. He eventually went down to the top seeded Chinese player after a hard fought match.



**World Junior Table Tennis Championships (cont)**  
(Held in Palo Alto, San Francisco, USA 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2007)

In terms of the development of new technical skills, the New Zealand players are lagging behind other nations. In my opinion this can be attributed to the lack of intense international competition (as already mentioned) and the tendency for players to generally stick to one coach, thereby being a little less open to fresh ideas and learning new skills.

One noticeable trend evident in the overseas players who played against our New Zealand girls, was that many of them served the ball from the middle of the table, opening up the angles and giving them the option to serve short into the forehand of our players. This tactic was very effective against our girls.

**Summary**

Overall the team performed creditably with some notable performances. All players were great ambassadors for New Zealand.

I would like to convey special thanks to Marc Nichol, whose assistance with bench coaching and with general management duties of the New Zealand team was greatly appreciated.

I would also like to acknowledge the assistance of the head coach of Australia, Marcus Gistosphan, for his assistance with bench coaching some of the New Zealand players, when the scheduling prevented me being in two places at the one time. Marcus showed a keenness to develop the relationship between New Zealand and Australia and this has to be good for New Zealand table tennis generally.

I thoroughly enjoyed the trip once again and would like to thank Table Tennis New Zealand for giving me the opportunity to be part of the contingent attending the World Junior Championships. Such an opportunity enables me to develop as a coach, to build relationships with overseas coaches and associations and hopefully others will indirectly benefit from my experiences.

**Wayne Gear**  
*Manager/ Coach*

**Report for World Team Championships**  
(Held in Guang Zhau, China from 24<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008)

<b>Men's Team</b>	<b>Brad Chen, Ryan Zhu, Nathan Lowe</b>	<b>Finished 67<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Women's Team</b>	<b>Karen Li, Sun Yang, Jenny Hung, Annie Yang</b>	<b>Finished 36<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Coaches</b>	<b>Li Chunli, Steven Zhu</b>	

The tournament started on 24<sup>th</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008 and there were 104 countries attending. Our women's team played in division 2 and men's team played in division 3.

**Accommodation and transport**

Our team arrived a day earlier than the competition. We stayed one night at outside the official hotel. Next day we moved to the official hotel which is a great five star hotel. All the players and coaches stayed there together. The food was very good and plentiful and mixed with Chinese and Europeans. The stadium was not far from the hotel, just couple minutes by bus. Each team has a medium bus and a volunteer to follow the team and use for your teams convenience for practices and competitions. This is a great facility. The stadium was four halls connected. Two halls were for the competition and two were for practice. In the main hall there were only 6 tables for the top teams and that was televised.

Our New Zealand team played in the second hall which had 25 tables. The table and lighting are good, but not many spectators, due do the ticket sellers not selling tickets for that hall. Tickets sold for the main hall were

not valid in the second hall. Friends wanting to see our team play weren't allowed in. Security machines and security guards were at all entrances.

**Women's team (report by Li Chunli)**

The women's team played pretty well by beating Canada, Israel, Chile, and Belgium and just lost to Slovak to become second in the group. We as part of top 16 positions to play knockout in the second stage. However at the start of knockout we lost to Luxemburg and then lost our chance to go up to division one. The top teams in the second division were all playing at a similar level, so competition was very even. We then lost to Malaysia.

Our players fought hard and played well especially when beat Canada. This team was in the top 4 in division two. The players used the techniques we had been practicing and I was proud of them. However, we did not have enough practice partners with different styles, especially like European big looping and long pimple. So we had trouble when we were up against Slovak and Luxemburg. Luxemburg had the top Chinese women player who used long pimple racket which made it very difficult for our players.

After the training camp ideally the team should have combined and we should have gone to China early for extra training with other training partners to build up player's condition. However Table Tennis New Zealand had financial trouble and could not afford to go. So the three women's players went by themselves and they organised their own training partners. Some of these practice partners were not very good I think as they came to the competitions not in their best condition and took a while to improve.

The women's team didn't succeed in going to division one. For a small country and a very tight financial situation, we have achieved a lot and improved our position from 50<sup>th</sup> to 36<sup>th</sup> place. As a coach I am proud of the achievement of our women's players.

**Li Chunli**  
*Coach*

**Report for World Team Championships (cont)**  
(Held in Guang Zhau, China from 24<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008)

**Mens Team**

The men had wins over Paristan, Uzbekistan and United Arab Emirates with losses to Cyrus, Lithuania, Chile Pur-Puerto Rico and Malaysia. The team suffered from not having a reserve available when Brad was injured and Nathan not well. The loss to Chile was close going to 5<sup>th</sup> set of final match. If we had won we would have been playing off for 49-60<sup>th</sup> position.

Lack of tough match play under pressure was one of our weaknesses. I would strongly encourage our players to play more overseas competitions. They tried their best to achieve best possible results.

My thanks to Chunli for organising the 5 weeks training before departure. I arranged a further 6 sessions also. I would recommend selection be immediately after Nationals. This would be better for preparation.

**Steven (Hui) Zhu**

***Veteran Test Match New Zealand vs. Australia***  
(Held in Palmerston North, New Zealand, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2008)

<b><i>Over 40 Men</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 2-3
New Zealand	Jun Tang, Lyndon White with Bill Stewart in doubles
Australia	Paul Pinkewich, Philip Boyle
<b><i>Over 40 Women</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 2-3
New Zealand	Sabine Westenra, Raewyn Young
Australia	Marie Pinkewich, Bernadette Caldwell
<b><i>Over 50 Men</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 0-5
New Zealand	Bryan McConnochie, Lindsay Ward
Australia	Brian Berry, Craig Campbell
<b><i>Over 50 Women</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 2-3
New Zealand	Christine Little, Lesley Gardner
Australia	Joan Munn, Margaret Mulcahy
<b><i>Over 60 Men</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 1-4
New Zealand	Jia Zhang, Chip Eade
Australia	Mick Wright, Hans Westeyn
<b><i>Over 60 Women</i></b>	<b>New Zealand beat Australia 5-0</b>
New Zealand	Val Beaver, Lynley Barker
Australia	Lois McConnell, Beryl Davies
<b><i>Over 70 Men</i></b>	New Zealand lost to Australia 0-5
New Zealand	Fleming Alison, Jim Jarmin
Australia	Case de Bondt, Gordon Lee
<b><i>Over 70 Women</i></b>	<b>New Zealand beat Australia 3-2</b>
New Zealand	Annice Robottom, Alison Williamson
Australia	Prisca Rosario, Annida Croccolo
<b><i>Final Score</i></b>	<b><i>Australia 25, New Zealand 15</i></b>

***Olympic Qualifying Tournament***  
(Held at New Caledonia April 28<sup>th</sup> -1<sup>st</sup> May 2008)

<b>Men</b>	<b>Nathan Lowe, Simon Wallace, Calvin Kwong</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>Karen Li, Sun Yang, Jenny Hung</b>
<b>Coach/Manager</b>	<b>Li Chunli</b>

Overall about 15 men and 15 women took part and competed for 3 days. Only one person qualified each day. The first day, they played separated into 2 groups and top 4 from each group went into first stage then knock out and gained a position one to eight and the champion qualified. This process also happened for the players in the position 5-8 in each group who were then given position 1-15. On the second day they played with knock out based on the first day's position. The number one player qualified. On the third day the process happened again. Karen only qualified out of our New Zealand team and the other 5 to qualify were Australians.

***The team attributes***

Karen Li played very well this time. She had no problems to beat all the Australians. She was the first day champion, so she didn't need to play on the second and third day. Jenny played well and was very close to beat May Cho and Stephanie Sang. Sun Yang had few good games, but she did not show her best against Stephanie Sang. She has played better.

The boys fought hard. Nathan had some close games with Australians. Simon was able to win one or two sets against Australians sometimes. His level at the moment is not strong enough to beat Australians. Calvin has to improve a lot to get to the Australians level.

***Hostel accommodation***

We stay at hostel due funding problem with Table Tennis New Zealand. The Australia team stayed at a five star hotel and their association paid for everything for them. They also employed a Swedish coach to coach them. However when we competed with them, we played well and Karen Li showed them. In group beat May Zhou and in the semi final beat Stephanie Sang and in final beat Miao Miao 4-0 easily. There was not much chance for Australia to applaud their players. We felt very proud.

***Australia team***

The Australian women's team were all Chinese. Their level was the same as the province team in China. They would not have been considered top Chinese players in China but were training as professionals. They have not improved a lot compared to their playing 2 or 3 years ago. However, they were consistent. Their styles were quite different. They used different rubbers. So we needed to play well against smooth rubber, pimples and long pimple rubber. Our young women's players have to improve their level and with more confidence

The Australian men's players all used the same smooth rubber and all used top spin. Their service was good and their style was new, normally they are able to use a similar action to change to different spins with good third ball attack. Our men's team have to work on their return service and also improve their ability when their opponent pushes short ball.

***Li Chunli***  
***Manager/Coach***

**World Junior Circuit**  
(Held at Tahiti 29<sup>th</sup> June – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Men</b>	<b>Lingnan Kong, Phillip Xiao, Kevin Wu, Yotam Bar-Shalom, Jackson Chu</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>Sally Ho, Jessica MacAskill, Villa Yan, Angie Guo, Julia Wu</b>

The World Junior Circuit event was preceded by a training camp run by the Swedish coach, Emanuel Christianson. In my opinion this training camp was extremely beneficial for the players, who got a chance to practise with top juniors from the Oceania region and receive advice from Emanuel. It was a shame there were not the international presence from outside the Oceania region like there was in 2006 for the training camp.

In the teams competition the New Zealander's performed credibly with the under 18 boys, girls and under 15 girls losing only to Japan and Australia.

**Special mention to the Under 15 Boys who won gold in a close contest with Australia in the final. This is the first gold medal at a WJC event for any New Zealander and a great result. Of note all the teams received a medal which was very special for the team.**

In the individual events special mention goes to Phillip Xiao was unlucky not to beat Japanese number 2 in an outstanding performance in the quarter final of the under 18 boys.

In the Under 15 events, both the boys and girls made it to the final of the doubles losing to Japan and Kevin Wu lost in the semi final to eventual winner also from Japan in the singles.

The level of the World Junior Circuit event was down on the past years with only Japan represented from countries outside the Oceania region. The quality of the Japanese players was extremely high and gives our young players something to aim towards.

**Wayne Gear**

**World Cadet Qualifying – Oceania**  
(held at Tahiti 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Boys</b>	<b>Kevin Wu, Lingnan Kong</b>
<b>Girls</b>	<b>Julia Wu, Angie Guo</b>

The cadet qualifying was once again predominantly dominated by New Zealand and Australia. Angie Guo qualified for the Oceania team placing 3<sup>rd</sup> and edging out Julia Wu for 4<sup>th</sup> spot.

In the boys, a similar situation with Kevin Wu qualifying after coming 2<sup>nd</sup> on a count back and edging out Lingnan Kong who finished a commendable 3<sup>rd</sup>.

As a result both Angie and Kevin are eligible to compete in the World Cadet Championships in Sweden

Due to the fact that only one member from each country can qualify for the Oceania team, both Julia and Lingnan were ineligible.

**Wayne Gear**

**Oceania Table Tennis Championships**  
(Held at Tahiti 6<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Women</b>	<b>Sun Yang, Jenny Hung, Sophie Shu, Jessica MacAskill</b>	<b>Finished 2<sup>nd</sup></b>
<b>U18 Girls</b>	<b>Jenny Hung, Villa Yan, Jennifer Jin, Sally Ho</b>	<b>Finished 1<sup>st</sup></b>
<b>Represent Oceania WJC in Spain 2008</b>		

**Women's team**

The players fought hard and worked well as a team. The women's team was not our top players, but luckily Australia did not send all of their top players. We had a chance to win, however Mao Mao was stronger than our younger players, so we only had a chance to beat their other players. We did have a chance to win 3-2. Sun Yang won her first game, Jenny lost to Mao Mao, and Sophie lost the third game, so Jenny could not play the fifth game and we lost 1-3.

Sun Yang and Jenny both play a consistent game and Sun Yang's backhand has changed to using a long pimple rubber. She uses spin to make her game unpredictable for her opponents. Jenny has improved especially in her thinking during the game. She can plan her attacks and reactions better. Sophie is fighting harder, but her technique isn't consistent, especially her forehand which misses a lot. Jessica only played 2 games with Island countries. Her level is not good enough to compete against the Australian team. She has a good push and can loop occasionally.

**Under 18 Girl's team**

The Under 18 girls could not use Sophie as she was above the age limit, so we used three inexperienced players. But the team still won the title and played well. The team worked well together and Jenny Hung had a lot of experience for this age group. Her level was impressive and her techniques seemed better than Australia. She won all her games for the team event. Villa was the second strongest for our team. She tried hard throughout the game and won one game in the finals. Jennifer was in the team last year but did not play much. This time she played as our third player and showed she could learn techniques very fast and her service was good. She could work on her topspin after service. Sally was very happy to be in the team to cooperate with the team this tournament. She played very little in the team. Her game is has one main strategy which is forehand smash, but she needs to develop other strengths and variety of play.

I am happy that the Under 18 Girls beat Australia again. However Table Tennis New Zealand does not provide enough financial support, especially not training camps. The players have to train themselves and some of them pay for coaching. Also they paid for this trip. During the tournament the New Zealand team stayed at 2 different places. The girls needed to get up very early to go to another place for breakfast. This made the players tired, especially some of the junior players who had lots of different events. However our players never say anything, they just try their best. I fell very proud of them. I suggest Table Tennis New Zealand should say thank you to the players and their parents, because their parents give so much support to this sport and the New Zealand team. As a coach and person who accompanied the team I feel very involved and affected.

- We won the Under 21 Girls Doubles with Jenny Hung and Sophie Shu;
- We won the Under 15 Girls Doubles with Angie Guo and Julia Wu;
- In the Women's Singles, Sun Yang was runner-up and Jenny was 3<sup>rd</sup>; and
- Women's Doubles Sun Yang and Jenny Hung was runner-up.

We could have won more titles in the Under 21 and Under 18 Girls' Singles, but we conserved their games due to the hot weather and the long days in the stadium. The players were physically drained by the conditions. Before the Under 21 final, Jenny fell, maybe due to exhaustion or heat, so during the game, she was not energetic and played it safe. For the future in these conditions we have to prepare extra sports drinks or energy food, and it would have been good if the players could have had a place to rest.

**Li Chunli**

## Coach

### Oceania Table Tennis Championships (cont)

(Held at Tahiti 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

#### Preparation prior to the tournament

I found it quite frustrating in getting final information on players selected, players going, and flight information. The organization of this event seemed rushed and last minute. A lot of the problems were caused by a lack of planning and event funding. Personally I think Shane did well under the circumstances. TTNZ in general needs to be better prepared in their planning for such an event. The team management, coaches and players need to be finalized at least two months out from the event. This would lead to a better prepared team, coaching staff and most importantly our players will be better prepared. Planning for the 2010 Oceania Championships should start late 2009 not one month before the event.

#### Travel Arrangements and Accommodation "The Church"

Although as it ended up they were last minute flight bookings were made, everything went well all players arrived into Tahiti on two flights, the juniors on one and later followed by the seniors on the second flight. There were no hiccups everybody arrived on time. Arriving at the accommodation around 8pm in the dark after a full day's travel was not very amusing. We arrived at a small church hall with mattresses on the floor with pretty pink sheets on them. I must admit we were advised the accommodation was going to be ruff but this is not really what we expected. It seemed it couldn't get worse, no blankets, one working toilet, one shower, boys and girls all bunking together. The next day we organized the girls to stay in two eight bed hotel room which was around a ten minute drive from the church where the whole team ate breakfast and dinner. What did make our stay memorable at the church was the people who looked after us, it was like living on a Maori Pa, they made us very welcome, they cooked for us, and they treated us like gods. I think everybody in the team will have fond memories of the people in the way they looked after us and in the way they made everybody welcome in what would be seen as trying circumstances.

#### Venue / playing conditions; "The Dragon"

I would consider the playing venue to be one of the worst playing conditions I have encountered, it is my view that whoever signed off on letting such an important tournament to be played within this stadium needs to be a little more stringent on what the final playing conditions are going to be. Apart from the ablution blocks the actual building was fine; the problem was there was a two meter gap between the actual wall and the roof. The conditions were perfect provided the wind wasn't blowing. Once the wind got up the ball was getting blown all over the place.

#### Playing Style, Preparation & Competitiveness

Apart from the odd player from the Pacific Islands it was quite evident that Australia and New Zealand are way ahead in standard over the remainder of the Oceania nations. I do think our teams could have been better prepared. In my mind the standout players who performed above expectation, Phillip Xiao, Kevin Wu, Lingnan Kong, Julia Wu, Angie Guo all of whom are our players of the future. What disturbed me more than anything was TTNZ put a lot of importance on our Under 18 girls team to win qualification for the 2009 World Junior Championships. This team would have been the least prepared of the whole squad, most of the girls admitted to not playing many tournaments or trained very little in their buildup to the event. The end result was yes we did qualify, but it is my view that we were very lucky to beat Australia in the qualifying final. I think if we were better prepared overall, the whole team could have done a lot better.

#### Coaching Staff "Wayne, Julian, ChunLi"

Well done team, I found working with you all a pleasure. I guess you need to give credit where credit is due, as coaches you worked tirelessly for up to fourteen hours a day making sure all players were prepared and that there was a bench coach at the end of the table to help. I also would like to thank Peter Wu for his help in looking after and supporting the team.

**Marc Nichol**  
Team Manager

### Oceania Table Tennis Championships (cont)

(Held at Tahiti 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Men</b>	<b>Shane Laugesen, Nathan Lowe, Ryan Zhu</b>	<b>Finished 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>U18 Boys</b>	<b>Phillip Xiao, Kevin Wu, Yotam Bar-Shalom, Jackson Chu</b>	<b>Finished 2<sup>nd</sup></b>

#### Men

In the Oceania Championships the men first played Tahiti B, where they won convincingly 5-0. After a second round bye the next match of the day was against Cook Islands, where they also won 5-0.

The following day they played Australia B. This was a tight contest where New Zealand eventually lost 3-2. Two unexpected losses from Shane Laugesen proved to be costly and the team was bitterly disappointed after this match. Coincidentally Australia B ended up winning the gold medal beating Australia A in the final. The New Zealand men's team beat New Caledonia 3-1, to come in 3rd place in the final match.

In the individual championships some stand out performances with both Ryan Zhu and Nathan Lowe making the semi-finals of the men's singles and Shane Laugesen and John Cordue losing in a closely fought battle in the final of the men's doubles. Ryan Zhu playing with Sun Yang lost in the mixed doubles final.

On a positive note the men overall had some good results over their Australian counterparts with 4 men making the last 8 in the singles. Ryan Zhu lost in the final of the under 21 Men's Singles and partnered with Nathan Lowe won the Under 21 Men's Doubles which was a great result beating a more favoured Australian pair.

#### Boys

The Boys' team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place with wins over Tahiti Nui 5-0, Composite 4-1, New Caledonia 5-0, Cook Islands 5-0 finishing with a loss to Australia 1-3. Unfortunately the standard of early teams was not high.

#### Individuals

In the Under 18 individual events, Phillip Xiao lost narrowly to Wade Townsend (Australia) in the semi-finals. In the Under 15 Singles, Lingnan Kong defeated Ocean Belrose of Tahiti-Nui in the final. Belrose had earlier knocked out Kevin Wu in the semi-finals.

In the future, I recommend putting more resources into our young players such as Lingnan Kong and Kevin Wu, with match play and training in Europe and Asia.

**Julian Wootton**  
Coach

#### Summary

Overall the team had a good tournament, with just about all team members playing well. Some outstanding performances as previously outlined.

In terms of overall performance, the team has definitely made progress towards bridging the gap between Australia and New Zealand, in the men and boys since the Oceania championships of 2006, but the reverse in the under 18 girls which was a little concerning.

Some promising results from our cadets which is very pleasing and I watch their progress over the next couple years with interest. The behaviour of all the team members both on and off the table was impeccable and it was a pleasure coaching and managing this team. Special thanks go to my fellow coaches and team manager, Marc Nicol, who contributed to making the trip a success.

**Wayne Gear**  
Coach

## Australian Open Championships

(Held at Melbourne, Australia 19<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July)

<b>Men</b>	<b>Simon Wallace, John Cordue, Josh Alexandre, Phillip Xiao</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>Sophie Shu, Sarah Ho, Armindeep Singh, Jessica MacAskill</b>
<b>Coach</b>	<b>Mr Han, Canterbury</b>

### Preparation prior to the tournament

I must thank Shane for his work in preparing the players, flights and accommodation. On my arrival back from Tahiti I found Shane had organized everything. Well done Shane thanks for your help in this area. One criticism I would have is that TTNZ needs to be more organized in the selection process and its timing and placement of players. I understand that there were specific issues in finalizing the teams; this is unacceptable when it comes to the players being selected at last minute while receiving limited information. More consideration needs to be given to the players who are being placed in teams. How can we expect our players to be professional and organized in their buildup to the event if they receive confirmation of their selection the week before the event starts?

### Travel Arrangements and Accommodation "The Quest Windsor, 111 Punt Road, Melbourne

In this situation the players booked their own travel to and from the event, all players were advised of the best and most competitive flights to book along with tournament dates. After bookings were finalized the players emailed to me to collate a list of arrival and departure times. This system worked well and worked without any problems. This accommodation was the best; we booked one two bedroom apartment for the Women's team and one three bedroom apartment for the Men's team, Manager and Coach. The apartments were situated on the far side of Albert Park with a ten minute drive to the playing arena. The cooking facilities were excellent they were clean tidy and well services. I personally would suggest that TTNZ look to stay in this accommodation in the future if other events were to be held at the Aquatic Center.

### Venue / playing conditions; "Melbourne Aquatic Center"

This is a great facility for table tennis, the playing areas were well barrier and sized to international standard. The playing surface "wooden floor" was in good condition but seemed a little slippery. I think all the players were happy with the playing conditions. I must congratulate the event organizing committee for their efforts in running a well organized event.

### Playing Style, Preparation & Competiveness

I found the whole team to be quiet focused and well organized in their buildup to their matches, everybody prepared well for their daily matches, everybody knew when and where they were playing. A future focus for players and New Zealand coaches would be to become more competitive is match rallying. The Australian players are always prepared to rally; we need to understand the third ball attack style of play went out with the 38mm ball. The Australians play with controlled placement while looking for an opportunity to win the rally.

### Future Contact "National Head Coach Marcus Gustafson"

Being at the Australian Open gave me the opportunity to meet the Australian National Head Coach "Marcus Gustafson" for the second time. Marcus took up this position just before the 2007 World Junior championship where Wayne and I met him for the first time where he left us with a great impression at the end of that event. I believe that in the year he has held this position he has instilled great team spirit and professionalism into the Australian team. I believe also that their level of play has also improved. Marcus is open to working with New Zealand in developing our sport and players and building the strength of Oceania table tennis. Table Tennis New Zealand should take the opportunity in building a working relationship with him and table tennis Australia. Yes they are seen as the enemy but there is no reason why we can't work together in building our strength internationally.

**Marc Nichol**

**Manager / Coach**

## NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

TTNZ thanks all those Associations who hosted National tournaments in 2008, and also those whose computer technology was utilised to process entries.

The events conducted were the Summer Nationals, New Zealand Veterans Championships, South Island Championships, North Island Championships, New Zealand Championships and New Zealand School Team Championships. The support of the sponsors for these events is very much appreciated. The permanent trophy list and team and individual results for all National Tournaments are listed hereunder.

### Trophy List

#### New Zealand Open Championships - Inter-Association Teams Championships

<b>Men's</b> A Grade B Grade C Grade D Grade	Kean Challenge Shield Russell Algie Shield T R D Flint Shield Wanganui Shield	<b>Women's</b> A Grade B Grade C Grade D Grade	Herbert G Teagle Memorial Challenge Shield Canterbury Shield Mr and Mrs S A Bremford Shield Bay of Plenty Shield
<b>Under 18 Boy's</b> A Grade B Grade	<b>Teams</b> Northern Hawkes Bay Shield Manawatu Jubilee Shield	<b>Under 18 Girl's</b> A Grade	<b>Teams</b> Northern Hawkes Bay Shield
<b>Under 15 Boy's</b> A Grade B Grade C Grade	<b>Teams</b> Bob Lassen Shield Mr and Mrs R A Voice Shield Mid-Canterbury Shield	<b>Under 15 Girl's</b> A Grade B Grade C Grade	<b>Teams</b> Ron Gibbons Shield Mr and Mrs R A Voice Shield Mid-Canterbury Shield

#### New Zealand Open Championships - Individual Events

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Senior Events</b> Donald Cup H N Ballinger Cups Franklin Cups	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Senior Events</b> Donald Cup Vern Mitchell Rose Bowls
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>55 Years and Over</b> K L & S M Pointon Cup	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>55 Years and Over</b> Les Elliott Cup
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>45 Years and Over</b> A E B Cheal & F R Paton Cup Napier Sub-Association Cups A B McCallum Cup and Mrs A B McCallum Rose Bowl	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>45 Years and Over</b> South Taranaki Cup Canterbury Rose-bowls
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>35 Years and Over</b> Arnold Percy Memorial Trophy	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>35 Years and Over</b> H Jean Elliott Cup
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Mr and Mrs R King Trophy Bill Butterworth Memorial Cups Norman Bruce Memorial Cups	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Mr and Mrs L Hoete Trophy Bill Butterworth Memorial Cups
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Auckland Cup F J O'Gorman Cups Dunlop Trophies	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> South Canterbury Cup Hawkes Bay Cups
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Canterbury Cup St Roman's Cups Hutt Valley Cups	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Canterbury Cup J W Andrews Cups
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 15 Years</b> South Canterbury Cup F T Powell Cups Jenny and Ming Ling Cups	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> South Canterbury Cup B H Pairaudeau Cups
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Dave Christie Cup Davis Cups Horowhenua Cups	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Joy Paipa Cup Ashley Cups

### Association Awards

NZ Open & Senior Age Group winners  
NZ Junior Age Group winners

Arthur Meachen Memorial Cup  
Bill Hurrey Cup

### North Island Championships

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Senior Events</b> Wairarapa Cup W J Donovan Cups R W Owen Cups	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Senior Events</b> Bay of Plenty Cup Les C Elliott Rose-bowls
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>40 Years and Over</b> H H Barker Cup	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>40 Years and Over</b> Mary Broadbent Cup
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Con Voss Cup K A Fraser Cups Norm Parsons Cups	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Harry Jones Cup Mr and Mrs J V Evans Cup
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Edward Lumley Cup Nelson Tizard Trophies A J Richards Cups	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Ken Galloway Cup H Jean Elliott Cups
<b>Boy's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Player Development Trophy	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Pairadeau Trophy

### South Island Championships

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Senior Events</b> South Island Association Challenge Cup Hallex Trophies Jean and Les Elliott Cups R W Owen Cups	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Senior Events</b> South Island Association Challenge Cup P M Purdon Rose-bowls
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>50 Years and Over</b> McKay Memorial Cup	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>50 Years and Over</b>
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> J H Don Miller Cup John Flint & Kevin Ward Memorial Trophies	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Otago Cup
<b>Boy's</b> Singles	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Neville Brightwell Cup	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 17 Years</b> Neville Brightwell Cup
<b>Boy's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> John Flint & Kevin Ward Memorial Trophy	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> T R D Flint Cup

### Individual Awards

**Player of the Year**  
**Junior of the Year**  
**Junior Player of the Year**  
**Junior Umpires Award for Boy's**  
**Junior Umpires Award for Girl's**

NZTTA Trophy  
H N Ballinger Cup  
Russell Dickey Memorial Cup  
The Alan & Edna McCallum Cup  
The Alan & Edna McCallum Cup

### Inter-School Teams Championships

<b>Secondary Schools</b> New Zealand Open Final New Zealand Girls Final North Island Final South Island Final	<b>Commercial Union Trophy</b> Dave Cook Cup Stuart Brackenridge Shield Dellaca Cup	<b>New Zealand Final</b> North Island Final South Island Final	<b>Primary/Intermediate Schools</b> Westland Savings Bank Trophy Peter Ansdell Shield PDI Cup
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## NATIONAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Summer Nationals

(Hosted by Nelson Table Tennis Association 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2008)

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Senior Events</b> David Yang (A) David Yang/Hanson Ling (A/NH) Simon Hoey-Burns/Armindeep Singh (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Senior Events</b> Helen Chen (NH) Armindeep Singh/Amy Ho (WK)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade Events</b> William Pringle (C) Andrew Palmer/Jackson Chu (NH)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade Events</b> Jessica MacAskill (S) Tetyana Sulimova/Jessica MacAskill (WT/S)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>C Grade Events</b> Paul Solt (W) David Watson/Gavin Wells (N)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>C Grade Events</b> Catherine Yeung (NH) Kali Stratford/Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>D Grade Events</b> Michael Sumner (C) Brent Dobson/Gavin Wells (N)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>D Grade Events</b> Amanda Yeung (NH)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Stephen Craw (C) Stephen Craw/Malcolm Wong (C/W) David Scott/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT) Virginia Waters/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Stephen Craw (C) Stephen Craw/Gregg Davey (C) David Scott/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT) Virginia Waters/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Kevin Wu (A) Simon Hoey Burns/Yotam Bar-Shalom (WK) Hanson Ling/Helen Chen (NH)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Helen Chen (NH) Natalie Paterson/Jessica MacAskill (MN/S)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Hanson Ling (NH) James Harter/Yotam Bar-Shalom (W/WK) Yotam Bar-Shalom/Jessica MacAskill (WK/S)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Jessica MacAskill (S) Angie Guo/Helen Chen (A/NH)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Sang Min Park (C) Oliver Scarlett/Michael Fong-Ross (A) Kevin Wu/Angie Guo (A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Julia Wu (A) Julia Wu/Angie Guo (A)

## New Zealand Veteran Championships

(Hosted by Manawatu Table Tennis Association 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> March 2008)

### Teams Championships

<b>Over 40 Men A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Canterbury 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Victoria 1	Gold	Jong Eub Han, Lyndon White		
<b>Over 40 Men B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Presidents 13	2 <sup>nd</sup> Manawatu 4	Gold	Stephen Mitchell, Wayne Groombridge		
<b>Over 40 Men C Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Presidents 14	2 <sup>nd</sup> North Harbour 3	Gold	Steve Reilly, Paul Solt, Marc Nichol		
<b>Over 40 Women Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Wellington 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Presidents 15	Gold	Raewyn Young, Sabine Westenra		
<b>Over 50 Men A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> New South Wales 2	Gold	Brian Berry, Mike Wright, Michael Ede		
<b>Over 50 Men B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Wellington 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Manawatu 16	Gold	Bryan McConnochie, Tony Rutledge		
<b>Over 50 Men C Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Waitemata 3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Canterbury 5	Gold	Clive Adamson, Dennis Cooney		
<b>Over 50 Women Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Presidents 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> North Harbour 7	Gold	Tetyana Sulimova, Averil Roberts		
<b>Over 60 Men A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Queensland 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Victoria 1	Gold	Thomas Samuelsson, Allen Drury		
<b>Over 60 Men B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Wellington 7	2 <sup>nd</sup> Waitemata 5	Gold	Bruce Connolly, Chris Williams		
<b>Over 60 Women Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 7	2 <sup>nd</sup> Manawatu 3	Gold	Joan Munn, Margaret Mulcahy		
<b>Over 65 Men A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> New South Wales 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Queensland 3	Gold	Ken Cole, Ken Sands		
<b>Over 65 Men B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Northland 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Manawatu 22	Gold	Fleming Alison, Don Redfearn		
<b>Over 65 Women A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 8	2 <sup>nd</sup> Southland 3	Gold	Joan Munn, Margaret Mulcahy		
<b>Over 65 Women B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Manawatu 6	2 <sup>nd</sup> Waitemata 7	Gold	Gladys Halford, Betty Thompson		
<b>Over 70 Mens A Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Northland 2	Gold	Geoffrey Nesbitt, Cornelius de Bondt		
<b>Over 70 Mens B Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Wellington 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Presidents 2	Gold	Mervyn Allardyce, Ronald Menchi		
<b>Over 70 Women Grade</b>					
1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> New South Wales 8	Gold	Lois McConnell, Prisca Rosario		

## New Zealand Veteran Championships (cont)

(Hosted by Manawatu Table Tennis Association 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> March 2008)

### Individual Results

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	Jong Eub Han (C)	Singles	Christine Little (A)
Doubles	Jong Eub Han/Lyndon White (C)	Doubles	Christine Little/Sabine Westenra (A/W)
Mixed	Christopher Hibbert/Christine Little (AUS/A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Paul Pinkewich (AUS)	Singles	Christine Little (A)
Doubles	Paul Pinkewich/Craig Campbell (AUS)	Doubles	Christine Little/Tetyana Solimova (A/WT)
Mixed	Craig Campbell/Christine Little (AUS/A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>
Singles	Mick Wright (AUS)	Singles	Joan Munn (AUS)
Doubles	Mick Wright/Michael Ede (AUS)	Doubles	Joan Munn/Margaret Mulcahy (AUS)
Mixed	Mick Wright/Val Beaver (AUS/CM)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>
Singles	Mick Wright (AUS)	Singles	Merle Sneddon (MN)
Doubles	Mike Wright/Gordon Lee (AUS)	Doubles	Margaret Mulcahy/Merle Sneddon (AUS/MN)
Mixed	Cornelius de Bondt/Margaret Mulcahy (AUS)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 75 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 75 Years</b>
Singles	Hugh McIlwrath (W)	Singles	Prisca Rosario (AUS)
Doubles	Mervyn Allardyce/Paul Barge (W)	Doubles	Prisca Rosario/Armida Croccolo (AUS)
Mixed	Eddie Moore/Betty Meads (W/MN)		

### New Zealand players featuring on the Merit list for the Championships were:-

<b>Over 40 Men</b>	<b>Over 40 Women</b>	<b>Over 50 Men</b>	<b>Over 50 Women</b>
1 Jong Eub Han	1 Christine Little	5 Bryan McConnochie	1 Tetyana Sulimova
3 Lyndon White	2 Sabine Westenra	6 Douglas Pattinson	2 Valerie Beaver
6 Jun Tang	3 Tutty Tanfana	7 Miko Kirschbaum	3 Pauline Bennyworth
10 William Stewart	5 Raewyn Young	8 Murray Holdaway	4 Averil Roberts
	6 Tetyana Sulimova	10 Lindsay Ward	5 Jill Murray
	7 Lynnette Bellamy		6 Virginia Waters
	9 Deborah Cooper		7 Janette Richards
	10 Virginia Waters		8 Anne Hay
			9 Beverley Astwood

<b>Over 60 Men</b>	<b>Over 60 Women</b>	<b>Over 65 Men</b>	<b>Over 65 Women</b>
3 Jia Zhang	2 Valerie Beaver	5 Alan Alabaster	1 Merle Sneddon
4 Bryan McConnochie	3 Merle Sneddon	8 Jim Jarmin	2 Ngaire Garrett
9 Chris Williams	4 Ngaire Garrett		5 Annice Robottom
10 Bruce Connolly	6 Lynley Barker		7 Nellie Milich
	9 Gladys Halford		8 Pat McArthur
	10 Patricia Swale		9 Merle Trenwith
			10 Betty Thompson

<b>Over 70 Men</b>	<b>Over 70 Women</b>	<b>Over 75 Men</b>	<b>Over 75 Women</b>
4 Jim Jarmin	4 Margaret McGregor	1 Hugh McIlwrath	4 Betty Meads
5 Terry Cockfield	5 Nellie Milich	2 Brien Halpin	5 Pam McAlister
7 Fleming Alison	7 Annice Robottom	3 Dennis Galvin	
8 Don Redfearn	8 Betty Thompson	4 Paul Bargh	
9 Eddie Moore		5 Eddie Moore	
10 Dennis Galvin		6 Mervyn Allardyce	



## North Island Championships

(Hosted by Auckland Table Tennis Association 17<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Shane Laugesen (A)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	John Cordue/Simon Wallace (A)	Doubles	Sally Ho/Jenny Hung (A/C)
Mixed	Shane Laugesen/Sophie Shu (A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
Singles	Steven (Hui) Zhu (A)	Singles	Angie Guo (A)
Doubles	Bryan and Phillip McConnochie (W)	Doubles	Angie Guo/Julia Wu (A)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>
Singles	Steven Li (A)	Singles	Dawn Ee (A)
Doubles	Eberhard Kleiser/Michael Wolloner (WT)	Doubles	Dawn Ee/Diana Levinzon (A/W)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>
Singles	Mark Page (WK)	Singles	Bella Lee (A)
Doubles	Rodney Bygrave/Malcolm Wong (CM/W)	Doubles	Not held
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>
Singles	Bill Sorby (NH)	Singles	Alison Williamson (C)
Doubles	Bill Burns/Bill Sorby (A/NH)	Doubles	Barbara Dye/Margaret McGregor (WT)
Mixed	Don Redfearn/Barbara Dye (NL/WT)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>
Singles	Nam Hang Lee (A)	Singles	Merle Snedden (NN)
Doubles	Chip Eade/Wes Willis (WT/A)	Doubles	Merle Snedden/Alison Williamson (MN/C)
Mixed	Bruce Penberthy/Merle Snedden (A/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>
Singles	Bryan Mc Connochie (W)	Singles	Val Beaver (NH)
Doubles	Liu Bao Rong/Sam Yip (A)	Doubles	Pauline Bennyworth/Merle Snedden (WK/MN)
Mixed	Eric Neal/Merle Snedden (A/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Bryan Mc Connochie (W)	Singles	Christine Little (A)
Doubles	Kevin Fogarty/David Scott (NH)	Doubles	Christine Little/Tanya Sulimova (A/WT)
Mixed	Wang Leung Chan/Christine Little (A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	Jong Eub Han (C)	Singles	Kim Jung Mi (A)
Doubles	David Baker/Bozidar Zutic (NH)	Doubles	Tetyana Sulimova/Raewyn Young (WT/W)
Mixed	Jong Eub Han/KimJung Mi (C/A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>
Singles	Ryan Zhu (A)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	Nathan Lowe/Ryan Zhu (A)	Doubles	Jenny Hung/Villa Yan (C/A)
Mixed	Ryan Zhu/Sophie Shu (A)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>
Singles	Kevin Wu (A)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	Kevin Wu/Phillip Xiao (A)	Doubles	Jenny Hung/Villa Yan (C/A)
Mixed	Kong Lingnan/Villa Yan (A)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Kong Lingnan (A)	Singles	Jennifer Tseng (A)
Doubles	Kong Lingnan/Kevin Wu (A)	Doubles	Angie Guo/Julia Wu (A)
Mixed	Kong Lingnan/Julia Wu (A)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>
Singles	Lucian Lavie (A)	Singles	Jennifer Tseng (A)
Doubles	Jason Tang/Mike Xie (A)	Doubles	Spohia Dong/Dawn Ee (A)
Mixed	Daniel Lowe/Sophia Dong (A)		

## South Island Championships

(Hosted by Table Tennis Canterbury 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> August 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Jong Eub Han (C)	Singles	Michelle McCarthy (WK)
Doubles	Simon Wallace/John Cordue (A)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Jessica MacAskill (W/S)
Mixed	Simon Wallace/Jenny Hung (A/C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
Singles	Simon Hoey-Burns (WK)	Singles	Debbie Garrett (S)
Doubles	Simon Hoey-Burns/Michael Fong-Ross (WK/A)	Doubles	Debbie Garrett/Deborah Cooper (S)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>
Singles	Stewart Van Zanten (C)	Singles	Akiko Goto
Doubles	Robin Yang/Stewart Van Zanten (C)	Doubles	Akiko Goto/Valerie Scarr (C/MN)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>
Singles	Andy Lin (C)	Singles	Not Held
Doubles	Darryl Salim/Chris Chou (C)	Doubles	Not Held
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>
Singles	Colin Tipper (O)	Singles	Thelma Mathieson (N)
Doubles	Colin Tipper/Graeme Mathieson (O/N)	Doubles	Not Held
Mixed	Neil O'Brien/Irent Kent (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>
Singles	Alan Alabaster (C)	Singles	Merle Snedden (MN)
Doubles	Alan Alabaster/Dennis Kalin (C)	Doubles	Ngaire Garrett/Merle Snedden (S/MN)
Mixed	Alan Alabaster/Merle Snedden (C/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>
Singles	Alan Alabaster (C)	Singles	Merle Snedden (MN)
Doubles	Not Held	Doubles	Merle Snedden/Valerie Scarr (MN)
Mixed	Alan Alabaster/Merle Snedden (C/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Wang Qi (O)	Singles	Lesley Gardiner (C)
Doubles	Murray Hay/Alister Armstrong (C)	Doubles	Lesley Gardiner/Anne Hay (C)
Mixed	Alister Armstrong/Valerie Scarr (C/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	Jong Eub Han (C)	Singles	Tutty Tanfana (C)
Doubles	Jong Eub Han/Lark Brandt (C)	Doubles	Tutty Tanfana/Lesley Gardiner (C)
Mixed	Depak Patel/Raewyn Young (W)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>
Singles	Blair Paterson (C)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	Blair Paterson/Stewart Van Zanten (C)	Doubles	Jenny Hung/Michelle McCarthy (C/WK)
Mixed	Blair Paterson/Jessica MacAskill (C/S)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>
Singles	Robin Yang (C)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	David Chamberlain/Liam Buttner (N)	Doubles	Jessica MacAskill/Megan Stratford (S/ML)
Mixed	Tomas Watson/Jessica MacAskill (N/S)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Michael Fong-Ross (A)	Singles	Angel Huang (C)
Doubles	Robin Yang/Lewis Jung (C)	Doubles	Angel Huang/Soha Gomaa (C)
Mixed	Tomas Watson/Angel Huang (N/C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>
Singles	Ron Park (C)	Singles	

## New Zealand Open Championships

(Hosted by Wellington Table Tennis Association 1<sup>st</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> October 2008)

### Inter-Association Teams Competition

<b>MEN's A GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Canterbury 1	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Auckland 1	<b>Kean Challenge Shield</b> Jong Eub Han, Yi Sien Lin, Jonathan Yam
<b>MEN's B GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Wellington 2	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Manawatu 1	<b>Russell Algie Shield</b> Lindsay Ward, Andrew Rieper, Martin Murdoch, Callum Rusbridge, Thom Nguyen
<b>MEN's C GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Waikato 1	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Waitemata 1	<b>Trevor Flint Shield</b> Simon Hoey-Burns, Paul Whitehead, Murray Finch, Mark Page
<b>MEN's D GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Canterbury 4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Waikato 3	<b>Wanganui Shield</b> Stephen Craw, Russell Armstrong, Grant Wilson, Suibao Wang
<b>MEN's Over 45 Years</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Wellington 1	2 <sup>nd</sup>	North Harbour 2	Chris Talbot, Lindsay Ward, Depak Patel
<b>MEN's Over 55 Years</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	North Harbour	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wellington 2	Douglas Pattinson, Kevin Fogarty
<b>MEN's Over 65 Years</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	North Harbour	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wellington	Bill Sorby, Robert Dunn
<b>WOMEN's A GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Canterbury	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Waikato 1	<b>Herbert G Teagle Shield</b> Sun Yang, Jenny Hung, Tutty Tanfana, Andrea Gosney
<b>WOMEN's B GRADE</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Southland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Waikato 2	Debbie Garrett, Jessica MacAskill, Deborah Cooper
<b>WOMEN's Veterans</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Waikato	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Waitemata	Pauline Bennyworth, Lynnette Bellamy
<b>BOY's Under 18 Years A Grade</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Auckland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wellington	<b>Northern Hawke's Bay Shield</b> Phillip Xiao, Kevin Wu, Brandon Wallace, Oliver Scarlett
<b>BOY's Under 18 Years B Grade</b>	Not Contested				
<b>BOY's Under 15 Years A Grade</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Auckland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wellington	<b>Bob Lassen Shield</b> Samuel Liu, Lingnan Kong, Michael Fong-Ross, Zhiyang Cheng
<b>BOY's Under 15 Years B Grade</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Counties Manukau	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Canterbury 2	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs R A Voice Shield</b> Maungarongo Tito, Henry Chang, Hao Chen, Phillip Liu
<b>BOY's Under 15 Years C Grade</b>	Not Contested				
<b>GIRL's Under 18 Years A Grade</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Auckland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Manawatu	<b>Northern Hawke's Bay Shield</b> Angie Guo, Julia Wu, Jennifer Tseng
<b>GIRL's Under 15 Years A Grade</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Auckland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	North Harbour	<b>Northern Hawke's Bay Shield</b> Dawn Ee, Sophia Dong, Hweiching Lim, Bella Lee

## New Zealand Open Championships (cont)

### Individual Results

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Wei Zhong Jiang (A)	Singles	Karen Li (NH)
Doubles	Shane Laugesen/Lui Chao (A)	Doubles	Sun Yang/Jenny Hung (C)
Mixed	Brad Chen/Karen Li (NH)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
Singles	Craig Dye (NH)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Craig Dye/Mitchell Barker (NH)	Doubles	Joanna Ma/Lisa Yue (O)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>
Singles	Malcolm Lowe (A)	Singles	Jennifer Tseng (A)
Doubles	Graeme Stephens/Anthony Simmons (WT)	Doubles	Natalie Paterson/Diana Levinzon (MN/W)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>D Grade</b>
Singles	Anthony Simmons (WT)	Singles	Hao Yi Li (WK)
Doubles	Graeme Stephens/Anthony Simmons (WT)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>		
Singles	Eddie Moore (W)	Mixed	Eddie Moore/Lois McStay (W)
Doubles	Jim Jarmin/Ian White (MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 65 Years</b>
Singles	Nam Hang Lee (A)	Singles	Merle Sneddon (MN)
Doubles	Chip Eade/Wes Willis (A)	Doubles	Merle Sneddon/Heather Paul (MN)
Mixed	Chip Eade/Merle Sneddon (WT/MN)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 55 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 55 Years</b>
Singles	David Scott (NH)	Singles	Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
Doubles	Douglas Pattinson/Kevin Fogarty (NH)	Doubles	Merle Sneddon/Pauline Bennyworth (MN/WK)
Mixed	David Scott/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 45 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 45 Years</b>
Singles	Lindsay Ward (W)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Chris Talbot/Ian Talbot (W)	Doubles	Lynnette Bellamy/Tetyana Sulimova (WK/WT)
Mixed	David Scott/Tetyana Sulimova (NH/WT)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 35 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 35 Years</b>
Singles	Julian Wootton (W)	Singles	Sabine Westenra (W)
Doubles	Jong Eub Han/Lyndon White (C)	Doubles	Sabine Westenra/Raewyn Young (W)
Mixed	Lyndon White/Sabine Westenra (C/W)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>
Singles	Nathan Lowe (A)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	Jonathan Yam/Terry Zeng (C/A)	Doubles	Michelle McCarthy/Jie Feng (WK/A)
Mixed	Jonathan Yam/Jenny Hung (C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>
Singles	Phillip Xiao (A)	Singles	Jenny Hung (C)
Doubles	Phillip Xiao/Kevin Wu (A)	Doubles	Jenny Hung/Villa Yan (C/A)
Mixed	Jonathon Wang/Jenny Hung (WK/C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Kevin Wu (A)	Singles	Jennifer Tseng (A)
Doubles	Martin Murdoch/Thom Nguyen (W)	Doubles	Angie Guo/Julia Wu (A)
Mixed	Kevin Wu/Angie Guo (A)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>
Singles	Xu Ning (A)	Singles	Jennifer Tseng (A)
Doubles	Jason Tang/Roger Rao (A)	Doubles	Dawn Ee/Sophia Dong (A)
Mixed	Xu Ning/Dawn Ee (A)		

### **Association Award – Arthur Meachen Memorial Cup**

This award is presented to the association whose players achieve the most successes in the finals of the senior and veteran individual events at the New Zealand championships. Points are awarded on the basis of 4 and 2 respectively for the Open and age group events. In the doubles events the partners share the points.

The 2008 award was won by **Auckland Table Tennis Association**.

### **Association Award – Bill Hurrey Cup**

This award is presented to the association whose players achieve the most successes in the finals of the junior individual events at the New Zealand championships. Points are awarded on the basis of 4 points for the Under 19 and 17 events and 2 points for the Under 15 and 13 events. In the doubles events the partners share the points.

The 2008 award was won by **Auckland Table Tennis Association**.

### **Alan and Edna McCallum Junior Umpiring Awards**

Congratulations are extended to Dawn Ec and Dean Shu who were judged the respective winners of the girls and boys awards.

### **2008 New Zealand Secondary Schools Team Championships**

*(Hosted by Table Tennis Manawatu 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> September 2008)*

22 teams competed in 3 grades with very good contests being played. Table Tennis Manawatu was pleased to host this event..

#### **Winners -Teams**

##### **A GRADE**

1<sup>st</sup> Macleans College      2<sup>nd</sup> St Kentigern College      Steven Zeng, Terry Zeng & Xiao Jin, Zhiyang Cheng.

##### **B GRADE**

1<sup>st</sup> HIB's/St Patricks      2<sup>nd</sup> Freyberg High School      Thom Nguyen, Garrett Chin, Jeffrey Chin

##### **C GRADE**

1<sup>st</sup> Hutt Valley High Girls      2<sup>nd</sup> Onslow College      Diana Levinzon, Helen Wu, Sooji Clarkson

#### **Winners – Individuals**

##### **Senior Boy's Singles**

1<sup>st</sup> Steven Zeng, MacLeans College  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kevin Wu, St Kentigerns College

##### **Junior Boy's Singles**

1<sup>st</sup> Lingnan Kong, St Kentigerns College  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zhiyang Cheng, MacLeans College

##### **Junior Girl's Singles**

1<sup>st</sup> Jennifer Jin, St Pauls Collegiate  
2<sup>nd</sup> Natalie Paterson, Freyberg High School

##### **Boy's Doubles**

1<sup>st</sup> Steven & Terry Zeng, MacLeans College  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jackson Chu/Hanson Ling, Westlake Boy's High

##### **Girl's Doubles**

1<sup>st</sup> Natalie Paterson & Megan Stratford, Freyberg High & Marlborough College  
2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Wu/Sooji Clarkson, Hutt Valley Girls High

### **District Association Open Championships**

Table Tennis New Zealand thanks those associations who ran Open Championships.

#### **2008 Auckland Open**

*(Held 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August 2008)*

**Men's**  
Singles  
Doubles  
Mixed

##### **Open Events**

Wei Zhong Jiang (A)  
Wei Zhong Jiang/John Cordue (A)  
Wei Zhong Jiang/Sophie Shu (A)

**Women's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Open Events**

Jie Feng(A)  
Sophie Shu/Sarah Ho (A/WK)

Singles  
Doubles

##### **A Grade**

Lingnan Kong (A)  
Zhiyang Cheng/Michael Fong-Ross (A)

Singles  
Doubles

##### **B Grade**

Steven Li (A)  
Wang Leung Chan/Ivan Tam (A)

Singles  
Doubles

##### **C Grade**

Xiao Jin (A)  
Sam Yip/Martin Ou (A)

Singles  
Doubles

##### **D Grade**

Runce Bai (A)  
Barry Jones/Paul Johnston (WT/NH)

**Men's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Over 60 Years**

Charlie (Che Toi) Chang (A)  
Eric Neal/Paul Winder (A)

**Women's**  
Singles

**Over 60 Years**  
Not held

**Men's**  
Singles  
Comb Dbles

##### **Over 50 Years**

Jia Zhang (A)  
Sam Yip/Wang Leung Chan (A)

**Women's**  
Singles  
Doubles

**Over 50 Years**  
Christine Little (A)  
Christine Little/Tetyana Sulimova (A/WT)

**Men's**  
Singles  
Comb Dbles

##### **Over 40 Years**

Hoa Ngo (A)  
Eberhard Kleiser/Michael Wolloner (WT)

**Women's**  
Singles

**Over 40 Years**  
Christine Little (A)

**Men's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Under 21 Years**

Ryan Zhu (A)  
Terry Zeng/Jonathon Yam (C)

**Women's**  
Singles  
Doubles

**Under 21 Years**  
Michelle McCarthy (WK)  
Sophie Shu/Jie Fang (A)

**Boy's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Under 18 Years**

Kevin Wu (A)  
Phillip Xiao/Kevin Wu (A)

**Girl's**  
Singles  
Doubles

**Under 18 Years**  
Villa Yan (A)  
Villa Yan/Sally Ho (A)

**Boy's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Under 15 Years**

Lingnan Kong (A)  
Samuel Liu/Zhiyang Cheng (A)

**Girl's**  
Singles  
Doubles

**Under 15 Years**  
Angie Guo (A)  
Hweiching Lim/Jennifer Tseng(A)

**Boy's**  
Singles  
Doubles

##### **Under 13 Years**

Xu Ning (A)  
Xu Ning/Daniel Lowe (A)

**Girl's**  
Singles  
Doubles

**Under 13 Years**  
Jennifer Tseng (A)  
Jennifer Tseng/Bella Lee (A)

**Boy's**  
Singles  
Comb Dbles

##### **Under 11 Years**

Dean Shu (A)  
Dean Shu/Victor Ma (A)

**Girl's**  
Singles

**Under 13 Years**  
Ruofei Rao (A)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Canterbury Open**  
(Held 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> August 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Jong Eub Han (C)	Singles	Hyo Joo Lee (C)
Doubles	Jong Eub Han/Karl Samson (C)	Doubles	Hyo Joo Lee/Tutty Tanfana (C)
Mixed	Jong Eub Han/Tutty Tanfana (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>		
Singles	Dennis Kalin (C)		
Doubles	Dennis Kalin/Frank Wall (C)		
Mixed	Brian Wilson/Lynley Barker (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Wang Qi (O)	Singles	Christine Little (A)
Doubles	Wang Qi/Allister Armstrong (O/C)	Doubles	Lynley Barker/Christine Little (C/A)
Mixed	Gregg Davey/Christine Little (C/A)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	Wang Qi (O)	Singles	Christine Little (A)
Doubles	Lyndon White/Gregg Davey (C)	Doubles	Tutty Tanfana/Lesley Gardiner (C)
Mixed	Lyndon White/Christine Little (C/A)		
	<b>Under 21 Years</b>		
Singles	Jenny Hung (C)		
Doubles	Blair Paterson/Stewart Van Zanten (C)		
	<b>Under 18 Years</b>		
Singles	Kane Stewart (C)		
Doubles	Kane Stewart/Robin Yang (C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Kane Stewart (C)	Singles	Angel Huang (C)
Doubles	Kane Stewart/Robin Yang (C)		
	<b>Under 13 Years</b>		
Singles	Angel Huang (C)		
Doubles	Lewis Jung/Ron Park (C)		

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Counties Manukau Open**  
(Held 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> August 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Simon Hoey-Burns (WK)	Singles	Sarah Ho (WK)
Doubles	Simon Hoey-Burns/ Andrew McConnell (WK)	Doubles	Sarah Ho/Jessica MacAskill (WK/S)
Mixed	Simon Hoey- Burns/Sarah Ho (WK)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
Singles	Simon Hoey-Burns (WK)	Singles	Jessica MacAskill (S)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>C Grade</b>
Singles	Julian Barnard (CM)	Singles	Karen Stewart (A)
Doubles	Bozidar Zutic/David Baker (NH)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Nam Hang Lee (A)	Singles	Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	David Scott (NH)	Singles	Lynnette Bellamy (WK)
Doubles	Jorg Weinland/Grant Jones (NL)		

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Hawkes Bay Open***(Held 21<sup>st</sup> June 2008)*

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Open Events</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Open Events</i>
Singles	Brandon Wallace (A)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Russell Winkley/H Seitzinger (HB)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Natalie Paterson (W/MN)
Mixed	Depak Patel/Raewyn Young (W)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 70 Years</i>
Singles	Jim Jarmin (MN)

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 60 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Over 60 Years</i>
Singles	Jim Jarmin (MN)	Singles	Valerie Scarr (MN)
Doubles	Jim Jarmin/Ian White (MN/W)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 50 Years</i>
Singles	Ian Talbot (W)
Doubles	Russell Winkley/J Ho (HB)

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 40 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Over 40 Years</i>
Singles	Depak Patel (W)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Russell Winkley/H Seitzinger (HB)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Under 21 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Under 21 Years</i>
Singles	Brandon Wallace (A)	Singles	Natalie Paterson (MN)
Doubles	Brandon Wallace/ Matthew Solt (A/W)		

<i>Boy's</i>	<i>Under 18 Years</i>	<i>Girl's</i>	<i>Under 18 Years</i>
Singles	Brandon Wallace (A)	Singles	Natalie Paterson (MN)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Manawatu Open***(Held 16<sup>th</sup> August 2008)*

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Open Events</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Open Events</i>
Singles	Mike Tate-Davis (MN)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Hayden Tapp/Yotam Bar-Shalom (W)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Merle Snedden (W/MN)
Mixed	Depak Patel/Raewyn Young (W)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>B Grade</i>
Singles	Felix Sternagel (W)

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 70 Years</i>
Singles	Jim Jarmin (MN)

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 60 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Over 60 Years</i>
Singles	Richard Ammundsen (MN)	Singles	Merle Sneddon (MN)
Open Dbls	Richard Ammundsen/Kerry McGeehan (MN)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 50 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Over 50 Years</i>
Singles	Lindsay Ward (W)	Singles	Merle Sneddon (MN)
Open Dbls	Lindsay Ward/Bryan McConnochie (W)		

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Over 40 Years</i>
Singles	Charly Talumepa (MN)
Open Dbls	Lindsay Ward/Bryan McConnochie (W)

<i>Men's</i>	<i>Under 21 Years</i>	<i>Women's</i>	<i>Under 21 Years</i>
Singles	Hayden Tapp (W)	Singles	Phulphat Piya-Anant (MN)
Doubles	Hayden Tapp/Yotam Bar-Shalom (W)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Merle Snedden (W/MN)
Mixed	Matthew Ball/Phulphat Piya-Anant (MN)		

<i>Boy's</i>	<i>Under 18 Years</i>
Singles	Thom Nguyen (W)
Doubles	Thom Nguyen/Yotam Bar-Shalom (W)

<i>Boy's</i>	<i>Under 15 Years</i>
Singles	Thom Nguyen (W)
Doubles	Jacob Talumepa/Alex Fan (MN/WR)

<i>Boy's</i>	<i>Under 13 Years</i>
Singles	Alex Fan (WR)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Marlborough Open***(Held 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> May 2008)*

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Open</b> Jong Eub Han (C) Jong Eub Han/Henry So (C) Jong Eub Han/Megan Stratford (C/ML)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Open</b> Akiko Goto (C) Kali & Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>B Grade</b> Chris Erskine (N) Chris Erskine/Donny Harris (N) Donny Harris/Kali Stratford (N/ML)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade</b> Kali Stratford (ML) Kali & Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 60 Years</b> Peter Wells (ML) Peter Wells/Darryl Jones (ML)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 60 Years</b> Not Held
<b>Men's</b> Singles Open Dbls	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Gregg Davey (C) Malcolm Wong/Stephen Craw (W/C)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Thelma Mathieson (N)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Gregg Davey (C) Malcolm Wong/Gregg Davey (W/C) Peter Wells/Jeanette Stanley (ML/W)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Jeanette Stanley (W) Kathleen Gilchrist/Jeanette Stanley (ML/W)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Richard Hornby (C) Donny Harris/Chris Erskine (N) Donny Harris/Kali Stratford (N/ML)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Richard Hornby (C) Robin Yang/Sang Min Park (C) Tim Borman/Megan Stratford (N/ML)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Megan Stratford (ML) Megan Stratford/Holly Gaskin (ML)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Sang Min Park (C) Robin Yang/Sang Min Park (C) Robin Yang/Holly Gaskin (C/ML)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Holly Gaskin (ML) Hannah Middleton/Hannah Teonea (ML)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Adam Hornby (C) Adam Hornby/Ron Park (C) Adam Hornby/Holly Gaskin (C/ML)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Holly Gaskin (ML)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Nelson Open***(Held 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> June 2008)*

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Open</b> Henry Redmond (C) Stephen Craw/Henry Redmond (C) Gregg Davey/Megan Stratford (C/ML)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Open</b> Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 60 Years</b> Peter Wells (ML) Peter Wells/Darryl Jones (ML)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Stephen Craw Gregg Davey/Warren Haszard (C/ML) Malcolm Wong/Betty Wilson (W/N)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Glenda Ferguson (N)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Gregg Davey (C) Stephen Craw/Gregg Davey (C) Rene van Sint Annaland/Betty Wilson (N)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Betty Wilson (N)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Kane Stewart (C) Robin Yang/Kane Stewart (C) Robin Yang/Angel Huang (C)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Angel Huang (C) Kali & Megan Stratford (ML)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Kane Stewart (C) Robin Yang/Kane Stewart (C) Kane Stewart/Angel Huang (C)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Megan Stratford (ML) Megan Stratford/Sarah Brandt (C)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Kane Stewart (C) Robin Yang/Kane Stewart (C) Kane Stewart/Angel Huang (C)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Angel Huang (C)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 North Harbour Open**(Held 22<sup>nd</sup> June & 11<sup>th</sup> May 2008)

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Open Dbles Mixed	<b>Open Events</b> Kevin Wu (A) Josh Alexandre/Wayne Gear (A/W) Kevin Wu/Lingnan Kong (A) Mark Page/Sarah Ho (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Open Events</b> Sarah Ho (WK) Sarah Ho/Helen Chen (WK/NH)
<b>Open</b> Singles	<b>A Grade</b> Lingnan Kong (A)		
<b>Open</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade</b> Nam Hang Lee Hanson Ling/Helen Chen (NH)		
<b>Open</b> Singles Doubles	<b>C Grade</b> Julia Wu (A) Bill Sorby/Jack Lin (NH)		
<b>Open</b> Singles Doubles	<b>D Grade</b> Paul Johnston (NH) Paul Johnston/Virginia Waters (NH)		
<b>Open</b> Singles Doubles	<b>E Grade</b> Peter Poon (NH) Catherine Yeung/Peter Poon (NH)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Steven (Hui) Zhu (A) Kevin Fogarty/David Scott (NH)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Christine Little (A) Christine Little/Tetyana Sulimova (A/WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Malcolm Lowe (A)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 60 Years</b> Jia Zhang (A) Nam Hang Lee/Che Toi Chang (A)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Kevin Wu (A)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Julia Wu (A)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Mitchell Barker (NH) Kevin Wu/Lingnan Kong (A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Angie Guo (A) Angie Guo/Julia Wu (A)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Lucian Lavie (A) Jerry Cang/Andy Son (A/NH)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Julia Wu (A) Angie Guo/Julia Wu (A)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Xu Ning (A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Dawn Ee (A)

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Northland Open**(Held 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> August 2008)

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Open Events</b> Wayne Gear (W) Wayne Gear/Romain Mahoudo (W/NH) Romain Mahoudo/Amanda Yeung (NH)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Open Events</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade</b> David Baker (NH) Eberhard Kleiser/ Jorg Weinland (WT/NL)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 60 Years</b> Eric Neal (A) Eric Neal/Paul Johnston (A/NH)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles Comb Dbls	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Che Toi Chang (A) Che Toi Chang/Eric Neal (A)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Comb Dbls	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Eberhard Kleiser (WT) Che Toi Chang/Eric Neal (A)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Romain Mahoudo (NH)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Amanda Yeung (NH)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Jamie Ball (NL) Evan Jones/Jamie Ball (NL)		
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Daniel Lowe (A) Jerry Wang/Mike Xie (A)		
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Jerry Wang (A) Victor Ma/Roger Rao (A)		
<b>Combined</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 11 Years</b> Victor Ma (A) Victor Ma/Ruofei Rao (A)		



**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 Otago Open**  
(Held 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> July 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Ben Duffy (O)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Ben Duffy/Henry Redmond (O/C)	Doubles	Debbie Garrett/Deborah Cooper (S)
Mixed	John Fogarty/Joanna Ma (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>		
Singles	Jeffrey Lee (O)		
Doubles	Jeffrey Lee/Lisa Yue (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>		
Singles	John Fogarty (O)		
Doubles	John Fogarty/Dyna Seng (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	John Fogarty (O)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Dyna Seng/John Fogarty (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 30 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 30 Years</b>
Doubles	Christian Kasper/Barry Ellis (O)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
<b>Women's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>		
Singles	Lisa Yue (O)		
<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>		
Singles	Lisa Yue (O)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>		
Singles	Michael Zhang (S)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>		
Singles	Michael Zhang (S)		

**District Association Open Championships (cont)****2008 South Canterbury Open**  
(Held 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	William Pringle (C)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Karl Samson/Dave Samson (C)	Doubles	Lisa Yue/Joanna Ma (O)
Mixed	John Fogarty/Joanna Ma (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
Singles	Chris Chou (C)	Singles	Angel Huang (C)
Doubles	Mark Nalder/David Watson (N)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>
Singles	Dennis Kalin (C)	Singles	Ngaire Garrett (S)
Doubles	Frank Wall/Dennis Kalin (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 50 Years</b>
Singles	Gregg Davey (C)	Singles	Lynley Barker (C)
Doubles	John Fogarty/Dyna Seng (O)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	William Stewart (C)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	William Stewart/Gregg Davey (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 30 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 30 Years</b>
Singles	David Watson (N)	Singles	Joanna Ma (O)
Doubles	Mark Nalder/David Watson (N)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Under 30 Years</b>		
Singles	William Pringle (C)		
<b>Men's</b>	<b>Under 21 Years</b>		
Singles	Richard Hornby (C)		
Doubles	Jack Chaney/Richard Hornby (C)		
Mixed	Jack Chaney/Angel Huang (C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 18 Years</b>
Singles	Richard Hornby (C)	Singles	Angel Huang (C)
Doubles	Liam Buttner/David Chamberlain (N)	Doubles	Vivienne Joe & Lisa Yue (C/O)
Mixed	David Chamberlain/Lisa Yue (N/O)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Richard Hornby (C)	Singles	Angel Huang (C)
Doubles	Richard Hornby/Robin Yang (C)		
Mixed	Kane Stewart/Angel Huang (C)		
<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>	<b>Girl's</b>	<b>Under 13 Years</b>
Singles	Adam Hornby (C)		Not held
Doubles	Adam Hornby/Ron Park (C)		

**District Association Open Championships (cont)**

**2008 Southland Open**  
(Held 17<sup>th</sup> May 2008)

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Open</b> Wang Qi (O) Wang Qi/Christian Kasper (O) Ben Duffy/Debbie Garrett (O/S)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Open</b> Debbie Garrett (S) Debbie Garrett/Lisa Yue (S/O)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b> Dyna Seng (O) Graeme Jackson/Jeremy Gibson (S) Stephen Burgess/Katryn Geist (O)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b> Leanne Ridder (S) Leanne Ridder/Patricia Swale (S)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 50 Years</b> John Fogarty (O) Dyna Seng/John Fogarty (O) Wang Qi/Ngaire Garrett (O/S)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Ngaire Garrett (S)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Wang Qi (O) Dyna Seng/John Fogarty (O) John Fogarty/Joanna Ma (O)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 30 Years</b> Wang Qi (O) Wang Qi/Christian Kasper (O) Ben Duffy/Debbie Garrett (O/S)		
<b>Men's</b> Singles	<b>Under 30 Years</b> Peter Hau (O)		
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Parkinson Wisely (O) Not held	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Lisa Yue (O) Gemma Buzzard/Philippa Buzzard (S)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Parkinson Wisely (O) Conor McAuliffe/Luke Moratti (S/O)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Philippa Buzzard (S)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Parkinson Wisely (O) Conor McAuliffe/Luke Moratti (S/O)		

**District Association Open Championships (cont)**

**2008 Waikato Open**  
(Held 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2008)

<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Open</b> Nathan Lowe (A) John Cordue/Simon Wallace (A) Nathan Lowe/Michelle McCarthy (A/WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Open</b> Villa Yan (A) Sarah Ho/Jessica MacAskill (WK/S)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>B Grade</b> Simon Hoey-Burns (WK) Mark Page/Matthew Hetherington (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>B Grade</b> Tetyana Sulimova (WT)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>C Grade</b> Mark Page (WK) Jatinder Singh/Aaron Page (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>C Grade</b> Julia Wu (A) Not held
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Over 50 Years</b> John Ho (WK) Jia Zhang/John Ho (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Mixed	<b>Over 50 Years</b> Christine Little (A) Tetyana Sulimova/David Scott (WT/NH)
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Jia Zhang (WK) Eberhard Kleiser/Michael Wolloner (WT) Christine Little/Eberhard Kleiser (A/WT)	<b>Women's</b> Singles	<b>Over 40 Years</b> Tetyana Sulimova
<b>Men's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Jonathon Wang (WK) Jonathon Wang/Simon Hoey-Burns (WK)	<b>Women's</b> Singles Mixed	<b>Under 21 Years</b> Michelle McCarthy (WK) Christine Little/Eberhard Kleiser (A/WT)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles Mixed	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Jonathon Wang (WK) Jonathon Wang/Matthew Hetherington (WK) Jonathon Wang/Villa Yan (WK/A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 18 Years</b> Villa Yan (A) Jennifer Jin/Jessica MacAskill (WK/S)
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Daniel Lowe (A) Jerry Wang/Mike Xie (A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 15 Years</b> Hao Yi Li(WK) Not held
<b>Boy's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Daniel Lowe (A) Jeffrey Huang/Kerry Huang-Chen (A)	<b>Girl's</b> Singles Doubles	<b>Under 13 Years</b> Jennifer Tseng (A) Not held

**District Open Championships (cont)**

**2008 Wanganui Open**  
(Held May 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open Events</b>
Singles	Phillip McConnochie (W)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Ian Talbot/Depak Patel (W)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Natalie Paterson (W/MN)
Mixed	Depak Patel/Raewyn Young (W)		

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>
Singles	Jim Jarmin (MN)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 60 Years</b>
Singles	Jim Jarmin (MN)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 70 Years</b>
Singles	Bryan McConnochie (W)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Over 40 Years</b>
Singles	Steve Brailsford (NT)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Jim Jarmin/Stewart Hickford (MN)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Natalie Paterson (W/MN)
Mixed	Depak Patel/Raewyn Young (W)		

<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 19 Years</b>
Singles	Martin Murdoch (W)
Doubles	James Moore/Matthew Solt (W)

<b>Boy's</b>	<b>Under 15 Years</b>
Singles	Martin Murdoch (W)
Doubles	Jeffery Chin/Garrett Chin (W)

**District Open Championships (cont)**

**2008 Wellington Open**  
(Held 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> August 2008)

<b>Men's</b>	<b>Open</b>	<b>Women's</b>	<b>Open</b>
Singles	Yotam Bar-Shalom (W)	Singles	Raewyn Young (W)
Doubles	Andrew Rieper/Hayden Tapp (W)	Doubles	Raewyn Young/Sabine Westenra (W)
Mixed Plate	Callum Rusbridge/Sabine Westenra (W)		
	Ian Talbot (W)		

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Division</b>	
Singles	Matthew Sheppard (W)
Doubles	Matthew Sheppard/Conal Warrender (W)

<i>Over 60 Years</i>	
Singles	Bruce Connolly (W)
Doubles	Bruce Connolly/Chris Williams (W)

<i>Over 50 Years</i>	
Singles	Lindsay Ward (W)
Doubles	Bryan McConnochie/Ian Talbot (W)

<i><b>Over 40 Years</b></i>	
Singles	Lindsay Ward (W)
Doubles	Lindsay Ward/Heath Murdoch (W)

<i>Under 21 Years</i>	
Singles	Hayden Tapp (W)
Doubles	Andrew Rieper/Hayden Tapp (W)

<i><b>Under 18 Years</b></i>	
Singles	James Harter (W)
Doubles	James Harter/Yotam Bar-Shalom (W)
Plate	Garrett Chin (W)

<i><b>Under 15 Years</b></i>	
Singles	Thom Nguyen (W)
Doubles	Thom Nguyen/Martin Murdoch (W)
Plate	Josh Baker (W)

<i>Under 13 Years</i>	
Singles	Matthew Sheppard (W)
Doubles	Matthew Sheppard/Conal Warrender (W)

### Adopted Ball

The official ball for 2008 / 09 is the STAG 3 star white ball.

### Sponsorship

Stag have been the official TTNZ clothing sponsors for 2006, 2007, and 2008.

### Communication

#### **TTNZ website**

Our website (<http://www.tabletennis.org.nz>), continues to attract increasing numbers of visitors, favourable comments and useful suggestions. Originally set up by Mike Brown in 1998, it's development and day to day maintenance has since been in the hands of Robin Radford.

#### **Internal Communication**

Communication with member Associations was maintained by monthly finances, reports on board meetings and sundry memos.

#### **Player Liaison**

Shane Laugesen is the Player Liaison representative.

### Obituaries

#### **Bill Fogarty**

New Zealand champion in 1948, winning the singles and doubles in his home city of Dunedin. Bill's A Grade career began in 1938 and stretched into the 1980's.

The Fogarty name has been synonymous with Otago table tennis, starting with Bill and his three sisters, then continued with his own family to collect titles year after year. He was so proud when the most successful daughter Yvonne won the NZ womens singles and went on to represent New Zealand.

#### **Arthur Rau**

Life member of Counties Manukau. Won the Open Mens Closed Singles for Counties in 1953 and 1956. Was involved in establishing the Manurewa club rooms in the 1960's.

#### **Melissa Beazer**

Passed away Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008

Melissa with her twin sister Belinda played table tennis for Hutt Valley and New Zealand juniors in the 1990's.

## **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

*As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008*

<u>2007</u>	<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2008</u>
\$		\$
105,955	Westpac: Current Account	42,543
0	Ready Access/Deposit Accounts	46,498
4,045	Accounts Receivable	23,991
<u>1,584</u>	Stock (Balls, Medals, Clothing)	<u>3,775</u>
111,584	CURRENT ASSETS	116,807
<u>15,509</u>	Furniture, office equipment & tables	<u>14,120</u>
15,509	NON-CURRENT ASSETS	14,120
<u>127,093</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>130,927</u>
	<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
20,794	Sundry Creditors	7,950
12,326	GST	5,297
4,052	PAYE	1,502
2,936	Xpandplay Contractual obligations	0
71,457	Grants in Advance	<u>83,022</u>
111,565	CURRENT LIABILITIES	97,771
<u>111,565</u>	TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>97,771</u>
	<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>	
138,588	Opening Balance	15,528
<u>(123,060)</u>	Transfer from Statement of Income & Expenditure	<u>17,628</u>
<u>127,093</u>		<u>130,927</u>

**STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE***For the Year Ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008*

2007		2008
\$	<u>INCOME</u>	\$
68,943	Association Levies	76,456
8,180	Revenue from Tournaments (Note 1)	14,524
186,455	Grants (Note 2)	132,479
633	Interest on Deposits	1,874
1,333	Sponsorship (Note 3)	8,733
405	Sales of Stock / Miscellaneous income	1,132
265,949	TOTAL INCOME	235,198
	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
138,234	National Office: Staff	117,648
9,658	Rent, power, cleaning, insurance, equipment	11,857
671	Computer Costs	353
6,081	Administration (copying, phone, fax, etc)	6,259
519	Subscriptions	401
3,403	Board	6,519
17,516	Promotion, Table Tennis Info Magazine, Web Site	1,817
3,181	Depreciation	3,244
0	Stock/Assets Written Off & Bad Debts	2,637
741	Miscellaneous Expenditure	1,637
2,396	Annual General Meeting Costs	1,661
2,222	Selectors Expenses	639
94,284	Training Camps, Coach Educ, Special Progs etc (Note 4)	33,474
48,969	Tours (Note 5)	24,585
200	Grants to Players	400
31,197	Marketing, Representation & Legal Costs (Note 6)	7,273
22,544	Tournament Software & Databases (Note 7)	(2,936)
7,193	Umpire Expenses	102
389,009	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	217,570
(123,060)	Surplus / (Excess) of Income over Expenditure	17,628
(123,060)	BALANCE TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	17,628

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES***For the Year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008***General Accounting Policies**

The measurement basis adopted is that of the modified historical cost system. Accrual accounting is used to match revenue and expenses.

**Particular Accounting Policies**

Accounts Receivable and Sundry Debtors are recorded at net realisable value, after eliminating doubtful debts.

Stock on Hand: Stock for resale has been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Depreciation for the following asset classes is provided on a straight line basis at rates that will write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives which are as follows:

Office Equipment	5 years
Computer Equipment	5 years

Depreciation is being provided on a diminishing value basis in respect to Office Furniture at 10% pa.

Goods and Services Tax: These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis and any tax due or owing at balance date is shown in the Statement of Financial Position. GST is accounted for on the payments basis.

**Changes in Accounting Policies**

There have been no changes in accounting policies since 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007.

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

(1) Revenue received from tournaments during the year was as follows:

New Zealand Open Championships	7,000
North Island Championships	3,124
New Zealand Veteran Championships	2,000
South Island Championships	1,500
New Zealand Summer Nationals	600
New Zealand School Team Championships	300
	<b>\$14,524</b>

(2) Grants were received from:

SPARC	71,000	(NSO Funding)
NZ Community Trust	25,000	(Participation Manager)
Lion Foundation	10,000	(WTTTC Teams)
The Southern Trust	25,000	(Participation Manager)
The Southern Trust	<u>12,500</u>	(OTTC – air travel)
	<b>\$143,500</b>	

Grants received and unspent at 30 September 2008 were as follows:

ASB Trust	1,796	Special Needs Programme (2006)
SPARC	26,596	No Exceptions
SPARC	25,000	NSO Funding
SPARC	4,630	PM Scholarship Officials
NZ Community Trust	<u>25,000</u>	Participation Manager
	<b>\$83,022</b>	

- (3) Income from sponsorship was received from Lim Brothers (\$4,444 excluding GST) and Stag International (\$4,289).
- (4) This includes National Training camps, Coach Education / Assessments, Coach salary and expenses and the Waikato Hillary Scholarship programme.
- (5) Teams competed at the World Junior champs in the USA, the World Team champs in China, the Olympic qualifying champs in New Caledonia, the World Junior Circuit, Oceania World cadet qualifying and Oceania Champs events in Tahiti and the Australian Open in Melbourne.
- (6) This consists of legal Expenses, SPARC liaison costs and WJC 2008 expenditure.
- (7) This is a reversal of expenditure accrued in 2007. The accrual is no longer necessary as the creditor has released Table Tennis New Zealand from its obligation to pay.

## **AUDIT REPORT**

To the readers of the financial report of Table Tennis New Zealand, Inc

I have audited the financial report contained in the 2008 Table Tennis New Zealand Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of Table Tennis New Zealand, Inc. and its financial position as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on the third and fourth pages of the financial report.

### **Board Responsibilities**

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of Table Tennis New Zealand, Inc. as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008 and of the results of operations for the twelve months ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities**

It is my responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report my opinion to you.

### **Basis of Opinion**

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgments made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to Table Tennis New Zealand's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand except that my work was limited as explained below. I planned and performed my audit in order to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary. I obtained sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming my opinion, I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in my capacity as auditor, I have no relationship with or interest in Table Tennis New Zealand, Inc.

### **Unqualified Opinion**

I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion, the financial report contained in the Annual Report & Statement of Accounts fairly reflects the financial position of Table Tennis New Zealand, Inc. as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the twelve months ended on that date.

My audit was completed on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2008 and my unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

  
R. J. Lim, ACA  
WELLINGTON

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