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# FORWORDS



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## Editor's Note



This is our first computer-produced 'Forwards'. We hope you will like the new layout and graphics. After many years of Glennis slaving away over a hot typewriter, the wonders of modern technology have finally caught up with us (or us with them perhaps). I'm sure you will join me in thanking Glenda for volunteering her considerable resources to produce this great-looking magazine.

A publication like this needs lots of contributions. The work involved piecing together each issue is quite demanding, so we hope you may feel inspired to write something for a future edition. Send us local news, paper or magazine snippets, worthy club achievements, interclub results, humorous incidents, poems, stories, cartoons — anything you think may interest Scrabblers. Did you know that apart from about 150 subscribers in New Zealand, 'Forwards' has regular readers in Australia, England, United States and Hong Kong?

There have been positive comments about the North Shore Bays and Christchurch tourneys. Well done to the organisers. Thanks also to the Lower Hutt club for hosting a most enjoyable Masters event at Easter, and to Glennis and all the others who ensured that the Nationals in Hamilton were a great success. We did miss some of the

regulars — Roy and Bernice, John and Rita, David and Dorothy, Kevin and Lesley, Lynne B. — hope to see you all back next year.

The AGM in Hamilton was well-attended with lots of lively debate. There are some changes to the national executive. Roy Vannini was re-elected President, but is standing down for six months. Glennis Hale has kindly offered to fill in until Roy returns. John Foster replaces Glennis as Vice-President and Allie Quinn replaces Peter Jones as Secretary. Thanks for all your work, Glennis and Peter. Bev Barker has agreed to continue as Treasurer, and a great job she's doing too.

The second World Scrabble Champs in New York are now only two months away: there is an 'Update' in this issue, and we hope to feature some results and highlights from this prestigious event in the September edition. Our best wishes go with the New Zealand team. Hope there are heaps of esses and blanks in the Big Apple!

We have decided to standardise the cover of 'Forwards' to go with the new image. Many of you will no doubt recognise the distinctive kiwi logo which appeared on our very first magazines back in 1985-87 when Sue Marrow was editor.

Closing date for the September issue is August 31. We'll do our best to have it out on time despite the expected ravages of jet-lag and American hospitality.

Happy Scrabbling  
**Jeff Grant**

No anthology of bad English verse would be complete without a sampling from the works of Robert Herrick, whose notoriety is assured (whatever the merits of his more inspired output) by the immortal couplet:

*Fain would I kiss my Julia's dainty leg  
Which is as white and hairless as an egg.*

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## 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."

## Coming Events

### New Plymouth

Saturday and Sunday 24/25 July at Spotswood College, New Plymouth. 12 games, restricted to first 60 entrants. For further information contact

**Martha Morgan**  
3 Lyn St  
New Plymouth  
Ph. 06-758-1723

### Waikato

Saturday 7 August. (Day before Hamilton tourney) at the Ferrybank Lounge. For further information contact

**David Gunn**  
8 Thames St.  
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Ph. 07-855-0049

### Wellington

Saturday 11 September at the Kilbirnie Community Centre. Start time 9am. Cost \$12.00. For further information contact:

**Lyn Wood**  
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Ph. 04-387-2581

### Short on Time

Britain's Chess Master, Nigel Short was at a press conference in Spain after his recent victory. When asked how he filled in the many hours while waiting for his next encounter, he is reported as saying that he wished he had taken his Scrabble set with him to relieve the boredom!

## Only a Game?

Court proceedings were recently commenced against three top British Scrabblers, on behalf of themselves and representing all other members of the APSP Committee, for breach of contract in respect of a tournament held in 1990.

## Collector's Item

If the £2750 (\$8000+) super-deluxe British Scrabble set featured in Forwards 24 was beyond your means, maybe a more modest Australian version could be the one for you. A 'world-premier' offering, authorised and fully authenticated by Murfett Regency, marketed by Franklin Mint, The Classic Collector's Edition has a hardwood-framed playing board with exclusive new graphics, plus a drawer to hold all accessories. It comes with tiles minted into ingots and accented with 22 carat gold, a velvet drawstring tile bag, score sheets, and a hardbound volume of Official Scrabble Words thrown in. The cost? Just \$A695 (around \$NZ930) plus postage and handling.

### News Flash!

John Foster has organised a raffle to raise funds for our World Champs team. First prize is one of these collector's sets. Be in to Win!



### Onwords Magazine, May 1991

Anyone wanting more details on this British Scrabble mag please contract Jeff Grant



# COMPETITION CORNER



## Solution Scrabble Contest No 30

1 QUOPS	11 QUARK
2 QADI	12 QUODDED
3 QUETSCH	13 QUERSPRUNG
4 QUACKLE	14 QUICKEN
5 QUINSIED	15 QUELEAS
6 QUOIF	16 QUOOKE
7 QUOHOG	17 QUICKSET
8 QINDARKA	18 QUIXOTRY
9 QUEYN	19 QUIZZIFY
10 QUATERN	20 QUIVERFUL

The combined efforts of all entrants would have gained full marks, but individually no-one really got close. The best scores came from June Mackwell, Rhoda Cashman and Jethro Snafflerod with 17, followed by Lyn Toka, Alveen Seon, Andrée Prentice and Leila Thompson with 16. A draw was held and the winner is Jethro. Congratulations!

## Scrabble Contest No 31

You start the game with QUITE for 48 points (E on centre star), and your opponent responds with ROUX/QUITER for 27. You now hold the interesting rack EEENS and 2 blanks. What play gives you the greatest lead?

The closing date is **August 9** and the winner will receive a book prize. Only OSW/OSPD2/CED words allowed. Entries to be sent to **Jeff Grant, Waipatu Settlement Rd, RD 2, Hastings.** Good luck!

## Lettergram Competition No 1: Results

A goodly number of entries for this new word puzzle. Mistakes occurred by having some combinations of letters which were not connected by a line — notably the word VIER found its way into many lists — and by some people misinterpreting the multiple use of the central letter — i.e. it may be returned to but not doubled.

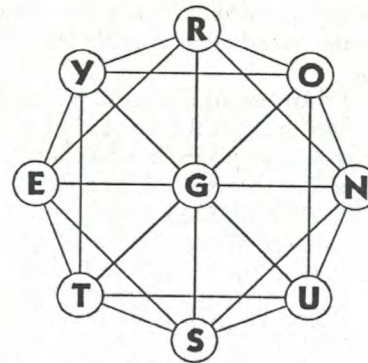
The outright winner was Leila Thomson (Lower Hutt) with 140 words. Second came Lyn Toka (Hamilton) with 137. In a tie for third were Alveen Seon - (133, 1 word disallowed, Kathleen Barker (Dunedin) - 3 disallowed and Dorothy Haining (Rodney) - 14 disallowed. Next came Rhoda Cashman (Rodney) - 130, 1 disallowed, Val Worth (Tokoroa) - 128, Lynne Butler (New Plymouth) - 127 (1), Andrée Prentice - 127, 11 disallowed, Ron Bunny (Hastings) - 117.

Leila's winning list of words:  
AGE, AGER, AGRIA, AIA, AIR, AIRER, AIRT, AIT, AIVER, ARAR, ARE, AREA, AREAR, ARET, ARETT, ARIA, ART, ATE, ATRIA, ATTIRE, AVA, AVE, AVER, AVERT, AVIATE, EAR, ERA, ERG, ETA, ETAT, GAE, GAIR, GAIT, GAITT, GAR, GARE, GART, GARTER, GAVE, GEAR, GET, GETA, GRAT, GRATE, GRATER, GRAVE, GRAVER, GRAVITATE, GRIT, GRITTER, GRIVET, IRATE, IRATER, IRE, ITA, RAG, RAGE, RAGER, RAIA, RAIT, RARE, RARER, RAT, RATE, RATER, RATTER, RAVAGE, RAVAGER, RAVE, RAVER, REAR, REG, REGAR, RET, RETRAIT, REV, RIA, RIT, RITT, RITTER, RIVA, RIVAGE, RIVE, RIVER, RIVET, TAI, TAIRA, TAIT, TAIVER, TAIVERT, TAR, TARA, TARE, TARGE, TARGET, TART, TARTIER, TAT, TATE, TATER, TAV, TAVER, TAVERT, TEA, TEAR, TEG, TERA, TERGA, TERTIA, TIAR, TIARA, TIRE, TRAIT, TRAVE, TRET, TRIAGE,

TRIVET, VAE, VAIR, VAIRE, VAR, VARA, VARE, VARIA, VARIATE, VAT, VEG, VEGA, VERA, VERATRIA, VERT, VET, VIA, VIAE, VIRGA, VIRGE, VIRGER, VITA, VITRAGE, VITTA.

## Lettergram Competition No 2

Using the nine letters in the diagram, form as many words as possible of three letters or more, including at least one word of nine or more letters. Each letter must be connected to the previous one by a direct line. Only the central letter may be used more than once; however the use of this letter is optional. (e.g. grey, gog, stun = correct; urge, Trey, song = wrong). No plurals, please.



words used must come from OSW2, OSPD2 or CED. Words should be listed in alphabetical order. The winner will receive a small prize.

Entries are to be sent no later than **4 August** to:

**Gerald Warner**  
65 Willjames Avenue  
Algies Bay  
Warkworth

## Eastward Ho!

Residing on the East Coast we are proud to be known as **Easterners**. Our word-wise friends live all over the country and may call themselves **Northerns**, **Southerns** or **Westerns** if they wish, but Scrabble dictionaries won't allow us to describe ourselves as **Easterners**. The weather is beautiful here. Lots of sunshine, often with a gentle breeze **northering**, **southering** or **westering**. Never **eastering** though - the dictionaries forbid it! We could, however, speak of the winds as **esterlies** or **westerlies** or **northerlies**, but for some strange reason we don't have **southerlies**. You can bet we do though, in real life, outside the cosy pages of Chambers.

Compass confusion? Maybe we just need a break. Let's take a **westbound** flight to Australia. But what happens after our fortnight of fun in the sun? You guessed it — the dictionaries won't allow an **eastbound** journey (or a **southbound** or **northbound** one for that matter), so we would just have to keep heading **west**, right around the world.

Perhaps a New Zealand holiday would be safer. We could visit fellow word-buffs in our own **eastlands**, then head away to the **northlands** and **southlands**. Much as we would love to see the **westlands** too, we can't because they don't exist!

A little disoriented? So are the compilers of our Scrabble references apparently.

Leo Train



## Of Vowels and Things

Some years ago I was in hospital for an operation and every morning at some ungodly hour a bright young nurse came in to ask if my vowels had moved yet. The reason for this strange request was not immediately obvious, for the answers "yes", "no", "purple", "broccoli", "42" and "Ford Prefect" all seemed to elicit the same noncommittal response. But I'm not stupid. I know what they were after. If my vowels were to move far enough to actually transpose then my surname would become Fesfor, obviously undesirable in one recovering from surgery. You can be very sure I maintained a close watch on my name tag to detect any early signs of movement.

Never mind, fascinating though it is, the foregoing has absolutely nothing to do with the remainder of this article and is mentioned only because it was about the same time that a friend told me that FACETIOUS was the only word in the English language to contain the five vowels in their correct order. I doubted this and started checking the dictionary. On page two I found ABSTEMIOUS, a word which would not readily occur to this particular gentleman, and promptly told him he was full of crap and there were probably heaps more. I now believe I did him something of an injustice as the only two I have found in our dictionaries, in addition to the two above, are CAESIOUS and PARECIOUS, although other dictionaries contain such non-Scrabble terms as ACHEILLOUS, ARTERIOUS and AERIOUS. The only allowable Scrabble words I have found with the vowels in reverse order are SUBCONTINENTAL and UNCOMPLIMENTARY but terms such as UNORIENTAL and DUOLITERAL can be found in other dictionaries.

More importantly for Scrabble

players there are, I believe, only 30 allowable words of eight letters or less that contain all five vowels, including regular and irregular plurals of seven-letter words. These words are as follows:

ABOIDEAU\* ABOITEAU\* AEQUORIN  
AEROBIUM AGOUTIES CAESIOUS  
DIALOGUE DOUANIER DOULEIA  
DOULEIAS EDACIOUS EQUATION  
EULOGIA EULOGIAE\* EULOGIAS  
EUPHOBIA EUPHONIA EUPHORIA  
EXONUMIA JALOUSIE MIAOUED  
MOINEAU MOINEAUS ODALIQUE  
OUTRAISE POULAINE SAUTOIRE  
SEQUOIA SEQUOIAS THIOUREA

The three words marked \* are the only ones anywhere in this article that contain an extra vowel, but are worthy of inclusion because there are, to the best of my knowledge, only two other eight letter words that contain six vowels.

The shortest and longest words that are known to meet the condition of all five vowels and no extra vowels are the non-Scrabble terms EUNOLA and SULPHONPHTHALEINS. I have found seven 15-letter words, the longest that can be played on a Scrabble board, including COUNTERMARCHING and COUNTERCHARMING which have the added distinction of being the longest anagram pair in CED. Because of the limitations placed on the length of base-words in OSPD and OSW it is not possible for words of such length to be found there. But OSW has OUTTRAVELLING which, at 13 letters, is the maximum possible length for an extended verb. OSPD contains a number of 11-letter words but no 12-letter word which would be the maximum possible under its rules of compilation.

I have so far found a total of 520

words of nine to 15 letters counting A, E, I, O and U, all of which could theoretically be played on a Scrabble board. The number found of any particular length increases steadily from the five seven-letter words to a peak of 164 11-letter words and then tapers off to a measly seven 15-letter words. Lists of all these words can be provided on request, but limitations on space do not permit their inclusion here. However, since there are only seven 15-letter words perhaps they can be squeezed in. They are:

COUNTERCHARMING  
COUNTERMARCHING  
GRANDILOQUENTLY  
INCOMMENSURABLY  
NEUROPSYCHIATRY  
UNCOMPLIMENTARY and  
UNSPORTSMANLIKE.

The only strange thing is that most of them are quite commonplace.

The lists contain quite a number of anagram pairs, but also a pair of exact antonyms in VERACIOUS and MENDACIOUS. It would be possible to go on and on by including hyphenated terms like WATERING-TROUGH, multiple-word phrases like LAWN TENNIS COURT or capitalised names like JACQUEMINOT, but I fear I am getting as bored writing this as I am sure you are reading it. So I will leave you with this final word from Dorland's Medical Dictionary (23rd ed.) — PSEUDOHEMAGGLUTINATION — which in 22 letters contains the vowels AEIOU twice!

Now did you hear the one about the delegate from the TRADE-UNION of BOAT-BUILDERS who went for a ride on a train and dined in the OUTSIDE-CAR on SOUP-MAIGRE followed by a MAIN-COURSE of GUINEA-CORN?

Well, that's another story as they say — anyway a QUESTION-MARK still hangs over the ILL-FAVoured outcome.

John Foster

## Christchurch Tournament

On the chilly morning of 22 May, the Sydenham Community Centre was alive with activity for the commencement of the highlight of the Christchurch Scrabble Club's calendar — the annual tournament.

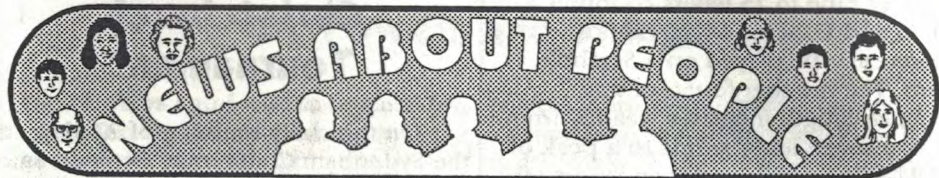
Twenty players competed — ten in each of the two grades — seven from Dunedin, one from Wellington and twelve from Christchurch. Several of the competitors were suffering from colds and other winter ills, and the number of cough lozenge packets on many tables was clear evidence of the season! Once play began, however, all personal discomfort was forgotten, and a glance at intent faces revealed varying degrees of concentration, frustration, concern or glee!

Some tough battles were fought and some high scoring achieved. Alan Boyd of Dunedin won the 'A' grade by a comfortable margin, losing only one game, to his fellow Club rival Norman Goodger, who came a close second. Doreen Ogston was third to uphold the host team's prestige.

First, second and third places went to Christchurch Club members in 'B' grade, with Mary Pinchin having to concede victory to her son, Gordon, though both gained eight wins. Third place went to Katrine Renwick with seven wins.

Food and refreshments were provided by the Christchurch Club, with lunch supplied on both days. At the conclusion of Sunday's games the organisers heaved audible sighs of relief at the success of this first two-day event, thankful that it was all over for another year!





## Beat This One

Just sometimes, everything goes right! In Tokoroa recently I'd had 3 games with Lesley Edgeler over the previous week (won 2, lost 1) and this would be the 4th. Just another game!?

It started just like any other, **ordinary**, game. My first rack of ABEEGLU brings to mind a bonus I missed a few days earlier, BELUGAS, so I play what I guess is the singular, which gets good turnover and leaves the best possible rack (E).

Turn 3 sees a blank come along, and a number of bonus possibilities. I choose BEECHIER, as I know it, and it's perhaps an 'odd' word. Sure enough, it draws a challenge. I then draw (oh, yuck!) **seven consonants**. About to swap most, I notice a free vowel, and 30 points to clear 5 of them. Great!

I admit I'm not completely sure of UNVAILS on turn 8, but as so often with our 'double-challenge' rules one can try a word like this and get away with it. It's not challenged, and is in fact quite O.K.

Next rack is EJLMOOZ — Christmas! JOLE for 39 and/or M(O)Z for 66. Fighting the impulse to grab 66 I instead opt for JOLE first, reasoning that the MOZ spot would **probably** still be on next turn, but if I grab it now then the JOLE spot would go. (Also, JOLE turns over twice as many tiles).

TOUSIER breaks the 600 mark, then brings another 'S'. But no bonus this time! So rather than holding it at this late stage I 'waste' (?) it on FAROS for 46. Next rack is a promising ACEIORT. COATIER comes to mind, but I know it

isn't right, then I remember EROTICA. But definitely no place to play it. Ah well, I've **had** my share of luck.

Rather than a last desperate fish, with, say, AEIRT, I feel there are obviously no more bonus spots, so just grab the score and I'll probably make 700 (my previous best ever was 708). OTIC still leaves a good balance — AER.

I then draw the final 'S', along with DGN, which of course makes GARDENS (and probably something else).

Amazing, but of course, as I know, there is simply no sniff of a spot for a 7 now, and the only possible 8 must have 'Q' as the 6th letter. So — about to grab a 15 or 20 somewhere, for my highest ever score, it suddenly dawns.

Ruefully making a final desperate check I notice the free 'EN' down the bottom. Those are good common letters. Any chance of a **nine**? RENEGADES? Wrong letters. GRENADES? An 'N' left over. **DENAGERS**? Never heard of it.

Then something clicks. Perhaps I should have paused with GARDENS, and found GANDERS and **DANGERS**. Anyway, no longer excited about maybe making 700, I'm sad to find I've missed the **800** mark by a mere 3 points.

A magical game out of nowhere, and if I live to 100 I won't mind never exceeding it. Thank you, Lesley.

And a final word — "Sorry, Jethro!"

## Scoring details

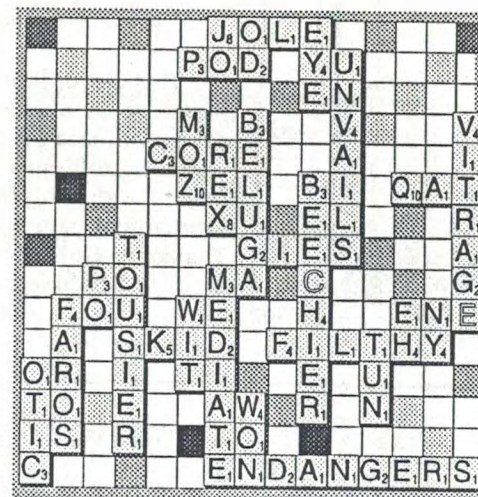
Date: 5 March, 1993 at Tokoroa.

'Double-challenge' rules applied and the game was timed at 25 minutes per player.

Lesley			Ian		
Turn	Word	Score	Word	Score	Total
1	ENCORER (ch)	-	BELUGA	24	24
2	CORE(E)	12	(R)EX	37	61
3	(G)IE	4	BE(E)CHIER	76	137
4	(ch)BEECHIER	-	F(OL)THY	30	167
5	--- (ch)	-	MEDIATE	71	238
6	EN	16	WON	31	269
6	(T)UN	6	VITRAGE	94	363
7	WIT	32	UNVAILS	81	444
8	YE	28	JOLE	39	483
9	K(ID)	16	M(O)Z	66	549
10	(swap)	-	TOUSIER	73	622
11	PO	10	FAROS	46	668
12	QA(T)	14	OTIC	28	696
13	POD	24	(EN)DANGERS	89	785
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Tiles left A, A, D, I, N

## Board





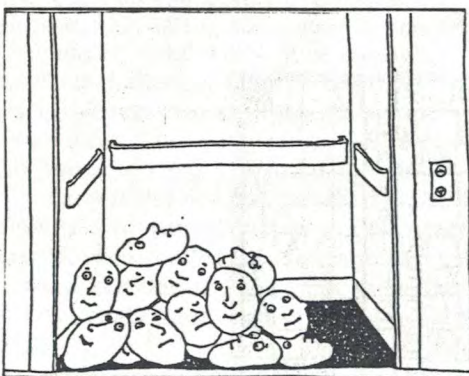
## Anagram Corner

Scrabblers are dab hands at transposing letters, for example GOUTY to GUYOT and COSTING to GHOSTIC. On a higher level the OLD MASTERS are ART'S MODELS.

This corner will feature anagrams of half-a-dozen players each issue. Keep watching and maybe your name will appear.

ROBERT TALBOT	ROBOT BATTLER
VALERIE TALBOT	I LOVE A BATTLER
LYNNE BUTLER	NELLY BUNTER
YVONNE WILSON	ONLY NINE VOWS
BERNICE VANNINI	VIN IN BEER IN CAN
NORMAN GOODGER	NO GROG, NO DREAM

## That Takes the Cake



A face-lift

## The Nympho

*Most people do it once a week,  
or twice a week's all right.*

*But my friend Lindy Loo  
is at it morning, noon and night.  
She doesn't care how, when or where,  
with whom, the time is right.*

*There and then she wants to play  
from dark till morning light.  
You name the place, she's done it there*

*— the beach, the plane in flight,  
the back seat of the smallest car,  
no trouble, squeeze in tight.*

*She yearns for more,  
she'll laugh and roar,  
or moan and groan for heaven.*

*You can't stop her,  
she gets it down,  
another perfect seven.*

*With no remorse she'll reinforce,  
and score — she'll get you raddled.*

*It's tough to play with Lindy Loo,  
you know that you've been scrabbled.*

This clever little poem was written years ago by our first (1980) N.Z. champion, Sue Marrow. Can you guess which Scrabblemaniac is being described here? (Clue: Who has played the most tournament games on the Rating List?) Thanks to **Georgie** for sending in this piece of Scrabble memorabilia.

## Is This Scrabble?

"I have witnessed only two expulsions in all tournaments I have attended .... In the first case, a male player punched a female player (not his opponent!) in the jaw. In the second, a player attempted to push a pencil up his opponent's nose."

**Joel Wapnick**  
former N. American Scrabble champ.

## Sonly Shellacking

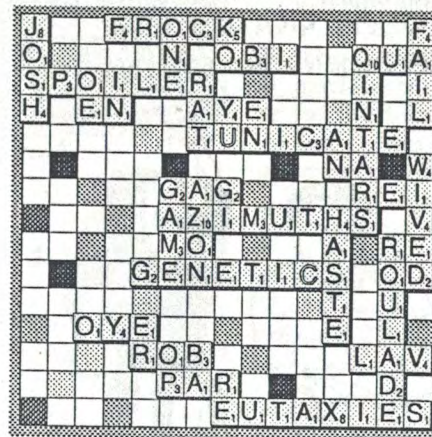
Lesley and Kevin Edgeler's son, Daniel, is getting keen on Scrabble. Using anagram lists he **twice** recently managed to get down **seven** bonus words against Lesley on the way to recording wins by 702 - 277 and a phenomenal 858 - 300. After these drubbings and Ian Patterson's massive total Lesley must surely be due for some good scores herself shortly! Daniel's 858 game, which included a 257-point triple-triple (EUTAXIES), is detailed below. It makes you wonder how many bonus words get missed, doesn't it?

## Scoring details

Turn	Word	Daniel		Word	Lesley	
		Score	Total		Score	Total
1	AZIMUTH	100	100	MO	21	21
2	QINTARS	106	206	GAG	26	47
3	REI	3	209	WIVED	36	83
4	GENETIC	87	296	QUA	24	107
5	ROULADE	77	373	FAIL	24	131
6	NA	2	375	HASTE	26	157
6	EUTAXIES	257	632	PAR	13	170
7	OP	4	636	ROB	19	157
8	TUNICATE	69	705	AYE	23	212
9	LAV	12	717	OYE	14	226
10	SPOILER	74	791	NE	4	230
11	JOSH	54	845	FROCK	48	278
12	OBI	13	858	EN	10	288
					+12	300

Tiles left D, W

## Board



### Layout Editor's note:

When checking to see which tiles were the blanks I made the interesting discovery that this game was played with a set of tiles in which a 'D' was missing and an extra 'A' was present. Lesley - check your tiles!







# NZASP RATINGS as at 7 June 1993

Name	Rating	Games	Wins	Percent	Name	Rating	Games	Wins	Percent
1 Jeff Grant	2198	365	284.5	78%	41 Betty Gibb	1651	125	44.5	36%
2 Mike Sigley	2061	303	236.5	78%	42 Allie Quinn	1647	355	158.5	45%
3 Blue Thorogood	2050	211	142	67%	43 Georgie Offringa	1634	300	128.5	43%
4 Lynne Butler	2029	364	234.5	64%	44 Roger Tozer	1629	142	93	65%
5 Ian Patterson	1984	160	101	63%	45 Roy Vannini	1628	235	135.5	58%
6 Denise Gordon	1982	314	174.5	56%	46 Rita Moore	1621	190	85	45%
7 Patrick Carter	1958	160	104.5	65%	47 Faye Cronhelm	1605	199	103	52%
8 Lynne Powell	1956	467	262.5	56%	48 Chris Hooks	1599	115	73	63%
9 Glennis Hale	1949	417	248	59%	49 Stan Skinner	1589	215	131	61%
10 Bob Johnstone	1941	171	91	53%	50 Andree Prentice	1582	244	144.5	59%
11 Peter Sinton	1933	95	67	71%	51 Margie Hurly	1579	82	65	79%
12 John Foster	1913	319	178	56%	52 Alan Boyd	1578	207	129.5	63%
13 Andrew Bradley	1870	203	103	51%	53 Rosalie Goldsworthy	1573	147	82	56%
14 Glenyss Buchanan	1869	285	148	52%	54 Yvette Hewlett	1567	115	52.5	46%
15 June Mackwell	1851	396	184	46%	55 Sue McRae	1542	138	84	61%
16 Glenda Foster	1844	268	143	53%	56 Karen Rodgers	1537	104	35.5	34%
17 Glynis Jennings	1836	309	144	47%	57 Cathy Woods	1534	247	107	43%
18 Fae Olson	1834	403	218	54%	58 Glenda Geard	1517	258	146.5	57%
19 Gerald Warner	1832	429	212.5	50%	59 Bev Barker	1500	221	109	49%
20 Lucy Bright	1831	310	144	46%	60 Norman Goodger	1498	102	56	55%
21 May Quigley	1819	418	177.5	42%	61 Penny Headington	1493	105	50	48%
22 David Pinner	1804	168	79	47%	62 Hilda Scott	1492	163	90	55%
23 Joy Hunter	1793	144	75.5	52%	63 Marj Baillie	1488	255	129	51%
24 Peter Jones	1782	380	201	53%	64 Kate Henderson	1479	164	108.5	66%
25 Florence Veldhuizen	1769	198	92.5	47%	65 Martha Morgan	1471	171	88	51%
26 Ann Candler	1765	307	127	41%	66 Alette Hay	1455	171	80	47%
27 Correne James	1760	145	66	46%	67 Elaine Moltzen	1452	192	101.5	53%
28 Dorothy Pinner	1756	210	89	42%	68 Lyn Toka	1449	179	101	56%
29 Lesley Edgeler	1744	97	47	48%	69 Joyce Gilbert	1428	60	38	63%
30 Lynn Wood	1729	404	187.5	46%	70 Jean O'Brien	1426	312	154.5	50%
31 Gaye Norgren	1716	118	62	53%	71 Bill Grigg	1420	102	58	57%
32 Kevin Edgeler	1716	190	66.5	35%	72 Hazel Purdie	1418	69	33	48%
33 Lella Thomson	1707	214	101	47%	73 Marian Ross	1411	102	50	49%
34 Puti Rowe	1700	188	102.5	55%	74 Rob Talbot	1411	95	59	62%
35 Roger Coates	1693	257	128	50%	75 Ruth O'Neill	1409	112	55.5	50%
36 John Moore	1685	190	93.5	49%	76 Anne Stewart	1408	135	86	64%
37 Reeve Pearson	1673	413	197	48%	77 Mary Brett	1392	178	81	46%
38 Bernice Vannini	1664	197	105	53%	78 Margaret Bundock	1385	166	91	55%
39 Rhoda Cashman	1658	335	167	50%	79 Nita Oldham	1379	123	61	50%
40 Anne Warner	1653	338	191	57%	80 Lorraine Van Veen	1378	158	87	55%

Name	Rating	Games	Wins	1Name	Rating	Games	Wins		
81 Maureen Holliday	1378	59	36	61%	124 Shirley Tozer	1077	105	52.5	50%
82 Doreen Davies	1370	146	77	53%	125 Valerie Mills	1072	33	21	64%
83 Dave Godman	1367	184	99	54%	126 Daphne Parker	1071	97	50	52%
84 Joan Ball	1364	99	54	55%	128 Jan Jacobi	1068	104	40.5	39%
85 Shirley Wyatt	1335	64	37	58%	129 Gordon Pinchin	1066	50	29.5	59%
86 Isobel Zyp	1333	104	56	54%	130 Conny van Tilburg	1058	182	94.5	52%
87 Norman Wheeler	1332	184	109	59%	131 Joan Pratt	1057	84	47	56%
88 Betty Erikson	1330	221	104.5	47%	132 Annette Coombes	1040	226	93.5	41%
89 Carole Coates	1330	213	101	47%	133 Vivienne Williamson	1040	53	27	51%
90 Peggy Wallace	1329	142	66	46%	134 Liz Ross	1034	57	33	58%
91 David Gunn	1329	163	86	53%	135 Christine Trubuhovich	1020	36	22	61%
92 Doreen Ogston	1322	182	73.5	40%	136 Win Heaven	1014	52	30	58%
93 Rosemary Cleary	1308	141	66	47%	137 Adrienne McKeown	1012	107	43.5	41%
94 Gwen Kaiser	1300	178	90.5	51%	138 Jan Wheeler	1003	93	40	43%
95 Carolyn Kyle	1290	97	55	57%	139 Ernie Gidman	1002	68	33	49%
96 Marjorie Heads	1290	52	35	67%	140 Lil Moore	992	253	113.5	45%
97 Jo Burnside	1286	149	77	52%	141 Alice O'Callahan	991	92	30.5	33%
98 Margaret Parsons	1276	85	43	51%	142 Laney De Gooyer	971	75	35	47%
99 Shirley Hol	1258	53	24	45%	143 Ian Ross	940	88	42	48%
100 Daph Curl	1258	135	52.5	39%	144 Tim Kyne	927	47	22	47%
101 Eileen McLean	1248	123	71	58%	145 June Ward (I)	924	88	42.5	48%
102 Jeff Owens	1241	140	81	58%	146 Anne Reeves	923	53	25	47%
103 Jean Walsh	1240	104	50	48%	147 Naomi Gilmore	920	33	22.5	68%
104 Margaret Lyall	1239	92	43	47%	148 Margaret Simpson	896	90	43.5	48%
105 Faye Leach	1236	157	68.5	44%	149 Valma Gidman	888	86	43	50%
106 Robert Jones	1229	84	43	51%	150 Delcie Macbeth	885	44	25	57%
107 Sheryl Davidson	1217	51	35	69%	151 Shirley Murcott	885	80	34	43%
108 Alveen Seon	1208	239	112	47%	152 Alice Doust	878	83	32	39%
109 Pat Johnstone	1198	191	82	43%	153 Margaret Mourant	866	107	51	48%
110 Irene Hague-Smith	1192	220	101.5	46%	154 Kay Buffalora	864	92	39	42%
111 Kathleen Barker	1146	87	47	54%	155 Hanna Dodge	858	36	13.5	38%
112 Daph Watson	1144	111	45	41%	156 Mary Curtis	831	32	19	59%
113 Dorothy Haining	1133	212	111.5	53%	157 Val Worth	823	100	42	42%
114 Johanne Patel	1129	45	26	58%	158 Frances Katene	822	88	24.5	28%
115 Daisy Madden	1127	78	33	42%	159 Suzanne Anderson	813	42	21	50%
116 Jane Lawless	1120	40	26	65%	160 Kate Wignall	812	183	88	48%
117 Olwen Skelton	1109	110	53	48%	161 Jillian Greening	805	154	66	43%
118 Neville James	1099	89	41	46%	162 May Meads	801	43	17	40%
119 Elsie Pugh	1091	63	39.5	63%	163 Cecilia Bullot	778	137	56.5	41%
120 Bridget French	1090	145	90.5	62%	164 Marie Kingi	733	37	10	27%
121 Dawn Kitzen	1087	117	59	50%	165 Jacqueline Coldham-Fussell	730	108	47.5	44%
122 Katrine Kerr Renwick	1082	107	47	44%	166 Lulu Holt	711	124	59	48%
123 Jane Walton	1079	40	24	60%	167 Kath James	699	130	56.5	43%



Name	Rating	Games	Wins	
168 Letitia Vaitupu	698	36	9	25%
169 Ed Olson	686	379	116	31%
170 David Sutcliffe	677	33	13	39%
171 Kath Davies	615	28	8	29%
172 Nola Kennedy	593	66	8	12%
173 May Gale	483	94	15	16%
174 Elvira Steel	439	64	1	2%

## Hidden Words

In Forwards No 10 (January 1988) editor David Lloyd issued the following challenge:

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

In the next issue the stakes were raised to 50,000 points to each person discovering the mysterious word.

Let's examine the problem. No reference is specified, so an acceptable solution would be *DOYLL*, listed in the Oxford English Dictionary as an obsolete form of 'dole'. On pointing this out to David he informed me the word required could be found in one of the Scrabble dictionaries. A couple of people had actually located it.

Back to the drawing board. The most obvious possibility seemed to be the adverb *OLDLY* which appears in several dictionaries, such as the Oxford, which has a number of citations of use, including this one from *Ulysses* by James Joyce:

*"He raised his forefinger and beat the air oldly before his voice spoke."*

This is all very fine, but the word *OLDLY* is not listed in either Chambers or OSPD ..... or is it? Working with dictionaries gives you an insight into their strengths and weaknesses. It isn't uncommon for a definition or derivation to contain a word that appears nowhere else in the work. The meaning of such

terms is usually obvious. A quick check reveals that this is the case here, as the following entry is found in OSPD2:

*AGEDLY* adv. oldly

However the word *OLDLY* is not listed as a main entry, so it is not allowed in Scrabble! Just how many words appear in dictionaries, other than those shown in bold type? Let's take a random example from Chambers English Dictionary. We'll have a close look at page 29.

The underlined words don't appear as boldface entries in Chambers. Some of them are shown in italics only. Proper names, such as Polynesia (aitu) and Achilles (Ajax), are not included in the survey.

**airstream mechanism** the part(s) ... which can produce a flow of air on which speech-sounds, etc. may be produced.

**aitchbone** an aitchbone is for a nachebone (derivation)

**akimbo** other suggestions are can-bow (i.e. canhandle) ... (derivation)

**ala** any flat winglike process (OSPD only)

**alabaster** a semi-transparent massive gypsum (unhyphenated only)

**alalagmos** a war-cry, cry of alalai à la lanterne to the lamp(-chain)

A thorough search in Chambers would doubtless unearth hundreds more interesting examples. To illustrate this, a cursory half-hour browse revealed antiparliamentarian under Poujadist, masklike (OSPD only) under oxygen mask, over-brilliant under Corinthian, featherless under friarbird, monodon without a capital under monodont, and dichlorodifluoromethane under Freon.

Have a go and see how many more you can find.

Ken Cripit

## 1993 Masters

How on earth did I get myself into this? The Masters is surely only for those who spend hours swotting great lists of words. **Phew!**

Our weekend started off with Glennis picking up Roy and me from home on the Thursday evening to take us to the airport. But not before or six-year-old daughter Alexandra put on a wonderful performance of "Don't leave me mummy," sob, sob, "Please, please don't go." She was finally extricated from around my ankles and placated with a bar of chocolate — truly her mother's daughter!! So we were able to get to the airport to meet up with June and Lynne P. then onto the aircraft.

After a hilarious flight we arrived at a typically windy Wellington where we were met by Glenyss B. and chauffeur-driven to our Lower Hutt motel.

Friday arrived wet and miserable as the motel started to fill with other out-of-town Scrabble players. We spent the day playing what else, but Scrabble plus the odd game of cards. Saturday dawned absolutely miserable, which was how I had slept — anyone got any cures for snoring? — and off to the Masters we went. Well, the results speak for themselves. but I do have to thank my fellow Mt. Albert competitors who were my only triumphs over the three days of play. A special thank you to Blue who has patiently played us at home over the past year, boosting our confidence as well as teaching us heaps. My next task is to learn how to play against certain people without falling to pieces.

Over the course of the weekend there were many memorable moments — who could forget John Foster and his black arm-band to commemorate the passing of Alfred Butts (the originator of

Scrabble), then his garlic to ward off the spells some people cast over the tiles! Denise and Mike have invented a new way of eating brandy snaps but I will not go into detail here as the magazine is uncensored, and I understand that the waiter has recovered now thanks, Lynne Butler. It was all an experience to remember.

After the presentation we all headed off in our separate directions. Roy, June, Glennis and myself were invited to spend a very hospitable few hours with Lynn Wood while waiting for our flight

*Well, the results speak for themselves*

home. Thanks Lynn, we needed the fortification for what lay ahead of us. We duly arrived at the Air NZ airport terminal, handed

over our tickets to be told "Sorry, but that flight was cancelled about a month ago and there are no more flights to Auckland tonight!!" "Sure, sure," we said, "who put you up to this joke?" "Sorry, no joke." Frantic phone calls were made by the airline as we stood with our mouths open. Subsequently Roy was sent with tickets in hand, to run as fast as possible to the Ansett terminal where they were holding a plane for us, while we were to follow shortly with Air NZ purser in tow. Dragging our luggage we ran as fast as was possible while killing ourselves laughing. We must have made quite a sight — just as well we all have a sense of humour. We did make it home eventually.

Many thanks to everyone for making it a great weekend, especially the joviality after the games. And to our room-mates Glennis, June and Jeff for not talking Scrabble all weekend and for making it all an enjoyable time. Hope to see you all again next year.

Bernice Vannini





## Number 13

The great All Black winger races down the sideline — only one defender left to beat. He feints a pass to the left, then darts to the right with the winning try.

A hand of poker sees all but two players pull out, as the pot climbs to thousands. Another confident bidding round, then one's nerve crumbles and he too throws in his hand. So the champion wins again — though we happen to know that he only had a pair of lousy threes, and a strong nerve!

Last round of the 1995 N.Z. Scrabble Masters, with the title hanging on this game, Fred is trailing near the end of the game, and after much consideration of all his options he opts for a deliberate **nonword**, which will lose if challenged off, but will at least give a **chance** of winning if it stays on. His opponent calls a hold, weighs up his options carefully (not knowing, of course, that the word **is** invalid) then decides to allow it. Fred then draws some quite useful tiles, and manages a last minute victory.

### Bluffing

Surely in all these three cases the winning player deserves our plaudits for the courage and skill shown. And indeed in hindsight the three unfortunates who got bluffed will rue their weakness.

But there are those who see bluffing in Scrabble as somehow different to other games. Dare I say the word 'cheating' is even sometimes used.

Well, if bluffing is cheating, our rules should probably say that if someone is caught playing a nonword then they automatically lose the game. **That** would

stamp it out instantly!

But instead the rules we use clearly spell out the possible **drawbacks** and the possible **benefits** of playing nonwords — it's up to each player to weigh these up each turn.

To my way of thinking our rules very sensibly give **me** the responsibility to ensure **your** turns are correct, and vice versa. So no one is under any **moral** obligation at all to play valid words — we only tend to play them because we're **scared** of our opponent making us lose a turn if we don't.

### Innocence?

To those who feel it's not the nonword itself that's cheating, but the **deliberate** use of a nonword, I ask what game is there anywhere with rules that **penalise** the **better** player? If a novice plays **WETA** (and gets away with it) that is deemed 'fair', as he didn't know, whereas a better player is called a cheat for exactly the same play?? Nonsense, and anyway quite impossible to enforce, so I feel anyone is welcome to play **WETA** whenever they wish, for whatever reason, provided they're prepared to take the possible consequences — of a lost turn.

### Mismatches

Probably most of us have at some time been stung by a far more knowledgeable opponent, who plays so many unlikely looking words that we just can't keep up. Then if the going gets tough this person may well win through a likely looking nonword. That's tough! But — that's skill!

If you are a far better player than me, then you should **deserve** to win. But if I get all the good tiles then **I** might win. So bluffing is added to the mix to help **you**, and if used wisely it will often lead to justice in the end.

The game isn't finished until the end. Although I may lead by 50 points toward the end, **you** may have deliberately sacrificed points to play odd words or set up hooks for plausible **nonwords** later on. So why should I moan when you bluff me at the end to snatch your deserved win?

(In **any** sport gross mismatches are not much fun for either side. My comments

on bluffing are mainly aimed toward two fairly **even** players).

### Challenging

The other side of a possible **bluff** is of course a possible **challenge** (and I find both of these make a wonderful extra dimension to our game — really gets the adrenalin flowing)!

Consider an 'average' turn. Maybe my best valid play scores 30. But I can get 45 with a word I'm unsure of, or 60 with one I **know** is wrong.

Generally one just plays the 30 without too much thought. But 60 is **double** the score. What chance you would challenge it? Might you **know** it's wrong? And if you don't know, do you tend to challenge rarely, or often?

If I can weigh these things up and figure there's **less than 50/50** chance of a challenge, then it could be worth the gamble.

### Doubtful Words

The 45 score is even harder to calculate. On top of the 'will you challenge?' question I must also think 'is it a word?'. We all have words right at the edge of our knowledge, in the hazy area. Playing **single** challenge rules, as in Britain (and at the World Champs) tends to inhibit plays from this area.

Challengers are never penalised, so you may as well assume it **will** be challenged — the only question being 'is it a word?'

But with **double** challenge rules, as in USA, Canada, and New Zealand, doubtful words can be played somewhat more readily, as if it is **not** a word, your opponent may still be too cautious to challenge. So we do get to play more of these doubtful words (which I find are **usually** O.K. anyway) and thus absorb them into our **main** memory from out in those hazy nether regions.

### When to Bluff

Let's ignore those 'doubtful' words, and consider **deliberately** playing a word you **know** is invalid. Some times you could/should do this are:

1. When no **valid** turn gives any chance of

winning, but the nonword does (if allowed).

2. When you are fairly sure, for whatever reason, your opponent won't challenge.
3. When you **want** a challenge! This can be a better option than passing at times. Your first rack is AEEINRS — which makes nothing, but could make lots of 8's. A pass is an obvious giveaway, but playing say **ENIA** may have the same effect without giving the show away.

### When to Challenge

Firstly, if you **know** it's a nonword, that does **not** mean you automatically challenge. Check first if you can score heaps off it, and only if **not then** you challenge.

But we'll assume you've no idea if the word is valid or not. Among your many many considerations should be:

1. Does it help **me**?
2. What could I play if I allow it?
3. What could I play if I challenge it off?
4. If I challenge and lose, what are the likely consequences on the board?
5. Is he **likely** to play a nonword at this stage of the game?
6. Can I see another good (**valid!**) turn with those tiles? (In which case maybe he's chosen this odd-looking word to try to draw a challenge).
7. (Usually near the end of a game) - Can I allow it and still (probably) win the game?
8. (Usually for a high-scoring turn) - If I allow it then I will almost certainly lose the game, so therefore my best chance is a challenge.

Happy Scrabbling,

OTARINE PANTS

### What's In a Word?

"I'm surprised!" said Mrs Webster as she came across Noah (of dictionary fame) kissing the maid. "Oh no you're not," replied Noah, crossly. "I am surprised: **you** are **astonished.**"

1. When no **valid** turn gives any chance of



# Club News

## Dunedin Newsletter

**February:-** Oamaru Tournament. The winner was Norman Goodger, second was Alan Boyd, third Anne Stewart, all of Dunedin. 'B' Grade was won by Marjorie Head (Indep. Wgtn), second, Kathleen Barker (DN) third, Liz Ross (DN). 'C' Grade winner was Hillary Ruscoe (CHCH). Many thanks to the ladies of the Oamaru Club for an enjoyable day. Tokoroa Tournament:- Congratulations to Jo Burnside (DN) on winning 'D' Grade.

**March:-** Recent visitors were Chris and Dawn Kitzen from Holy Cross Papatoetoe. New members this year — Blair Broad and from Boulder, Colorado, Andy Caplan. Dunedin Tournament:- Winner was Peter Sinton, second Bill Grigg and third, Norman Goodger. Clocks were used for the first time and now even sceptics enjoy using them. Which of the following words played in the latest tournament are incorrect? Arenose, bivouac, ergeats, recenter, tanates. See answer at end of newsletter. Well done to Corale McDonald making the top of the ladder for the first time. In the R/R Competition an unusual happening — two drawn games on the same night. 'A' grade (362) Corale McDonald/Marian Ross. 'B' Grade (354) Anne Stewart/Glennie Jamieson.

Happy 80th birthday Alice Doust. Sorry to hear Marian Ross and Harry Thom's wife have been in hospital and we hope they get well soon.

**April:-** Peter Sinton represented the club at the Masters Tournament recently. He finished a marvellous 7th with 15 wins in this toughest of tournaments.

Another draw in the R/R competition, 'A' grade (403) Bill Grigg/Norman Goodger. Well done, Norman on winning 'A' grade and Andy Caplan winning 'D' grade for the first time.

### Club Competitions up to 30th

**April**  
R/R (1) Peter Sinton (2) Bill Grigg (3) Alan Boyd  
Ladder (1) Norman Goodger (2) Alan Boyd (3) Jo Burnside  
Challenge (1) Norman Goodger (2) Alan Boyd (3) Dawn Kitzen (HCP)  
Dictionary (1) Glen Madigan (2) Alan Boyd (3) Kathleen Barker

**May:-** Dunedin Tournament 1st May 7 games, organiser Bill Grigg — see results section.

Answers to quiz: Incorrect are ergeats and tanates.

### Remember Dunedin Open 27-28 November 1993

**Organiser:-** Bill Grigg, 120 District Rd., Green Island, Phone 03-488-2885.

## Tauranga News

It was nice to get a letter from N.Z. Life Member Noel Maisey and to catch up with her at the Nationals. Noel runs Scrabble Sessions on Tuesday mornings in the Tauranga and Mount Maunganui libraries, with help from Shirley Bonthron. Tauranga Club is planning to hold a 'Double Decade' tournament to celebrate their 20th anniversary in 1996. Mark it on your 5-year calendar now!

## Iterates

The words found in the first two columns below are all from the second editions of *Official Scrabble Words (OSW2)* and *Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (OSPD2)*. The second column contains all such double-barrelled words.

AN/	ANAN	Expressing failure to understand. <i>OSW2</i>
AR	ARAR	The sandarac tree. (Moroccan) <i>OSW2</i>
	ATLATL	A device for throwing a spear or dart. <i>OSPD2</i>
BA	BABA	A rum flavoured cake. <i>BOTH</i>
✓ BEE	BEEBEE	A pellet. <i>OSPD2</i>
	BERIBERI	A disease of thiamine (vitamin B) deficiency. <i>BOTH</i>
BON	BONBON	A sweet. (Lolly!) <i>BOTH</i> (Also a Christmas cracker — Chambers)
BOO	BOOBOO	A blunder. <i>BOTH</i>
	BOUBOU	A long flowing garment. <i>OSPD2</i>
	BULBUL	A Persian songbird. <i>BOTH</i>
	CACA	Excrement. <i>OSPD2</i>
CAN	CANCAN	A French stage dance once considered indecorous! <i>BOTH</i>
	CARACARA	A South American vulture-like hawk. <i>BOTH</i>
CHI	CHICHI	Pretentious, affected or stylish, chic! <i>BOTH</i>
	CHOCHO	A tropical American vine or its fruit. (Also CHAYOTE) <i>BOTH</i>
CHOW	CHOWCHOW	A relish of mixed pickles in mustard. <i>OSPD2</i>
	COCO	A tropical palm tree producing the coconut. <i>BOTH</i>
COO	COOCOO	Crazy! <i>OSPD2</i>
	COROCORO	A Malay form of boat. (Also COROCORE) <i>OSW2</i>
	COUSCOUS	Granulated wheat flour or a dish of couscous, meat, etc. <i>BOTH</i>
	CUSCUS	Couscous. (Also an arboreal mammal — <i>OSPD2</i> ) <i>BOTH</i>
DA	DADA	A short-lived movement in art/literature. <i>OSPD2</i> (Caps in Chambers)
	DIKDIK	A small East African antelope. <i>OSPD2</i>
DIVI	DIVIDIVI	Curved pods used for tanning and dyeing. <i>OSW2</i>
DO	DODO	An extinct flightless Mauritius bird. Also old-fashioned or stupid person (colloquial). <i>BOTH</i>
	DUMDUM	A soft-nosed (expanding) bullet first made at Dum Dum near Calcutta. <i>BOTH</i>
ES	ESES	Many of the letter es. <i>BOTH</i>
	FROUFROU	A rustling sound (as of silk). <i>OSPD2</i>
FUR	FURFUR	Dandruff. <i>OSPD2</i>
	GAGA	In senile dotage, crazy. <i>BOTH</i>
GO	GOGO	A discotheque. <i>BOTH</i>
GREE	GREEGREE	Grisgris. <i>BOTH</i>
	GRIGRI	Grisgris. <i>BOTH</i>
GRIS	GRISGRIS	African charm, amulet or spell. <i>OSW2</i>
	GRUGRU	A tropical American palm tree. <i>OSPD2</i>
	QUITQUIT	A tropical American bird. <i>OSPD2</i>
HA	HAHA	A sound of laughter. <i>OSPD2</i>
HOTS	HOTSHOTS	Showily skillful persons. <i>BOTH</i>
HUM	HUMHUM	A plain coarse cotton cloth used in the East Indies. <i>OSW2</i>
JIG	JIGJIG	With a jolting, jogging motion. Also sexual intercourse (slang). <i>OSW2</i>
	JUJU	A West African fetish or charm. <i>BOTH</i>



KAI	KAIKAI	Food, feast. (Maori) <i>OSW2</i>
KA	KAKA	A New Zealand parrot. <i>BOTH</i>
KAVA	KAVAKAVA	A tropical species of pepper plant and a narcotic drink prepared from it. <i>OSPD2</i>
	KHUSKHUS	Cuscus. <i>OSW2</i>
KINA	KINAKINA	Cinchona bark, quinine. <i>OSW2</i>
	KOUSKOUS	Couscous. <i>OSW2</i>
	KUKU	A large fruit eating pigeon of New Zealand. <i>OSW2</i>
LAB	LABLAB	A tropical bean with edible pods. <i>OSW2</i>
LAVA	LAVALAVA	A Polynesian skirt worn by both sexes. <i>OSPD2</i>
LOG	LOGLOG	The logarithm of a logarithm! (Also LOLOG) <i>OSW2</i>
	LULU	Something remarkably good or bad! <i>BOTH</i>
	MAHIMAH	A tropical Pacific food fish. <i>OSPD2</i>
MA	MAMA	Mother. <i>BOTH</i>
	MATAMATA	A South American river turtle. <i>OSW2</i>
MOT	MOTMOT	A tropical American bird. <i>BOTH</i>
	MULMUL	A soft muslin. <i>OSW2</i>
MU	MUMU	Muumuu. <i>OSPD2</i>
	MURMUR	A low, indistinct sound or to make such a sound. <i>BOTH</i>
	MUUMUU	A simple loose dress worn in Hawaii. (Mu'u mu'u) <i>OSPD2</i>
NA	NANA	Grandmother. <i>BOTH</i>
NE	NENE	A rare Hawaiian goose. <i>BOTH</i>
PAL	PALPAL	Pertaining to a palpa, i.e. a sensory organ of insects and crustaceans. <i>BOTH</i>
PA	PAPA	Father. <i>BOTH</i>
PAW	PAWPAW	A fleshy tropical fruit. Also foul, obscene (Chambers) <i>BOTH</i>
PI	PIPI	The pods of a Brazilian plant used in tanning! <i>OSW2</i>
PIU	PIUPIU	Traditional Maori ceremonial skirt worn by both sexes. <i>OSW2</i>
POM	POMPOM	An anti-aircraft cannon. <i>BOTH</i>
	REWAREWA	A New Zealand tree. <i>OSW2</i>
SAR	SARSAR	A cold whistling wind. <i>OSPD2</i>
	SEMSEM	Sesame. <i>OSW2</i>
	SESE	A Shakespearian word of uncertain meaning. (Cease?) <i>OSW2</i>
	SESSES	Sess or cess (plural) i.e. a tax or to impose it. <i>OSW2</i>
TAR	TARTAR	A deposit of calcium phosphate and other matter on teeth. <i>BOTH</i>
TES	TESTES	Testicles. Plural of testis. <i>BOTH</i>
TE	TETE	Head (French). <i>OSW2</i>
TI	TITI	A small South American monkey or an evergreen shrub. <i>BOTH</i>
	TSETSE	Small African disease carrying fly. <i>BOTH</i>
TSK	TSKTSK	To tsk! (utter an exclamation of annoyance). <i>OSPD2</i>
	TUCOTUCO	A South American rodent. <i>OSW2</i>
	TUTU	A ballet dancer's short, stiff, spreading skirt. <i>BOTH</i>
	TZETZE	Tsetse. <i>OSPD2</i>
	VALVAL	Pertaining to a valve. <i>BOTH</i>
WEE	WEEWEE	To urinate. <i>OSPD2</i>
	ZEZE	An African stringed musical instrument. <i>OSW2</i>
ZOO	ZOOZOO	The wood-pigeon. <i>OSW2</i>

Notes:

A total of 48 'singles' and 86 'doubles'. Of the doubles, a total of 28 are uniquely *OSW2* and 22 uniquely *OSPD2*. The rest (36) are in *BOTH*.

Rob Talbot

## INTERNATIONAL

### World Champs Update

The second World Scrabble Championships is being held at the Plaza Hotel in New York from 26 - 30 August 1993. The New Zealand team is Jeff Grant (Hastings), Mike Sigley (Wanganui), Blue Thorogood (Mt. Albert) and Lynne Butler (New Plymouth). Denise Gordon (Wanganui) is also making the trip which will be a big help. In London, Denise did a great job looking after everyone, making sure they got where they were supposed to be, confirming transport etc., as well as acting as official scribe and morale-booster.

The Kiwis will be in America several days before the players' reception on the evening of Thursday August 26, making sure they get over any adverse effects of the long flight. At least three days intense Scrabble follows, with six games on the Friday and Saturday, then three on Sunday morning. In the afternoon the top four qualifiers play best-of-five-game semis, while the remaining 64 entrants have three further games to determine their final placings. The Monday is set aside for a best-of-five grand final, and the play-off for third and fourth between the losing semifinalists. It should be a great occasion.

There will be a total of \$US27,000 in prizes awarded to the top 16 place-getters. First through fourth will be \$10,000, \$6,000, \$3,000, \$1,500, and a \$250 prize will be given to the player of the highest single scoring move. The toughest opposition will undoubtedly come from the American and UK. exponents, who between them comprise 32 of the 68 competitors.

There are some surprises though, with a number of lower-ranked players gaining entry by virtue of wins in qualifying events. The Australians are sending a strong team of John Holgate, Geoff Wright, Bob Jackman and Joan Rosenthal. New Zealand and Australian Scrabblers generally get on pretty well together and will probably support each other against the rest of the World in New York. So let's hear it — come on the Kiwis and Aussies!

### Foreign Language Scrabble

New versions of Scrabble for 1993 will be Polish, Hungarian and Malaysian.

### Thai Open

This tourney was held back in January and as usual attracted some top overseas players including Mark Nyman and Phil Appleby from UK, both of whom had played in Thailand before. The winner this year was 19-year-old Thai linguistics student Ong-arj Charuwan who beat American Sam Kantimathi in the final two-game showdown of this 22-game event.

### Arab Scrabble

The qualifying competition of 120 games (!) produced the top eight players from United Arab Emirates who played in the Gulf Scrabble Tournament in Bahrain in May. For the first time, the UAE sent women — Priya Fernando and Mirian Saldanha. The best three players in this regional competition earned entry to the World Championship in New York. Sorry, we haven't heard the results.





# TOURNAMENT RESULTS



## Dunedin Club Scrabble Tournaments 13 March 1993

Name	Club Wins	Points	Ave	B/W
1 Peter Sinton	DN 7	3368	481	16
2 Bill Grigg	DN 5	2919	417	12
3 Norman Goodger	DN 4	2796	399	14
4 June Keightley	IND 4	2684	383	10
5 Kathleen Barker	DN 4	2393	342	7
6 Carolyn Kyle	DN 3	2515	359	6
7 Liz Ross	DN 1	2446	349	6
8 Elvira Steel	DN -	1753	250	1

Highest Winning Score	625	Peter Sinton
Highest Losing Score	388	Bill Grigg
Highest Combined Score	861	Peter Sinton (625) Elvira Steel (236)
Highest Turn Score	102	Peter Sinton

## 1 May 1993

Name	Club Wins	Points	Ave	Bonus
1 Norman Goodger	DN 6	2880	411	12
2 Alan Boyd	DN 6	2836	405	8
3 Anne Stewart	DN 5	2769	396	9
4 Liz Ross	DN 5	2529	361	6
5 Jo Burnside	DN 4	2520	360	10
6 Carolyn Kyle	DN 3	2467	352	6
7 Andy Caplan	DN 3	2283	326	3
8 Kathleen Barker	DN 2	2426	347	5
9 Penny Irvine	DN 1	2067	295	3
10 Alice Doust	DN -	1891	270	-

Highest Winning Score	533	Norman Goodger
Highest Losing Score	386	Kathleen Barker
Highest Combined Score	834	Norman Goodger (533) Jo Burnside (301)
Highest Turn Score	107	Alan Boyd/Liz Ross

## Masters Tournament 10 - 12 April 1993

Name	Club Wins	Score	Bonus	Ave
1 Jeff Grant	HAS 21	10350	45	450.0
2 Blue Thorogood	MTA 19	10782	56	468.8
3 Mike Sigley	WAN 17	9732	44	423.1
4 Lynne Butler	NPL 16	10044	45	436.7
5 Denise Gordon	WAN 15	9838	48	427.7
6 Ian Patterson	IND 15	9667	42	420.3
7 Peter Sinton	DUN 15	9327	43	405.5
8 John Foster	MTA 14	9325	35	405.4
9 Patrick Carter	MTA 13	9606	39	417.7
10 Lucy Bright	MAS 13	9128	28	396.9
11 Glennis Hale	MTA 12.5	9428	36	409.9
12 Lynne Powell	NSB 11	9268	41	403.0
13 Glynis Jennings	MTA 11	9143	34	397.5
14 Glenyss Buchanan	LOH 11	8643	32	375.8
15 Gerald Warner	ROD 10	8920	24	387.8
16 June Mackwell	MTA 9	9271	41	403.1
17 Glenda Foster	POR 9	8937	25	388.6
18 Fae Olson	STR 8	9034	25	392.8
19 Reeve Pearson	STR 7	8325	33	362.0
20 Leila Thomson	LOH 7	8293	20	360.6
21 Ann Candler	NSB 6.5	8449	20	367.3
22 Bernice Vannini	MTA 6	8327	23	362.0
23 Kevin Edgeler	TOK 6	8317	31	361.6
24 Roy Vannini	MTA 4	8224	28	357.6

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Blue Thorogood and Masters  
runner up trophy

Name	Club Wins	Score	Bonus
6 Stan Skinner	HAM 3	2603	9
7 Roger Coates	HAM 3	2525	8
8 Anne Warner	ROD 3	2392	2
9 Reeve Pearson	STR 2	2701	11
10 Marj Baillie	HAM 2	2611	3
11 Lynn Toka	HAM 2	2569	9
12 Glenda Geard	IND 2	2509	7

### Grade C

1 Bev Barker	MTA 6	2632	6
2 Georgie Offringa	NSB 5	2924	11
3 Penny Headington	NSB 5	2694	7
4 Joyce Gilbert	NSB 5	2559	7
5 Bernard Flower	NSB 3	2629	10
6 Maureen Holliday	MTA 3	2615	6
7 Jean O'Brien	STR 3	2542	8
8 Margaret Bundock	ROD 3	2415	2
9 Lorraine Van Veen	PAK 3	2354	7
10 Dave Godman	WEL 2	2533	9
11 Carole Coates	HAM 2	2393	6
12 Daph Curl	MTA 2	2381	2

## North Shore Bays 24 April 1993

Name	Club Wins	Score	Bonus
1 Glennis Hale	MTA 5	3074	17
2 June Mackwell	MTA 5	2921	15
3 Fae Olson	STR 5	2749	11
4 Bob Johnstone	NSB 5	2529	6
5 Glynis Jennings	MTA 4	2854	12
6 Gerald Warner	ROD 4	2844	3
7 Lynne Powell	NSB 4	2586	7
8 Joy Hunter	NSB 3	2785	13
9 May Quigley	NSB 3	2605	8
10 Ann Candler	NSB 3	2512	6
11 Betty Gibb	HAM 1	2601	10
12 Rhoda Cashman	ROD 0	2247	4

### Grade B

1 Lynne Wood	WEL 6	2876	10
2 Puti Rowe	STR 6	2742	9
3 Yvette Hewlett	MTA 5	2987	12
4 Chris Hooks	MTA 4	2824	14
5 Faye Cronhelm	IND 4	2768	10

### Grade D

1 Norman Wheeler	WEL 6	2763	7
2 Rob Talbot	MTA 6	2633	8
3 David Gunn	WAI 5	2621	7
4 Marge Dalzell	NSB 5	2598	8
5 Irene Hague-Smith	MTA 4	2380	7
6 Pat Johnstone	NSB 3	2458	5
7 Dorothy Haining	ROD 3	2405	1
8 Eileen McLean	IND 3	2364	6
9 Alveen Seon	MTA 3	2362	5
10 Daphne Parker	MTA 2	2510	5
11 Olwen Skelton	ROD 2	2265	3
12 Alice O'Callahan	NSB 0	2178	2

### Grade E

1 Pauline Hayes	MTA 6	2746	11
2 Neville James	IND 6	2533	7
3 Sheryl Davidson	PAK 5	2726	10
4 Betty Stiff	NSB 4	2686	6
5 Margaret Forbes	HCP 4	2619	6
6 Joan Pratt	MTA 4	2602	8
7 Adrienne McKeown	MTA 3	2521	5
8 Connie Van Tilburg	MTA 3	2421	2



Name	Club	Wins	Score	Bonus	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus	Avg
9 Annette Coombes	IND	3	2413	6	Margaret Lyall	CHC	5	3800	8 345.5
10 Lorna Baulcomb	NSB	2	2461	1	Doreen Ogston	CHC	6	4043	13 367.5
11 Kay Buffalora	MTA	1	2487	6	Shirley Hol	CHC	4	3776	11 343.3
12 Shirley Robinson	NSB	1	2179	1	Kathleen Barker	DUN	3	3800	10 345.5
					Hilary Ruscoe	CHC	3	1495	5 373.8

Grade F				
1 Jane Walton	HAM	5	2779	8
2 Jill Johnson	HCP	5	2582	2
3 Delcie MacBeth	IND	4	2665	7
4 Lil Moore	MTA	4	2582	7
5 Beryl Mace	NSB	4	2574	8
6 Ernie Gidman	ROD	4	2437	6
7 Valerie Mills	PAK	4	2372	4
8 Peggy Hebden	NSB	4	2353	4
9 Margaret Mourant	MTA	3	2611	5
10 Valma Gidman	ROD	3	2249	0
11 Suzanne Anderson	IND	2	2258	7
12 Elaine King	MTA	0	1898	2

Grade G				
1 Mary Curtis	MTA	5	2592	5
2 Kate Wignall	MTA	5	2470	1
3 Marianne Patchett	MTA	5	2449	5
4 Naomi Gilmore	ROD	4	2331	1
5 Dave Sutcliffe	Wai	4	2253	7
6 Ruth Munnings	NSB	3	2414	6
7 Merle Spinetto	ROD	3	2293	0
8 Shirley Martin	HAM	3	2219	3
9 Ed Olson	STR	3	2133	3
10 May Gale	HAM	3	2102	1
11 Kath Davies	MTA	2	2102	1
12 Lulu Holt	MTA	2	2144	4

### Christchurch Tournament 22-23 May 1993

A	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus	Avg
Alan Boyd	DUN	10	4631	16	421.0
Norman Goodger	DUN	8	4202	18	382.0
Anne Stewart	DUN	6	4261	17	387.4
Jo Burnside	DUN	4	4127	13	375.2
Marjorie Head	WEL	5	4023	13	365.7

### National Tournament 5-6 June 1993

A	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1 Jeff Grant	HAS	11	5514	28
2 Mike Sigley	WAN	8	5256	20
3 Lynne Powell	NSB	8	5204	26
4 John Holgate	AUS	8	4872	21
5 Bob Johnstone	NSB	8	4685	17
6 Glennis Hale	MTA	7	5153	25
7 Blue Thorogood	MTA	7	5050	21
8 Denise Gordon	WAN	7	4818	20
9 Andrew Bradley	HAS	6	4783	21
10 John Foster	MTA	5	4785	19
11 Gerald Warner	ROD	5	4680	14
12 June Mackwell	MTA	5	4560	16
13 Glenyss Buchanan	LOH	5	4523	17
14 Fae Olson	STR	5	4470	14
15 Glynis Jennings	MTA	4	4539	10
16 Peter Jones	MTA	3	4542	17
17 May Quigley	NSB	3	4318	12
18 Lucy Bright	MAS	3	4261	9

B	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1 Glenda Foster	POR	10	5128	22
2 Florence Veldhuizen	TOK	9	4765	15
3 Joy Hunter	NSB	8	4754	17
4 Ann Candler	NSB	8	4690	13
5 Roger Coates	HAM	7	5011	25
6 Reeve Pearson	STR	7	4939	24
7 Correne James	MTA	7	4907	18
8 Puti Rowe	STR	7	4664	10
9 Lynn Wood	WEL	7	4651	15
10 Anne Warner	ROD	6.5	4366	5
11 Leila Thomson	LOH	6	4658	15
12 Rhoda Cashman	ROD	5	4453	12
13 Allie Quinn	NSB	4.5	4516	14
14 Betty Gibb	HAM	4.5	4489	13
15 Georgie Offringa	NSB	4	4499	12
16 Paul Lister	WEL	4	4337	15
17 Chris Hooks	MTA	4	4297	14
18 Andree Prentice	WAN	4	4293	6
19 Faye Cronhelm	IND	4	4241	14
20 Geoff Vautier	WEL	3.5	4256	14

C	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1 Roger Tozer	NPL	10	5031	26
2 Margie Hurly	WAN	9	4924	17
3 Stan Skinner	HAM	8	4361	15
4 Teresa Ferrari	LOH	7	4917	13
5 Alan Boyd	DUN	7	4627	11
6 Cathy Woods	MTA	7	4560	15



*The winning Hastings team  
at the Nationals.*

Left to right:  
June Ward, Andrew Bradley, Doreen O'Shea, Yvonne Wilson, Margaret Warren and Jeff Grant.

D	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1 Doreen O'Shea	HAS	10	5024	12
2 Rob Talbot	MTA	9	4584	17
3 Margaret Bundock	ROD	8	4508	4
4 Lorraine Van Veen	PAK	7	4594	9
5 David Gunn	WAI	7	4547	19
6 Gwen Kaiser	WEL	7	4473	8
7 Isobel Zyp	HAM	7	4444	13
8 Betty Erikson	WAN	7	4418	10
9 Doreen Davies	MAS	7	4382	12
10 Marjorie Head	WEL	7	4346	11
11 Dave Godman	WEL	7	4314	15
12 Margaret Parsons	TPO	6	4410	10
13 Peggy Wallace	HAM	6	4336	6
14 Norman Wheeler	WEL	6	4250	13
15 Rosemary Cleary	WAN	6	4236	12
16 Carole Coates	HAM	6	4209	11
17 Alveen Seon	MTA	4	4209	9
18 Irene Hague-Smith	MTA	4	4153	9
19 Daph Curl	MTA	4	3937	8
20 Shirley Bonthron	TGA	3	3863	3
21 Daph Watson	HAM	2	4204	9
22 Dorothy Haining	ROD	2	4109	4

E	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1 Eileen McLean	IND	10	4921	18
2 Sheryl Davidson	PAK	10	4745	16
3 Yvonne Wilson	HAS	9	5045	19



	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
4	Pat Johnstone	NSB	8.5	4498
5	Liz Catchpole	MTA	8	4221
6	Jane Walton	HAM	7	4494
7	Valerie Mills	PAK	7	4204
8	Bridget French	TOK	7	4008
9	Elsie Pugh	HAM	6.5	4387
10	Annette Coombes	WAI	6	4688
11	Dawn Kitzen	HCP	6	4348
12	Phyl Wilson	TOK	6	4308
13	Shirley Tozer	NPY	5	4154
14	Win Heaven	HAM	5	4139
15	Daphne Parker	MTA	5	4079
16	Margaret Warren	HAS	5	3994
17	Jan Wheeler	WEL	5	3980
18	Lil Moore	MTA	5	3971
19	June Ward (H)	HAS	4	4046
20	Doreen Rowlands	NPL	3	3864
21	Eileen Mead	IND	3	3758
22	Kay Buffalora	MTA	2	3913

	Club	Wins	Points	Bonus
1	Naomi Gilmore	ROD	9.5	4253
2	Shirley Martin	CHC	9	4537
3	Margaret Simpson	PAK	8.5	4368
4	Delcie Macbeth	IND	8	4513
5	Margaret Mourant	MTA	7	4486
6	Kate Wignall	MTA	7	4241
7	Val Worth	TOK	7	4236
8	Marie Kingi	PAP	7	3779
9	Grant Waghorn	WAI	6	4041
10	Jillian Greening	HAM	6	4025
11	Kim Graham	HAM	6	3995
12	Cecilia Bullot	WAN	6	3958
13	Marianne Patchett	MTA	5.5	4342
14	Jacqueline Coldham-Fussell	HAM	5.5	4264
15	Steven Brown	HAM	5	4417
16	David Sutcliffe	WAI	5	4048
17	Ed Olson	STR	5	3840
18	Elaine King	MTA	3	3820
19	Grace Gilman	WAN	2	3501
20	May Gale	HAM	1	3561

Points	Trophies	Bonus Words
A	Jeff Grant	5514
B	Glenda foster	5128
C	Roger Tozer	5031
D	Doreen O'Shea	5024
E	Yvonne Wilson	5054
F	Shirley Martin	4537
	Delcie Macbeth	16
	Steven Brown	16

Team Trophy	Points
Hastings 30 Wins	
Jeff Grant	11
Doreen O'Shea	10
Yvonne Wilson	9



Glennis Hale and overseas visitor John Holgate at the Nationals.

# NZ SCRABBLE RECORDS

Shown below is the current list of NZ Scrabble records. If anyone can improve on or correct any of the entries, please let us know.

RECORD	TOURNAMENT LEVEL		CLUB LEVEL	
	Score	Player (Club)	Score	Player (Club)
Highest Game Score	717	Mike Sigley (Wanganui)	763	John Foster (Mt Albert)
Lowest Game Score	124	Elvira Steel (Dunedin)	71	Melanie Neilsen (Dunedin)
Highest Losing Score	513	Jeff Grant (Hastings)	521	June Mackwell (Mt Albert)
Lowest Winning Score	207	Ed Olson (Stratford)	142	Elvira Steel (Dunedin)
Highest Drawn Game	456	Lynne Butler (New Plymouth) & Glenyss Buchanan (Lower Hutt)	458	Kevin Edgeler (Tokoroa) & Florence Veldhuizen (Tokoroa)
Lowest Drawn Game	328	Neville James (Independent) & Kate Wignall (Mt Albert)	312	Elsie Tucker (Hastings) & Audrey Nelson (Hastings)
Highest Single Turn	203	Andrew Bradley Correne James Lynne Powell	284	Sheryl Davidson (Howick-Pak)
Highest Combined Score	1060	Lynne Powell (NS-Bays) & Jeff Grant (Hastings)	1106	Dawn Kitzen (Papakura) & Chris Hooks (Mt Albert)
Lowest Combined Score	346	Ed Olson (Stratford) & Marie Kingi (Pap/Holy Cross)	259	Elvira Steel (Dunedin) & Melanie Neilsen (Dunedin)
Largest Winning Margin	493	Mike Sigley (Wanganui)	468	Andrew Bradley (Mt Albert)
Highest Take-off	52	Andree Prentice (Wanganui)	68	Andrew Bradley (Mt Albert)
Most Bonus Words (3 Game Evening)	---	---	13	David Lloyd (Mt Albert)
Highest 3-Game Aggregate	---	---	1761	Glenyss Buchanan (Lower Hutt)
Lowest 3-Game Aggregate	---	---	538	Chris Williams (Hastings)
Most Consecutive Bonus Words	5	Allie Quinn (NS-Bays)	5	John Foster (Mt Albert)