

NEWSLETTER

May 2006

Welcome back to Table Tennis for the 2006 season. It's good to see familiar faces and wonderful to have new faces with us.



Interclub Competition

Interclub has started with A and B Grades combining due to lower numbers. Will be great to see the school teams back after the holidays. Hope everyone enjoyed their break.

Reminder

Prompt starting time is 7pm. Results sheets are to be fully and neatly completed. They need to be able to be read so that the correct results can go in the Timaru Herald.

Note

It is very important that if you are unable to play for any reason you arrange a replacement player. If this is not possible please contact Gay Morrison-Stapp 6869154.

Subs

Subs are to remain the same as last year:
Senior \$25
Junior \$20

These are due by 13 June 2005.



Competition Fees

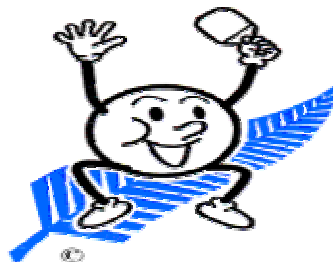
Nightly fees are unchanged from last year:
Senior \$5
Junior \$2

If you have any concerns about paying fees or subs please talk to our Treasurer, Mike Stapp.

Tournament Dates

South Island Champs
S.C. Open Champs
South Island Teams
S.C. vs Canterbury
N.Z. National Champs

18 - 19 Aug in Dunedin
1 July in Timaru
3 - 4 June in Timaru
Date to be advised
28 Sep- 7 Oct in Auckland



Rep Games

The South Island Teams is being held in Timaru this year: a request that players make themselves available to represent their province. Also a representative match between South Canterbury and Canterbury in Christchurch (date to be advised).

Maintenance

We have resurfaced the floor and painted the walls. Thanks sincerely to the volunteers who contributed time to these projects. Car park drainage and resurfacing is in the pipeline.

Equipment

Please note that our resurfaced tables have been slightly damaged and care is required to avoid further damage. Please, no hitting the tables with bats. Bats and balls are available for use but these **must be returned** to the office at the end of the night. Please refrain from picking the bat rubber.

Competition Format

The format used last year for A and B Grades has been discontinued due to lower numbers. We have re-introduced 3 person teams and included 2 doubles matches in the competition. All singles and doubles are played over the best of 5 games. The winning team on the night will receive 2 competition points. This will run for 2 rounds, followed by the Premier and Second Division competitions.

Friday Nights

The stadium is open on Friday nights from 7-00pm until 8-30pm for those wishing to have a social hit. Cost is \$2 per person. Anyone is welcome. Support has been poor to date and consideration will be given to discontinuing this if numbers don't improve.

Player Registrations

All new players will be required to complete registration forms for Table Tennis New Zealand. They will be issued with a form to register them for the current season and they must be signed and returned to Gay as soon as possible.

Sponsors

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NOTE: No competition on 5th June (Queens Birthday).



Brain Teaser

4 people need to cross a narrow, dangerous bridge late at night. They have a total of 1 flashlight between them. Only a maximum of 2 people can cross the bridge at any one time. The people crossing the bridge must always have the flashlight with them. Each person moves at a different speed, and thus any two people must travel at the speed of the slowest. The respective speeds of the 4 people are 10mins, 5mins, 2mins and 1min. What is the shortest time that everyone can safely cross the bridge?

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