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Operations Report

Hello squash community and welcome to my very first operations report for July 2021. I wanted to start off by extending a massive thankyou to Kristy Havill who did a mountain of work while in the role here at Squash Canterbury. Kristy brought great passion and drive to the role which allowed her to make lasting connections around the squash community. I hope to continue this level of work and I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of you.



July brought a lot of Squash action around the region which

included highlights such as the Heaphy Shield, South Island Junior Age Groups, Burnside Open, Greymouth Open and the conclusion of the SBA Tournament Road. The Heaphy Shield which was hosted brilliantly by the Marlborough Squash Rackets Club saw some great squash being played over the first weekend of July. Marlborough retained the Heaphy Shield with a very dominant performance, winning with a record 29 matches to Nelson's 17 and West Coast's 2.

The South Island Junior Age Groups was hosted by Burnside Squash Club in Christchurch. We saw some epic clashes of talent with 81 juniors participating from all around the country. It was great to see competitors travelling from as far north as as Whangarei and as far south as Invercargill.

The SBA Tournament Road came to a conclusion following the Burnside Open and brought to an end a long series of 10 tournaments with 430 participants. A massive congratulations to Bryn Woolley who was crowned the winner of the competition with 2375 points over ten tournaments. Bryn was the most consistent competitor and will be taking home the major prize of 1500 dollars. Following closely in second and third were Jack Frisken and Scott Endres who both performed exceptionally over many tournaments and will be receiving the 1000 and 500 dollar prizes. We would like to extend a massive thankyou to all those involved with 'the road' from the competitors, supporters, clubs and volunteers without whom it would not have been possible. Furthermore, another huge thankyou to SBA Accounting who has been the major supporter of the tournament road and provided such amazing prizes.

Ryan Frampton - Acting Operations Manager and Participation Activator for Squash Canterbury.

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TOURNAMENT ROAD 2021 Points Standings Final

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Participation Activators Report

Participation Activator – Greater Christchurch

Junior squash has been in full swing over July with lot of school holiday action, the end of Autumn interclub and start of winter interclub. Coaching programmes targeted at juniors new to squash and those wanting to improve their skills were set up around different Christchurch clubs. We had 5-6 new juniors come down and give squash a go in some sessions which was fantastic and hopefully they continue on and join one of the great clubs around



Christchurch. It was great to have clubs such as Linwood, Christchurch Football, Burnside and Hoon Hay all willing to offer time to junior programmes as they would be able to go ahead without their support. Another big thankyou to Mike Allred, Adam Odering and Tom Ravenscroft for helping with these programmes and offering great coaching knowledge to these juniors.



With Autumn interclub coming to an end in late June we take a note of the grading points for all the juniors across all four divisions. At the end of each term the female or male junior with the biggest improvements in grading point is awarded the most improved award. It was great to see such massive improvements over all the divisions and this has been recognised with many juniors moving up divisions. The most improved junior girl prize was awarded to Sofia Strange and the most improved junior boy was awarded to Paddy Gould. A great effort by both Sofia and Paddy as they were consistent over many weeks to achieve such big improvements. Both players have now moved up a division as they continue their quest of improvement.

Pictured: Sofia Strange – Most Improved Junior Girl.

Winter interclub is now a couple of weeks in and has been going well. It is important to remember that a lot of these juniors are still learning the game/refereeing and the importance of sportsmanship. There will be a refereeing session for juniors coming up to help those who are new and also those who may need a refresher so keep your eyes out for a time and date soon.

Coming up for juniors we have the third Girls Tournament on the 8th of August at Squash HQ, the fifth Junior 2100 tournament in Kaikoura on the 11th of September and the South Island Junior Teams event in southland on the 17th of September.

Final from me:

Applaud the performance of both players

- 1. Be positive with the officials & acknowledge their efforts
- 2. Let the players play their game, not your game
- 3. Praise efforts, not results
- 4. Set an example for the players
- 5. Use appropriate and acceptable language

This is from School Sport Canterbury's Codes of Behaviour guidelines, lets support our kids as best we can.

Participation Activator - Marlborough



Squash is all go up here in Marlborough. This term saw the kick off of our first ever six week 'Women and Wine Series' with over thirty women turning up to give squash a go. It was just awesome to see so many women on court and having a fantastic time. Junior interclub also started up this week with a number of new players playing their first ever official grading match. Coming up we have a few events in store. The Marlborough Junior Open is on the 20-22nd August and we would love some out-of-town entries. An U900 series is also running with the first 1day event on Sunday 8th August.





Pictured: Woman and Wine Series.

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Marlborough Junior Open 20-21st August 2021

- . Entry \$20.
- . Cash Prizes
- . Enter on isquash
- . Entries close 13th August
- . Contact: Julie 0274287526



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News:

Heaphy Shield

Marlborough Squash Heaphy Shield 2021 Champions



Men: Thomas Jordaan, Tom Marshall, Hannes Schoeman, Henry Moran Women: Megan Craig, Mickayla Kerr, Leonie Marshall, Julie Brown

The Heaphy Shield was fought out by Marlborough, Nelson Bays and the WestCoast senior men and women's teams in Blenheim on the $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ of July. The Heaphy Shield has been contested annually for over 40 years and is the highlight of the Top of the South squash calendar.

The defending champions Marlborough once again can home with the spoils after retaining the shield in a dominant display of squash over the weekend. Marlborough ended up with a record 29 match wins to Nelson's 17 and West Coast's 2, the home side only dropping 3 matches all weekend.

The tournament saw some great squash being played with some close and intense matches as the passion of what this shield means to the players shone through. The highlight match came at the end with a fantastic battle between Henry Aitken from Nelson and Tom Marshall from Blenheim with Henry winning in the 5th set.

Pictured: David Winstanley and Grant Craig. "David set the competition up in 1976 — 46 years ago along with Neil Senior of Nelson. We were fortunate to have David come and present the Shield to Marlborough and provide us with a some of the history behind the trophy, including the choice of the name — which comes from the Heaphy Track as it connects the Top of the South with the West Coast" Janet Udy.



Honourable Mentions: Clark Ellery of the West Coast played in his 41st consecutive Heaphy Shield competition having played his first one as a 16 year old. Also, Grant Craig who has played in 28 shield challenges. Congratulations to both men for showing such dedicated service to the game.



Junior U900 Series

- One day junior tournament series
- Open to all graded and non-graded juniors
 - Sunday 8th August @ Marlborough College Club
 - Sunday 12th September @ Marlborough Rackets Club
 - Sunday 3rd October @ Marlborough College Club
- Cost \$15 each tournament entry
- Best of 5 games, point a rally to 15.
- Must be able to serve and return the ball
- Safety glasses must be worn during gameplay.
- Email marlboroughsquashactivator@gmail.com to register with full name and D.O.B or enter on isquash if graded.



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Senior Canterbury Team selection

The Canterbury Senior Teams to compete at the National Inter-District Teams Event held in Wellington on the 27th and 28th of August are as follows:

Canterbury Men's

Joe Williams Jayden Millard Michael Sunderland Matt Smith Paul Moran Non-Travelling Reserve –

With the unfortunate omission of regular squad members such as Oliver Johnston due to injury and Adam Odering not being available, the next top four players available were easily sorted, leaving the only 'newcomer' to the top four being Michael Sunderland, who was runner-up to Joe Williams at the Burnside Open. Adam's absence also allowing Paul Moran to travel with the team, freeing up a spot for a non-travelling reserve to be added at a late date.

The team will bring a good mixture of youth and experience and should perform very well during the event. Craig Hibbert has been appointed the manager of the squad.

Canterbury Women's

Emma Cormack Grace Hymers Sarah Blair Kayti Carrick Leonie Marshall Non-Travelling Reserve- Kate Fox

Emma Cormack has now won the Canterbury Women's open for the past four years running, so her inclusion to the women's team was a certain selection. Grace, Sarah, and Kayti have been involved in a rigorous development group started after the Nationals in 2018 and are certainly showing the results of this hard work and dedication, with Grace being in the New Zealand Doubles Development group earlier this year. Newcomers to the team, who are proud to be representing Canterbury are Sarah Blair and Leonie Marshall. We also appreciate the effort of Kayti, as she currently resides in Auckland with her partner, but has chosen to stay and represent Canterbury for this event. Rod Hayes will manage the women's team for this event.

Good luck to all those selected we wish you all the best with your trainings and competition.

Special Mention: A huge thankyou to the Richmond Club who have made their excellent new facilities available for the team to train during the four weeks before Nationals. These trainings will be at 8pm on Wednesdays if any keen squash players wish to go along and watch or just check out Richmond's new courts.



Christchurch Club Open: 20-21st August!



SBA Accounting Tournament Road

430 people took part in the SBA tournament road with an average of 84 people per tournament. But there could only be one winner.

A massive effort by Bryn Woolley from Marlborough Squash Rackets Club who was Mr Consistent over all tournaments and has emerged as the winner of the 2021 SBA Accounting Tournament Road. Bryn will take home not only the bragging rights but \$1500 prize money.

Coming in at second and third respectively were Jack Frisken from Marlborough College and Scott Endres, another from Marlborough Squash Rackets Club. Jack and Scott will also get a share of the spoils with Jack taking home \$1000 and Scott \$500 dollars prize

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money. Of the top 3 they played 26 tournaments between them out of a possible 30 and average 229pts per tournament so were deserved champions.

Again, I want to say a massive thankyou to SBA Accounting for supporting this event and allowing it to happen, thankyou to the supporters and volunteers and all those who were involved we hope to see you next year.

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		A	There were some great
Jayden Milard	Burnside	800	performers from the different
David Schultz	Christchurch	1500	clubs around Canterbury in the
Emma Cormack	Football	1095	tournament road competition. Al
Grace Rhodes	Greymouth	750	competitors fought hard and deserve the recognition for
Astrid Heine	Kaikoura	1070	representing their clubs at such a
Wharepapa Tapiata-Bright	Linwood	600	high level.
Jack Frisken	МСОВ	1200	
Hayden de Burger	Malvern	1050	
Karen Walton	Motueka	900	
Bryn Woolley	Marlb S.R	1130	
Ryan McGown	Nelson	880	
Ava Tyson	Oxford	660	
Rex Bowden	Takaka	675	
Billy Smith	Waimea	1255	

Top players from each club

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2021 Girls Tournament Series #3

Sunday 8th August **Hoon Hay Squash Club from 10am**

\$15 Entry fee (late entry \$25.00) Enter via i-Squash Entries close: 2nd August

All players must wear protective eyewear

Best of 5 games to 11 points.

Open to both graded and ungraded junior girls

Queries to:

Email:

Ryan Frampton juniordev@squashcanterbury.co.nz

South Island Junior Age Groups

Burnside Squash club were proud to have hosted the South Island Junior Age Group tournament last weekend.

A total of 81 junior players from around the country participated in the event, with players traveling from as far north as Whangarei to as far south as Invercargill. There was some spectacular squash on display throughout the event, culminating in some closely contested play offs as each player battled it out for top spot in their age group.

Special mention must go to all the parents, whose commitment to their children's love of the sport helped make this tournament the success that it was. The future generation of kiwi squash players certainly looks promising.

The champions of each age group are as follows:

Under 19 Boys – Paul Moran

Under 19 Girls – Diana Galloway

Under 17 Boys – Tom Marshall

Under 17 Girls – Maiden-Lee Coe

Under 15 Boys – Reece Holmes

Under 15 Girls – MacKenzie Tait

Under 13 Boys – Zac Laing

Under 13 Girls – Casey Ellery

Under 11 Boys – Eamon Gannon

Special awards were handed out for these categories: Shot of the tournament – Cecilia Lim Game of the tournament – Petra Curd-McCullough Match of the tournament – Flynn Venmore

Full results are available to view on iSquash.

Firstly, a big thankyou to all those involved with organising and running the tournament as these events don't happen without you. Well done to each of our age group champions, and to everyone who participated in the event. A big thank you in particular to Chris Buckland, who travelled from Ashburton for all three days to referee at this event, and to Ross Minehan, who travelled down on Saturday to share refereeing duties for the finals.

Best of luck to all those competing in the Junior National Age Groups in Timaru this October in what is sure to be a fantastic event.

Credit: Ben Wilkinson





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Local players may be asked to play Thursday 12th August

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Burnside Open

The Burnside Open was played on the $1-3^{rd}$ of July weekend and had 105 participants competing over 13 divisions. With the Burnside open being the last stop for the SBA Tournament Road results were going to be crucial. Joseph Williams triumphed over fellow Canterbury Men's teammate in the men's open final while Sarah Blair took top honours in the Woman's open division. Congratulations to all other winners and thankyou to all the volunteers and supporters who can along and made the event happen.

Burnside Open Results:

Men's Open Champion – Joseph Williams Runner Up – Michael Sunderland

Men's Division 2 Champion – Ethan Peddie Runner Up – Jack Frisken

Men's Division 3 Champion – Billy Smith Runner Up – Mark Ling

Men's Division 4 Champion – Addison Po Runner Up – Tristan Kibur

Men's Division 5 Champion – Joshua Pearson Runner Up – Mathew Arscott

Men's Division 6 Champion – Michael Holder Runner Up – Ben Anderson

Men's Division 7 Champion – Bradley Peterson Runner Up – Michael Madden

Men's Division 8 Champion – Baxter McGonigal Runner Up – Benjamin McPherson

Men's Division 9 Champion – Aidan Evans Runner Up – Ziad Abdelmaksoud Woman's Open Champion – Sarah Blair Runner Up – Kayla Brocks

Woman's Division 1 Champion – Angela Barone-Pyne Runner Up – Maria Evans

Woman's Division 2 Champion – Lily McGonigal Runner Up – Mackenzie Alty

Mixed Champion – Christopher Hebberd Runner Up – Ash Gilbert

Greymouth Open

The Greymouth open was hosted on the 9th - 11th of July at the Greymouth Squash Club. With 96 entrants the Greymouth open produced some fantastic fast-paced squash and some heavy hitting matchups in the final rounds.

A highlight match came between the eventual open men's champion Tom Marshal who battled Shane Johnston in the second round. Shane led two sets to nothing, but Tom fought back to take the match and go on to win the division. Tom has had a great July after recently being named as the non-travelling reserve for the Senior Canterbury Men's team. A great reward for his success, Tom will join Paul Moran in the squad who was runner up to Tom in the men's open division. Again, a big congratulations to all those who competed in the Greymouth open and thankyou to all those who helped make it possible.

Men's Open Champion – Tom Marshall Runner Up – Paul Moran

Men's Division 1 Champion – Warren Le Sueur Runner Up – Ben Alden

Men's Division 2 Champion – Ryan Luckman Runner Up – Neil Keenan

Men's Division 3 Champion – Nevin Bolland Runner Up – Todd Bailey



Woman's Open Champion – Grace Hymers Runner Up – Lowi Waugh

Woman's Division 1 Champion – Samantha Rooney Runner Up – Carly Craig

Woman's Division 2 Champion – Ayla Tranter Runner Up – Elizabeth Blakemore

Canterbury Representative Team Selectors, Convenors and Managers

We still have a number of vacancies within the selectors, convenors and managers panel, and are looking for volunteers for the following positions. If you are interested please contact Lawrence Skurr at <u>lawrence@skurrexports.co.nz</u>

- 1 x Masters National team Manager (Wellington)
- 1 x Masters Men selector
- 1 x Masters Women selector
- 1 x Junior Convenor
- 1 x Boys Junior Nationals Team Manager (Timaru)
- 1 x Girls Junior Nationals Team Manager (Timaru)
- 1 x South Island Junior Teams Manager (Invercargill)

The selectors, convenors and managers currently holding a position are:

- Senior Convenor Craig Hibbert
- Senior Men Selectors Rod Hayes, Lawrence Skurr
- Senior Womens Selectors Jess Wilson, Lawrence Skurr
- Senior Men's Nationals Team Manager Craig Hibbert
- Senior Women's Nationals Team Manager Rod Hayes
- Masters Convenor Alan Dallas
- Junior Boys Selectors Charlie Barker, Jayden Millard
- Junior Girls Selectors Kate Fox, Emma Cormack
- Quadrangular Team Manager Jess Wilson

Club Resources

Tu Manawa Active Aotearoa Fund

Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa is the new Sport New Zealand fund, replacing KiwiSport, that provides funding for initiatives that deliver sport, active recreation or play to children and youth. This fund has a particular emphasis on delivering outcomes for those living with a disability, those in higher deprivation communities, and also girls and young women. Projects targeting these groups will be prioritised for funding. Sport Canterbury and Sport Tasman are encouraging collaborative applications with other clubs from the same sport or from different sporting codes, so please do get in touch with clubs nearby in order to pool your resources. Keep an eye out for new funding rounds now that we're into 2021. For clubs in Canterbury and West Coast, details here:

https://www.sportcanterbury.org.nz/T-Manawa-1

For clubs in Nelson Bays, Marlborough and Kaikoura, details here: <u>http://www.sporttasman.org.nz/Funding/Tu-Manawa</u>

Squash New Zealand Online Coaching Modules

Are you interested in giving back to your club by doing some coaching, or becoming a fullyfledged squash coach? The first step along the coaching pathway in New Zealand is to complete the Squash NZ online coaching modules and complete practical workshops that put those modules into practise. The three coaching stages on the pathway are Foundation, Development, and Performance. In order for Squash New Zealand to provide facilitators to host the practical modules around the District, they are looking for as many people as possible to complete the online modules in order to make the finances and resources allocated to facilitating the modules as worthwhile as possible.

The link to the Squash New Zealand website that has more information about the online modules and how to start them is: <u>https://www.squashnz.co.nz/coach/index.cfm</u>

Pay2Play

If your club is interested in exploring a new revenue stream, Pay2Play are offering an outstanding deal to help as many sports clubs as possible install a user pays system for casual users. Casual play has been dramatically increasing across all sports over the last few

years, and in 2018 Squash Canterbury installed Pay2Play at Squash HQ which has allowed members of the public to book a court for \$10 per 30 minute slots. Not only has this boosted the use of the Squash HQ facility and introduced more people to the sport of squash, it has also provided extra income each year for Squash Canterbury. The Pay2Play offer consists of installing the online booking system at no cost – the features of which include member management, booking system, payment method, administrative features for members and casual users, and much more. This is a fantastic deal designed to reduce the financial barrier for clubs, and the costs associated with installing the electronic keypad for entry into the building can be covered by grant funding. If you would like to find out more please contact info@squashcanterbury.co.nz, or contact Pay2Play directly at info@pay2play.co.nz

Volunteer of the month

Unfortunately, we did not have a volunteer of the month for July sent in so a reminder to send in all nominations to squash canterbury to get them recognised.

Got someone at your club who does outstanding work behind the scenes that deserves some recognition? Now more than ever, it is important to be acknowledging and thanking our volunteers who put in their time and effort to keep our clubs ticking over. Get in touch with Ryan at info@squashcanterbury.co.nz with a small bio and a photo, and he will put it in next month's newsletter!

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