esp. in quest or pursuit; to make off.-v.t. to range over or traverse swiftly, vigorously, riotously, or in pursuit: to search thoroughly: to molest as a scourer .-- n. scour'er (obs. scowr'er; hist.) a member of a roistering band that scoured the streets, maltreating watchmen and others. [Poss. O.N. skur, storm, shower; cf. scram' skram, (slang) v.i. (esp. in the imper.) to be off:

scourer skowr'er, n. a scout. [Aphetic; see discover.] scourer2. See scour1,2,

scourie. See scaury.

scourge skûrj, n. a whip: an instrument of divine punishment: a cause of widespread affliction.-v.t. to whip severely: to afflict .- n. scourg'er. [A.Fr. escorge-L excoriare, to flay-corium, leather (perh. as made of a scramble skram'bl, v.i. to make one's way with disorderly strip of leather, perh. as a flaying instrument).] scourse. See scorse.

scouse skows, (coll.) n. a native of Liverpool: the northern English dialect spoken in and around Liverpool:

lobscouse. [Short for lobscouse.]

scout1 skowt, n. watch, spying (arch.): one (or obs., a party) sent out to bring in information: a spy; a member of the Scout Association (formerly Boy Scout): a patrolman on the roads: one who watches or attends at a little distance; a fielder, as in cricket; a person (usually term of approbation; slang): a person who seeks out new recruits, sales opportunities, etc.: a ship for reconnoitring: a small light aeroplane orig, intended for reconnaissance: a light armoured car for reconnaissance (now usu. scout car): a college servant at Oxford (perh. a different word; cf. Cambridge gyp, and Dublin skip) .- v.t. to watch closely: to reconnoitre (often with about or around) .- v.i. to act the scout .ns. scout'er an adult working with instructors, etc., in the Scout Association; scout'ing.-Scout Association (formerly, the Boy Scouts) a world-wide movement for young people, intended to develop character and a sense of responsibility, founded (for boys) by Lord Baden-Powell in 1908; scout's pace alternately walking scranch skranch, skransh, v.t. to crunch. Prob. imit.; and running for a set number of paces; scout car see scout n.; scout'craft the knowledge and skill proper to a scrannel skran'l, (arch.) adj. thin; meagre; squeaking; scout; scout'-law the code of rules of the Scout Association; scout'-master the leader of a band of scouts: formerly, an adult in charge of a troop of Boy Scouts. [O Fr. escoute-escouter-L. ausculture, to listen.]

scout2 skowt, (arch.) v.t. to mock, flout: to dismiss or reject with disdain. [Cf. O.N. skūta, a taunt.] scout<sup>3</sup>. Same as scoot<sup>2</sup>.

scouth, scowth skooth, skowth, (Scot.) n. free range: scope: plenty.

scouther, scowther skow'dhar, scowder skow'dar, (Scot.) vs.t. to scorch, singe: to overheat: to toast slightly: to blight .- vs.i. to drizzle; to theaten to rain or snow .ns. a scorch or burn: a slight or flying shower.—adjs. scou'thering, scow'dering scorching, blighting .- ns. a scorching, blighting: a sprinkle of snow .- adj. scou'thery. [Conn. with scald1.]

scow skow, n. a flat-bottomed boat. [Du. schouw.] scowl skowl, v.i. to contract the brows in a look of baleful malevolence: to look gloomy and threatening.-v.t. (Milt.) to give forth with a scowl .- n. a scowling look. -adj. scow'ling .- adv. scow'lingly. [Cf. Dan. skule, to cast down the eyes, look sidelong.

scouth, scouther.

scowrie. See scaury.

scrab skrab, v.t. to scratch:-pr.p. scrabb'ing; pa.p. and pa.t. scrabbed .- v.t. and v.i. scrabb'le to scratch to scrape: to scrawl .- v.i. to scramble .- n. a scrawl: (® with cap.) a word-building game.—n. scrabb'ler. [Du. schrabben, to scratch, freq. schrabbelen; cf. scrape.

scrae skrá, (Scott) n. Same as scree.

scrag' skrag, n. a sheep's or (slang) human neck; the bony part of the neck: a lean person or animal .- v.t. to hang to throttle: to wring the neck of: to tackle by the neck: -pr.p. scragg'ing; pa.t. and pa.p. scragged.-adj. scragg'ed (or skragd) scraggy.-n. acragg'edness.adv. scragg'ily .- n. scragg'iness .- adj. scragg'y lean, skinny, and gaunt .- scrag'-end' the scrag of a neck. [Prob. crag<sup>2</sup>.]

scrag2 skrag, n. a stump: a rough projection.-adjs. scragged, scragg'ling, scragg'ly, scragg'y irregular, strag-

gling .- adv. scragg'ily .- n. scragg'iness .- scrag'. whale a whale with knobbed back. [Cf. scrog.] scraich, scraigh skrähh, (Scot.) v.i. to screech: to make a

scratchy sound.—n. a screech: a scratchy sound. [Cf. scraugh, skreigh.]

pr.p. scramm'ing; pa.t. and pa.p. scrammed. [Perh. scramble.

scram2 skram, (S.W. England) adj. puny: withered .- v.t. to benumb (S.W. England): to paralyse (S.W. England): to shut down (an atomic reactor), esp. in an emergency:-pr.p. scramm'ing; pa.t. and pa.p. scram-

med. [Cf. scrimp.]

struggling haste: to get along somehow: to clamber: to wriggle irregularly: to sprawl: to dash or struggle for what one can get before others: of an aircraft or its crew, to take off immediately, as in an emergency. v.t. to throw down to be scrambled for: to put, make, get together, scramblingly: to jumble up (a message) so that it can be read only after decoding; to beat eggs up and heat to thickness with milk, butter etc.; to make (a radiotelephone conversation) unintelligible by a device that alters frequencies: to order (an aircraft crew) to take off immediately.-n. act of scrambling: a disorderly performance; a dash or struggle for what can be had: an emergency take-off by an aircraft: a form of motor or motor-cycle trial .- n. scram'bler one who, or that which, scrambles, esp. a telephone device .-- adj. scram'bling confused and irregular .- n. the action of the verb scramble: participation in motor-cycle, etc. scrambles. -adv. scram'blingly.-scrambled eggs eggs cooked as described above; the gold braid on a military officer's cap (slang). [Cf. the dialect word scramb, to rake together with the hands.]

scran skran, n. provisions: broken victuals.—bad scran to you (Ir.) bad fare to you. [Ety. dub.]

cf. Du. schransen, to eat heartily.]

grating, scratchy (Milt.) .- adj. scrann'y thin, scrawny. scrap1 skrap, n. a small fragment; a piece of left-over food: a remnant: a punched-out picture, cutting, or the like intended or suited for preservation in a scrapbook: residue after extraction of oil from blubber, fish etc.: metal clippings or other waste: anything discarded as worn-out, out of date, or useless .- adj. consisting of scrap.-v.t. to consign to the scrap-heap: to discard:pr.p. scrapp'ing; pa.p. and pa.t. scrapped.-adv. scrapp'ily .- n. scrapp'iness .- adj. scrapp'y fragmentary disconnected: made up of scraps .- scrap's book a blank book for pasting in scraps, cuttings, etc.; scrap'-heap a place where old iron is collected: rubbishheap; scrap'-iron, scrap'-metal scraps of iron or other metal, of use only for remelting; scrap'-man, scrap'merchant one who deals in scrap-metal; scrap'-yard a scrap-merchant's premises for the storing of scrap.not a scrap not in the least; throw on the scrap-heap to reject as useless. [O.N. skrap, scraps; cf. scrape.]

scrap2 skrap, (slang) n. a fight: scrimmage.-Also v.i. (pr.p. scrapp'ing; pa.t. and pa.p. scrapped).-adj.

scrapp'y belligerent.

scowp, scowrer, scowth, scowther. See scoup, scour2, scrape skrap, v.t. to press a sharp edge over; to move gratingly over: to smooth, clean, clear, reduce in thickness, abrade, remove, form, collect, bring, render, by such an action: to get together, collect by laborious effort (often scrape together, scrape up): to erase: contemptuously, to fiddle.-v.i. to graze: to scratch: to scratch the ground: to grate: to make a grating sound (as with the feet, in disapprobation): to draw back the foot in making obeisance: to fiddle: to save penuriously: to get with difficulty (with through, along, home, etc.).-n. an act, process, or spell of scraping: a shave: a stroke of the bow: a grating sound: a stroke (of a pen): a scraped place in the ground: an abrasion: a mass of earth scraped up, as by a rabbit; a backward movement of one foot accompanying a bow: a scraping or thin layer: thin-spread butter: a predicament that threatens disgrace or friction with authority.-ns. scrap'er one who scrapes: a fiddler: a barber: a scraping instrument or machine, esp. for shoe-soles, hides, roads: an engraver's tool: a scratchfortress for tras, for, n. a fortified place: a defence .v.t. (Shak.) to guard. [O.Fr. forteresse, another form

fortress

of fortelesce (see fortalice).] fortultous for-tū'i-təs, in U.S. -tōo', adj. happening by chance: fortunate .- ns. forta'ltism belief in evolution foes2. See force2. by fortuitous variation; forta'itist.—adv. forta'it- fossal fos's, (anat.) n. a pit or depression.—n. foss'ala a

ously.-ns. forta'itousness, forta'ity. [L. fortuitus.] luck: the arbitrary ordering of events: the lot that falls

Roman road that runs between Exeter and Lincoln: (without cap.) any of the British Roman roads having a osse on either side. [Fr. fosse-L. fossa-fodere, fossum, to dig.]

small depression or groove. -adj. foss'alate. [L., a ditch.] fortune for chan, n. whatever comes by lot or chance: foesa fos's, foussa foos's, ns. a Madagascan animal (Cryptoprocta ferox) more or less akin to the civets:

ses to foretell one's fortune; for tune-telling .- a small

fortune quite a large fortune. [Fr.,-L. fortuna.] forty for ti, adj. and n. four times ten .- n. (cap. with the) the French Academy .- n. pl. for tles the numbers forty to forty-nine: the fortieth or forty-ninth years (of life, a century): a range of temperature from forty to just less than fifty degrees: (cap. with the) the sea area lying between NE Scotland and SW Norway, with a mum depth of 40 fathoms.—adj. for tieth the last fossor fos'or, n. a grave-digger. of forty, or in an equivalent position: equal to one of zool.) adapted for digging. forty equal parts.—n. one of forty equal parts; a fossulate See fossa. person or thing in fortieth position .- adj. for tyish foster fos ter, v.t. to bring up a apparently about forty years old.-for'ty-five' a microgrooved disc record played at a speed of 45 revolutions per minute: (cap. with the) the Jacobite rebellion of 1745; for ty-nin'er a gold-seeker in the 1849 rush in California; forty winks a short nap, esp. after dinner .roaring forties the tract of stormy west winds south of 40°S latitude (occasionally also in the Atlantic north of 40°N). [O.E. feowertig-feower, four, -tig, ten (as

forum fo'ram, fo', n. a market-place, esp. that in Rome where public business was transacted and justice dispensed: the courts of law as opposed to Parliament: a meeting to discuss topics of public concern:-pl. fo'rums, fo'ra. [L. forum, akin to foras, out of doors.] forwander far-won'dar, v.i. to wander till wearied (arch.): to stray far (Spens.) .- adj. forwan' dered strayed.

[Pfx. for- (1d).]

forward for ward, adj. near or at the forepart: in advance: well advanced: ready: too ready: presumptuous: offi- foster2 fos'tar, (Spens.) n. a forester. cious: earnest (arch.): early ripe. -v.t. to help on: to fother fodh'ar, v.t. to cover (a sail, etc.) with yarn and send on .- advs. for ward, for wards towards what is in front: onward: progressively.-adv. forward (for'ed) towards, in, the front part of a ship .- ns. fother fodh'er, n. a load, quantity (dial.): a cart-load for'ward in football, etc., a player in the front line; for warder; for warding the act of sending forward merchandise, etc.-adv. for wardly.-n. for ward- fother fodh'ar, dial. variant of fodder. ness .- adj. for ward-looking having regard to the Fothergilla fo-dhar-gil'a, n. a genus of North American foreweard)-fore, and -ward (-weard) sig. direction; the s of forwards is a gen. ending (cf. Ger.

[for, and why.] forworn far-worn', -worn', (Spens.) adj. much worn.

date, or unchanging person or thing (fig.) .- adj. dug out of the earth: in the condition of a fossil: an -adi, fossilif'erous bearing or contain

fossilisa'tion, -z-.-v.t. foss'ilise, -ize fossil (also fig.) .- v.i. to become fossils (coll.) .- fossil fuel coal, c the earth by process of fossilise fossilis-fodere, to dig.]

one's own: to put a child int parent: to treat, e.g. the elder. encourage: to promote: to che child or elderly person in a fo concerned with fostering .- ns. custom of fostering or nursing: the of foster-child: the care of a foste

encouraging or cultivating; fos'terer, ing; fos'terling a foster-child.-fos'ter-bi child nursed or brought up with a child or co

different parents; fos'ter-child a child nursed or brought up by one who is not its parent; fos'terdaughter; fos'ter-father one who brings up a child in place of its father; fos'ter-home; fos'ter-mother one who brings up a child not her own: an apparatus for rearing chickens; fos'ter-nurse; fos'ter-parent; fos'tersister; fos'ter-son. [O.E. fostrian, to nourish, foster,

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oakum, as stopping for a leak. [Perh. Du. voederen (mod. voeren), or L.G. fodern, to line.]

(dial.): a definite weight-of lead, 191 cwt. [O.E. fother; Ger. Fuder.]

future: progressive. [O.E. foreward (W.S. deciduous shrubs of the witch hazel family (Hamamelis): (without cap.) any plant of the genus (also called witch-alder). [Dr John Fothergill, 18thsician and botanist.]

full: drunk 7. a bushel. [Perh. full.] 'cot.) n. the house-leek. ne as eddy current. or magistrate in Orkney and Shethis jurisdiction. [O.N. fogeti; vocatus-vocare, to call.] nt, -drwä'yā, adj. thundering: dazz-

ling: sudden and overwhelming. [Fr., pr.p. of foudroyer-foudre, lightning.]

llet-step in which the foot makes a nt. [Fr.]

ugasse foo-gas', (mil.) ns. a piece of ery, a small pit charged with powder or

fate; far; mê; hûr (her); mine; môte; for, mûte; moon; foot; dhen (then); el'a-mant (element)

I sometimes amuse myself anagramming the names of my fellow Scrabblers. Current National titleholder Glennis Hale becomes the delightful "ENGLISH LANE" and Masters Champ David Lloyd is "ODDLY VALID". Playing styles vary; Kevin Edgeler may sometimes "DELVE IN GREEK", while Glenyss Buchanan "HAS CANNY BUNGLES". For Ian Patterson the letters could flow like "INSTANT OPERA", where Georgina Offringa may feel as if she is "FORAGING IN A FORGE", looking for the right word. Andrew Bradley isn't really a "BRANDED LAWYER", nor is Joy Hunter "ON THE JURY". Correne James never "JEERS ROMANCE", and Kathy Solomon doesn't have "MANY HOT LOOKS", even after a particularly bad day. A sense of humour is essential; Peter Jones is an "OPEN JESTER". Ngaire Steel "RETAINS GLEE", and Iren Smith will "SEE IN MIRTH".

If you are interested in the Scrabble scene. "COME AND BROWSE" as Andrew Coombes might say. You would observe everything from the "GREAT FONDLES" of Glenda Foster to the "REDONE DOINGS" of Denise Gordon, and of course the redoubtable reversible Noel Maisey "YES I AM, LEON". Paul Lister, who is well over 6-foot, would probably "RISE UP TALL" to greet you, while former National winner Michael Sigley, "HE GLEAMS ICILY", but only during the intensity of competition, where everyone tries to be a "REAL COOL ONE" like Leonora Cole. After the last game of the day it is a time when brain-drained players relax together and talk about their families, sporting interests, and a myriad of other diverse topics including, not surprisingly, Scrabble.

.....Jeff Grant

In the late 1986 American Scrabble buff Howard Feldstein visited this country. His name is a veritable goldmine of anagrams - here are some of the best:

define lad's worth death down rifles dawn of the slider deafen this world wend his road left heal frosted wind the fine words lad we led in hard/soft he slid down after feeds a thin world filter-shaded now feast on wild herd Thor adds new life what's refined old? wonder lifts head wanted his folder draw the fondles hide flower-stand send for white lad slide down, Father row is left-handed won't hear fiddles a strife held down flesh drawn to die

worth final deeds he inflated words the law, finer odds. I led her down fast I'd draw on the self he fled town raids he finds late word down federal hits the world fades in fled the arid snow disowned her flat led down this fare swift-handed role let's head for wind the odd new flairs dealt for end wish felines add worth find the lad worse drawn to shed life I handle word-fest the lawn is fodder folds thee inward flows red in death we fold in threads

I can only rue the fact that my own name is not more conducive to anagramming. Even the full Jeffrey Grant yields only "GAFF JERRY NET" - hardly inspiring!

## OFFICIAL SCRABBLE PLAYERS DICTIONARIES

It appears that the paperback edition of the O.S.P.D will no longer be distributed in New Zealand. We believe that the hardback edition will become available in due course.

In the meantime both editions may be obtained from: WALDENBOOKS No.815
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#### N.Z.A.S.P. CLUB SECRETARIES

Please ensure that any of your new club members who enter for any tournaments are affliated to the Association.

Please also ensure that all of your members are familiar with the tournament rules of play.

Referring to the article from the "Scrabble Crosswo Game News", when Selchow & Righter owned the rights to "Scrabble" they allowed 2 places for New Zeal-anders in the 1987 North American Open Tournament.

We have written to the "Scrabble News" asking them to still include N.Z.in the 1988 Tournament. If this is possible we will verify in the next issue of Forwords & hopefully 2 of our members will be able to participate!

# To All Scrabble® Crossword Game Players!

Six months have passed since Coleco completed its acquisition of Selchow & Righter Company, the makers of Scrabble® brand crossword game and many other products. It has been a period of very hard work for everyone at Coleco, Selchow & Righter and at Scrabble® Crossword Game Players,® Inc. There is still much to be done and many important decisions yet to be made.

Probably the most visible change made was Coleco's decision to move the manufacturing of Selchow & Righter products from Long Island to one of Coleco's under-utilized plants in upstate New York. At the same time, Selchow & Righter's executive and administrative offices were moved to the corporate headquarters in West Hartford, Connecticut.

Though emotionally difficult for all involved, this decision was a most practical one. After a period of transition, Scrabble® brand products will be manufactured more quickly and economically than ever before, and the processing of all business related to Scrabble® and Scrabble® Players® should become more centralized and efficient.

There have been additional changes which undoubtedly will have a more immediate and personal impact on many of you. Not the least of these is the decision this week to postpone the 1987 North American Scrabble® Open Championship until 1988. We are confident that this timing will ultimately contribute to the advancement of the Scrabble® brand name, and that someday NASO can be elevated to a "Wide World of Sports" type profile, with our two best word experts battling it out for prize money before a national audience.

Coleco has been receiving letters asking about the future plans for Scrabble® Players® Clubs, the Scrabble® Players® News, the possibility of more books on Scrabble® and many other issues. While everything is in review at this time, we can tell you the following.

- The Step Two tournaments are important. They should be held. They are part of the qualifying system for the next North American.
- Coleco hopes to help make Scrabble® Players® even better than ever, with significantly more input from players themselves.
- Attendant to this is a plan to make the newsletter more widely-circulated than before in an effort to draw thousands of new players into local clubs and tournament play.
- Coleco also believes that there is room for more publications and products directly related to playing Scrabble® crossword game.

All of us at Coleco, Selchow & Righter and Scrabble® Players® appreciate the patience everyone in the "Scrabble® world" has shown during this transition. We will continue to welcome any comments or suggestions you have concerning any aspect of the game or its organization.

Sincerely,

Scrabble® Crossword Game Players,® Inc.

The WANGANUI SCRABBLE CLUB held its first open tournament at Labour Weekend. There were 47 entrants from as far afield at Wellington & Whangarei. The new Community College made a very pleasant venue, and the sketches around the Art Room walls were an inspiration for our lunch times!

Saturday 9 am start time. Where were Lynn and her crew? Obviously wishfully thinking it was a 9.30 start. But we were finally underway and played 7 games on Saturday.

That night saw a party of about 30 players and supporters take a double-decker bus up the river about 10km for a meal at the Avoca Hotel.

Play started at 10am on Sunday (putting the clocks forward the night before made it seem like the crack of dawn to me) This day saw surprise reversals of position in my grade (B) I was struggling in my game with Leila, when she played MINNIES on a triple word score. "There's only one Minnie Mouse" I thought, "and she has a capital M." So I challenged. Hah, how was I to know that it was another word for MINNOWS? So I lost my much needed advantage, score, game and final placing. Another misjudgment on my part was not to challenge David's CHARL. I had heard that he had played CHARLIE in a previous game, which was challenged and upheld, so I thought he knew what he was doing. He did!

Prize time - Kristie Norman, who was the founder of our Club in 1981, donated a rosebowl for the A grade winner. This went to Jeff Grant. Paul brought along his young son, a budding fete opener, ribbon cutter and seasoned raffle ticket drawer, to do his thing. Think Denise had primed him well beforehand, as he drew her winning ticket.

Everyone appeared to enjoy a good weekend's scrabbling, and we hope to make the tournament an annual event.

Rhoda Cashman

## WANGANUI TOURNAMENT RESULTS. 24 & 25 OCT 1987

# A GRADE - after Day 1.

Mike	6 wins	Ave. 440
Charlie	6 wins	Ave. 428
David	5 wins	Ave. 442
Jeff	5 wins	Ave. 440

Then began a series of difficult game for Mike losing to Gaye & Glennis Hale & narrowly defeating Glynis Jennings & Correne. The 3-way tie on games was finally decided on points with Michael out of the race. A big score for Jeff in the final game saw him edge out David by an overall 39 points.

#### A GRADE RESULTS: -

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Most Bonus Words: - Jeff Grant.

# B GRADE - after Day 1

Frances from Wanganui was showing a clean pair(of heels) after Day 1 with 5 wins & an average of 392 - this despite a shocker of 240. Making it a close race were Andree, David Schwartz & Rhoda.

Frances	5	wins	2743	pts.	392	Ave.
Rhoda	5	wins	2721	pts.	388	Ave.
David	5	wins	2673	pts.	382	Ave.

contd: - Wanganui results.

Andree

5 wins 2599 pts. 371 Ave.

Sunday was a complete reshuffle of positions with David showing consistency - one win ahead of Howard who had made a late run. Rhoda showed her mettle by taking third place on points from several other contenders equal on wins.

#### B GRADE RESULTS: -

1	NAME	CLUB	WINS	PTS.	AVE	B/W
1	DAVID SCHWARTZ	WELL	10	5133	395	14
2	HOWARD WARNER	WELL	9	5151	396	12
3	RHODA CASHMAN	WANG	8	4947	381	13
4	GEOFF VAUTIER	WELL	8	4922	379	17
5	JOHN BAILEY	WANG	8	4795	369	11
6	ANDREE PRENTICE	WANG	8	4738	364	9
7	FRANCES LOADER	WANG	7	4787	368	22
8	NITA OLDHAM	WANG	7	4632	356	8
9	LYNN WOOD	WELL	6	4801	369	11
1	OYVONNE JAMES	N. PLY	5	4722	363	16
-	1LEILA THOMSON	L. HUTT	4	4691	361	7
-	2JEAN WALSH	WANG	4	4576	352	14
	3ROSEMARY CLEARY	TAU	4	4565	351	16
	4DAPH CURL	MT.A	3	4421	340	8
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Most Bonus Words: - Frances Loader.

#### C GRADE - after Day 1

On Day 1 - Puti & Gerald didn't have it all their own way, being equalled by Sandra with 7 wins followed closely by Alliette & Betty with 6 wins. & Lili & Hilda with 5.

### C GRADE RESULTS: -

NAME	CLUB	WINS	PTS	AVE
PUTI		7	2865	409
GERALD		7	2842	407
SANDRA		7	2724	389

contd: - Wanganui results.

BETTY	6	2810	401
ALLIETTE	6	2702	387

Sunday saw Gerald & Puti show they are heading places, when they cleared out from the field, Gerald by whisker on points from Puti.

#### Final C GRADE REULTS: -

	NAME	CLUB	WINS	PTS	AVE	B/W
1	GERALD WARNER	MT.A	12	5432	418	7
2	PUTI ROWE	N. PLY	12	5266	405	16
3	LILI SHORTER	WANG	10	4981	383	16
4	BETTY ERIKSON	WANG	10	4919	378	11
5	SANDRA STACEY	WELL	10	4814	370	11
6	ALIETTE HAY	MAST	9	4845	373	7
7	HILDA SCOTT	MAST	8	4723	363	7
8	OLIVE HEATH	L. HUTT	8	4651	358	9
9	PEG BARRINGTON	MT.A	71/2	4278	329	5
10	ANN WARNER	IND	7½	4092	315	2
11	REEVA PEARSON	N. PLY	5	4575	352	18
12	DOREEN DAVIES	MAST	5	4425	342	7
13	GEORGE AUTRIDGE	N. PLY	4	4369	336	5
14	PAULINE ALEXANDER	WANG	4	4329	333	9
15	SUE OSBORNE	WANG	4	4207	324	4
16	FRANK NEWMARCH	N. PLY	4	3913	301	10
17	GRACE GILLMAN	WANG	4	3587	276	1
18	JOHN FLETT	N. PLY	2	3854	297	2
19	DAPHNE SAARMAN	N. PLY	2	3362	259	2
20	EDNA CHANDLER	WELL	1	3313	25	1

Most Bonus Words: - Reeva Pearson(Amended)

#### MOUNT ALBERT SCRABBLE TOURNAMENT - 10/11 OCTOBER 1987

#### GOLD GRADE

	Wins	Points	Average	Bonus Words
Joff Grant (Hastings)	8	4638	422	16
Mike Sigley (Wanganui)	7	4765	433	26
Lynne Powell (Bays)	7	4448	404	21
David Lloyd (Mt Albert)	7	4433	403	16
Andrew Bradley (Mt Albert)	6	4666	424	22
Kevin Edgeler (Tokoroa)	6	4163	378	9
Glennis Hale (Mt Albert)	5	4182	380	14
Glynis Jennings (Whangarei)	4	4160	378	12
Rita Moore (Hamilton)	4	4149	377	16
May Quigley (Bays)	4	4142	377	13
Charlie Curl (Mt Albert)	4	4114	374	14
Georgina Offringa (Nth Shore)	4	4061	369	8

Best Combined Game - Andrew and Jeff - 944 Bonus Words - Mike Sigley - 26

#### SILVER GRADE

	Wins	Points	Average	Bonus Words
Denise Gordon (Wanganui)	9	4359	396	16
Joy Hunter (Bays)	7	4266	388	. 15
Paul Lister (Mt Albert)	7	4253	387	14
Jo Jackson (Hamilton)	7	4074	370	. 9
Correne James (Mt Albert)	6	4285	390	16
Lynn Wood (Wellington)	5	4368	397	17
Robert Johnstone (Bays)	5	4252	387	14
John Moore (Hamilton)	5	4052	368	11
Ann Candler (North Shore)	4	4155	378	17
Penny Headington (Bays)	4	4016	365	9
Peter Jones (Mt Albert)	4	3802	346	6
Yvonne James (New Plymouth)	3	3805	346	9

Best Combined Game - Correne and Lynn - 891 Bonus Words - Ann Candler and Lynn Wood - 17

#### BRONZE GRADE

	Wins	Points	Average	Bonus Words
Marj Batchelor (Masterton)	10	4006	364	4
Richard Solomon (Mt Albert)	8	4595	418	15
Ward Rayner (Mt Albert)	7	4456	405	16
Irene Smith (Whangarei)	7	4153	378	10
Daph Curl (Mt Albert)	6	4122	375	10
Vic Sutcliffe (Indep)	6	3837	349	_
Leanne Cutfield (New Plymouth)	5	4219	384	10
Faye Cronhelm (Indep)	5	4107	373	16
Harriet Heilbron (Mt Albert)	5	3980	362	13
Hazel Purdie (Mt Albert)	4	3983	362	13
Allie Quinn (North Shore)	4	3958	360	8
Alveen Seon (Mt Albert)	4	3766	342	10
Lucy Bright (Masterton)	3	3925	357	9
Cathy Woods (Mt Albert)	3	3823	348	11

Best Combined Game - Richard and Lucy - 852

Bonus Words - Faye Cronhelm and Ward Rayner - 16

PLATINUM GRADE

Wins	Points	Average	Bonus	words
Marj Baillie (Hamilton) 9 Aliette Hay (Masterton) 9 Glenda Geard (Indep.) 7 Shirley Gifkins (Mt.Alb.)6 Annette Coombs (Mt. Mau.)6 Puti Rowe (N. Plymouth) 5 Adrienne McKeown(Mt. A.) 5 Lorna Baulcomb (Nth. Sh.)5 Faye Leach (Hamilton) 5 Elaine Moltzen (Ham.) 4 Kathy Solomon (Mt. Alb.) 3 Peter Caukwell (Mt. Alb.) 2	4213 4145 3913 4074 3817 4280 3944 3884 3881 3873 3519 3402	383 377 356 370 389 359 353 351 352 320 309	10 7 11 20 7 15 6 1 3 9	

Best Combined Game - Shirley and Elaine - 822 Bonus Words - Shirley Gifkins - 20

#### COPPER GRADE

	Wins	Points	Average	Bonus Words
Conny van Tilburg (How-Pak)	9	4119	374	6
Margaret Cherry (How-Pak)	8	4019	365	. 6
Pat Johnstone (Bays)	8	3660	333	7
Reeva Pearson (New Plymouth)	7	4069	370	21
	7	3791	345	8
Lil Moore (Mt Albert)	2	3708	337	3
Cathie Sale (Howick-Pak)	6	3924	357	10
Amanda Clow-Jones (How-Pak)	5	3691	336	5
Peg Barrington (Mt Albert)	2	3618	329	1
Eileen Mead (Hamilton)	2	3553	323	L
Barbara Boot (Mt Albert)	4	3504	319	2
Leonora Cole (North Shore)	4		295	d and i
Doris Shearer (Howick-Pak)	2	3240	290	2
Lulu Holt (Mt Albert)	2	3187		1
Marion Rose (Mt Albert)	1	3138	285	

Best Combined Game - Margaret and Amanda - 803 Bonus Words - Reeva Pearson - 21

#### SPOT PRIZES

First Turn Letter Z	May Quigley Jeff Grant	66 62
Mystery - Lowest Winning Score Letter J	Elaine Moltzen Paul Lister	309 64
Mystery - Highest losing Score Letter K	Elaine Moltzen Rita Moore	404 95
Mystery - Lowest Score Letter Q	Cathy Woods Hazel Purdie	238 75
Mystery - Most tiles left on rack Letter X Last Turn	Charlie Curl Peter Caukwell Lynne Powell	26 111 83

During the Mt.Albert two day tournament, Player's were asked to relate any games that they considered to be "Horror Stories" - here are a few.

Entry by: Denise Gordon in game No.4.

A close game all the way. Paul Lister plays FIX onto EM making 'fem'. Warning bells ring - that's not a three letter word - blank feeling or is it? But as it is one off the triple and I have "T's" let it go. Sort my rack and find "titless". Start sweating - is this a word - it has been used to describe me all my life. Decide not to play it. Will leave it to you to decide if this was chickening out or a stand for women's rights. Relax later when I find it's not a word (& neither should it be!) BUT grind my teeth when I'm told it's an anagram - STILETS.

Entry by: Glynis Jennings in game No.3.

I was so delighted to be able to put down Warnings on a double double against Jeff Grant and so score 50 points.

As this went down, to my great glee, I was puzzled about why Jeff should stare musingly at it. Then to my horror, I saw I had put down Warings and the crucial N was still on my rack.

The resultant challenge was, of course, lost and the place duly blocked by Jeff's next turn.

My game progressed in a steadily downhill direction thereafter.

Entry by: Allie Quinn in Game No. 2

What do you do with NOEEEEH?

contd: - Mt. Albert Horror Stories.

Entry by: Peter Jones in Game No. 1.

The Plague. A horror story or a dream come true. It was obvious that this game between Correne and myself would be between vowels and consonants. I was playing with vowels. Initially I was plagued with U's. After clearing those from my rack the O's plague started. Trying to clear my rack of some O's I played "IGLOO" with the last 'O' being 5 places down from the top right hand corner. A wonderful place for a triple triple! Correne with 6 consonants, and needing an '0' to make "Crofters" saw her dream come true. With a smile as wide as the harbour bridge she placed "Crofters" for 203 pts. This followed a score of 73, which in turn was followed by a score of 40, making a total of 316 for 3 turns. The horrors continued and indeed my highest score was 28 when Correne was left holding the 'Q'.

#### N.Z. CHALLENGE SHIELD

The BAYS challenged MT. ALBERT for the shield on the 8 November 1987. Mt. Albert only just managed to retain the Shield by winning: - 9 games - 7 games.

Mt. Albert is open for any challenges!

Ten thousand points to the first person to find an anagram of 'DOLLY' (and it's not Lloyd) Good Luck!!

The N.S.W. Open Championships will be held in Sydney in August this year. Confirmation of date will be reported later:



# MOUNT ALBERT SCRABBLE CLUB

ENTRY BY: Ronald Burny GAME NUMBER:

Please tell us the story: My big mistake was entering the tournement, but a series of 200 scores at alab convinsed me to have a go. I rearly pulled out with a blinding hangover on Sorturday morning, but herd it could be dangarous to do so. Anyway my first game was a casters kapost dissorter! packed up IIIIoou - tried Iox and got challanged, changed and got SEUDUAE - hopeless - thru them all in again and finally got some good files - RENOTED - played it undgot challanged! Couldn't believe it when it came back with a 'x'. Next I put down RETONES and that was no good ether. Becoming a Lit gist frustrated I tried DENOTER - still no luck! Also wrong! Meanwile my oponent had played 6 sevens, including QOPOLLO which he tolled me was a Swedish cattle-prod. Sudderly I was 700 behind and not looking good, changel again and picked up CBONNLT - not the best but I notised they were just rite to make the word Counter BALANCED on a triple-triple tople for a score of 698 - with our last tiles on the wracks I could still win! Unfortuneatly I enuff but I couldn't be (eive it when almost the same thing VERIFIED BY (your opponent):

PLEASE HAND ENTRY TO THE ADJUDICATORS

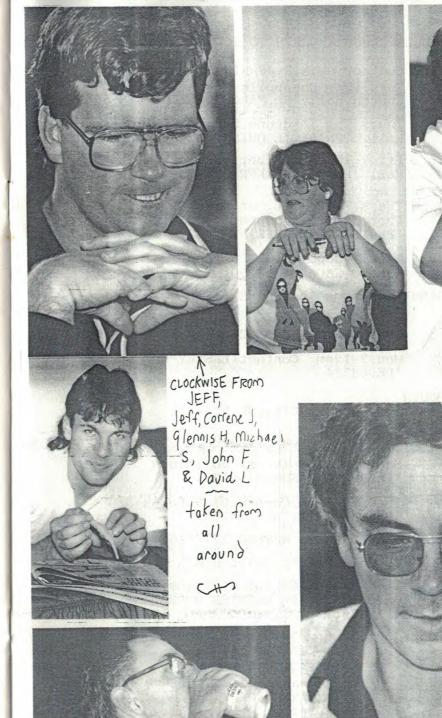
No please the very next game. happend in the very next game!

( But that's another story)

### HAMLET'S PROBLEM? He played Scrabble

"To play, or not to play: that is the question. Whether 'tis wiser in the end to suffer The U's and V's of outrageous fortune, Or to take arms against this mess of letters, And by opposing end them? To chance, to change; No more; and by a change to say we end The heartache and the thousand lousy draws This rack is heir to - 'tis a transformation Devoutly to be wish'd. To chance, to change; To change, perchance for worse; ay, there's the rub. For in that change of tiles what grief may come When we have lost a turn Must give us pause. There's the result That makes calamity of such a wasted choice. For who would bear opponent's scornful smile, His cornered X, his tripled Z, Or even seven-letter word, and know too late That patience might have blocked these scores, When we ourselves might yet survive With cautious EUOI? Who would meekly bear The dreaded grip of U-less Q, But that the dread of something even worse, The undiscov'd pit from whose depths No optimist returns, puzzles the will, And makes us rather bear those ills we have Than fly to others that we know not of? Thus confusion does make cowards of us all: And thus the native hue of resolution Is sicklied o'er with indecision pallor, And no matter how the lonely S is shuffled With this regard its promise turns awry, To lose the name of action."

Anon



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