

# Event Welcomes



Tuia te rangi e tū nei  
Tuia te papa e takoto nei  
Ki te pō tangotango, ki te pō i oti atu ai  
Me wehi ki te atua te tīmatanga o te whakaaro nui  
Me whakahōnoretia a Kīngi Tūheitia Pōtatau Te Wherowhero te tuawhitu  
Te kāhui ariki nui tonu, Pai mārire  
Ki te hunga kua whetūrangitia, moe mai, okioki atu  
Ki ngā iwi katoa o te motu kua tae mai ki ēnei whakataetae ā-tīma 2023  
Nau mai haere mai ki Waikato e kīia nei te kōrero  
Waikato Taniwharau He piko, he taniwha, he piko he taniwha

Join the sky above to the earth below.  
Join with the ones that have passed beyond the long night.  
We acknowledge our creator.

We also acknowledge Kīngi Tūheitia, Tainui Waka me ngā iwi o Waikato – Tainui, Paimārire  
To those that have passed beyond the veil, may you rest in peace.  
To all people that have travelled here to participate in Teams 2023.

We welcome you all to this tournament being hosted by Waikato and embrace this famous Waikato proverb.

Waikato Taniwharau  
He piko, he taniwha, he piko he taniwha  
Waikato the land of many chiefs  
At every bend in the Waikato River there was a chief

Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui 😊  
Play hard, Play fair, Play your best 😊



A very warm welcome to the participants, coaches and supporters here in Waipā for the  
**2023 Pascoes Tennis NZ Masters National Teams**

We're thrilled to have you in our district, known nationally and internationally as Waipā Home of Champions.

Here in Waipā, we're extremely proud of the wonderful things our district has to offer residents and visitors alike. We have an extraordinary natural environment, fabulous shopping, great eateries and much more. I sincerely hope that, in between the tennis, you get to enjoy those things while you are here. If that means staying longer in our district – all the better!

Waipā is known for nurturing globally successful sports people and we delight in the fact so many world class athletes live here. But we like to celebrate sport at all levels; what's important to us is that everyone is able to fully participate and have a great time doing so.

On that basis, I offer my sincere congratulations on your commitment to playing and competing at a masters level. It takes time, dedication and fantastic physical fitness – that's truly inspiring.

I wish you the very best for a successful tournament and thank you again for spending time here in Waipā.

Susan O'Regan  
Mayor of Waipā



On behalf of the TNZM Management Committee and our Administrator Lyndsay Dick it is my pleasure to welcome players and whanau to our 2023 Pascoes Tennis Masters National Teams Event.

With sadness we acknowledge that many of our players have been impacted by recent flooding events. If circumstances prevent you from playing this year we send our heartfelt wishes for a speedy recovery. We will miss you.

For all our teams we wish you good luck on the tennis court and for an equal measure of fun when the games are over. Our Easter Teams Event is a special time when players can enjoy great tennis and share the camaraderie of friends.

Thank you Waikato Masters Club, we are grateful for your invitation to play the game we love on the courts of your beautiful river city.

John Dunbier  
TNZM President

The Committee,  
Waikato Masters Tennis Club

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā karangatanga maha tēnā koutou katoa and welcome to Kirikiriroa - Hamilton.  
On behalf of the Waikato Masters Tennis Club committee, our TEAMS sub-committee and the Waikato Tennis Trust, tena koutou katoa and welcome to Kirikiriroa, Hamilton (the Tron). We are excited to be hosting over 70 teams this year in Waikato. We hope all players & supporters have a fun, safe and enjoyable time here in the Tron. And we wish all the teams the best of luck in their matches. Play hard and play fair.

Nga manaakitanga

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7 April 2023

Kia ora! Welcome to Hamilton Kirikiriroa.

We're both excited and proud to welcome the Tennis NZ Seniors teams event to our beautiful river city for the 2023 competition.

A special and very warm welcome to those who have travelled from far and wide to be here. We wish all the players and teams the very best for your upcoming tournaments. To have skilled and experienced players from all over New Zealand here for this annual event is truly a pleasure.

No matter where you have come from to be here, I know you will enjoy the event and its festivities over the coming days, and of course, competition will be strong!

While not on the court, I hope you have time to wander down our beautiful river paths, head into town for a bite at one of our many great eateries, take a stroll around our international award-winning Hamilton Gardens, or visit the Waikato Museum to see the global National Geographic Wildlife Photographer of the Year awards. We've also just opened a brand-new entry at Hamilton Zoo, which now joins to the wonderful Waiwhakareke Natural Heritage Park, which is also well worth a visit.

We are fiercely proud of Hamilton Kirikiriroa, and no matter where you go to play or spend your free time, we hope you will all thoroughly enjoy your stay in our city.

We thank the organisers, Tennis NZ Masters, the Waikato Seniors Tennis Club for hosting, and the sponsors of this fabulous tournament, Pascoes Jewellers. A sincere thank you to all of you, as well, for your participation and support. It's going to be great!

Best of luck – and see you out there on the court!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paula Southgate".

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