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Ron Garrett.

It is my privilege as President of the Southland Table Tennis Association to extend a very warm welcome to the Japanese Table Tennis Team.

We are fortunate to have the team opening their tour of New Zealand in Southland and we wish the players an enjoyable visit.

Two previous tours of New Zealand have been made by Japanese teams. T. Tanaka and I. Ogimura toured in 1957 and Misses K. Matsuzaki and K. Yamaizumi toured in 1960 with Southland being fortunate in being hosts to both tours.

It is eight years since we have seen overseas players in action and I can assure the public of world class table tennis.

Welcome to Invercargill and New Zealand and may your tour be a successful one.

> RON GARRETT President.

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N.Z. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

On behalf of all table tennis administrators and players in New Zealand I extend a warm welcome to the Japanese table tennis players embarking on a two weeks' tour of this country

Japan is a top nation in table tennis. It has millions of players, and has since its first appearance in the world championships in 1952 won 29 out of a possible 75 world championship titles

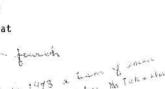
Though Japan currently has no world champion, it is a country with a magnificent and proud record, and I am sure the representatives Japan has sent to New Zealand this year will be worthy of the great nation, and provide spectators with thrilling play and exhibitions.

As chairman of the N.Z.T.T.A. I sincerely wish that the Japanese party enjoys its brief visit to this country. Might I add that this is the third visit we have had from Japan. The first was in 1957 when world champions T. Tanaka and I. Ogimura came, then in 1960 we had Misses K. Yamaizumi and K. Matsuzaka, also world champions.

It was my pleasure to be associated with both tours, and to enjoy, immensely, the expertise of the Japanese players. I can assure the public of N.Z., having seen the Japanese players in action in Nagoya, Japan, at the world championships in 1971, that these Japanese players will delight with their skills.

I sincerely hope that the tour will have a successful opening in Invercargill, and I wish the Southland Association maximum pleasure and support.

A. R. Harding, Chairman N.Z.T.T.A.



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Meet the Japanese Team

Manager

Mr Takashi Nomura Age 58. Occupation Professor of Waseda University.

Men Players Mr Toshiaki Furukawa Age 26. Office clerk of Ogimura-Shoji Company.

A "shake hand" grip defensive player who has been described as the world's most acrobatic player, with a vicious chop defence and an exponent of the high lob. He has defeated many of the world's best players and has had victories over former world champions Bengtsson of Sweden and Hasegawa of Japan.

Mr Keitaro Sugimoto Age 24. Office clerk of Nihon Takkyu Co. Ltd.

A "pen grip" attacking player who has won his place in this team with victories over such well-known Japanese players as Tasaka, Yamuchi, Takashima and Abe.

Women Players Miss Yoshiko Takase 23 years of age and a clerk of Taisei-shinyokomiao. Ranked No. 2 in Japan. A "pen grip" style player, being a member of the Japanese delegation to the last world championships at Sarajevo, Yugoslavia. She is an allround type player with a backhand attack.

Miss Kasumi Inaguma 21 years old office clerk of Brother Co. Ltd. She is a "shake hand" grip player and one of Japan's most promising players.

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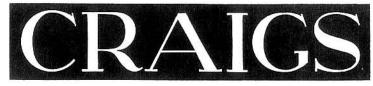
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Meet the Southland Team



Photo B.A. Foster

BRYAN A. FOSTER, Otago. Invited to play for the Southland team. Foster is undoubtedly the South Island's greatest ever player. Winner of New Zealand men's singles title 1966 and 1968 and men's doubles from 1968 to 1971. Bryan represented New Zealand at World Championships in 1961, 1967 and 1973. Bryan has only recently returned from 18 months overseas including representing his country at the 1973 World Championships in Sarajevo.

JOHN LELLIOTT. Southland's No. 1 player since arriving from Christchurch in late 1971 previously gaining Canterbury 'B' status. Mainly a defensive player John has played seven games for Southland.

RON GARRETT. A penhold player, Ron has represented Southland on forty-seven occasions since 1966. His attacking game has won him the Southland open singles title once and the residential title on three occasions.

PAUL WYLIE. Another Canterbury import playing his first season in Invercargill. A defensive player, this will be Paul's first match for Southland.

GRAEME CLENT. An attacking player, Graeme has played more than forty games since first representing Southland as a junior in 1958.

Miss DAPHENE TAPPER. Still a junior Daphene has played fourteen times for Southland. Top women player in Southland this season.

 $\,$ Miss DENISE HESSON. Also a junior Denise first represented Southland this year playing in three games.

Mrs DAWN BENSEMANN. Represented Southland this year for the first time. Won the New Zealand Bracelet title in 1954 while representing Nelson.

Mrs NOLA FALCONER. First represented Southland in 1963 and has played more than twenty games since. Top women player in Eastern Southland for many years.

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Match Programme

JAPAN

MEN

T. Furukawa

K. Sugimoto

WOMEN

Miss K. Inagcuma

Miss Y. Takase

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MEN

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J. Lelliott

R. J. Garrett

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WOMEN

Miss D. Tapper Miss D. Hesson Mrs D. Bensemann Mrs N. Falconer

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HISTORY OF THE SOUTHLAND ASSOCIATION

The Association was formed in 1935 under the name of the Invercargill Table Tennis Association and became affiliated to the N.Z. Association in 1937. Mainly responsible for table tennis administration in early years was Mr S. Robson a present Life Member.

In 1937 there were 41 teams in the competition from 18 clubs with 160 members. Table tennis numbers declined in latter years mainly due to the war. Southland held the South Island Championships in 1939 with Aucklander Frank Paton being the winner. It has now held the South Island Championship six times.

During the 1940's and early 50's the late Tom Breayley dominated the table and also served the administration side as President.

Victor Barna and Richard Bergmann toured in 1949 followed by the Rowe twins in 1953. In 1957 and 1960 Japanese teams toured followed by an Australian team in 1964.

The 1950's saw the emergence of John Catto as a major force in Southland table tennis winning N.Z. under 16 and 18 titles from 1952 to 1955. Late 50's and early 60's Southland were well represented by Catto and N.Z. ranked players in R. Mercer and R. Foster.

Since its inception the Association rented several premises before finding a home at Surrey Park Indoor Basketball stadium in 1958, changing to the Southland Kennel Association Hall in 1964. Our own hall was opened in the 1971 season and although holding 4 tables it is debt free and plans are underway for extensions.

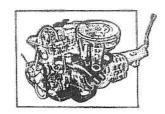
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RESULTS OF PREVIOUS JAPANESE TOURS 1957 TO SOUTHLAND

On this occasion Southland were hosts to Toshiaki Tanaka - world champion in 1955 and 1957 and the team manager Mr H. Shimizu. Ichiro Ogimura who also toured was ill and did not travel to Invercargill.

W. Hay and K. Horner each took a set off Shimizu.

Result:

Tanaka beat D. Kidd 21-9, 21-14

beat J. Catto 21-12, 21-18

Shimizu beat W. Hay 21-18, 19-21, 21-10

beat K. Horner 21-16, 22-24, 21-14

Tanaka and Miss B. Smith beat Shimizu and Miss M. Catto 19-21, 21-19, 23-21.

1960

Southland were hosts to world singles champion Miss K. Matsuzaki and doubles champion Miss K. Yamaizumi. On this occasion Southland imported two top New Zealand players in Miss J. Williamson and Mrs J. Magorian.

Result:

K. Yamaizumi beat J. Williamson 23-21, 21-18 beat J. Magorian 21-5, 21-9

K. Matsuzuki beat J. Williamson 21-16, 21-8

beat J. Magorian 21-5, 21-7

Matsuzaki and J. Catto beat Yamaizumi and R. Mercer 23-21, 21-16
H. Shimizu (manager) drew with R. Foster one set each.

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n	3	٧	Canterbury		
н	5	٧	New Zealand at Wellington		
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п	8	٧	Hamilton		7
n	10	٧	Northland		
n	12	٧	New Zealand at Auckland		

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