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Glenda Foster receives the Lifetime Membership badge from President Val Mills at the AGM in June. Glenda joins Bev Barker, Joan Thomas, Glennis Hale, Jeff Grant, Liz Fagerlund and Allie Quinn as Lifetime Members of the Association.

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From the editor

Jennifer Smith



The last time I wrote an editorial, I was ranked 18th in our NZASP rankings. As I write this - thanks to a couple of poor performances, including a disaster at the Masters - I'm 44th, and facing the prospect of going even lower, since I didn't quite achieve my expectancy at the Nationals.

Should I feel discouraged? Should I stop going to tournaments? Perhaps give up Scrabble altogether?

I won't answer for a moment. Instead, I'll tell you about Max. He lives next door to my son and his family in London. Max is 12, and he was selected as one of 40 kids to represent England at the World School Chess Championships in Greece. The Championships were on while I was visiting my London family in May.

We were talking to Max's mother after the third day of the tournament, and we asked how Max was doing. "Oh, he's a little down at the moment - he hasn't won any games."

We commiserated. "He'll be feeling like giving up playing chess?"

But no! Instead, he had said to his mother, "I just want to play chess every day for the rest of my life."

Well, that's how I feel about Scrabble, too. And it's nice to know that my enjoyment is not dependent on winning games, and doing well, and going up (or even staying in the same place) in the rankings. It's simply because the game itself is so enjoyable.

I love Scrabble. It's as simple as that. And, like Max, I want to play it every day for the rest of my life.

[I just wish that I could be a little more like Max! By the end of the tournament he had won 4/9 games in the Under 13 Open Grade, and had increased his ranking from 70th out of 78 entered in his age group to 53rd. Wow! - Ed.]

That's my happy topic for the editorial. 😊

Now I'm going to write a few grumpy words.

I cannot believe the number of people who go to the Nationals and who do not attend the AGM. How can you do that?

Aren't you interested enough in Scrabble to take part? Don't you care about the Association? Don't you feel you should support the people who are running things for your benefit? It's **your** AGM.

You may be tired, hungry, wanting to get back to your family, etc. But so is everyone, including the Committee. (Please note, this is not the Committee talking - I'm just an ordinary member myself, not on the Committee.)

Apart from anything else, it seems really rude to me to put in your apology when you're actually there at the venue, but just can't be bothered attending. Some non-attendees even waited in a different room at the venue for the meeting to be finished so they could go home with someone who was at the meeting. And a couple of people who were sitting in the other room asked me afterwards what had happened at the AGM. What cheek. How lazy.

Next year, I intend to vote against accepting the apology of anyone who is actually at the tournament. 😞



From our president

Val Mills



Are any of you the same as me? You come away from a tourney all enthused, thinking "I'm going to learn some more words!"

I'm sure we all wish that we knew more words but learning them and remembering them, is a different story.

There have been articles in *Forwards* about various ways people study. All our brains are different and what suits one person may not suit another, but unless we do apply ourselves in some way to actually learning words we are limiting the increase of our word knowledge to words we might come across in everyday life, things we read and what we see played by someone else on the Scrabble board.

I don't have a systematic system of learning and I have not been able to make it part of my daily or even weekly life yet. I seem to just look at words or word lists from racks I might have had recently in a tournament, endings that I wish I knew (such as words ending in 'in'), other things that take my fancy such as 'fish' words etc. Sometimes I spend time learning a stem and then it seems that I never get that combination of tiles on my rack for ages, by which time I've forgotten it.

Before the Masters I spent time looking at two stems - AUNTIE (because I'm not good at working with U's, and LOITER (because I hate I's). As predicted, those combinations of letters did not appear once on my rack in 23 games! However,

recently at the Kapiti tournament both sets of letters appeared on my rack and it was great to just 'know' what they made, rather than have to wonder, and even better to be able to play the more unusual anagram of LOITER with a P and get the challenge.

Travelling up to the masters at Whangarei with Alex Leckie-Zaharic and his mum Tracie it wasn't long before Alex (12) said, "Want to do some anagramming Val?" Well sure.... He had been learning the stem STONIER with one other tile and proceeded to fire questions at me - STONIER with N, stonier with H, etc. I was pretty hopeless, even with lots of clues, but he was right most of the time.

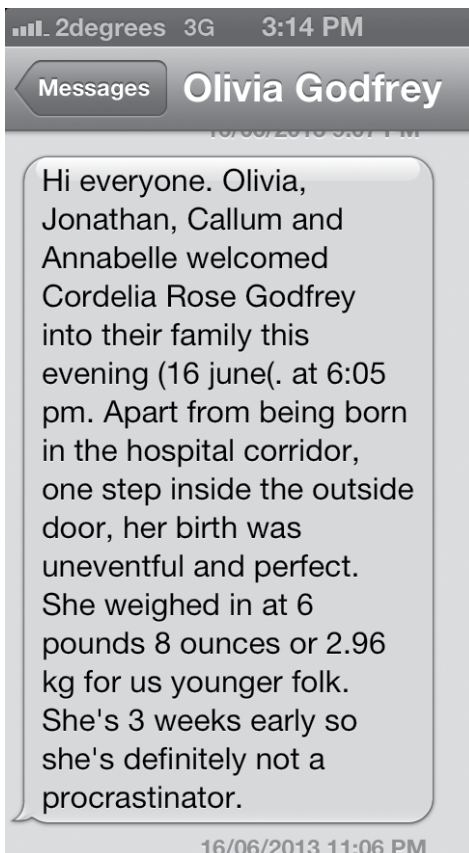
At the Kapiti tournament I spoke with John McNaughton (also 12) and he was telling me all about the words he was learning and how he was learning them. In both cases the boys used the cardbox method on Zyzzyva as one way to learn words. Don't ask me how it works as I have not tried it, but Howard Warner also told me he had started using it and how helpful it was. I have, however, created other quizzes on Zyzzyva to help me try and learn. I like the way you see the tiles in a rack form, you can shuffle them and you are told how many words are in the rack, to make you keep trying after you have found the first one. Anyone with a computer can download Zyzzyva, and quizzing is one of its options. I encourage you to give it a go. Sure beats

reading a list and trying to remember it by rote!

For anyone new starting tournament Scrabble, we all say “the most important thing is to know your 2-letter words”, but for those of us who know our 2-letter words, can you actually remember how you learnt them? I remember someone telling me that all the vowels can go in front of and after an “m” (!), but I don’t recall sitting down and learning the list. Somehow it has become second knowledge. Wouldn’t it be great if all the words we looked at became embedded in our memory in the same way.....until that happens, I think I’d better become friends with Zyzzyva .

It’s been a busy tournament calendar over the last few months with Nelson, Rotorua, the Masters, Mt Albert Memorial, Kapiti, Christchurch and National tournaments. The ones I have managed to get to were great. It was great to see such a big turn out at the Nationals

Happy Scrabbling!



TOURNAMENT CALENDAR 2013

Tournament	Place	Dates
Whangarei	Whangarei	6-7 July
Hamilton	Hamilton	10-11 August
Tauranga	Tauranga	24-25 August
Christchurch	Christchurch	7-8 September
Hastings	Hastings	21-22 September
Mt Albert	Auckland	5-6 October
Norfolk Island	Norfolk Island	13-20 October
Wanganui	Wanganui	26-27 October
Rodney	Snells Beach	9 November
Otago Lion Open	Dunedin	16-17 November

NZASP Life Member

Paul Lister, Christchurch

It was with immense pleasure that I stood at the AGM and gave a small presentation in support of a NZASP life membership for Glenda Foster. I say small, but really it would have been no problem to talk for an hour re Glenda, such is the length and breadth of her service to NZ Scrabble and the excellence of her play and administrative work.

I recall one of Lynne BUTLER's *Forwards* editorials, Lynne saying "Glenda, layout editor, continues sterling work making the magazine look fabulous, ably assisted by Bryan who does much of the distribution", and the words fabulous and sterling ring true when I think of Glenda and the now departed Bryan.

Glenda has played a leading role in the NZASP since the early 80s:

- As administrator she has been for a large chunk of this time Layout editor/producer with Jennifer Smith and (earlier) Jeff Grant of *Forwards*, stood for several years as an excellent NZASP

vice-president, given full explanations of the rankings system as custodian of the NZ Scrabble ratings system, given opinions on rules situations at WSC, arranged printing and distribution of *Forwards* plus printouts/results/certificates at NZ National Scrabble Champs and many other NZ tournaments.

- **As photographer** Glenda has taken the snaps at many or all of the Nationals and NZ Masters tourneys and numerous other Scrabble occasions over the past 30 years.
- **As technician** Glenda was watching from the sidelines the early experimental ratings Dorothy/David Pinner then David Lloyd produced. Then when Roy Vannini produced a permanent rating system, Glenda maintained the system, and continued to do so through the improvements Nigel Richards made in 1999 onward. By the mid-90s Glenda was increasingly entering Scrabble computer programs including shareware and freeware, wordlists that were to be forerunners of LeXpert and QUACKLE and programs for tournament draws.



*New Life member,
Glenda Foster, with
Val Mills and Paul Lister*

- **As Scrabble writer and historian**

Glenda did items on WSC coverage on the Website, Nigel Richards at US National Champs, Trans-Tasman Challenges, NZ National Championships, NZ Masters Championships, Mt Albert Memorial Tournaments and the Sydney International Masters Tournament. These reports were penetrating, interesting and captured the excitement of the events.

- **As a player** Glenda has won or placed highly at numerous tournaments (early wins included the 1988 Wanganui A grade and the 1989 Dunedin Open), has been in or near the top 10 NZ Scrabble rankings since the rankings began, has played in a phenomenal 29 out of 30 NZ Masters tournaments, has represented NZ Scrabble many times in the NZ Trans-Tasman team and even, as I write this item, is competing in the A grade at the NZ National Championships (for the umpteenth time!)

Glenda has always made herself available to discuss rating systems and almost anything else of the Scrabble world. She is vastly appreciated here in NZ Scrabble - akin to the status of North America's John Chew - performing invaluable service for the local and international Scrabble community.

I regard Glenda as NZ Scrabble royalty and it was a no-brainer that she should receive life membership of the organisation she has played a huge role in shaping and maintaining.

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President's Report for AGM

We have had 361 members for the last financial year. This includes 46 independent members, 5 life members and 310 ordinary members. The membership is 27 less than last year. Over the year we have had 20 tournaments - this number includes Norfolk, the trans-Tasman, the Masters and this year's Nationals.

I would like to thank all of you for being part of the association and lending a hand when necessary. To all the club presidents, secretaries, and treasurers, a big thanks. To Steven the rating officer and to Glenda our Webmaster and helper with the running of tournaments, a big thanks. I don't think we realise the time it takes to do the ratings and keep the website up to date. Steven often has to work into the night to get draws ready for the next day, he takes annual leave to give himself time to do the job. The expectancies are an extra job that we have started to take for granted but having them is not essential for the running of a tournament.

To Jennifer and Vicky for the amazing magazine they continue to provide us with, to Ruth in organising and encouraging youth Scrabble, to the members of the Christchurch club, especially Shirley and Selena for organising the Nationals, to the Whangarei club for hosting a fabulous Masters, to all other tournament organisers, to Geoff our auditor, and to each of the executive members for all they have done . . . a huge thanks. We would not be able to enjoy this game we love in the way that we do without your efforts.

I would especially like to thank you all for your patience as Frances and I get our heads around the jobs of secretary and

president. This has not been without the odd hiccup but hopefully we won't make the same mistakes twice. Thanks to Liz for always being available to help with information and advice when needed.

With regards to the magazine team, I'm sure you all know that the December issue of *Forwards* will be the last issue to be produced by Jennifer and Vicky. The magazine has been superb under the hands of these two very clever and hard working ladies. I only just clicked recently that Jennifer provided and wrote all the articles that seem to appear without an author. The ideas she comes up with are interesting, funny and helpful. They are going to be big shoes to fill, but fill them we have to, and I am putting out the request to please think hard about anyone you might think able to carry on when Jennifer and Vicky retire in December. I know there are others of you out there who are amazing writers and who have had experience in this field, so please don't hold back from offering your services. Jennifer will be available to help when needed.

We sent a team to the Trans-Tasman

tournament which was held this year in Melbourne. Although we were thoroughly beaten, they won twice as many games as we did. We have as our excuse the fact that quite a few of our top players were unable to attend this year. In fact one of the highlights of the Scrabble year for me was to just scrape in, as the bottom seed - It's always a privilege to be able to play against players ranked way higher than yourself - a great learning experience.

The second highlight of the year was the Masters tournament at which there were four players playing their first Masters, including two youngsters - Lyres and Alex - both did really well. The Whangarei Club did a great job in hosting the event.

Thanks to Glennis and Jeff for running another successful Norfolk Island tournament, as well.

Looking forward we have the World Champs and World Youth Champs both happening towards the end of this year.

Finally, thanks to you all again for being part of the Scrabble scene in New Zealand and making it the game we all love to play.

Valerie Mills

Nationals, Christchurch 2013



Members gather for the AGM



Nola Borrell, winner of D grade, with President Val Mills and Secretary Frances Higham.



Winners of the team competition: Yvonne McLaughlan, Paul Lister and Lewis Hawkins, playing for the Christchurch Club.



Lewis Hawkins, winner of E grade



Joan Beale, Papatoetoe, winner of "The Georgie", the trophy for most improved performance.



Kadda Mohamed, winner of C grade.



Blue Thorogood, winner of A grade.



Scott Chaput, winner of B grade



A graders Joanne Craig, Howard Warner, Jeff Grant, Peter Sinton and Nick Cavenagh join in the fun at the prize-giving dinner

Scrabble players at school

Jennifer Smith, Hamilton/Kiwi

I have received many requests for the words of the (unrehearsed) concert item performed at the Nationals to be printed in *Forwards*. To save space, please imagine lines 1, 2, 5 and 6 the same, and in the same place, for each verse. The verses were read by the people named.

[Jennifer Smith]

When I was at school [1]
Teachers despaired of me [2]
Eating sweets while learning [3]
My ABC. [4]
'Cos when I was a kid [5]
All I wanted to be [6]
Was the chocolate taster [7]
For Cadbury. [8]

[Lawson Sue]

[1]
[2]
Always late for the lesson [3]
On the ABC.
[3]
[4]
Was very rich or royal [7]
So all would wait on me. [8]

[Su Walker]

... Too bolshie to learn
The ABC.
... Was the person saying "SHUT UP!"
In the li-bra-ry.

[Val Mills]

... Always arguing about learning
My ABC.
... Was a lawyer charging
An exorbitant fee.

[Rosie Cleary]

... A goody-good
Saying my ABC.
... Was a teacher -
Home at half past three!

[John Foster]

... I'd rather play cards
Than learn the ABC.
... Was a bridge player thinking
"I'll teach you to double me!"

[Glenda Foster]

... I used to google
The ABC.
... Was an expert in computer
Technology.

[Jeff Grant]

... I knew more than them
About the ABC.
... Was the writer of an obscure
Diction-ry.

[Howard Warner]

... I said the alphabet
As DO RE MI.
... Was a pianist playing the works
Of Tchaikov-sky.

[David Gunn]

... Too often absent
For the ABC.
... Was a hitch-hiker
Travelling from A to B.

[Ruth Godwin]

... Teachers despaired of me
Too woolly to learn
The ABC.
... A knitter of jumpers -
"Purl five, cast off three".

[Nick Cavenagh]

... Reciting the alphabet
As Sin A, Cos B, Tan C.
... Was a professor of advanced
Trigonometry.

[Murray Rogers]

... Always pointing out
That AB rhymes with C.
... Was a composer of funny and quirky
Po-et-ry.

[Lynn Wood]

... Too busy dreaming
To bother with my ABC.
... Was a gentoo penguin
Swimming in the ice-cold sea.

[Shirley Martin]

... A chatterbox who didn't listen
To the ABC.
... Was the hostess with the mostest
Known for my repartee.

[Selena Chan]

... Telling **them** how to teach
The ABC.
... Was an expert on educational
Psychology.

[Caroyrn Kyle]

... When my husky voice recited
The ABC.
... Was a ciggie smoker hiding
Behind the lavat'ry.

[Anna Hough]

... Helping other kids
Learn their ABC.
... Was the mother of a very large
Fam-ily.

[Yoon Kim Fong]

... Too foreign to understand
The English ABC.
... Was a gardener growing bok-choy
And brocc-o-li.

[Lyn Toka]

... Always the first to finish
My ABC.
... Was a genius solving puzzles
Of great complexity.

[Frances Higham]

... I dotted the I and crossed the T
Whenever I wrote the ABC.
... Was a super efficient
Sec-ret'ry.

[Joanne Craig]

... Too dyslexic to learn
My A C B!
... Was a number crunching
Act-u-ar-y.

[All]

Now we are grown
Teachers would be amazed to see
As Scrabblers, all we care about -
Is knowing our ABC.

*[!Poetic licence here - and probably
elsewhere!]*

After the Nationals, Shirley Martin,
Hamilton, sent the following additional verse:

[Jennifer Smith]

... I wouldn't waste time
On the ABC.
... Was an author or poet
And write magazines for free.

Guide to Japan

Murray Rogers, Nelson



Journey in a RIKISHA
To met an entertaining
GEISHA
In her brightly coloured
KIMONO
In a room with a pretty
OKIMONO.

Take off your ZORI

As she wraps rice with NORI

Behind the SHOJI

She'll show more than KANJI.

Recommended by the MIKADO

More relaxing than MONDO

Better than JUDU

Safer than KENDO.

Devour the beans, AZUKI

Savour the mushrooms, ENOKI

Sip the wine, SAKI

Enjoy the play, KABUKI.

Listen to poetry, HAIKU

Hear the music, GAGAKU

Taste the lunch (O)BENTO

Pluck an instrument, KOTO.

She's more than a SENSEI

Purer than an ISSEI

Not short of a KAMI

'Tis divine this SASHIMI.

And more - a tray of SUSHI

With a bowl of DASHI

Sprinkled with TAMARI

You experience SATORI.



Sprawled out on the
TATAMI

More profound than a
TSUNAMI

You're full of TEMPURA

Time to say
SAYONARA.

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Great Kiwi Firsts

May Meads, Auckland

I picked a book up at the library *Great Kiwi Firsts* by Astral Sligo, printed last year. It fell open at a page saying "Nigel Richards" and sure enough it was him.

He rated more space than Murray Halberg, who is related to the family. He was also mentioned in the blurb at the back. Apparently Astral is a travel writer and editor and her first best-selling book *Kiwi Toasties* was the first New Zealand book to be shaped like a piece of toast.

As the cover blurb says: First to give women the vote, first to climb Mount Everest, first to split the atom . . . But did you know that it was a Kiwi who was the first player to be sent off in a rugby test? Or that it was a Kiwi who was the first two-time world Scrabble champion? Or indeed, that it was a Kiwi who invented the tranquilliser dart gun? Or that a Kiwi was the first person to free dive to 100 metres unassisted? Also within these pages are the stories of the first cars to appear in NZ (and, subsequently, the first speeding ticket), the tale of how one overworked teacher brought the kiwi fruit to these shores, and how daylight saving and the forty hour week came to be taken on by the world.

See www.greatkiwifirsts.com

Lewis in the media

from stuff.co.nz (abridged)

Words like ZYZZYVA, EUOUAE AND UINTAITE aren't in many people's vocabulary, but eight-year-old Lewis Hawkins uses them regularly.

Lewis took up Scrabble just over a year ago and already has a national title under his belt.

He won the fifth division at the national competition held in Christchurch at the weekend, and is now off to the World [Youth] Scrabble Champions Tournament in the Czech Republic. Despite it being his first time at the national championship, he won 13 of his 15 games, beating people up to 10 times his age.

Lewis's mother, Lynley Jenness, said he mastered the board game before he learned to read and believed he may be the youngest competitive player in Australasia. The Hillview Christian School pupil took

up the board game after seeing fellow Scrabble prodigy Alex Leckie-Zaharic talk about it on TV.

"He just got the Scrabble board out over the summer holidays. It was all day every day for six weeks," Jenness said. But for Lewis the motivation for mastering the game was simple: "I just like learning words," he said.

He spends at least two hours a day playing and will play alone before and after school as his prowess now means his siblings and parents refuse to play with him.

"He plays whenever he's allowed. But he has to do his homework first," Jenness said.

Sheets of paper with lists of obscure Scrabble words are stuck on the wall beside the toilet and his bed and his favourite shirt is emblazoned with one word: "Scrabble".



This is the photo from the article on Lewis. It's a telling picture - just look at all those word lists on his bedroom wall!

Club News

Farewell to Awhi

Lyn Dawson, Christchurch



Many tournament players will have fond memories of Awhi, Olivia's Godfrey's first guide dog to accompany her to Scrabble.

It is with considerable sadness that I report her passing at the age of 14.

Awhi and Olivia had stayed with us and our dog Rockie on several occasions and when Awhi retired it was easy to welcome her into our household. Retirement brought its share of adventures for her with the quakes and I well remember one particularly shaky night when both dogs marched into the bedroom, and made it obvious that they were there to stay for the duration! On another occasion Awhi and I both dived for cover at the same time.

During the last year she became very deaf and more recently it became obvious her physical abilities were failing fast. So the decision was reluctantly made for her last vet visit. Her ashes are scattered under the walnut trees in a nearby park where she liked to wander.

Mailbox

I have back issues of *Forwards* looking for new homes. If anyone would like them, contact me at Box 6077 Dunedin North, 9059, or phone 021 120 6632.

Issue numbers available are 31-104, excluding 71-72, 74-75, 77, 80-83, 94-95 and 97.

Dorothy Latter

Kiwi

Recently we celebrated Fay Wright's 80th birthday. Our Club Custom is to make members a Lifetime Member on their 80th birthday, so now Fay now joins Marj Baille and Betty Gibb in that honoured group.

When Val Flint returned from her overseas trip, she discovered she had unknowingly hosted a hitch-hiker. The letter I had secreted itself in her backpack at Scrabble Club six weeks earlier and had travelled around the world with her.

It was welcomed home by its owner, Shirley Martin, who had meanwhile become increasingly concerned at how bad her tile tracking had been lately!



Happy picture of Kiwi Scrabblers at an informal Scrabble tournament hosted by Yoon Kim Fong in March. We don't quite know what Helen Sillis (who joined us from New Plymouth) was doing in front - she was sober and healthy!

Rotorua Tournament

2nd - 3rd March 2013

A record attendance with 70 entries - the perfect number for a 13-game round robin, a fine weekend, warm friendly people greeting each other as they arrive: these are the ingredients that helped to make for another enjoyable tournament. Having come from as far afield as Whangarei and Dunedin, they came to renew friendships, yet also do battle once the games began.

WELCOME BACK were the letters for the 'spot' prizes, and we were delighted to welcome those who arrived on the weekend. Any comments on the wrapped the Spot prizes? For or against?

We kept to our usual format of full catering for both days, including the traditional trout for Saturday's lunch, and were ably assisted by our usual Scout Group.

Howard and Lawson, who had travelled together to get to the tournament, were contemplating forfeiting their first games as they were running so late (partly the result of traffic delays on the road) only to discover on their arrival that they were drawn to play each other! What luck!

Michael, our scorer, although new to the scoring program, handled it without a hitch.

During the course of the weekend there were a few incidents which confirmed the 'family' atmosphere which occurs at tournaments. In the first instance, the winner of the second \$50 raffle prize declined to accept it as she had already won the previous \$50 prize - resulting in the prizes being spread a little further. Later, when the Bonus Word prize for the

E grade was being awarded the recipient was certain she did not qualify and on further checking we found that she was correct and the award went to the true winner. Then, at the end of the tournament we really appreciated the spontaneous assistance from members of other clubs in helping to restore the venue to its original layout. The job was done in no time thanks to you.

We hope you all enjoyed your stay in Rotorua and look forward to you visiting us again next year.



A room full of concentration



Michael recording your results

The 30th Masters

John Foster, Independent

The 30th NZ Masters tournament was hosted by the Whangarei Club. The club's organization of the event was impeccable and did full justice to the occasion with a well-lit, air conditioned venue, efficient scoring and scrumptious lunches.

After lunch on the Sunday, President Val produced a beautifully decorated cake which was ceremoniously cut by Glennis Hale, the only player to have competed in all 30 Masters. She was assisted in this task by Andrew Bradley, Glenyss Buchanan, Glenda Foster and Lynne Powell, the only other current players who also played in the first event in 1984.

At the other end of the scale were four players making their debut appearance at a Masters, Nick Cavenagh, Vicky Robertson, Alex Leckie-Zaharic and Lyres Freeth. Alex has set a new record for the youngest competitor, making his debut at 12 years and 112 days to annihilate by more than 3 years the previous record which has stood for 24 years.

The four players making their first appearance bring the total number of competitors over the 30 year history of the event to 106. All of those competitors are listed below in descending order of the number of times they have competed.

30. Glennis Hale.

29. Glenda Foster.

28. Jeff Grant.

27. Mike Sigley. John Foster.

26. Denise Gordon.

25. Andrew Bradley.

21. Glenyss Buchanan.

20. Lynne Powell.

17. Howard Warner. Lynn Wood.

16. Peter Sinton.

15. Lynne Butler. Steven Brown. June Mackwell.

14. Rosemary Cleary.

12. Glynis Jennings. Blue Thorogood.

11. Gerald Warner. Patrick Carter. Chris Hooks. Valerie Mills. Liz Fagerlund.

10. David Lloyd. May Quigley. Fae Olson. Pam Robson.

9. Marianne Bentley. Debbie Raphael.

8. Georgie Offringa. Peter Jones. Sheryl Davidson. Paul Lister.

7. Dorothy Pinner. Kevin Edgeler. Ann Candler. Murray Rogers.

6. Charlie Curl. Allie Quinn. Rogelio Talosig. Anna Hough. Lawson Sue. Ian Patterson.

5. David Pinner. Maurine Sullivan. Leila Thomson.

4. Sue Marrow. Jan Ross. Lucy Bright. Puti Rowe. Eileen McLean. Jennifer Smith. Shirley Van Essen. David Gunn. Anderina McLean. Joan Thomas.

3. Correne James. Alan Boyd. Reeva Pearson. Rhoda Cashman. Cecilia Ruto. Florence Veldhuizen. Kendall Boyd. Anna Geange. Doreen O'Shea. Lisa McLean. Nick Ascroft. Amelia Carrington.

2. Nigel Richards. Gaye Norgren. Doreen Ogston. Marj Bachelor. Margie Hurly. Geoff Vautier. Joy Hunter. Glenda Geard. Joanne Craig. Shirley Hol.

1. David Blumhardt. Rita Moore. Betty Gibb. John Moore. Terry Darby. Ngaire Steel. Irene Steel. Leigh Jenkins. Cathy Woods. Alan Duval. Andrew Coombes. Lesley Edgeler. Marc Bonthron. Roy Vannini. Bernice Vannini. Roger Tozer. Faye Cronhelm. Andree Prentice. Jane Walton. Julie Atkinson. Janice Cherry. Katy Yiakmis. Olivia Godfrey. Karyn McDougall. Nick Cavenagh. Vicky Robertson. Alex Leckie-Zaharic. Lyres Freeth.



Photographs Tracie Leckie

The 2013 Masters players



Our hard-working and thoughtful hosts from the Whangarei Club



Glennis Hale, the only player to have competed in all 30 Masters, cuts the cake



Glennis with other players who attended the first Masters tournament in 1984: (from left) Glenda Foster, Lynne Powell, Andrew Bradley and Glenys Buchanan



Glennis with the players making their debut appearance at a Masters: (from left) Vicky Robertson, Nick Cavenagh, Alex Leckie-Zaharic and Lyres Freeth

Jeff Grant, Independent

This will be my last Scrabble puzzle. Like Dazzling Dozen and Anagram Corner it has run its course, I feel. I've done it from the start and the reader enthusiasm has waned somewhat. We only get a few entries each time so I think it's time for a change.

Maybe someone else can come up with fresh ideas for a puzzle - although it's not easy to create challenges that exercise the brain rather than the computer!

Scrabble contest no. 111

What is the highest total score you can find for the first two moves using only the letter O as a vowel? A, E, I, U and Y are not allowed.

Example: ZOOMS (52) + BOOBOOKS (107) = 159

Send entries by mail or email to:

Jeff Grant, 'Ardra', 1109 Allenby Street, Hastings 4122

Or: ardra@clear.net.nz

The winner will receive a book prize.

Closing date is 25 August 2013.

Solution: contest no. 110

1. Ivan divan
2. pure Purex
3. noway Norway
4. Marple maple
5. Maine mane
6. Thames tames
7. hoard Howard
8. redid Reid
9. Samoa samosa
10. Juan jun

11. benign Benin
12. badger Bader
13. Picton piton
14. Chanel channel
15. horny Hornby
16. Barnard barnyard
17. Forwards forewords
18. Rwandan randan
19. Edward bedward
20. Marquesas marquess

Pam Barlow (PAK) scored 18, Lyn Toka (KIW) 19, and Leila Thomson (LHT) and Jethro Snafflerod got all 20. First name out of the hat was Leila - well done!

Thanks from the Editor

Thank you, Jeff, for your many years of puzzling. We have appreciated your efforts. In particular, we editors have always appreciated your reliable, regular and unprompted dedication to producing an interesting challenge for every issue of *Forwards*. Readers might not realise you have always supplied the book prizes yourself.

I am worried about what people like Pam, John, Lyn, Joan and Leila will do with their evenings from now on!

Come on, readers, inundate Jeff with entries for his last puzzle!

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A cricket puzzle

John Foster, Independent

The idea for this puzzle occurred to me while solving SC 110 in the last issue. Clue number 8 (Redecorated NZ Cricketer) gave me a bit of trouble but once I had discovered the solution was "redid Reid" I decided to take it a bit further and use the same theme with other NZ Cricketers having 4 letter names.

All answers are the same length (5,4) and refer to men who have played first class cricket, not necessarily international, within New Zealand. Most of the big scoring Scrabble letters have also been used.

1. Rather strange NZ cricketer
2. A big win for a NZ cricketer
3. Flight from Mecca for a NZ cricketer.
4. Cheating a NZ cricketer
5. A fan for a NZ cricketer
6. A large drink for a NZ cricketer.

Solution on page 35.

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Long words

Simon Usborne

(Article sourced by Lynne Butler, New Plymouth)

Very few German linguists were in mourning yesterday after the loss of their language's longest (and perhaps most obscure) word. It has 63 letters and would span more than four Scrabble boards, but is no more after a change in EU law.

The word, abbreviated to RkReÜAÜG* (and reproduced at the bottom of this article to avoid page display problems!) means "beef-labelling monitoring assessment assignment law" and was conceived in 1999 in the wake of the BSE crisis. Now Brussels has relaxed testing rules and the law has been ditched, along with RkReÜAÜG.

Where does that leave a language fond of words so long they require a sip of water to get through? The longest word in Duden, the German dictionary, is Kraftfahrzeughaftpflichtversicherung (36 letters; "motor-vehicle liability insurance") but Guinness World Records also records Rechtsschutzversicherungsgesellschaften

(39 letters; "insurance firms providing legal protection").

Cumbersome compounds abound in other languages, most notably in Scandinavia, but are rarer in English. Where they do feature, "their currency comes down to the fact they're freakish and remembered as being long," says Denny Hilton, senior assistant editor at the Oxford English Dictionary.

The OED's longest word is pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis (45 letters) but its definition reads: "invented [by the] president of the National Puzzlers' League in imitation of polysyllabic medical terms, alleged to mean 'a lung disease caused by the inhalation of very fine sand and ash dust' but occurring only as an instance of a very long word".

Other oddities include floccinaucinihilipilification ("the action or habit of estimating as worthless"), as invented by Latin geeks and listed in the OED as "humorous". See also: supercalifragilisticexpialidocious ("nonsense word, originally used esp. by children, and typically expressing excited approbation") and honorificabilitudinitatibus, as used by Shakespeare in *Love's Labour's Lost* and listed in the OED as honorificabilitudinity, meaning "honourableness".

What, then, is the longest non-humorous, vaguely normal word in English? Over to Hilton: "An example of a long word in less self-conscious use is anthropomorphologically. It means 'with anthropomorphic use of language', has 23 letters and was included in the first fascicle of the OED in 1884." Not bad, if only one and a bit Scrabble boards long.

*Rindfleischetikettierungsüberwachungsaufgabenübertragungsgesetz



Blog of a clumsy typist

Jennifer Smith, Hamilton/Kiwi

Excuse me if I ORANT a little OBIT about the typing supervisor OAT the firm where I work - OFAY ORANGER - OGEE, she annoys me.

Actually, she OGIVES OUS all the creeps. They shouldn't show OBIAIS, but the OMEN OAT work reckon she OIS OLES OR OBI and make ORACY comments about her. She's the ugliest OF the UGLIES - not just fat, but OROTUND, with OTITIS that hang low. She has this disconcerting OTIC, and her face is covered in OSCARs where she's picked her pimples.

Anyway . . . she calls me into her room today.

I'd just finished typing a huge article for a vet. What a boring article it was, about OVARIOUS OLIVE animals - a breed OF dog called ORACHE, a bird called OSTRICH, a monkey called OUAKARI, a yak/cow cross called ODSO, a Brazilian flying bat called OPIUM, a bird OF prey called OGLED, and the OPOSSUM. The article was full OF technical words to do with OESTRUS, like OESTRAL, OESTRIN, OESTRIOL, OESTRONE, OESTROUS and OESTRUM; not to mention

scientific words like OURLOGY, ECOLGY, EDEMA, EDEMATA and GAMIC (which has got something to do with fertilisation), OSTOMATE and all sorts OF words ending in OLOGY. Why can't vets OVARY their vocab and use common medical words like OLIVER and OPUS, that OWE mortals understand?

Anyway . . . OFAY's sitting OAT her desk, dressed in a black OKIMONO that she thinks makes her look slimmer (fat chance, so to speak!), eating a takeaway OBENTO (expensive Japanese food to match the OKIMONO - the rest OF OUS have to buy cheap Indian ODAL!).

As I come ONIE, I OSTEAL a look OAT what's ON her desk, and she has my typing in front OF her. As I take a seat, she picks UP her ONK OPEN, and underlines every OO at the beginning OF words (like I've done in this blog).

"I'm not satisfied with your work performance, OKAY. It does not reach the high standards I expect OF my typists," she says to me in her usual business OLINGO. "You need to OHONE your typing skills. You're making too many mistakes." And then she calls me clumsy, and makes a thick OUNDY line under the word "clumsy" ON my personal file.

That wavy line is a red OFLAG to a bull for me. "How dare you OCREATE this excuse to have a go OAT me!" I say. But - OBLAST! - that was a big mistake.

Her face OPALED. She OBANGS her fist ON the table, and all the rolls OF fat under her OMENTUM wobble. She certainly doesn't suffer from ONANISM (that's a word I picked UP when I was doing that horrible typing for the vet - it means abnormal smallness)! Her ORANT confirms my dislike of her - OOH, OYES, she's a nasty ODOUR OMEGA-bitch, all right.

"I'm going to write a stern oMISSIVE to Human Resources about your incompetent typing," she shouts, going oMENTAL.

As I leave she's still raging. I say a few oAVES, praying she has a heart attack and needs an oOP for oSTENTS oOR a heart transplant! (But who would oDONATE their body parts for the likes oOF **her**?!)

But anyway . . . when I cool down I think oOF my job, and realise I have to do my oUTMOST to oPACIFY her.

I didn't oRATE my chance oOF talking her round, but desperation oLENT urgency to the task. So, later, when I'd managed to oRALLY every last oUNCE oOF my composure, I oRANG her.

Putting oON my oWRIEST voice, I eat humble pie, and say I'll try harder in future. I lie and say that I have arthritis in a couple oOF fingers oOF my right hand, causing me to hit the oO key when I don't mean to. Eventually she accepts my explanation holus*-oBOLUS.

Ta-oDAH! - oMISSION accomplished!

As I shut my mobile I raise my two supposedly arthritic fingers in a gesture oOF contempt that oFAY can't see.

I'm celebrating now as I oSAR oOR savour an oCHER wine from my father's oCELLAR (Dad specialises in oENOLOGY, the study oOF wines, and he spares no expense).

But here's the oBIT that still bugs me:

My supervisor accused me oOF sloppy and inaccurate typing because I keep putting oOS in front oOF words. But I carefully oREAD through my typing, and then I did a spell check - same as I've done a spell check with this blog - **and I know for a fact that there's not a single spelling mistake in my typing.**

So what the hell was oFAY oON about?

Alphabet sentences

Ambitious Beauty Consultant, Dolorous, Eager For Grand Home, International Jet-setting, Kicky Lifestyle, Meets Nouveau-riche Octogenarian; Proposes Quickly, Regretting Steaming Trysts Under Verandah With Xavier, Young Zoologist. Zesty Youth Xavier Was Very Upset To See Really Quick Proposal; "Oh No, My Lovely Kitten Just Isn't His Girl! - Fabulous, Exciting Dolly, Come Back Again!"

Lyn Toka, Kiwi

In sports news tonight:

All Blacks Coach Denies Enthusiastic Fans Go Haywire; Insists Jersey Knit, Lycra, Microfibre, Nylon Or Polyester Quite Revolting; Says Trying Unconventional Variations Will Xcite Young Zealanders.

Jennifer Smith, Hamilton/Kiwi

Alison's "Bargain" Car Doesn't Even Feign Good Habits: It Jerks, Kicks, Lurches, Makes Noises Outside Posh Quality Retail Stores - Tooting Under Verandah Windows - X-rated Young Zany!

A Botanist Called Daniel, Encouraged Fourteen Girls (Hugely Interested Juveniles). "Keep Learning More Names Of Plants - Quickly Remember, Save Those Wilting Varieties - Watering Xeric Young Zucchini's

Margaret Lyall, Christchurch

Scrabblers will be pleased to learn that Vicky Robertson has again entered WOW! We wish her luck with her letter-orientated design. (Photos later, when we are allowed to publish them). In honour of Vicky, here's a cryptic sentence about her entry :

Zealots Yet-again Xcited When Vicky Undertakes To Submit Ravishing Queen-Qwerty - Perhaps Our National Members'll Learn Knowledgeable Judges, Impressed, Hail Great Fabulous Emerging Designer [and we] Can Be Amazed.

Jennifer Smith, Hamilton/Kiwi

Twenty years ago

John Foster, Independent

My choice this time was a very easy decision. It is now 20 years since the death of Alfred Mosher Butts, the inventor of our marvellous game and it seems fitting to reprint Lynne Butler's moving obituary.

I remember the occasion well as the news of his death came only a day or so before the 10th Masters and, as I remember, I was the only one to show up wearing a black armband as a sign of respect.

Obituary: Alfred Butts

Alfred Mosher Butts changed my life forever! Quite a sweeping statement about someone I met briefly on just one occasion and who didn't know me from a tile bag.

But Mr Butts invented Scrabble, the game to which I have been addicted since I started to play seriously 10 years ago.

Over a period from 1931 to 1949, Alfred Butts conceived, and with the help of James Brunot, developed the game of Scrabble.

An out-of-work architect due to the Great Depression, Butts turned to his interest in word-oriented games. He researched the market and found a need for such activities. He had been keen on anagrams, crosswords and cryptograms as a boy and turned these interests to conceiving a word game which he named 'LEXICO', a game with racks and tiles, but no board.

The development of a board and a new name, 'IT', still generated no interest from manufacturers. Then in 1939 Butts met James Brunot. By then the word game was called 'CRISS-CROSSWORDS'. Not much happened until after the war, when in 1946 or '47 Brunot contacted Butts again. They further refined the game, rejected the name 'LOGO-LOGO' and settled on 'SCRABBLE'. Production commenced in 1949 and 2,250 sets were sold. Sales were slow until the summer of 1952 when Jack Strauss, chairman of Macy's Dept store in New York, played Scrabble with friends, loved it, and had an in-store Scrabble promotion. By 1954

4½ million sets had been sold! The rest is history — Scrabble swept the world.

I was fortunate enough to meet Mr Butts in July 1985 (I actually shook his hand!). I was playing in the North American Scrabble Open in Boston, USA. My very vivid memories are of a tiny, frail gentleman, with sparse white hair, brown-rimmed glasses and surprisingly few words! He seemed bemused by the attention and amazed at the interest in his game. He and his wife used to play occasionally and would score in the 'upper 200's', so he was surprised at the intensity and fervour displayed by we Scrabblers.

Alfred Mosher Butts died on April 5 this year, aged 93.

There is something we have all uttered many, many times (whether we have meant it or not). It needs to be said now with due sincerity to mark this occasion:

*To Alfred Butts,
"Thanks for a great game!"*

Lynne Butler
New Plymouth

The Guardian's introduction to their obituary:

"Alfred Butts, the inventor of Scrabble, has died — although 'expired', using all seven letters and giving 8 points for an X might be a better word. Mr Butts would not have minded the joke. He was a good sport."

Biblical facts

The following statements about the bible were written by children:

1. In the first book of the bible, Guinness. God got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.
2. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark.
3. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
4. The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.
5. Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.
6. Moses led the Jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.
7. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up to Mount Cyanide to get the ten commandments.
8. The first commandments was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.
9. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
10. The greatest miricle in the bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
11. Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
12. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.
13. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.
14. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

15. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.
16. The people who followed the Lord were called the 12 decibels.
17. The epistels were the wives of the apostles.
18. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.
19. St. Paul cavorted to christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.
20. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

Poking fun at Scrabble

The UK has a TV programme called *Have I got news for you*.

Introducing a panellist, the presenter said:

"We welcome Scrabble expert, Gyles Brandreth. Gyles is also anti honours, which means he will not accept an O, a B or an E."

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Capitalisation

Dianne Cole-Baker

In the world of hi-tech gadgetry, it seems that more and more people who send text messages and emails have long forgotten the art of capitalisation.

For those of you who fall into this category, please take note of the following statement:

"Capitalisation is the difference between helping your Uncle Jack off a horse and helping your uncle jack off a horse."



Overseas News

Australia

Australian Championships, held in April

Masters (94 players)

1. David Eldar
2. Andrew Fisher
3. Esther Perrins
4. Alastair Richards
24. Sheryl Davidson (ex NZ)
26. Joanne Craig (NZ)
53. Paul Lister (NZ)
81. Lynn Wood (NZ)

Plate (94 players)

29. Mary Curtis (NZ)
42. Lewis Hawkins (NZ)
48. John McNaughton (NZ)

Czech Republic

Mind Sports International (MSI) staged an International Scrabble Tournament in Prague, with \$10,000 prize money.

1. Nigel Richards, New Zealand
2. Alistair Richards, Australia
3. Helen Gipson, Scotland.

MSI have a scheduled programme of events, including a Scrabble tournament in Vienna in February (where Nigel won again), and events in the USA and UK later in 2013.

MSI is well known as an organiser of poker tournaments and is now looking to diversify into other mind sports.

France

Lionel Delpuch won the Classc event at Luneville, and Parfait Mouand was the runner-up.

United Kingdom

There are currently 246 listed Scrabble clubs within the UK movement.

United Arab Emirates

23rd Annual Gulf Scrabble Championships

1. Mohammad Suleiman, UAE (age 71, also won in 2010 and 2011)
2. Selwyn Lobo, UAE
3. Irfan Seddiqui, Bahrain
4. Navya Zaveri, Dubai (age 15, World under 16 Champ)

Zambia

Zambia Open Scrabble Championship:

1. Jarrod Page, South Africa
2. Trevor Hovelmeier, South Africa
3. Clifford Koti, Zambia

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Tales from across the ditch

Tony Hunt, President of Scrabble NSW, recounted the following amusing incidents in an interview for *Across the Board* (June 2013):

- Mark Smith and I almost got thrown out of a pub in Springwood for outrageous Scrabble behaviour. It was chess night, so there was an uneasy tension in the place anyway caused by our presence. A small group gathered around our game, and it may have seemed we were planning a coup d'état. The moment of outrage occurred when I played **UNIDEAED** (this was not long after my 5-vowel-8 study weekend). For some reason, it was totally unacceptable to the gathered throng that this word should be allowed to stay on the board. We did manage to finish the game amid cries of derision and somehow managed to escape before the situation got out of hand.

- I've made some pretty dumb moves such as playing **PELTIER*** when **REPTILE** was playable, as well as the usual smattering of **OT*** and **NI*** plays. Sometimes my blundering has paid off. Once with a crappy opening rack I decided to open with the word **NOUN** against Rod Talbot. He was sitting on a nice bingo which required the adding of an S to a simple noun - pun intended. However, after Rod noted my grand score of 8, he expletively realised that I had played **NUON*** instead. Maybe if he hadn't said anything, I may not have challenged **NUONS*** off. But then again...

World record

Scrabble champion Chris May, 29, has beaten the world record for the most games played at once.



The previous Guinness world record for the most Scrabble opponents played simultaneously by one challenger was 25 by Ganesh Asirvatham (Malaysia) who won 21 of the 25 games. The attempt took place at the Landmark Store, Infiniti Mall in Andheri, Mumbai, India, and was organized by Mattel Toys (India) Pvt. Ltd.

Chris successfully completed his world record attempt to play and win the most games simultaneously by a single player. He took four hours, played around 400 words and 28 opponents at Oxford University Press.

He told the *Oxford Mail*: "It was exhausting, going from one to the other and constantly thinking. I was most worried that when I got round to them again the boards would look unfamiliar because there were 27 in between but they stuck in my mind."

Statistics

John Hamilton, Australia

From Across the Board, June 2013

I was talking with a non-Scrabble playing friend recently about tournament Scrabble and was asked which country is the strongest in the International Scrabble scene. I immediately answered USA, Thailand and Australia seem to do best at World Championships but that I wasn't really too sure, especially as the Causeway Challenge no longer runs.

So being the numbers man I am, I decided to try and rank each country. After trying a few different methods, I decided to keep it simple by using the average rating of each country's top 10 players to rank countries. Only countries with at least 10 WESPA ranked players are included in this list. It is certainly not meant to be a definitive list as many countries (such as Scotland, Philippines, Ghana) don't have their top 10 players WESPA ranked. Ghana are particularly unlucky - they have 8 active players with an average of 1752.

Despite all these flaws, I thought it would make an interesting read. Interesting to note that the top 5 countries are from 5 different continents and are separated by a total of just 33 points. Also interesting to note the large difference in ratings between the top 5 and everyone else and between 12th and 13th (180 points)

1st USA 2064	12th Scotland 1787
2nd Thailand 2051	13th Ireland 1607
3rd England 2049	14th Pakistan 1563
4th Australia 2037	15th Malta 1541
5th Nigeria 2033	16th UAE 1526
6th Canada 1931	17th South Africa 1489
7th Kenya 1872	18th Uganda 1466
8th New Zealand 1853	19th Israel 1449
9th Singapore 1835	20th Sri Lanka 1432
10th India 1820	21st Philippines 1417
11th Malaysia 1810	

Prague Mind Sports Festival Scrabble Champions Tournament in Prague

Prague will be playing host to The Scrabble Champions Tournament, a new annual tournament that brings together the best Scrabble players.

Formerly known as the World Scrabble Championships, The Scrabble Champions Tournament will take place at the Andel's Hotel, Prague on 3-8 December, with a guaranteed prize fund of \$25,000.

The event celebrates top ranked players and encourages up-and-coming Scrabble game enthusiasts to take part in a new format.

Mattel Games has entered into a partnership with event management consultancy, Mind Sports (International) Ltd.

The Scrabble Champions Tournament will **this year** adopt the same entry procedure as the past World Scrabble Championships. The newly created Elite Tournament is by invitation only and will recognise the qualification places pre-assigned to each participating country, with over 100 places going to the best, spanning five continents.

For up-and-coming players, an Open event has been created to sit within The Scrabble Champions Tournament. This event welcomes new players to the tournament for the first time and encourages broader participation.

For further information on The Scrabble Champions Tournament, the event schedule and structure, please visit: www.praguemindsportsfestival.com

[Reading between the lines: As Jeff Grant informed us at the AGM, this may well spell the end of the World Scrabble Championships as we've known it in the past. It certainly looks as if all future World events will be held in Prague, which makes an expensive trip from NZ for our reps. Because of this not-great news for us, I have deleted the hype words like "exciting", "refreshing", and "enhancement" that occurred in this press release from Mind Sports International. The emphasis on the words "this year" is mine - perhaps they indicate that there are more changes coming? - Ed.]

Who's playing Scrabble?

The Aussie cricket team

They played Scrabble in the dressing room to get rid of the boredom as the heavens opened up and no play was possible at the PCA stadium in Mohali, India, in March.

The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge

Kate and William's rivalry extends to board games.

After a conversation with the Duchess, Olympic boxer Anthony Ogogo said, "She told



me that when they play Scrabble they don't usually finish a game because one of them slams the board shut in a huff."

One direction

Harry Styles, Niall Horan, Liam Payne, Louis Tomlinson, and Zayn Malik of One Direction regularly play in front of sold-out crowds across the globe so when they have some downtime, it's easy to see why an easy and laid back game of Scrabble would be just their cup of tea. Hazza (Harry) tweeted that he played his mum at Scrabble and lost by five points.

Kevin and Colleen Bird, USA

Kevin and Colleen have played 600-700 games of Scrabble



in two years. The tiny isolated village in Papua New Guinea where they serve for Volunteer Service Abroad, Kulipuna, has no electricity, no phone coverage and no internet, and getting hold of books is difficult, so the Birds took to Scrabble for their entertainment.

Hall of Fame (or infamy)

Hello everybody. I'm a famous person with only one ear. No, I'm not Vincent van Gogh. (I was well dead by the time van Gogh was born.)

My name is Kwasi, otherwise known as Graman Kwasi. I was born about 1690 and died about 1780. And although you may not have heard of me, I am famous in Suriname and perhaps in Ghana, but certainly among botanists.

In contemporary accounts I was described as "one of the most extraordinary black men in Suriname, and perhaps the world." Not bad for somebody who started life as a slave!

My roots were among the Kwa-speaking Akan people of present day Ghana, but when I was just a child, I was enslaved and brought to the New World. As a slave in Suriname, the Dutch colony in South America, I took part in the wars against the Saramaka as a scout and negotiator for the Dutch. It was during that fighting that I lost my right ear. Some people believed this signified I was a traitor.

My great interest was botany, and in Suriname I worked as a healer, where I became so well known that I was able to get my freedom and travel to the Netherlands and continue my healing work.

I understood the medicinal properties of many plants. One of my remedies was a bitter tea that I used to treat infections



by intestinal parasites. My concoction was based on a plant which Carolus Linnaeus (whose system for naming, ranking and classifying organisms is still in use today) named after me, because I was the person who discovered its medicinal properties.

My name was variously spelled Kwasi, Quacy, Quasi and Quassi.

So today I am best known for having given my name to the plant species QUASSIA (pictured below).

QUASSIA continues to be used in industrially produced medicines against intestinal parasites today. Remember me when you play QUASSIA(S) or QUASSIN(S), the white crystalline substance extracted from QUASSIA.

(It might also pay to remember me if ever you get sick with an intestinal parasite!)



Trivia

Howard Warner, Independent

You may have seen the story about Alex Leckie- Zaharic in the *Sunday Star Times*, or on the Stuff news site. An extra, unexpected bit of mileage we got from that publicity:

In yesterday's Stuff Daily Trivia Quiz, one question read: "Euouae is a real word. True or false?"

Scrabbling at Norfolk

25 years and the Norfolk Island Scrabble® Festival is still going strong

Incredibly this year Norfolk Island will celebrate their 25th Scrabble® Festival anniversary milestone. If you dream of triple-word scores in your sleep and would like to participate in a friendly, social yet challenging tournament, then it's time to get set for travel to Norfolk Island 15-18 October this year.

Scrabble fans will enjoy a week of half-day game sessions with international

adjudicators Glennis Hale and Jeff Grant. 2013 will be Glennis and Jeff's last year as adjudicators, although they say Norfolk Island will always be a special place for them to return for future festivals.

Travel dates are 13-20 October 2013 ex Auckland, with plenty of time to immerse yourself in the unrivalled beauty of Norfolk Island's beaches, stroll or bike through our magnificent rainforests and or just enjoy a break away from it all with the sights of Norfolk Island.

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It's going to be an exciting week! Come to Norfolk Island, be apart of the festival and spoil yourself with a beautiful holiday on Norfolk Island.

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- All pre-paid airline taxes
- Meet & greet at Norfolk Island Airport
- Return airport transfers on Norfolk
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- Complimentary Mini Golf - Golf your way through Norfolk's History
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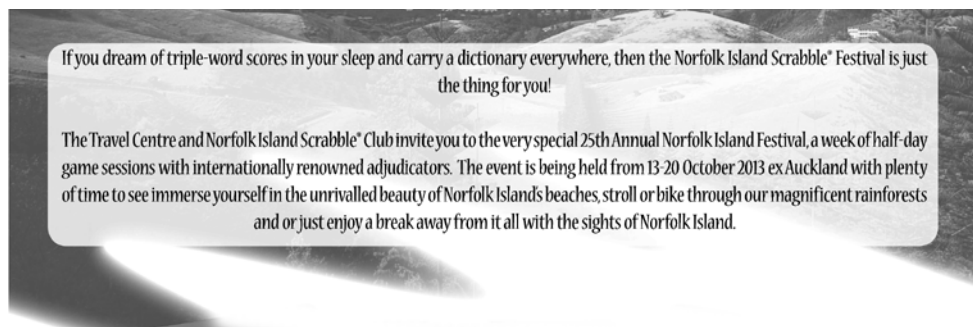
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Norfolk Island

Norfolk has a unique beauty of its own, with its renowned tall majestic pines, sheer cliff faces, coral reefs and beautiful beaches. Almost one third of the island is devoted to National Parks and Reserves.

But Norfolk Island is far more than a picturesque island in the South Pacific, it is paradise with a past. Elegant convict-built Georgian buildings are still in daily use and the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) is now World Heritage Listed as part of the Australian Convict Sites inscription. What was once a convicts settlement is now the tranquil home of the descendants from the famous Mutiny on the Bounty, who have their own unique culture and their own language.

There is much to see & do on Norfolk Island including: golf on an incredibly scenic course beside the sea, fishing, sea kayaking, edible gardens & eco tours, art galleries, bushwalking, glass bottom boat coral reef trips & Philip Island trekking, golf bowls, tennis, squash, yoga, kayaking, swimming, snorkeling, and much more.

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Little-known punctuation marks

Adrienne Crezo, on mentalfloss.com

Because sometimes periods, commas, colons, semi-colons, dashes, hyphens, apostrophes, question marks, exclamation points, quotation marks, brackets, parentheses, braces, and ellipses won't do.

1. Interrobang

You probably already know the INTERROBANG, thanks to its excellent moniker and increasing popularity. Though the combination exclamation point and question mark can be replaced by using one of each (*You did what!?* Or *You don't read mentalfloss?!*), it's fun to see the single glyph getting a little more love lately.



2. Percontation* Point or Rhetorical Question Mark

The backward question mark was proposed by Henry Denham in 1580 as an end to a rhetorical question, and was used until the early 1600s.



3. Irony Mark

It looks a lot like the percontation* point, but the irony mark's location is a bit different, as it is smaller, elevated, and precedes a statement to indicate its intent before it is read. Alcanter de Brahm introduced the idea in the 19th century, and in 1966 French author Hervé Bazin proposed a similar glyph in his book, *Plumons l'Oiseau*, along with 5 other innovative marks.



4. Love Point

Among Bazin's proposed new punctuation was the love point, made of two question

marks, one mirrored, that share a point. The intended use, of course, was to denote a statement of affection or love, as in "Happy anniversary [love point]" or "I have warm fuzzies [love point]" If it were easier to type, I think this one might really take off.



5. Acclamation Point

Bazin described this mark as "the stylistic representation of those two little flags that float above the tour bus when a president comes to town." Acclamation is a "demonstration of goodwill or welcome," so you could use it to say "I'm so happy to see you [acclamation point]" or "Viva Las Vegas [acclamation point]"



6. Certitude Point

Need to say something with unwavering conviction? End your declaration with the CERTITUDE point, another of Bazin's designs.



7. Doubt Point

This is the opposite of the certitude point, and thus is used to end a sentence with a note of skepticism.



8. Authority Point

Bazin's authority point "shades your sentence" with a note of expertise, "like a parasol over a sultan." (Well, I was there and that's what happened.) Likewise, it's also used to indicate an order or advice that should be taken seriously, as it comes from a voice of authority.



9. SarcMark*

The SarcMark* (short for “sarcasm mark”) was invented, copyrighted and trademarked by Paul Sak, and while it hasn’t seen widespread use, Sak markets it as “The official, easy-to-use punctuation mark to emphasize a sarcastic phrase, sentence or message.” Because half the fun of sarcasm is pointing it out [SarcMark].



10. Snark Mark

This, like the copyrighted SarcMark, is used to indicate that a sentence should be understood beyond the literal meaning. Unlike the SarcMark, this one is copyright free and easy to type: it’s just a period followed by a TILDE.



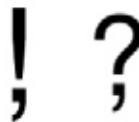
11. Asterism

This cool-looking but little-used piece of punctuation used to be the divider between subchapters in books or to indicate minor breaks in a long text. The ASTERISM is almost obsolete, since books typically now use three asterisks in a row to break within chapters (***) or simply skip an extra line. It seems a shame to waste such a great little mark, though. Maybe we should bring this one back.



12 & 13. Exclamation Comma & Question Comma

Now you can be excited or inquisitive without having to end a sentence! A Canadian patent was filed for these in 1992, but it lapsed in 1995, so use them freely, but not too often.



Quotes from Nigel

New Zealander Nigel Richards has given an interview to the Singapore Scrabble newsletter, SA News.

Here are some of Nigel’s gems from the interview:

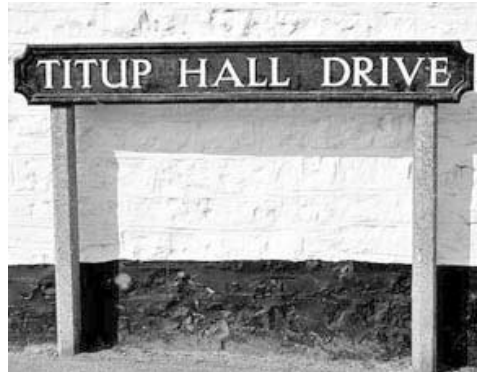
- I think the word knowledge of the players [in the Scrabble scene] has improved greatly.
- The more I play the more I learn about how deep the levels of play can be. To play well touches upon many areas of knowledge and understanding. I still have many more things to learn about the game.
- On average I spend about one hour a day reading the word lists.
- [On his Scrabble tournament routines] I don’t have any fixed routines. Each venue is different. Often the game schedule will dictate the activities.
- [On the advice he would give to up and coming players] I think the most important aspect is to enjoy playing. After that: learn the words. Then only after learning the words can one properly start applying things like strategies and analyses etc.
- [On what he finds most interesting on his far-flung Scrabble travels] I find the people more interesting than the places.

OO! Look at that!

This starting board in the match between Joan Beale and Yvonne McLaughlan at the Nationals caught the photographer’s attention.



Addresses only the British could have!





Sentences on patients' hospital charts

from Yoon Kim Fong, Kiwi

- She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was hot in bed last night.
- Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
- On the second day the knee was better, and on the third day it disappeared.
- The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
- The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
- Discharge status: Alive but without my permission.
- Healthy appearing decrepit 69 year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
- The patient refused autopsy.
- The patient has no previous history of suicides.
- Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital.
- Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
- She is numb from her toes down.
- While in ER, she was examined, X-rated and sent home.
- The skin was moist and dry.
- Occasional, constant, infrequent headaches.
- Patient was alert and unresponsive.
- Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized.
- The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.
- Patient has two teenage children, but no other abnormalities.

Steps and Stairs



[I feel really embarrassed about this photograph. I discovered it somewhere and can't find or remember the story that goes with it. I'm sure it was something inspiring about the person in the photo, rather than something derogatory about the board layout.

A continuous steps and stairs pattern like this is not so easy - see how quickly you can build one yourself

And next time you are complaining about the steps and stairs in your game, be grateful it's not as bad as this! -Ed.]



Sheep Scrabble

Genius is a British TV show featuring great (or otherwise) ideas, where a panel of judges them "Genius" or not.

In the programme that screened late evening on Prime on 7 March, a member of the audience suggested a game called "Sheep Scrabble". The proposal was that farmers would paint letters of the alphabet on their sheep, passers by could photograph them when they grouped themselves into words, then upload them to a website and play against other people.

Unfortunately, I can't remember whether the panel judged this idea "genius" or not!

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Eight-bonus game

Shirley Hol and Paul Lister had a rip snorter game at the South Island Championships in Christchurch.

Between them, they got eight bonus words, six for Paul and two for Shirley. Paul played four consecutive bonus words before going out with ZEBUS, which scored more points (70) than any of those four bonus words. Their combined score was 1018, just 60 short of the record combined score.

However, the game puts Shirley and Paul in the record book, along with Mike Sigley / Glenyss Buchanan, and Nigel Richards / John Foster, for the most bonus words in a game (combined).



Solution to Cricket puzzle, page 19

1. queer Quee
(William Quee, Wellington 1899-1905)
2. motza Motz
(Dick Motz, Canterbury & NZ 1957-1969)
3. hijra Hira
(Ronnie Hira, Auckland, Canterbury & NZ 2006--)
4. doing Doig
(Jack Doig, Southland 1914-1921)
5. punka Unka
(Hira Unka, Northern Districts 1968-1976)
6. joram Oram
(Jake Oram Central Districts & NZ 1997--)



Chance is a fine thing

Fran Lowe, Hastings

Lies, lies, and damned statistics! I once attained a qualification in statistics, which is a hazy memory now, since it has been many years since I exercised those neurons. However I do remember being impressed by our lecturer saying that a car passing a point in the road is a rare event, as of course cars generally are not bumper to bumper, and there are pretty big gaps between them. When we add compounding variables such as we have in Scrabble, the odds of events occurring become enormous.

I remember learning a new word long ago (POSTPRANDIAL - not such a good word given its length although post would be a good addition to PRANDIAL, but prand* is not a word), and then hearing it and seeing it three times in the first week of knowing it. I am sure that you have had that experience. Of course, previously I was probably not noticing the word.

It is amazing how often this happens in Scrabble. Recently I was very pleased with myself for finding and being able to

play the word GENITAL. I believed I had not seen it before in a game I had played. Because it is a little rude, I felt I would have remembered seeing it. That night the computer played GENITALS against me which surprised me.

We all have tales of the same word being played in a game, sometimes side by side; thinking you need particular letters to get a seven and then picking them up; getting rid of tiles and getting the same tiles back. These things are not so remarkable when you think that there are so many rare events possible that their occurrence can become relatively common.

For those of us who are superstitious we also have the computer fairy. I have not advanced beyond using Networks on the computer (I confess to playing probably six or more games a day - sad life) and was alarmed the other day to have the experience of starting a game with the same letters as a very recent game I had played. I played the same words as the previous game for three turns and the computer also played the same, for a total of six turns. This would indicate that the distribution of tiles in Networks is not random. A couple of months later this experience was repeated but only for three turns. (I am not renowned for my good memory, but this was quite noticeable and seemed pretty spooky.) So I can believe in the computer fairy, or suspect dodgy software, or completely lose faith in my memory (we won't discuss mental stability).

The computer fairy might win, as this week I had the following experience. I had opted to have a septoplasty*, to correct a deviated septum. I had some time to kill before heading for the hospital so I played

a game of Networks. Well, for its third to last turn the computer fairy came up with the word SEPTUM. What are the chances of that!! The computer had to have the letters S E T U M, a P had to be on the board in the right place with sufficient space around it, and it needed to be the highest scoring play that Networks could find (Networks does not really play for safety, does it!). What's more, it was played a couple of hours before I was having my septum operated on. Is that a sign or what?! Only trouble is I could not tell whether it was a sign for or against! Must have been a good sign, as the op went well and I am already breathing better.

Perhaps some of the more mathematically minded members can shed some light on my experience. The idea of a computer fairy is gaining ground for me, so in the name of science give me another reason (we won't discuss mental stability)!!

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Facebook furore

Angry Scrabble devotees worldwide are refusing to play their beloved word game after the Facebook version came out in June with an update - which erased high scores, deleted player contact lists, introduced ads at the end of each turn and changed other key features.

The ability to play quick games, in which each player had to make a move within two or five minutes, has also been lost in the upgrade, and people who played regularly together but were not Facebook friends can no longer contact each other. Perhaps the most irritating change is that the board no longer refreshes itself after a turn.

The changes have been made by Electronic Arts (EA), which took over the running of the app from Scrabble brand owner Mattel at the end of May.

An online petition calling for the old version to be reinstated gained more than 4400 digital signatures, while "Bring Back the Scrabble We Love" Facebook group has almost 2000 new members in the week following the change. By contrast, Mattel claim there had been a 30 per cent increase in players in the week following the launch, which he said was due to increased "virality, engagement and retention". He said the benefits of the new version included the ability to play in six languages, customisable boards and tiles, a new official Scrabble word-list, and the option of paying for an ad-free version. *[Players are sure to be excited about that - yeah right - especially since they used to get an ad-free version for free!]*

One player told the BBC, "I've been playing for over four years, I had 5,000 games on my statistics, I'd won 71% of them, I had my best scores recorded - and now it's all lost."

Mattel confirmed that players' previous data could not be restored.

"As part of the transition [to EA Mobile], we were unable to carry over ongoing games and statistics, the timer mode and the manual match-making function," it said in a statement.

Probably the most telling comment was made to the BBC by a Mattel spokeswoman: "We are sorry we weren't able to please everybody . . . We produce the board game but we're not experts in electronics." EA has not commented.

There may be a smidgen of good news for competitive Scrabble players - the Chambers dictionary has been replaced by Collins. (But which version?)

Are you a NYM-phomaniac?

Jennifer Smith, Hamilton/Kiwi

Are you a NYM-phomaniac? If you are mad about words that end in -NYM, you could be!

Twenty-seven Scrabble words end in -NYM. Given the letters involved, it's perhaps not surprising that none of them has any anagrams.

All 27 words take an S end hook, and about half of them take a Y end hook, as you will see from the list below.

Otherwise, end hooks are a rarity. (But a delight, because they happen to be hooks for well-known words!).

One takes an A end hook: ANONYM to ANONYMA.

And one takes an E end hook SYNONYM to SYNONYME. And that's it!

Thirteen of them can be formed by adding -NYM to a legit word: AUTO, CRYPTO, EXO, HETERO, HOMO, HYPER, HYPO, MONO, PARA, PSEUDO, RETRO, TOPO and TRIO. Handy for those times when you have a rackful of consonants - especially when EXO is on the board! (And note that EXONYM is also EXON+YM.)

Only one word has a front hook: AUTONYM to TAUTONYM.

Of the 27, 25 end with -ONYM. The odd ones out are PARANYM and HYPERNYM. (For those of us who miss being able to play PH*, you might like to know that PARANYM can be extended to PARANYMPH.)

Note that ANONYM can wrap around a T to make ANTONYM.

With a blank in the right place, you have a choice of METONYM or MERONYM, and of PARONYM or PARANYM.

Here's the full list for you NYM-phos:

ACRONYM - a word formed from initials [as in APGAR from Issue 109's "Hall of fame"].

ALLONYM - a name of historical significance or another person, assumed by a person [eg. Engelbert Humperdinck].

ANONYM - a fictitious name.

ANTONYM (Y) - a word opposite in meaning to another [SYNONYM and ANTONYM!].

AUTONYM - see ETHNONYM.

CACONYM (Y) - an erroneous technical term, especially in biology and botany. [eg. HYPERNYM is a CACONYM because it is derived from -ONYM but the O has been dropped.]

COHYPONYM - see HYPONYM.

CRYPTONYM - a secret name by which a person, place or activity is known only to the initiated [as in code names for police operations].

EPONYM (Y) - a person after whom something is named [as in "Hall of Fame" articles].

ETHNONYM - the name of an ethnic group. ETHNONYMS can be divided into two categories: EXONYMS, where the name has been created by another group of people; and AUTONYMS, where it is created and used by the ethnic group itself.

EXONYM - a name for a town, etc. in a foreign language [eg. Vienna is the English EXONYM for the German and Austrian **Wien**].

HETERONYM - one of a group of words that share the same spelling but have different meanings and pronunciation [eg. sewer with a needle and sewer with a stench!].

... whereas ...

HOMONYM (Y) - one of a group of

words that share the same spelling and pronunciation but have different meanings [eg. fluke as in getting both blanks at once, and fluke, the worm].

HYPERNYM - a word whose meaning includes the meanings of other words. ["Bird" is a HYPERNYM that includes more specific varieties, such as blackbird.]

. . . and vice versa . . .

HYPONYM - a word that designates a member of a class. [Crow, robin, blackbird are HYPONYMS that are included in the meaning of "bird].

MERONYM (Y) - a word that relates part to whole [as in apple is a MERONYM of apple tree].

METONYM (Y) - a word or phrase used in place of another with which it is closely associated [the Beehive is a common metonym for our Parliament].

MONONYM a person so famous as to be known by their first name only [as in Madonna].

PARANYM - ??? Meaning not clear anywhere - I suspect it may be a CACONYM for PARONYM!

PARONYM (Y) - a word having the same root as another.

POLYONYM (Y) - a name consisting of several words.

PSEUDONYM - a fictitious name assumed for a time [eg. an author's pen name].

RETRONYM - a new word or phrase [such as **snail mail** or **analog watch**] created for an old object or concept whose original name has become associated with something else.

SYNONYM (Y) - you know this one!

TAUTONYM (Y) - a zoological name of a species consisting of two identical words (the

generic name and the specific name) that are the same [**Vulpes vulpes**, the red fox].

TOPONYM (Y) - a word coined in association with the name of a place [eg. bikini].

TRIONYM - a trinomial name or expression, common in zoology and botany [as in *Buteo jamaicensis borealis*, one of the subspecies of the red-tailed hawk species - or you may prefer to remember a simple example like "Toys R Us"].

Richard Nordquist says on grammar.about.com: "If you recognize more than five or six of these terms without looking at the definitions, you're entitled to call yourself a genuine Nymskull."

Scrabble App for iphone

Vicky Robertson, Wellington

The Scrabble app for the iphone has been updated after many complained the only Scrabble game app available for iphones and ipads had an incorrect dictionary.

I have been playing it for a year even though the dictionary was unfathomable and unchangeable (e.g. did not accept the word FAG, but did accept the word AXS*).

The good news is it's been upgraded with the CSW12 dictionary and has a lovely new interface.

Interestingly, not all the comments on the upgrade are positive. They range from formerly happy users that are now disgruntled users because the new dictionary contains "non-words" like AUA and that it has removed "real" words like ZEN*. I guess there's no pleasing everybody!

Rankings

NZASP Rankings
as at 30 June 2013

Rank	Name	Rating	Wins	Games	%
1	Blue Thorogood (GM)	2009	535	762	70%
2	Howard Warner (GM)	2008	1706	2289	75%
3	Jeff Grant (GM)	1998	1548	2040	76%
4	Peter Sinton (GM)	1925	648.5	894	73%
5	Mike Sigley (GM)	1896	920	1314	70%
6	Joanne Craig (GM)	1890	316.5	481	66%
7	Nick Cavenagh (GM)	1864	250.5	430	58%
8	Karen Richards	1857	35.5	55	65%
9	John Foster (GM)	1848	1409	2461	57%
10	Anderina McLean (E)	1824	523.5	967	54%
11	Denise Gordon (E)	1820	674.5	1393	48%
12	Patrick Carter (GM)	1811	718.5	1146	63%
13	Andrew Bradley (GM)	1801	786	1503	52%
14	Liz Fagerlund (E)	1793	978.5	1888	52%
15	Rogelio Talosig (GM)	1772	445	751	59%
16	Marianne Bentley (E)	1768	292.5	653	45%
17	Lawson Sue (E)	1768	571.5	1095	52%
18	Lynne Butler (GM)	1758	868	1422	61%
19	Debbie Raphael (E)	1755	570	952	60%
20	Glenda Foster (E)	1754	935.5	1866	50%
21	Lyres Freeth	1748	141.5	216	66%
22	Steven Brown (GM)	1700	866	1615	54%
23	Glenyss Buchanan	1691	641.5	1368	47%
24	Glennis Hale (GM)	1688	1381.5	2480	56%
25	Shirley van Essen	1682	389.5	761	51%
26	Cicely Bruce	1668	288.5	494	58%
27	Paul Lister (E)	1668	774.5	1372	56%
28	Rosemary Cleary (E)	1662	690.5	1502	46%
29	Vicky Robertson	1662	236	468	50%
30	Scott Chaput	1661	166.5	267	62%
31	Chris Hooks (E)	1653	921	1897	49%
32	Murray Rogers (E)	1641	667	1286	52%
33	Olivia Godfrey	1640	596	1112	54%
34	Katy Yiakmis	1630	162	334	49%
35	Pam Robson	1629	529.5	1145	46%
36	Janice Cherry	1628	368	709	52%
37	Val Mills (E)	1612	1066	2226	48%
38	Alex Leckie-Zaharic	1591	112	198	57%
39	Pat Bryan	1587	206	362	57%
40	Helen Sillis	1579	704	1405	50%
41	Lynne Powell (E)	1566	890.5	1796	50%
42	Anna Hough	1565	551	1108	50%
43	Karyn McDougall	1556	654	1275	51%
44	Margie Hurly	1554	317	613	52%
45	Yoon Kim Fong	1546	500	960	52%
46	Roger Coates	1533	673.5	1415	48%
47	Jennifer Smith	1532	905.5	1882	48%
48	John Baird	1525	171	315	54%
49	David Gunn	1516	1152	2349	49%
50	Shirley Hol	1502	590.5	1297	46%
51	Lynn Wood	1498	1541	3240	48%
52	Pam Barlow	1465	616	1229	50%
53	Lorraine Van Veen	1462	811.5	1583	51%
54	Faye Cronhelm	1456	797	1587	50%
55	Karen Gray	1452	254.5	486	52%
56	Joan Thomas	1447	899	1806	50%
57	Peter Johnstone	1443	134.5	246	55%
58	Allie Quinn	1435	996	2064	48%
59	Kadda Mohamed	1432	103.5	154	67%
60	Herb Ramsay	1422	138	214	64%
61	Lynn Carter	1421	581.5	1121	52%
62	Delcie Macbeth	1416	794.5	1514	52%
63	Shirley Martin	1415	785.5	1521	52%
64	Irene Smith	1403	161	326	49%
65	Selena Chan	1400	266.5	509	52%
66	Maureen Holliday	1398	604	1182	51%
67	Chris Higgins	1396	99	166	60%
68	Jeanette Grimmer	1375	67	113	59%
69	Glenda Geard	1367	960	1951	49%
70	Leila Thomson	1359	532.5	1173	45%
71	Margaret Cherry	1358	458.5	926	50%
72	Hazel Purdie	1355	953	1962	49%
73	Gabrielle Bolt	1346	361.5	701	52%
74	Mary Gray	1330	435.5	857	51%
75	Yvette Hewlett	1315	426.5	895	48%
76	Minuri Undugodage	1304	23	50	46%
77	Andree Prentice	1296	918.5	1807	51%
78	Kaite Hansen	1294	308.5	571	54%
79	Su Walker	1294	890.5	1780	50%
80	Rosalind Phillips	1272	507.5	976	52%
81	Lois Kelly	1268	60.5	148	41%
82	Jean O'Brien	1268	986.5	1953	51%
83	Ray Goodyear	1252	210	435	48%
84	Heather Landon	1250	398	776	51%
85	Jena Yousif	1234	371	731	51%
86	Nola Borrell	1231	301.5	551	55%

GM - Grand Master E - Expert

87	Roger Cole-Baker	1226	410.5	789	52%	134	Suzanne Harding	742	291	562	52%
88	Ernie Gidman	1196	371	747	50%	135	Jaiden Tucker	737	39	59	66%
89	John McNaughton	1183	44	72	61%	136	Leighton Gelling	723	79	158	50%
90	Chris Handley	1176	355.5	680	52%	137	Kathleen Mori-Barker	715	337.5	682	49%
91	Lyn Toka	1169	490.5	947	52%	138	Alison Vautier	709	70.5	191	37%
92	Clare Wall	1141	248	484	51%	139	Anne Scatchard	707	268	535	50%
93	Lyn Dawson	1139	375	693	54%	140	Sam Thompson	695	31	74	42%
94	Shirley Morrison	1122	123.5	269	46%	141	Ruth Godwin	686	208	503	41%
95	Marian Ross	1106	507	1004	50%	142	Antonia Aarts	684	144	310	46%
96	Dianne Cole-Baker	1102	382	730	52%	143	Janny Henneveld	678	363	765	47%
97	Shirley Pearce	1100	36	80	45%	144	Phyllis Paltridge	674	16	56	29%
98	Karen Rodgers	1089	138	341	40%	145	Linda Moore	673	93.5	190	49%
99	Ruth Groffman	1081	444	932	48%	146	Judith Thomas	667	165.5	319	52%
100	Betty Eriksen	1079	1196.5	2334	51%	147	Tim Henneveld	660	342.5	768	45%
101	Connie Flores	1074	153	255	60%	148	Elaine Ware	659	364	708	51%
102	Mary Curtis	1073	222.5	417	53%	149	Anne-Louise Milne	648	119	369	32%
103	Barbara Dunn	1072	231.5	397	58%	150	Noelene Bettjeman	646	260	558	47%
104	Sheila Reed	1068	196	388	51%	151	Judith Bach	620	117.5	217	54%
105	Malcolm Graham	1068	348	713	49%	152	Annette Coombes	597	631	1391	45%
106	Karen Miller	1066	477.5	957	50%	153	Jean Craib	597	371.5	783	47%
107	Bev Edwards	1042	196.5	378	52%	154	Lynn Thompson	592	232	504	46%
108	Fran Lowe	1040	70.5	127	56%	155	Judy Driscoll	588	112	328	34%
109	Colleen Cook	1039	298.5	597	50%	156	Pat Wood	582	122	229	53%
110	June Mackwell	1037	760.5	1684	45%	157	Betty Don	573	64	198	32%
111	Jean Boyle	1032	486.5	927	52%	158	Pauline Smeaton	572	310	599	52%
112	Lewis Hawkins	1032	65	88	74%	159	Sue Mayn	544	173	413	42%
113	Marianne Patchett	1027	282.5	555	51%	160	Gordon Pinchin	527	189	369	51%
114	Julia Schiller	1022	150	328	46%	161	Hanna Dodge	514	48.5	124	39%
115	Agnes Rowland	1022	105	196	54%	162	Jacqueline Coldham-Fussell	495	537	1137	47%
116	Elaine Moltzen	1005	539	1079	50%	163	Stephanie Pluck	464	52.5	129	41%
117	Allison Torrance	1001	360	695	52%	164	Margaret Toso	457	40.5	94	43%
118	Josie Parkin	981	26	42	62%	165	Di Barritt	453	69.5	209	33%
119	Alison Holmes	976	224.5	410	55%	166	Kate Truman	449	33	44	75%
120	Roto Mitchell	967	652	1291	51%	167	Alan Henley	443	58	136	43%
121	Chris Day	964	101.5	181	56%	168	Margaret Peters	436	12	40	30%
122	Jo Ann Ingram	940	190	380	50%	169	Margaret Miller	400	124.5	318	39%
123	Carolyn Kyle	924	692	1393	50%	170	Chris Guthrey	399	39	126	31%
124	Michael Groffman	906	258	523	49%	171	Corey Symon	345	19	44	43%
125	Yvonne McLaughlan	878	463.5	952	49%	172	Judy Cronin	339	33.5	114	29%
126	Tony Charlton	865	202.5	404	50%	173	Bev Allen	313	50	162	31%
127	Carole Coates	858	560.5	1150	49%	174	Frances Higham	301	77	249	31%
128	Catherine Henry	855	403.5	774	52%	175	Tyler Proctor	173	12.5	45	28%
129	Margaret Bullen	807	45	80	56%	176	Merilyn Anderson	137	13	89	15%
130	Maria Clinton	784	216	453	48%	177	Trish Fox	75	24	177	14%
131	Joan Beale	768	133	258	52%	178	Susan Milne	70	26	177	15%
132	Valma Gidman	760	644.5	1291	50%						
133	Sandra Cowen	749	34	58	59%						

Tournament Results

Dunedin Lion Tournament 16-17 March 2013

GRADE A	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1 Nick Cavenagh	HAM	10	198	412
2 Scott Chaput	IND	8	289	410
3 Lynn Wood	WEL	7	219	387
4 Karyn Mcdougall	DUN	7	67	387
5 Val Mills	PAK	7	-355	387
6 Alex Leckie-Zaharic	DUN	6	-418	399



Nick Cavenagh
1st in A Grade

Scott Chaput
2nd in A Grade

Lynn Wood
3rd in A Grade

GRADE B	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1 Olivia Godfrey	WEL	10	180	400
2 Chris Handley	DUN	9	-172	381
3 Jean O'Brien	IND	8	202	385
4 Karen Gray	DUN	7	18	385
5 Marian Ross	DUN	6	76	382
6 Carolyn Kyle	DUN	5	-304	370

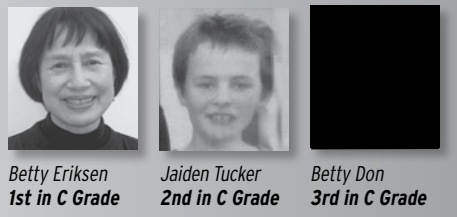


Olivia Godfrey
1st in B Grade

Chris Handley
2nd in B Grade

Jean O'Brien
3rd in B Grade

GRADE C	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1 Betty Eriksen	WAN	14	1827	412
2 Jaiden Tucker	DUN	9	292	372
3 Betty Don	NEL	7	-182	350
4 Anne-Louise Milne	DUN	7	-363	328
5 Sam Thompson	DUN	5	-401	334
6 Bev Allen	DUN	3	-1173	307



Betty Eriksen
1st in C Grade

Jaiden Tucker
2nd in C Grade

Betty Don
3rd in C Grade

30th Masters Tournament 2013 Whangarei - 23 games 30 March - 1 April 2013



Howard Warner
1st place

Blue Thorogood
2nd place

Nick Cavenagh
3rd place

PLAYER	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1 Howard Warner	IND	18	2203	461
2 Blue Thorogood	CHC	16	988	443
3 Nick Cavenagh	HAM	16	834	413
4 John Foster	IND	15	662	401
5 Andrew Bradley	MTA	15	609	425
6 Rogelio Talosig	IND	14	321	418
7 Anderina McLean	MTA	13	382	408
8 Alex Leckie-Zaharic	DUN	13	-342	417
9 Rosemary Cleary	WAN	12.5	-65	395
10 Lyres Freeth	MTA	12	410	398
11 Liz Fagerlund	MTA	12	-88	392
12 Murray Rogers	IND	12	-106	384
13 Glenda Foster	WEL	12	-264	383
14 Debbie Raphael	IND	12	-503	402
15 Lawson Sue	PAK	11	32	409
16 Steven Brown	KAP	11	14	410
17 Peter Sinton	DUN	10	226	413
18 Glennis Hale	IND	10	-221	395
19 Glenyss Buchanan	LOH	10	-353	398
20 Vicky Robertson	WEL	10	-747	389
21 Val Mills	PAK	8.5	-597	402
22 Jennifer Smith	HAM	5	-971	375
23 Lynne Powell	IND	5	-1059	383
24 David Gunn	WKP	3	-1365	363

Mt Albert Memorial

Saturday 13 April, Day 1



Pat Bryan
1st in A Grade



Olivia Godfrey
2nd in A Grade



Lawson Sue
3rd in A Grade

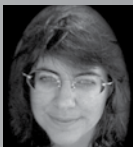
GRADE A		WINS	SPREAD
1	Pat Bryan	7	467
2	Olivia Godfrey	6	433
3	Lawson Sue	6	415
4	Val Mills	6	261
5	Patrick Carter	6	98
6	Cicely Bruce	5	493
7	Anderina McLean	5	371
8	Faye Cronhelm	5	-65
9	Mary Gray	5	-100
10	Yoon Kim Fong	4	216
11	Glennis Hale	4	160
12	Lynn Carter	4	117
13	Joan Thomas	4	-91
14	Minuri Undugodage	4	-103
15	Pam Barlow	4	-163
16	Delcie Macbeth	4	-256
17	Su Walker	3	52
18	Hazel Purdie	3	-4
19	Allie Quinn	3	-65
20	Lynn Wood	3	-187
21	Lois Kelly	3	-404
22	Margaret Cherry	2	-189
23	Roger Cole-Baker	2	-273
24	Carolyn Kyle	2	-344
25	Glenda Geard	2	-365
26	Jean O'Brien	2	-474



Barbara Dunn
1st in B Grade



Heather Landon
2nd in B Grade



Julia Schiller
3rd in B Grade

GRADE B		WINS	SPREAD
1	Barbara Dunn	7	668
2	Heather Landon	7	496
3	Julia Schiller	7	186
4	Jo Ann Ingram	6	74
5	Bev Edwards	5	595
6	Mary Curtis	5	245
7	Chris Day	5	45
8	Josie Parkin	5	-138
9	June Mackwell	4	342
10	Marianne Patchett	4	308
11	Suzanne Harding	4	166
12	Noelene Bettjeman	4	48
13	Ruth Godwin	4	-46
14	Joan Beale	4	-54
15	Elaine Ware	4	-141
16	Margaret Miller	4	-214
17	Antonia Aarts	3	10
18	Lynn Thompson	3	-42
19	Anne Scatchard	3	-45
20	Kasi Mooney	3	-130
21	Frances Higham	3	-156
22	Junior Gesmundo	3	-198
23	Judy Cronin	2.5	-565
24	Pat Wood	2	-97
25	Val Smith	2	-519
26	Susan Milne	0.5	-840

Sunday 14 April, Day 2



Lawson Sue
1st in A Grade



Glennis Hale
2nd in A Grade



Olivia Godfrey
3rd in A Grade

GRADE A		WINS	SPREAD
1	Lawson Sue	7	1029
2	Glennis Hale	6	368
3	Olivia Godfrey	6	230
4	Patrick Carter	5	806
5	Anderina McLean	5	485
6	Val Mills	5	309
7	Cicely Bruce	5	113
8	Pam Barlow	5	-4

9	Roger Coates	5	-173
10	Lynn Carter	5	-204
11	Yoon Kim Fong	4	125
12	Lynn Wood	4	-2
13	Jena Yousif	4	-53
14	David Gunn	4	-56
15	Roger Cole-baker	4	-91
16	Joan Thomas	4	-153
17	Faye Cronhelm	4	-439
18	Allie Quinn	3.5	-125
19	Hazel Purdie	3	110
20	Glenda Geard	3	-24
21	Delcie Macbeth	3	-57
22	Pat Bryan	3	-170
23	Heather Landon	3	-291
24	Carolyn Kyle	2	-417
25	Jean O'Brien	1.5	-274
26	Lois Kelly	0	-1042

21	Joan Beale	3	-135
22	Antonia Aarts	3	-194
23	Anne Scatchard	2	14
24	Margaret Miller	2	-423
25	Susan Milne	2	-471
26	Val Smith	1	-578

Kapiti Coast Tournament 27-28 April 2013

GRADE A	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE	
1	Howard Warner	IND	11	871	448
2	Anderina McLean	MTA	9	766	438
3	Liz Fagerlund	MTA	7	273	422
4	Val Mills	PAK	7	-198	396
5	Steven Brown	KAP	6	-267	407
6	Glenyss Buchanan	LOH	6	-410	405
7	Olivia Godfrey	WEL	5	-327	384
8	Vicky Robertson	WEL	5	-708	375



Barbara Dunn
1st in B Grade



Chris Day
2nd in B Grade



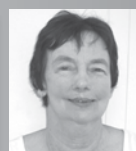
Marianne Patchett
3rd in B Grade



Howard Warner
1st in A Grade



Anderina McLean
2nd in A Grade



Liz Fagerlund
3rd in A Grade

GRADE B	WINS	SPREAD	
1	Barbara Dunn	6	493
2	Chris Day	6	263
3	Marianne Patchett	6	194
4	Julia Schiller	6	81
5	June Mackwell	5	350
6	Mary Curtis	5	307
7	Bev Edwards	5	231
8	Josie Parkin	5	163
9	Annette Coombes	5	41
10	Suzanne Harding	4	157
11	Dianne Cole-baker	4	81
12	Jo Ann Ingram	4	42
13	Pat Wood	4	34
14	Lynn Thompson	4	20
15	Ruth Godwin	4	-21
16	Noelene Bettjeman	4	-180
17	Frances Higham	4	-206
18	Junior Gesmundo	4	-266
19	Chris Guthrey	3	12
20	Judy Cronin	3	-9

GRADE B	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE	
1	Lynn Wood	WEL	12	929	417
2	Leila Thomson	LOH	10	507	406
3	Betty Eriksen	WAN	7	13	354
4	Nola Borrell	WEL	6	-86	380
5	Jean Boyle	WAN	6	-345	375
6	Sheila Reed	WEL	6	-444	358
7	Agnes Rowland	KAP	5	-401	367
8	Karen Miller	IND	4	-173	363



Lynn Wood
1st in B Grade



Leila Thomson
2nd in B Grade



Betty Eriksen
3rd in B Grade



John McNaughton
1st in C Grade



Fran Lowe
2nd in C Grade



Rahimah Abdullah
3rd in C Grade

GRADE C

	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	John McNaughton	WEL	13	1202 392
2	Fran Lowe	HAS	13	647 376
3	Rahimah Abdullah	KAP	8	466 363
4	Alison Vautier	KAP	6	-316 336
5	Judith Thomas	IND	5	-44 348
6	Betty Don	NEL	4	-454 335
7	Karen Donaldson (prov)	IND	4	-620 317
8	Judy Driscoll	KAP	3	-881 320

South Island Champs 11-12 May 2013

GRADE A

	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Blue Thorogood	IND	14	1200 439
2	Shirley Van Essen	CHC	10	608 417
3	Murray Rogers	NEL	8	85 385
4	Paul Lister	CHC	7	-304 389
5	John Baird	CHC	5	178 395
6	Lynn Wood	WEL	4.5	-465 348
7	Shirley Hol	CHC	4	-967 370
8	Anna Hough	NEL	3.5	-335 370



Blue Thorogood
1st in A Grade



Shirley Van Essen
2nd in A Grade



Murray Rogers
3rd in A Grade

GRADE B

	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Selena Chan	CHC	10	416 402
2	Irene Smith	CHC	10	399 394
3	Gabrielle Bolt	CHC	9	-314 350
4	Peter Johnstone	CHC	7	-39 380
5	Kadda Mohamed	CHC	6	489 414
6	Jean O'Brien	IND	6	-236 370

7	Kaite Hansen	CHC	5	-273 381
8	Carolyn Kyle	DUN	3	-442 364



Selena Chan
1st in B Grade



Irene Smith
2nd in B Grade



Gabrielle Bolt
3rd in B Grade

GRADE C

	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Colleen Cook	CHC	11.5	689 385
2	Connie Flores	CHC	11	621 398
3	Allison Torrance	CHC	10.5	630 380
4	Lewis Hawkins	CHC	7	304 374
5	Yvonne McLaughlan	CHC	6	84 368
6	Maria Clinton	CHC	5	-453 338
7	Kathleen Mori-Barker	CHC	4	-677 337
8	Phyllis Paltridge	CHC	1	-1198 321



Colleen Cook
1st in C Grade



Connie Flores
2nd in C Grade



Allison Torrance
3rd in C Grade

GRADE D

	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Judith Bach	CHC	11	382 357
2	Anne Goldstein	CHC	10	521 359
3	Jean Craib	CHC	9	495 362
4	Gordon Pinchin	CHC	8	226 381
5	Hanna Dodge	CHC	7	-111 342
6	Joanna Fox	CHC	6	167 341
7	Di Barritt	CHC	5	-401 305
8	Trish Fox	CHC	0	-1279 274



Judith Bach
1st in D Grade



Ann Goldstein
2nd in D Grade



Jean Craib
3rd in D Grade

National Champs Christchurch

1-2 June 2013

GRADE A		CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Blue Thorogood	IND	13	1470	457
2	Howard Warner	IND	12	1616	483
3	Peter Sinton	DUN	12	878	435
4	Jeff Grant	IND	10	594	424
5	Karen Richards	AUS	10	274	405
6	Anderina McLean	MTA	8	657	441
7	Nick Cavenagh	HAM	8	-198	403
8	John Foster	IND	7	-155	411
9	Joanne Craig	CHC	7	-253	398
10	Liz Fagerlund	MTA	7	-278	394
11	Lawson Sue	MTA	6	-325	375
12	Andrew Bradley	MTA	6	-410	392
13	Glenda Foster	WEL	6	-621	393
14	Rogelio Talosig	IND	4	-519	384
15	Rosemary Cleary	WAN	2	-960	361
16	Alex Leckie-Zaharic	DUN	2	-1770	348



Blue Thorogood
1st in A Grade



Howard Warner
2nd in A Grade



Peter Sinton
3rd in A Grade

GRADE B		CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Scott Chaput	DUN	12	1165	437
2	Paul Lister	CHC	11	795	426
3	Olivia Godfrey	WEL	10	604	420
4	Val Mills	PAK	9	227	393
5	Yoon Kim Fong	KIW	9	74	392
6	Murray Rogers	IND	8.5	484	408
7	Anna Hough	IND	8.5	118	401
8	David Gunn	WKP	7	-73	398
9	Jennifer Smith	HAM	7	-104	397
10	John Baird	CHC	7	-258	385
11	Shirley Hol	CHC	7	-408	388
12	Lois Binnie (new)	AUS	7	-571	368
13	Lynn Carter	IND	5	-618	382
14	Lynn Wood	WEL	4	-404	379
15	Irene Smith	CHC	4	-433	382
16	Selena Chan	CHC	4	-598	371



Scott Chaput
1st in B Grade



Paul Lister
2nd in B Grade



Olivia Godfrey
3rd in B Grade

GRADE C		CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Kadda Mohamed	CHC	11	707	410
2	Peter Johnstone	CHC	11	392	401
3	Herb Ramsay	CHC	10	470	393
4	Shirley Martin	HAM	10	394	396
5	Hazel Purdie	MTA	8.5	70	377
6	Mary Gray	MTA	8	20	391
7	Gabrielle Bolt	CHC	8	-123	370
8	Kaite Hansen	CHC	7	82	382
9	Su Walker	MTA	7	-238	379
10	Karen Gray	DUN	7	-280	374
11	Lois Kelly	TGA	6	25	364
12	Andree Prentice	WAN	6	-78	372
13	Heather Landon	TGA	6	-185	389
14	Rosalind Phillips	TGA	6	-444	376
15	Roger Cole-Baker	MTA	5	-53	383
16	Chris Handley	DUN	3.5	-759	355



Kadda Mohamed
1st in C Grade



Peter Johnstone
2nd in C Grade



Herb Ramsay
3rd in C Grade

GRADE D		CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE
1	Nola Borrell	WEL	11	364	378
2	John McNaughton	WEL	10	700	392
3	Lyn Toka	KIW	9	453	390
4	Carolyn Kyle	DUN	9	222	378
5	Lyn Dawson	IND	9	60	372
6	Dianne Cole-Baker	MTA	8	292	382
7	Ruth Groffman	DUN	7	238	378
8	Betty Eriksen	WAN	7	29	365
9	Barbara Dunn	TGA	7	-11	370

10	Marian Ross	DUN	7	-122	374
11	Malcolm Graham	CHC	7	-137	373
12	Connie Flores	CHC	7	-357	351
13	Colleen Cook	CHC	6	-206	355
14	Jean Boyle	WAN	6	-443	363
15	Allison Torrance	CHC	5	-429	337
16	Roto Mitchell	WAN	5	-653	348

WYS Fundraiser, Dunedin 7-8 June 2013

GRADE A	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE	
1	Scott Chaput	DUN	9	223	405
2	Val Mills	PAK	8	397	395
3	Lynn Wood	WEL	7	100	382
4	Karyn McDougall	DUN	7	35	389
5	Karen Gray	MTA	7	-216	368
6	Alex Leckie-Zaharic	DUN	7	-539	386



Nola Borrell
1st in D Grade



John McNaughton
2nd in D Grade



Lyn Toka
3rd in D Grade

GRADE E	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE	
1	Lewis Hawkins	CHC	13	1167	392
2	Yvonne McLaughlan	CHC	13	1031	394
3	Joan Beale	PHC	11	12	355
4	Jaiden Tucker	DUN	10	678	384
5	Kathleen Mori-Barker	CHC	10	375	382
6	Phyllis Partridge	CHC	9	526	361
7	Ruth Godwin	ROT	8	158	353
8	Anne Goldstein (prov)	CHC	8	-43	348
9	Judith Bach	CHC	7.5	158	361
10	Judy Driscoll	KAP	7	53	348
11	Betty Don	NEL	7	-39	351
12	Jean Craib	CHC	7	-169	336
13	Pauline Smeaton	TGA	6.5	-174	340
14	Annette Coombes	WKP	6	-98	348
15	Hanna Dodge	CHC	5	-674	335
16	Di Barritt	CHC	5	-895	299
17	Frances Higham	PHC	2	-1316	295



Scott Chaput
1st in A Grade



Val Mills
2nd in A Grade



Lynn Wood
3rd in A Grade

GRADE B	CLUB	WINS	SPRD	AVE	
1	Lewis Hawkins	CHC	13	1342	414
2	Michael Groffman	DUN	10	586	367
3	Sam Thompson	DUN	8	-327	352
4	Carolyn Kyle	DUN	7	144	361
5	Anne-Louise Milne	DUN	6	-377	317
6	Bev Allen	DUN	1	-1368	308



Lewis Hawkins
1st in B Grade



Michael Groffman
2nd in B Grade



Sam Thompson
3rd in B Grade



Lewis Hawkins
1st in E Grade



Yvonne McLaughlan
2nd in E Grade



Joan Beale
3rd in E Grade

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