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Welcome to the November Newsletter

News from the ITF Worlds Individual Champs

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 Due to the on-going restrictions New Zealand is continuing to experience, Tennis NZ Seniors did not have any teams competing in the ITF Seniors World Teams Event this year. However there were two New Zealand players participating in the Individual Championships in the men's 65+ age group - Don Vickerman and Stephen Temple.

Stephen had to withdraw from the singles with an injury however he did win through to the quarter finals in the doubles. His partner was Jaroslav Kratochvil from CZE.

Don competed the singles, doubles with ptrn Branko Kartalovski (FRA) and mixed doubles with ptrn Leona Ranta (FIN).

Prior to the Worlds both Don and Stephen played in the Mallorca 1000 where Stephen was runner up in the MD65+ with partner Frits Raljmakers (NED). Stephen then played in the Bari 700 event winning the MD65+ with partner Keith Porter (CAN).

Stephen let us know how he left a very empty Auckland airport over a month ago to play a few tournaments in Europe. When he arrived he found things reasonably normal with everyone masked up and being extremely cautious.

At the Worlds Teams Event the numbers of entries were low as the US, Great Britain, Australia and NZ did not send teams.

Stephens photos from Spain



Below ; with Lenny who was the oldest player there at 97



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News from the ITF Super Seniors Worlds Events

Ashley Wilson has been very active and kept an eye on the 2021 ITF Seniors World and written a few notes to share with us. Mainly from the Super Seniors which was held in Mallorca, Spain.

In spite of an excellent venue, entries almost certainly were well down because of Covid-19. An example in the women's 80+, in which NZ teams have done very well in past years, there were just three countries participating. There were not enough entries in the women's 85+ to hold a competition.

In the men's competition there were just eight entries in the 80+. Normally there are about 15 teams and NZ teams have always done well, especially when Mose Harvey and Evan de LaRue were playing. In the 85+ men's group, another group in which NZ has had teams, there were only three teams, Denmark, Spain & Germany. The cup for this grade was recently named the Lorne Main Cup, honouring the legendary Canadian who won 42 titles in his long career. Lorne died about three years ago. So no US, UK or other countries were represented. The Danish team won and Germany, who normally have a strong team, finished third.

In the women's singles the star performer was the American Caroline Nichols. She won the 65+ title losing only six games in her three matches! New Zealanders may remember she was an ITF official for many years. A top German, Heidi Eisterlehner, surprisingly went out in the 70+.



Heidi Eisterlehner (GER)

It is easy to forget that some in a grade for five years are meeting younger players who have just moved up an age grade.

Having played in a number of international tournaments and met some great friends, I was following the 85+ with a lot of interest.

The dominant figure in the grade is the aptly named Kingdon Van Nostrand.

He is an American who has won 41 world titles as he has moved up the age groups over the years.



Kingdon Van Nostrand

He and a top German, Werner Marx, were expected to win the men's doubles but went out to German pair. Kingdon had easy wins in the early singles rounds but had to pull out of his semi-final match. This legendary figure was quoted recently as saying "I have one remaining wish on the tennis court before I die and that is to hit a winning top-spin lob". A German, Herbert Althaus, won the title. Werner Marx and a French partner won the 85+ mixed doubles title. This was won by Dunedin-based Jean Stevens with an Australia partner in 2020.

I had a special interest in the 90+ age group for this was the first year it was held and I hope to play in some tournaments next year, my 90th year. The thought takes me back to a national tournament in Tauranga many years ago when a number of us acted as ball boys and girls when two 90 year olds, Max Gunn and Charlie Langdon, played a demonstration game!

In the Worlds 90+ there were 12 entries. The title was won by a delightful Frenchman, Henri Cruchet who beat a good friend from England, Lennie Lawrence.

So come on 2022 when hopefully we can travel and have some teams and individuals competing.

Ashley Wilson, October 2021.



Leonid Stanislaskyl (UKR)

Pascoes Tennis Seniors National Championships 2022

The National Championships will be held on the 26-30 January 2022.

With Christmas coming up, get your entry in early. If you enter online and you intend to come along to the "Meet & Greet" on the Tuesday evening which is being held at the Mt Maunganui Surf Club, include an extra \$20 with your entry fee.

The tournament will be run in compliance with any health regulations that prevail at the time. It is likely that vaccination certificates will be mandatory.

Please note the following on the IPIN : ITF Seniors have now made it a requirement for all players to have an IPIN. There is now no cost involved in the annual renewal - it is now free. A Seniors IPIN Guide for obtaining your IPIN number is on the Tennis NZ Seniors Website under the Nationals. www.tenniseniors.kiwi

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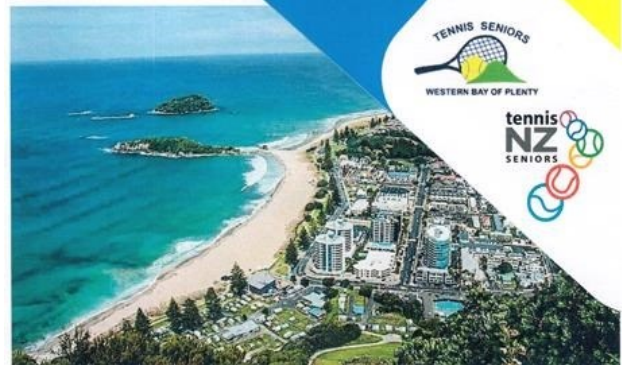
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2022 Pascoes Tennis Seniors National Teams Event will be held on 15-17 April 2022. Put the dates in your calendar and start organizing your teams. Never too early.

The teams event is a great time and place to catch up with your old friends and is a must on the Tennis NZ Seniors Calendar.

Tennis Seniors Hawkes Bay will be hosting the event and are looking forward to organizing the Meet & Greet and Prizegiving Dinner. The social events are still in the planning however for all information, please check the Fact Sheet on the TNZS website when it is available.

You will also be notified in due course what the theme for the dinner will be.

The venues for the event will be the Hawkes Bay Lawn, Nelson Park, Greendale & Havelock North Tennis Clubs and additional clubs if required.

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Kiwifruit Coast Seniors Tournament (Gate Pa)

The Kiwifruit Coast Seniors Tournament at the Gate Pa Tennis Club finally got underway on the 9-10 October. The event was originally scheduled for 21-22 August but due to the lockdowns around Auckland and the Waikato the club re-scheduled to the later date. Originally they had 160 players coming from Northland to Christchurch however they continued to have an excellent tournament where 117 players thoroughly enjoyed their weekend. Below are some of the results.

MD1 W Sean Martin/Philip Meyer
 MD1 R/U Sean Perry/Martin Van Syl
 MD2 W Ervin McSweeney/John Petch
 MD2 R/U Roger Colquhoun/Quentin Maisey
 MD3 W Gordon Paterson/Gordon Tietjens
 MD3 R/U Gabriel Daniel/Kevin Reiher
 MD4 W Neil Butler/Marcus Philpott
 MD4 R/U Brian Baty/Gary Zimmerman

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XD1 W Sean Martin/Deborah Garea
 XD1 R/U Philip Meyer/Casey Tarau
 XD2 W Colin McLaren/Donna Keaney
 XD2 R/U Kevin Reiher/Janis Smith

WD1 W Jane Miskell/Casey Tarau
 WD1 R/U Marietta Duffy-Burgess/Anne Volmuller
 WD2 W Carolyn Baty/Christine Brake
 WD2 R/U Ngaire Isaac/Jill Owen
 WD3 W Joanne Gardendalley/Olga Valdazo-Rojo
 WD3 R/U Dianne Bussey/Tina Michie

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For a list of all results and view the draws, go to the TNZS website www.tenniseniors.kiwi

XD3 W Quentin Maisey/Jenni Hampshire
 XD3 R/UP Tony Coleman/Sarah Smith
 XD4 W Andreas Bejarano/Olga Valdazo Rojo
 XD4 R/U Gabriel Rossouw/Maxine Samson



North Otago Masters



North Otago Master recently held their annual tournament on 23-24 October 2021. Check out the results below:

MDA	W	Andy Rapsey/Warwick Graham
MDA	R/U	John Honeywell/Gavin Mockford
MDB	W	Robbie Julius/Allen Martin
MDB	R/U	Brian Needham/Malcolm Strang
M120+	W	Rosco Yeager/Peter Simpson
M120+	R/U	Robbie Bennett/Howard Wilson
WDA	W	Belinda Hirst/Deb Stevens
WDA	R/U	Dianna Leonard/Jane Brosnahan
WDB	W	Angela Fitzgerald/Cathy Aitken
WDB	R/U	Wendy Cooper/Karen Tait
W120+	W	Barbara Proven/Daphne Ledgerwood
W120+	R/U	Kate Kirke/Heather Hume
XDA	W	Stu Hirst/Belinda Hirst
XDA	R/U	George Carnoutsos/Eveline McLeod
XDB	W	Robbie Bennett/Dianna Leonard
XDB	R/U	Alex Abadie/Judith Wallace
XD120+	W	Malcolm Strang/Mary-Ann Martin
XD120+	R/U	Brian Needham/Brenda Needham



XD135+	W	Peter Simpson/Barbara Proven
XD135+	R/U	Peter Meehan/Pam Johnston

Queensland



Tweed Heads South—Coast Classic tournament was held at the Tweed Heads Regional Tennis Centre on the 26-28 June 2021. Quentin Maisey and Sue Jamieson participated in the event.

Quentin played in the men's singles 70+ where he was runner-up losing to top seed Andrew Rae 3-6 5-7. Quentin also played in the men's 60+ doubles and the 60+ mixed doubles.

Sue played in the women's singles 60+ where she was runner-up to Wanda Howes. Sue also played in the women's 50+ doubles and 50+ mixed doubles.

Below: Sue and Quentin



Taupo Tennis Seniors Tournament

Taupo Tennis Club Seniors Tournament was played on 25-26 September. A few Aucklanders missed the event this year due to lockdowns however Taupo provided brilliant weather on Saturday and minimal rain delays on the Sunday.

107 players thoroughly enjoyed their weekend of tennis.

More results on the website and below, check out the action from the courts.

Results:

MD1	W	Luke Donovan/Jason Halford
MD1	R/U	Andy Mellor/Tyler Stevens
MD2	W	Dave Brake/Mark Hansen
MD2	R/U	Russell Thomas/Andrew Wicherts
MD3	W	Trevor Bayly/Bruce Irving
MD3	R/U	Paul Brazier/Kevan Joe
WD1	W	Janine Perkinson/Jane Wyllie
WD1	R/U	Luci Barlow/Tania Rose Martin
WD2	W	Maree Horne/Vicki Wutzler
WD2	R/U	Trish Baird/Jodie Anne Lawson
WD3	W	Maxine Samson/Lorraine Steele
WD3	R/U	Jane Arnott/Shirley Hall
XD1	W	Andy Mellor/Karen Cranston
XD1	R/U	Craig Giddy/Tania Rose Martin
XD2	W	Russell Thomas/Vicki Wutzler
XD2	R/U	Alby Tipiwai/Josie Anne Lawson
XD3	W	CCraig Wyllie/Pauline Jenkins
XD3	R/U	Kevan Joe/Sally Davis



Hawkes Bay Seniors Tournament

Tennis Seniors Hawkes Bay's tournament was held on 2-3 October. The weekend was sunny and windless which was a welcome change to weather that the Hawkes Bay has been experiencing. 124 players participated in some very competitive tennis and having some very close encounters in all divisions.

RESULTS:

WD1	W	Norma Ching/Jane Wylie
WD1	R/U	Leonie Campbell/Sue Jamieson
WD2	W	Maree Horne/Lauren Riley
WD2	R/U	Debbie Curtis/Linda Wynks
MD1	W	Luke Donovan/Ron Garrick
MD1	R/U	Russell Broughton/Andrew Reynolds
MD2	W	Ross Clayton/Mark Houghton
MD2	R/U	Tony Cresswell/Brian Day
XD1	W	Russell Broughton/Jane Wylie
XD1	R/U	Grant Angus/Fi Tyler
XD2	W	Kevan Joe/Ngaire Hunt
XD2	R/U	Meto Snegirev/Mandy Stewart



Life Membership awarded to Hawkes Bay Members

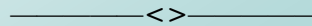


Peter Sutherland and Garth Eyles were formally elected as Life Members at the TS Hawkes Bay AGM.

Both men have served tirelessly as Presidents, Vice Presidents and committee members for 7 and 8 years each - they were well deserving recipients.

Unfortunately, Peter no longer plays tennis but Garth will be bringing his left-hand skills along to club day still.

Photo: left to right - Peter and Garth



Cardiff, Wales

Craig Arbuckle played in the Welsh Open recently held during September—the event was played in Cardiff. Craig said he managed to play the over 50s and actually won, not expecting to at all. It was just great to be back on court again after all the lockdowns.

