



Waikato Table Tennis Association

NEWSLETTER

February 2025

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CLUB EVENTS

The table tennis year is underway, and we have already seen good attendance at our regular club events.

- **Bronze Coaching:** Run by Tom and Jonjon on Monday evenings for beginners. Attendance has been strong, with more than eleven children attending each session.
- **Day Club:** Run on Tuesdays and Fridays by Kerry and Dennis. Attendance has been strong, with more than six tables in use each session.
- **Gold Squad:** Run on Tuesday and Thursday evenings by Mark (invite only). A regular squad of about fourteen people.
- **Interclub/Teams Night:** Run by Jonathan on Tuesday evenings. Well supported, with six teams of three people competing.
- **Wednesday Social:** Run by Mark, and we often get a full house.
- **Serve, Spin, Smash:** Run by Rachel on Thursday evenings for our Para Members.
- **Silver Coaching:** Run by Mark on Thursday evenings and already in full swing, with six tables typically in use.
- **TT Kidz:** Run by Barbara and Sandra on Saturday mornings. Great to see at least twelve kids, who are absolute beginners, keen to learn our sport.
- **Saturday Community Club:** Run by Jason on Saturday afternoons. Well supported, with about six tables in use.

NZ OPEN VETS IN CHRISTCHURCH

The Waikato Team entries for this event have now been submitted to TTNZ.

The following members are attending: Ray Sheath, Neil Hoolihan, Barbara Hodge, Heather Stringer, Sandra Piper, Monique Neal, Paul Whitehead, and Shane Quigley.

FINAL IMPROVEMENT TO THE LIGHTING SYSTEM

We have upgraded the walkway lights in the stadium. They now turn on and off in sync with the table lights and the arming of the alarm system.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP FOR THE SHOP

Ray and Mark have taken over the running of the shop. Please support them for any table tennis equipment you may need.



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PAYMENTS

When attending any of the regular club events, please book in and pay online via Hello Club before coming to the stadium. This reduces administrative work for the Event Manager. We strongly discourage payments by cash or bank transfer.

We do accept EFTPOS payments, but our preference is that you pay via Hello Club when signing up for an event. Please also note that using coupons saves you money. If you prefer not to use coupons, please credit your Hello Club account in larger amounts and use that credit to pay for the events you attend. This is beneficial for WkTTA as we incur significant transaction fees on small payments.

PREMIUM MEMBERSHIP

Many members have taken up Premium Membership. For more details, please refer to the January 2025 Newsletter. Newsletters are available on the homepage of our website: wttta.org.nz.

SHOUT OUT TO MARK PAGE

I noticed a very complimentary review that got submitted to our Google Business Profile last week.

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4.4 ★★★★★ 24 Google reviews

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Visiting Hamilton for a family reunion we decided to have a go at Table Tennis as a family with our adult children. Went on a Wednesday evening when unknown to us there was a free session and all tables were being used. But Mark the friendly and welcoming operator encouraged us to stay awhile until a table was free. Watched some terrific players of varying skill levels as they swapped tables playing different players each time a bell was rung. Had a wonderful time with our family having a go when a table was free. It reignited an interest in Table Tennis I had as a teenager and for the first time playing with our adult children as well as introducing the game to my wife! We all loved it and we plan to continue to play when we return home to Australia. All are welcome no matter what your ability or disability and so happy to see the encouraging environment no matter what your skill level. Sport at its best. Thank you Mark for this fabulous and dedicated indoor venue for just Table Tennis and all the inspiring players we were fortunate to watch.



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