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Editor's Note



Dunedin, North Shore and Christchurch clubs have all staged successful tournaments since the last *Forwards* and Rodney hosted a very professional and enjoyable Masters at Easter.

Congratulations to all concerned in the organisation of the 2002 National Tournament. What a great event it was with over 110 players taking part during Queen's Birthday Weekend in Hamilton.

Kendall Boyd (IND) was the runaway winner of A Grade taking out the National Championship in fine style. With a perfect tally of 15 wins from 15 games, an incredible spread of +1737 and average game score of 472, Kendall proved himself a very worthy winner of the National title. Peter Sinton (DUN) clinched second spot, 3.5 games behind Kendall, so making it a double-barrelled victory for the South Island.

Among the more than 20 players who crossed Cook Strait was the B Grade winner, Debbie Caldwell (NEL), who finished 2.5 games ahead of Hamilton's Pam Robson. Debbie's 440 game score average was the 3rd highest for the tourney.

The Nationals saw the return of Reeva Pearson (SFD) to tournament play. Reeva won both the D Grade title plus the trophy for the Most Bonus Words played in her section. It was just like old times to see Reeva collect the Bonus Words prize.

One of the most senior players to attend was Gerald Warner (HIB) who kept the youngsters on their toes. Gerald took the C Grade trophy, 1.5 games clear of fellow club member Maureen Holliday. In hard-fought battles, Sue Walker (MTA) and Valma Gidman (ROD) were victorious in E and F Grades respectively.

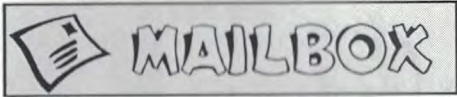
Playing in her first-ever tournament was Catherine Henry of the Tauranga club. Catherine finished on 13 wins in G Grade, so taking the trophy from her club mate JoAnn Ingram. Catherine's spread was +1083, the third highest for the weekend. (Read more about Catherine in the September edition of *Forwards*.)

The usual thanks must go to all contributors to the magazine — please send in any items, ideas, clippings or photos you think may be of interest. An extra thank you to Jeff Grant who continues to supply many of the regular articles. And none of this would be possible without Glenda Foster's fine layout and publishing skills. Glenda and her husband Bryan also deal with the printing and distribution of the magazine. Thank you.

Keep smiling,

Lynne

Closing date for the September issue is 20 August.



Anagrammania

by Lyn Toka (KIW)

Regarding Jeff's letter in the March *Forwards*, the condition is described in *Another Almanac of the Words at Play* by Willard Espy (1981).

"Dick Cavett, a master of the offhand anagram, turned 'ALEC GUINNESS' into 'GENUINE CLASS' and 'OSCAR WILDE' into 'O LAD I SCREW'. Dick asks, "Is there a word for a sentence made up of anagrams of the same word? E.g., the other day I thought of, 'Go paste Gestapo postage to pages.' What's wrong with me?"

Nothing is wrong with him, except that he suffers from a virulent form of anagrammania; as far as I know there is no cure for that."

I too suffer from the same syndrome and also allied word-mining, e.g. I sit in the dentist's chair and think: 'Dentist, stinted, can you have distent?' Then, 'Dent, sent, send, sited, etc.

I do the same with people on TV. Entranced by an unusual name, I do the anagram and word-mine bit and completely miss the actual news item. Incurable!

.....
: **ignoramus** n. Someone who :
: doesn't know a word that you :
: learned yesterday. :
:.....

[Anon] (Adapted from *The Wit's Dictionary*, Colin Bowles, 1984)

Chambers Chuckles

In the November 2001 edition of the British Scrabble magazine *Onwords*, Mike Willis points out these humorous definitions in *The Chambers Dictionary*:

ABLOOM in a blooming state. [Aren't we all sometimes?]

BAFFLEGAB the professional logorrhoea of many politicians, officials and salespeople, characterized by prolix abstract circumlocution and/or a profusion of abstruse technical terminology, used as a means of persuasion, pacification or obfuscation. [How's that for bafflegab?]

JAYWALKER a careless pedestrian whom motorists are expected to avoid running down.

MISREPRESENT to be an unrepresentative representative of.

NERD a clumsy, foolish, socially inept, feeble, unathletic, irritating or unprepossessing person, although often (e.g. in computers) knowledgeable.

RESTORATION renovations and reconstruction (sometimes little differing from destruction of a building, painting, etc). [This has echoes of **PICTURE-RESTORER**, which was defined in early editions of *'Chambers'* as "a person who cleans and restores and sometimes ruins old paintings"!]

It looks as if some *Chambers* lexicographer doesn't think much of jaywalkers, nerds or picture-restorers!

Brandreth's Boobos

Jeff Grant recently bought a second-hand copy of *The Winner's Guide to Games* by Gyles Brandreth, published in 1992. Jeff discovered some very embarrassing mistakes by a self-styled Scrabble 'guru'.

1. The equipment is listed as — board and 104 letter tiles
2. There are 5 K's with a value of 1 point in the tile distribution key.
3. The word 'letters' is misspelt as 'leters'.
4. Under the heading *It's a Fact...* it states that: "There are over 200 Scrabble Clubs in Britain and *almost 20* in America."!

Master Scrabble

Master Scrabble by Femi Awowade, was published in 1990 and is now unfortunately out of print. It is described as "a simple instructional book on how to play Scrabble" covering the basics of the game, as well as giving tips for seasoned players. Femi is a former Nigerian and Pan-African Scrabble champ who now lives in England. He has competed in the last four World Championships, improving each time (41st, 28th, 22nd, 18th) — watch out for him in 2003! Femi is writing a sequel to *Master Scrabble*, which should be of interest to all devotees of the game.

"When you are not practising, remember someone, somewhere is practising, and when you meet him, he will win." — Femi Awowade, *Master Scrabble*)

Theoretical High Move

The theoretical 1782-point single turn outlined on page 28 in the March 2002 *Forwards* equals the record set by Miriam Webster in the September 1994 issue. The four main scoring words are the same in each set-up, but the other four words are different. The challenge now is to improve on 1782, even by a single point. Is it possible?

— Jeff Grant

Worthy Mention

At the North Shore Bays tournament on May 4th, Glennis Hale (MTA) beat Lynne Powell (NSB) by 652-398. The combined score of 1050 is one of the highest recorded in NZ tournament Scrabble and Glennis' 652 misses the all-time top 10 individual scores by just one point.

Would You Challenge?

Adjudicator Pat Grant noted these words at the Hastings tournament in March. Which one would you challenge? Answers on page 9

FORELEND	STROAMS	ROADAGE
APYREXIA	PRERACE	FRATRY
FORENOTE	UNKITTED	SPALL
EIKING	EPILOG	WOOPSIE
OUTROARS	CHOLLAS	TROAKS
UNVEILER	RITENUTO	KOBOS
STEWABLE	SAUGHED	DINERIC
OVERFOLD	SNAGLIKE	EBRIATE
SHOOLED	QUIETUS	EMYD
LATTERDAY	GENTRIFY	LINSANG
DOVETAIL	DESCALES	AUROCH
MOONLETS	SPARGED	PAREU

COMPETITION CORNER

Solution : Scrabble Contest No 66

We had many clever entries for our little literary competition. Your challenge was to write a piece, no more than 50 words long and no word longer than 3 letters. Here are some of the best:—

Kay was on a bus and it hit a car. Wot a jar!
She got a bad, bad cut on her leg and a jab per the doc.
All is A1 now. But, boy oh boy, wot a day on the bus it was for Kay.

— Allison Torrance (CHC)

It is a hot day by the sea. A boy and his dad row out to get a lot of kai for tea. But a man in a cap can see. He had a job to do. The man and boy can not eat the kai. Too bad!

— Margaret Forbes (HBC)

Margaret also sent this entry which she says is 'not to be taken seriously':

A man who is so odd to set so mad a job is not fit to be let in the mag. Why do you ask it of us? It is not on. If you can not set an apt one do not do it at all.

— Margaret Forbes (HBC)

One hot day son was sad. He'd fed the dog, but hit his toe!

Mum was sad as she bid her boy to go and buy a new toy.

He got a bat and had a hug, so now he's apt to see the joy in one and all.

— Ruth Munnings (ROD)

Margaret Lyall (CHC) sent these three excellent entries. I'm sure many people can relate to the first one:

Mum had to buy a hat. She got it, but at her car her key did not fit. A man saw her. 'Why are you at my car?' Mum saw her own car not far off. She was hot and red, and had to get a cup of tea!

— Margaret Lyall (CHC)

A man put a tin in the gap of a log. A boy saw him and hid. The man ran off and the lad got the tin out. In it was a map. It led him to and fro, but it was all a gag. The boy had been 'had'!

— Margaret Lyall (CHC)

Mo was a dog; so was Bob. Mo had a bed of sox and Bob a rug. A rat saw the two got fed at six, so one day he put all the sox on the rug. Mo and Bob had a row and the sly rat ate the tea!

— Margaret Lyall (CHC)

Dee God Has Ken Man Now Sin The Vee War.

Yes, I did mix it all up a bit, but can you see why it is of use to me? Dae Gae Hae Kae Mae Nae Sae Tae Vae Wae

— Ron 'The Lex Man' Bun (ny)

Now three clever pieces from Letty Keaton (can you work out the anagrams?)

11th Annual Raglan Tournament at Jo Jackson's (7 April 2002)

We all set off for Jo's, but it was too wet to sit by the sea, so we had to go to the RSA for our fun day. Rog won the A's, Els the B's. As the sun was

now out, we had tea at Jo's bay. A fab day!

— Letty Keaton

The Tournament à la Dr Seuss

Day one : bad day. I've not won one. How bad, how sad. It is no fun. I am so sad. No win I've had. Day two : new day. Now I've won one — Now two! Hip ray! I say, it's fun! It's fun I say. To win is fun.

— Letty Keaton

Quiet Sunday Morning Sleep-In

My cat, Mog, got on our bed. She had a rat. Mog was wet — the rat too. I hit Mog. She bit me. The rat ran off and bit our dog who ran out and sat on a bee. Ow! Wet bed, red arm, sad dog, mad cat. 'Mog! Out!'

- Letty Keaton

Finally, the winning entry from Dorothy Latta of Wellington, who even managed to fit a Q into her little poem!

One day a fox, out of his den,
Had his eye on a hen
As she sat to lay,
But a man and his gun
Set the fox to run:
Sad to say, hen 'off the lay'
Is now coq au vin
For man and his kin.

— Dorothy Latta (WEL)

Celebrity Choice

Multi-award winning writer Rhonda Bartle, was shown submissions for the competition and asked to chose what she thought was the best entry:-

The piece by Allison Torrance of Christchurch attracted Ms Bartle's attention:-

"I thought the first one read best. It had energy, a more natural flow, didn't feel as contrived as some and made me smile. It also made immediate sense."

Rhonda was then persuaded to put her eminent pen to paper, and armed with a two and three-letter word list composed the following:-

Dee, a Pro, was shy ab out her job
Rex, a Loo Boy, was shy ab out his too
The Guv, a Tax Man, did not see his job as sin
So Mad Max, who was in the Mob,
Got out his gun and did the Tax Man in.

— Rhonda Bartle

Rhonda Bartle won the Katherine Mansfield Award in 1999 with her short story *Greenwich Mean Time* which was adapted from part of her novel, *The Gospel According to Cole*.

Scrabble Contest No 67

This puzzle was devised by Jethro Snafflerod. The winner will receive a book prize. Closing date is August 13, 2002. Good luck. Entries to be sent to: Jeff Grant, 'Ardra', 1109 Allenby St, Hastings

Below are ten quotations or misquotations most of which are so common they will be readily recognised. Five of the quotations are absolutely correct and five are misquotations that are so often repeated that they are better known than their originals.

The challenge has three parts:

1. Mark each one right or wrong. One point is awarded for each correctly identified.
2. Provide the correct word or words for those that are incorrect. Five points for each misquotation substantially corrected.
3. A bonus five points will be awarded for each quotation or misquotation for which you can correctly identify the attributed source.

- Q1 The buck stops here.
- Q2. A rose by any other name would smell the same.
- Q3 I have not yet begun to fight.
- Q4 Anyone who has never made a mistake has never made anything.
- Q5 Many a good tune played on an old fiddle.
- Q6 Play it again, Sam.
- Q7 A penny saved is a penny earned.
- Q8 A little knowledge is a dangerous thing.
- Q9 There is no substitute for hard work.
- Q10 We don't want to go back to tomorrow, we want to go forward.

Bonus Quiz

Can you find the 10 everyday words in the jumbled letters below?
Answers on page 9

CEEGLNT	CEELNRT
AEHINRT	ACMSUUV
EEGGIVS	ABEGINO
ADEIMOW	AEIILNR
AEIIMRT	AEIIRRV

Ponder Puzzle

Complete this sentence.

The n _ _ _ _ _ doctor was
n _ _ _ _ _ to operate because he
had n _ _ _ _ _ .

Answer in the September issue.

Oddit-E

The final spot chart for D grade at the North Shore Bays tournament was quite an oddity. Everyone in the grade won either 3 or 4 games and the spots were arrayed with perfect symmetry on the chart to form an E shape.

Pity it wasn't the E grade though.

D GRADE									
Name	Club	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Jennifer Smith	HAM	1462	●	●	●	●			
Rhoda Cashman	HIB	1449	●	●	●				
Janice Cherry	PAK	1445	●	●	●				
Delcie Macbeth	IND	1430	●	●	●	●			
Maureen Holliday	HIB	1414	●	●	●	●			
Shirley Martin	HAM	1410	●	●	●				
Glenda Geard	IND	1377	●	●	●				
Yvette Hewlett	IND	1329	●	●	●	●			

Barbie and Scrabble

by Debbie Caldwell (NEL)

Debbie Caldwell from Nelson has submitted several fine cartoons to *Forwards* over the past year. But now Debbie has written a series of 'Press Releases' in which she combines our favourite pastime with another product. The first of Debbie's pieces is this delightful vision of that blonde bombshell, Barbie playing Scrabble with her friends...

Mattel has finally combined its two top-selling products, Barbie and Scrabble, to create the ultimate in 11½ inch board games, **Babble**.

This exciting new product comes in five different designs: Party Babble, Tournament Babble, Family Babble, Holiday Babble and Anytime Babble. All five versions are beautifully packaged in pink boxes with pictures of Barbie and her friends playing Scrabble on the front.

The playing board, also pink, doubles as a piece of Barbie furniture as can the sofa-shaped racks. Tiles are available in many different patterns and colours, including some with pictures of Barbie on them. These can be bought separately. The tile

bags are made of pink velvet, again printed with a picture of our favourite Golden Girl.

There are many accessories available including a complete range of Babble makeup and stationery. Racks shaped like cars and boards in the shape of beds can also be purchased. The new Babble magazine contains all those delightful stories and pictures that the Barbie magazine was famous for, plus many profound titbits from Scrabble magazines. Sure to appeal to all ages and abilities.

So find out what happens when 'The Gal of Style' meets 'The Game of Tiles'.

Babble sets available at all leading toy stores near you.



Food for Thought

Glennis Hale (MTA) discovered a pleasant Scrabble scene in one of her recipe books — *More Fit Food*, put out by the Cancer Foundation of New Zealand in 1993.

The idyllic setup shows some tasty-looking finger food, together with a wine bottle and half-full glass, next to a Scrabble board with a game in progress, and a rack showing the letters C, I, U, E. It would be nice if the other tiles were E, P, R, so that you could make the appropriate word **EPICTURE**, a connoisseur of fine food and wine.

Mixing it with Maven

by Jaffer Gentry

Many of you will be familiar with the Maven computer Scrabble game. I read somewhere that Maven has been found to 'cheat'. It certainly seems to get its fair share of s's and blanks!

(But that's probably just an illusion.) After a particularly frustrating run of losses to the computer recently, when it started yet another game with a bonus word, I thought, "Right, I'll fix you!" Using the 'kibitz' function to find the theoretical best move for every turn we whipped through the game in about three minutes (Maven moves almost instantly most of the time). Final result: Maven 498, Me 284! What would have happened without the 'kibitz'? I hate to think.

However, every run of luck, good or bad, eventually comes to an end. In the very next clash Maven obviously

decided to redress the balance a bit. In fact it was such an interesting game I decided to record the plays. 'Kibitz' was not used.



I₁ N₁ T₁ U₁ X₈

Maven			Me		
1.	AMPERE	26	ADIJN??	ADJOINS	76
2.	UFO	30	ABDEFLM	FLAMBEED	80
3.	GOITRE	27	GILNNOS	LOANINGS	72
4.	NEMOROUS	36	EEIOQUY	QI	64
5.	KIEVE	46	EEHOUY	EYE	30
6.	TWO	31	CEHORUZ	ZERO	50
7.	RITZ	39	CEHLOTU	TOUCH	23
8.	HAUL	26	ADEILNW	OWNED	39
9.	AGRYPNIA	94	AABDILS	ABAMPERS	42
10.	OCTAVOS	80	ADEILRS	DIEDRALS	83
				+ (INTUX)	24
Total	435				583

Masterly Moves

The 2002 NZ Masters Tournament had many extraordinary features. Top seed Howard Warner had to pull out a few days beforehand; inspirational June Mackwell became the "most senior" Master ever at nearly 79 years young; and tournament winner Mike Sigley won all but two of the 23 games to equal Jeff Grant's record. Mike was only 12 points short of Howard's record spread of +2410, and he and Blue were just three words behind Nigel Richard's record 61 bonus words. Mike at one stage won 15 games in a

row, which may also be a record.

There were some remarkable words played over the three days. Some that spring to mind are Mike's PIXILATED; Sheryl Davidson's 158 point FILATURE; Lynne Butler's tournament high SURFABLE (194 points); Jeff's WAISTLINE (no smart comments!); Blue's OBLIQUEST; and Denise Gordon's superb CATCALLING.

Here are some other unusual words noted by adjudicator Pat Grant at the Masters:-

Allowed			Disallowed	
BIFORATE	RITORNEL	QUONKED	REAUDITS	AGEWISE
SEMUNCIA	FLOWERET	OPORICE	UNERECT	ARCANES
BROUGHS	OUTBRIBE	FOUGADE	ZELOT	WANTABLE
DARKLIER	GHETTOED	HENBITS	TOOLIES	OUTWAGER
OTTERED	VERMINED	TUBAISTS	IMBROIL	ICEBREAK
BACTERIN	PTERION	IXTLES	LEECHER	HEADLICE
ERUDITES	OUTWEARY	WONGA	NESTMAN	KETOS
CLEEPING	QUOOKE	UMPIRAGE	GARLICKS	SEASONY
REPANDLY	DICTIEST	FACTOID	NONDRY	RALLION
MELTITH	FLUSTERY	TUATERA	SPOTTIES	COATLIKE

Interestingly, the words in the first Disallowed column all appear in the big Webster's or Oxford dictionaries, while those in the second Disallowed column don't.

Answers to Bonus Quiz from page 6

NEGLECT LECTERN
HAIRNET VACUUMS
VEGGIES BEGONIA
MIAOWED AIRLINE
AIRTIME RIVIERA

Solution Would You Challenge? from page 3

All are correct except ROADAGE, STEWABLE, LATTERDAY, FORENOTE, SAUGHED, UNKITTED, WOOPSIE, KOBOS and AUROCH.

Mastication Aids Memory

According to an article on www.ananova.com chewing gum may not help concentration — but it does wonders for the memory.

A long-term memory test involving word recall produced the most dramatic result, with the 'chewing group' remembering 35% more than the other two groups.

Three groups of 25 volunteers took part in the study. One group chewed gum while carrying out a range of computerised tests designed to assess long-term and immediate, or 'working' memory, as well as concentration. Another conducted the tests sitting in a quiet room without chewing, while a third 'sham' group was asked to pretend to chew with nothing in their mouths.

The 'sham' group generally performed no better than the 'quiet room' group. In fact at the start of the tests their performance was worse, probably because they were distracted by having to 'perform'.

The scientists from the University of Northumbria, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, cannot explain the results but are working on two theories.

One is that chewing raises the heart beat, which causes more oxygen and nutrients to be pumped into the brain. The other is that it triggers the production of insulin, which stimulates a part of the brain involved in memory.

[I wish I'd bought some PK for the Nationals! Sigh! — Ed]



Top row: Glennis, Lynne B, Rosemary, Peter J, Cecilia, John, Steven, Denise, Patrick
 Middle row: Sheryl, Glenda, Andrew, Paul, Michael, Blue, Jeff, Peter S
 Bottom row: Lynn W, Debbie, Lynne P, Liz, June, Fae, Marianne

New Player

Congratulations to the Ruckstuhls on the appearance of Cormac Francis Wall Ruckstuhl. He was born on April 12 and Clare, the proud, new Mum claims Cormac has started on the 2 letter word list already.

Cormac's full name was entered into Lexpert which coughed up these seven 13-letter words:-

ACCUMULATIONS
 CALCULATIONAL
 CHARLATANISMS
 FLORICULTURAL
 HALLUCINATORS
 INTRAMUSCULAR
 MICROCULTURAL

A little easier to handle is CORMAC plus a blank = CROMACK, which is the same as CRUMMACK or CRUMMOCK, a crook, a stick with a curved head.

All the very best to the Ruckstuhl family from your Scrabble friends.



The old word ATTER (poison) is not allowed in Scrabble, but it survives in the dialectic term ATTERCOP, a spider. There are a dozen 6-letter Scrabble words ending in -ATTER. Note that those marked with an asterisk (*) cannot have an 'S' after them.

BATTER	MATTER	TATTER
FATTER*	NATTER	VATTER
HATTER	PATTER	WATTER*
RATTER	LATTER*	YATTER

Gentlepeople

by Polly Korec

I saw a word the other day that really made my blood boil— GENTLEWOMAN. It's about time this sort of condescending sexist language was stamped out. A few enlightened modern references now accept WOPERSON, hence GENTLEWOPERSON, but I don't think this goes far enough. What about that very male -SON ending?

A solution might be GENTLEWOPERCHILD, but CHILD is ageist, so a better term would be GENTLEWOPEROFFSPRING.

However, now that we've fixed the ending we should examine the start—GENT has to go.

It looks like the old PERSON problem again doesn't it, ladies and gents? But we can rectify that! Finally, a non-sexist, non-ageist term that couldn't possibly offend anyone:

PEROFFSPRINGLEWOPEROFFSPRING

[WOPERSON isn't allowed in Scrabble, and neither is its anagram SONPOWER, a diminutive of MANPOWER. This piece reminds me of a discussion on the lack of an all-purpose pronoun in English to cover HE or SHE or IT. The best proposal I have heard for such a universal term is the appropriate contraction H'ORSH'IT. — Ed.]

Non Nonwords

by John Holgate

The following are nonexistent nonwords which I use as mnemonics for sevens which are sometimes hard to spot.

I have added equally fictitious definitions. In my opinion they are as credible as some of the genuine 'non-' words found in OSPD 3 (like NONWOODY) and maybe Merriam Webster will include a few of them in the next edition.

Can you unscramble these nonwords? Answers on page 24.

1. NONBACK* *n.* a footballer who always plays on the forward line
2. NONBEAR* *n.* an artificial bear
3. NONDUCK* *n.* an artificial duck
4. NONEASY* *adj.* hard
5. NONEYED* *adj.* impartial, not one-eyed
6. NONFACE* *n.* a faceless person
7. NONFAIR* *n.* a drab occasion
8. NONFEEL* *adj.* not tactile
9. NONFORT* *n.* an artificial fort
10. NONHYPE* *n.* understatement
11. NONJACK* *n.* any royal suit in cards that is not a knave
12. NONJUST* *adj.* unjust
13. NONKING* *n.* a pretender to the throne
14. NONLAIC* *adj.* clerical
15. NONMARE* *n.* any female equine which has not yet foaled
16. NONMATY* *adj.* unfriendly
17. NONMAZE* *n.* an apparently uncomplicated situation
18. NONMICE* *n pl.* artificial mice
19. NONMICK* *n.* a protestant (abusive)

20. NONPASS* *n.* a ticket which does not allow entry to a function
21. NONPATY* *adj.* of any heraldic cross with arms of unequal length
22. NONPEAS* *n pl.* artificial peas
23. NONPENS* *n pl.* pens which don't write at all
24. NONPICK* *n.* a basketballer who is not selected for the team
25. NONPIED* *adj.* of any animal which is not of two or more colours
26. NONPIES* *n pl.* artificial pies
27. NONPIGS* *n pl.* artificial pigs
28. NONRING* *adj.* of a telephone which makes no ringing sound
29. NONSAIL* *adj.* of a boat which has no sails
30. NONSEAM* *adj.* of a fast bowler in cricket who can't seam the ball
31. NONSHOP* *adj.* of language which is not professional jargon
32. NONSLAG* *adj.* of metal which has not had the slag removed
33. NONSMOG* *n.* artificial smog
34. NONPARS* *n pl.* rounds of golf which are over or under par
35. NONTEAR* *adj.* of a fabric which can't be torn
36. NONTELL* *n.* a person who doesn't betray a confidence
37. NONWEST* *n.* any part of North America which is not part of the Wild West
38. NONWICK* *adj.* of a candle which has no wick
39. NONWING* *n.* an artificial wing
40. NONZEST* *n.* lethargy

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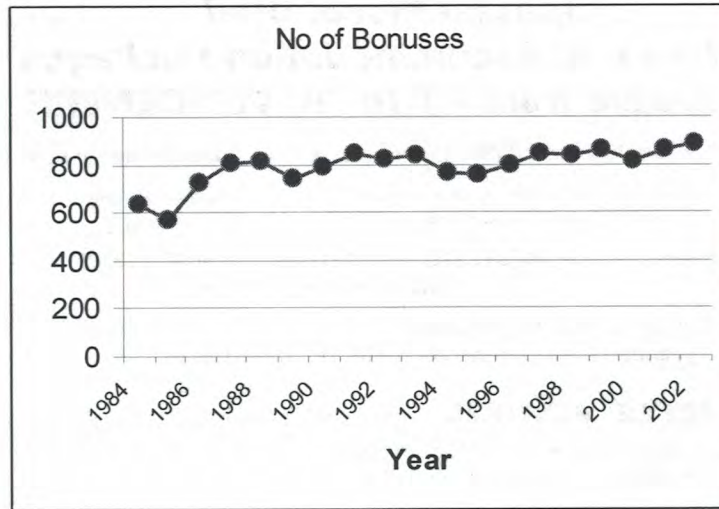
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Masters Bonus Word Survey

There have been thousands of bonus words in the Masters Tournament since it started in 1984. Here are the total number of bonuses played by the 24 competitors each year.

1984	638	1988	816	1992	818	1996	799	2000	811
1985	568*	1989	743	1993	838	1997	843	2001	858
1986	726	1990	791	1994	761	1998	841	2002	890
1987	806	1991	849	1995	758	1999	862		

* adjusted total, only 18 players



The most bonus words scored by anyone at a Masters event is 61 by Nigel Richards when he came third in 1998. The following year he won and scored 60 bonuses.

However, as we know, bonus words aren't the be all and end all of Scrabble success. In 1992, Jeff Grant won the event with only 37 bonuses, while second placed Ian Patterson had 58. Jeff's total when winning in 1986 was even lower — 32 — only the 10th equal highest, the same as the 22nd place-getter.

Bonus expert Dorothy Pinner came 15th with 49 bonuses in 1987, and 22nd with 43 in 1991. Pam Robson has the record for most bonuses in 24th position — 34 in 1998. On the other hand, GERAL Warner had only 12 bonus words and came 15th in 1995, while Georgie Offringa had just 16 for 13th in 1984. The least bonuses played in a Masters was 3 by Marj Batchelor in 1986 — **but**, she didn't finish bottom!



Players on the NZ Scrabble email list were polled with the following question:-

"What was your most embarrassing Scrabble moment?"

These red-faced Scrabblers replied:-

Jennifer Smith

At the Nationals two years ago, when I needed just a few points to win, but was running very short of time. I had Z and P left on my rack, and there was a lovely lonely 'T' just waiting to be played through. My opponent played, and because my flag was about to drop, I played very quickly without turning the board around. "Fourteen!"

"Challenge!" said my opponent. You guessed it — I had played PIZ. Needless to say, I lost the game. And that is why I **always** turn the board around to play. Valuable lessons, aren't they?

Faye Cronhelm

It was at Holy Cross many years ago and we were about halfway through the game, both blanks were out and to our dismay my opponent pulled a 'third' blank out of the bag. The seven letter word I had made with a blank which we had both accepted was, on critical examination, found to be an almost non-existent 'T'. (All the tiles were very worn). An adjudicator was called and said we had both

accepted this 'impersonating blank' so the game should continue. I vowed I would not throw the game but hoped secretly my opponent would win — my opponent did. Moral — Never play with worn tiles!

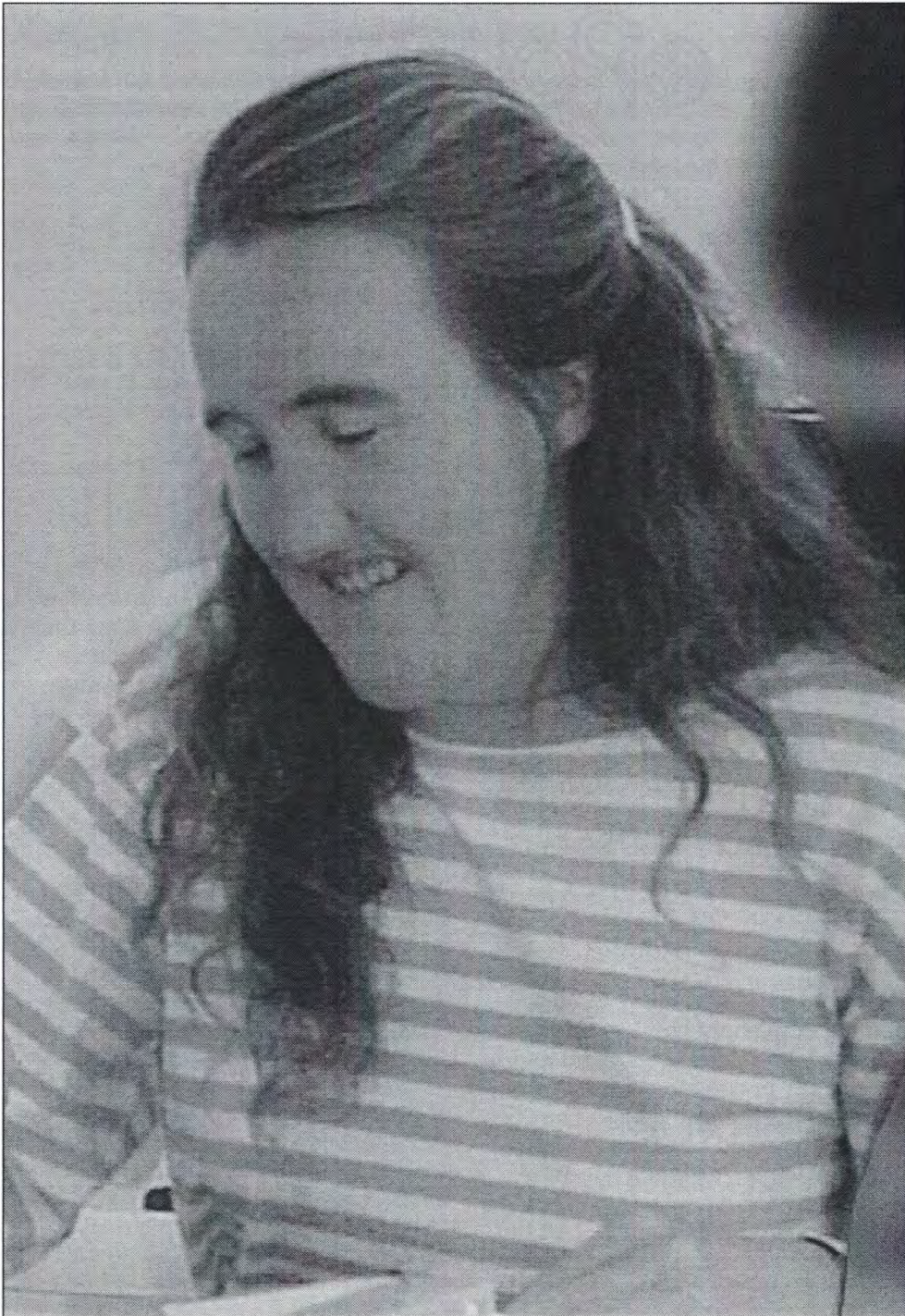
Glenda Foster

My most embarrassing Scrabble moment was letting Denise Gordon get away with playing IX at a Masters tournament some years ago. It helps if you turn the board the right way up before taking the score!

Fae Olson

My most embarrassing moment was when I was playing the then top New Zealand player. I had spent some time studying all the two, three and four-letter words and knew the meanings of most of them. My opponent hooked a 3-letter word with an A and I thought "Uh huh! This player is just trying to tack on a seven here by placing an A before NUS. I know ANU is not a word so how can it be made into a plural?" The time was running out on the clock so I didn't take the time to think twice on the pronunciation of the word before I threw up my hand and bellowed out "Challenge!".

If you have a question you'd like asked for the September ePoll, please contact Lynne Butler at: scrabblyn@clear.net.nz or 13 Antonia Place, New Plymouth.



Player Profile - Debbie Caldwell

Prior to November 1998, Debbie Caldwell, 2002 New Zealand B Grade Champion had **never** played Scrabble before.

Debbie's meteoric Scrabble career started when she was working at the Volunteer Centre in Nelson. There she learned of the Nelson Scrabble Club and, being new to the area, decided to go along to meet some people. For three weeks Debbie went to club, and lost all her games. As she "hates being thrashed", she learned her two-letter words and began to do some of the thrashing.

The rest is history.

February 1999, after learning many more words, Debbie played in her first tourney and came third in C Grade behind Margaret Hanson and Evan Kramer at the Nelson Club annual tourney. Also that year, Debbie placed 5th in F Grade at the Nationals in Wellington.

Since then Debbie has played many tournaments, not often finishing out of the top three. These days at the Nelson Club, Debbie often plays five bonus words per game and her highest game score is "somewhere in the six hundreds".

Easter 2002, Debbie travelled to Rodney to play in her first Masters tournament. There she showed her mettle and was the second player to reach her expected number of wins, being narrowly beaten to the prize of a bottle of wine by Fae Olson of North Shore/Bays. In Hamilton at the 2002

Nationals, Debbie's victory in B Grade was very convincing, as she won comfortably with two and a half games ahead of runner up, Pam Robson. Debbie averaged 440 points per game and played 28 bonus words — a champion effort.

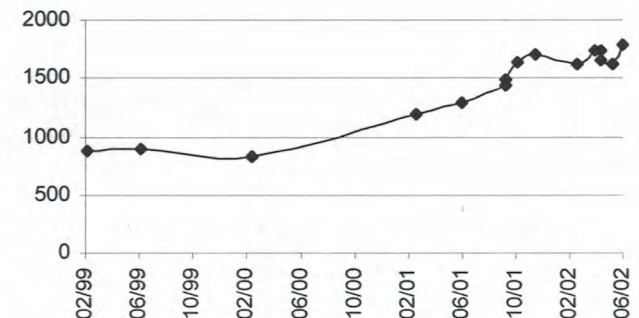
How Debbie finds time for Scrabble is a bit of a mystery as she is a woman of many varied talents and interests. She plays bridge twice a week; is a guide leader one night a week plus is often involved in weekend camps, activities and leadership training courses; teaches accordion; runs an accordion orchestra; plays the trombone in a brass band and plays the pipe organ.

Debbie's talents extend beyond music and youth leadership. She has become a regular contributor to *Forwards* of some very clever illustrative and written humour. (Thank you, Debbie)

Debbie Caldwell's main ambition in Scrabble is to play A Grade and make the New Zealand TransTasman team.

From what we've seen, Debbie, both goals are well within your reach!

Debbie's Rating Rise



ANAGRAM CORNER

MAD Anagrams

Scrabblers love transposing letters, for example HINGE to NEIGH and GUNSHOT to NOUGHTS. On a higher level, CONTRADICTION becomes the apt ACCORD NOT IN IT. Here are the anagrams of six South Island Scrabblers.

ISABEL MORRIS	MORE AIR - BLISS!
JACK MCCARTNEY	JAM TANK RECCY
LEE-ANNE CAMERON	ONE MEAN CLEANER
YVONNE MACKENZIE	CAN INVOKE ENZYME
AMANDA CLOW-HEWER	WE LEAD A MARCH NOW
CHARLES KIEWIET	HE RACK/TILE WISE



Submitted by Paul Lister (CHC)

Trans-Tasman Tournament 16 - 18th November, 2002



Kendall Boyd



Mike Sigley



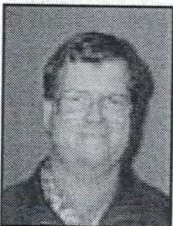
Peter Sinton



Howard Warner



Patrick Carter



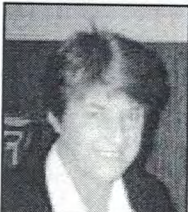
Jeff Grant

The Trans-Tasman tournament will be held at the Kilbirnie Bridge Club rooms, Kilbirnie, Wellington. Taken from the rankings after the recent Nationals, the New Zealand team is pictured here.

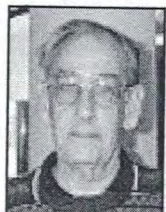
Congratulations to those players. We have an exceptionally strong team, eight of whom have played at World Championships. Can New Zealand clinch a hat-trick against Australia?



Blue Thorogood



Glennis Hale



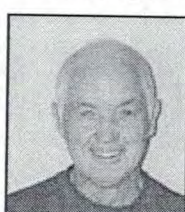
John Foster



Andrew Bradley



Lynne Butler



Peter Jones



INTERNATIONAL



Australia

NZ expat Sheryl Davidson is making her mark in Australia with a win at the **Inaugural Donnybrook Tournament** in Queensland in May. Sheryl took out first place over WSC rep Ed Okulicz, by a narrow margin of 83 spread points.

The **Victorian Champs** held at the beginning of June, were won by Naween Fernando, with Rod Talbot second and Geoff Wright in third place. A highlight of the tournament was Joanne Craig's 284-point play for SLEAZIER. This equals Ruth Fewings 16-year-old record for highest word (ELOQUENT).

The **Millmerran** (QLD) tournament was held on the same weekend. It was won by Jane Brown on five wins, followed by Edward Okulicz, Anne Drew and Sheryl Davidson on four wins.



Singapore

A Ganesh scored a one-game victory over Nigel Richards in the **1st Temasek Open** earlier this year. Dylan Sharma and Michael Tang placed third and fourth respectively.

Singaporeans took the quinella at the **Australian Championships** in Fremantle WA. Cheah Siu Hean was the clear leader with 17 wins, followed by Tony Sim on 15. Tony has won the Aust Champs on two previous occasions — 1995 and 1996 and was runner up to Paul Cleary in 1997.

Nigel Richards made an impressive play in the annual **Singapore-Malaysia tournament** in April. With a rack of DDEOPR?, Nigel played PREORDEReD through RE and the third R. Nigel continued on to win the tournament 5 games ahead of second place-getter, Tony Sim. Nigel also won the Singapore Open on June 2nd.



South Africa

In an exciting game which Aurora Levy (504) won against Steven Gruzd (493), **three SA records** were broken.

Steve's score was the highest reported losing score recorded in South Africa and 997 is the highest reported combined total. But most remarkable was Aurora's play of ZEDS/SWASHERS for 114, the highest non-bonus! She had earlier made TOYOS/WASHERS for 109.



United Kingdom

It will not be possible to stage a **National Championship** in the UK this year. The winner of the 2002 British Matchplay Scrabble Championship will be designated as the 2002 National Champion.

A recent questionnaire revealed that there are **347 Clubs in the UK** (up from 335 in 2001). There are 5488 regular players, 28% of which play in tournaments.



United States

Veteran Scrabbler, Ron Tiekert won the **Atlantic City Tournament** this year. Joel Sherman and Marlon Hill finished in second and third places with 10 and 9 wins respectively.

Joey Mallick defeated the current World Champion, Brian Cappelletto, to claim the title of **Arden Cup Champion**. He pulled out 15 wins in a field whose average rating was 1863. Joel Sherman was third on thirteen wins.

The **Game Show Network** has signed a deal with Hasbro to develop a TV game show based on Scrabble. "The game will be true to the board game and hopefully will appeal to the millions and millions of Americans who know and play Scrabble," said Bob Boden, Game Show Network's Senior VP of Programming and Production. The show could launch as early as the first quarter of 2003.

Scrabble Master of the Sea

The late, great Sir Peter Blake was a Scrabble fan. It was reported during his Auckland memorial service that Sir Peter, and some of his crew, played Scrabble aboard Seamaster whilst journeying to the Antarctic. There is no anagram of SEAMASTER, but drop one letter and you can make AMREETAS, MASSETER, SEAMSTER and STEAMERS.

New Plymouth Tournament — Important Notice

Due to the snap election, the New Plymouth Club has had to change its venue for the tournament to be held on Election Day, July 27th as the electoral Office require our hall for a polling booth.

The new venue is the Beach Street Hall, Beach Street, New Plymouth. This hall is just one block west of the advertised venue in Sackville Street. The Beach Street Hall is on the left, just around the corner from Devon Street East. There will be a redirection sign at the Sackville Street hall should anyone have difficulties finding Beach Street.

There will be plenty of time for players to cast their votes either before or after the tournament.

Please direct any queries to Lynne Butler, 13 Antonia Place, New Plymouth. Ph 06 755 2134 :
Email scrabblyn@clear.net.nz

Most Senior Master

Gerald Warner was previously the most senior player at the Masters (76 years, 199 days). This was on the last day of the 2001 Masters. The eldest Masters player is now June Mackwell (MTA), aged 78 years and 295 days on the last day of the 2002 Masters.



June Mackwell

It is a real inspiration to see players like Gerald and June still competing at this high level.



CLUB NEWS

Christchurch

by Margaret Lyall

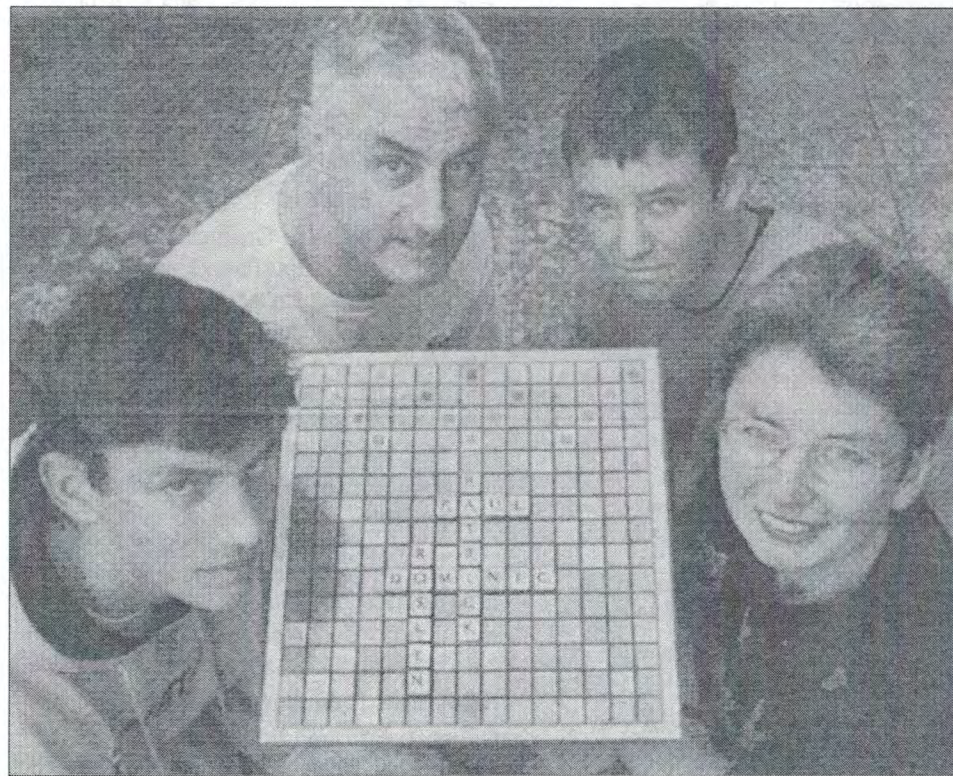
Unrated Tournament

Our recent unrated tournament, held on the 23rd of March was most enjoyable. Twenty-four players competed, and we were pleased to welcome several members who have not been able to attend regularly on

Friday nights, as well as some new players also taking part.

The tournament was held at our club rooms in Hutcheson Street and we had three perfect round robin grades.

Outstanding newcomer was Selena Chan who has been wowing us with her Scrabble vocab lately with words like ABROOKING and FEEZE. Selena finished a creditable third in C Grade.



The Scrabble-playing Lister family from Christchurch pictured at the Dunedin Tournament in April. From left Dominic (13), Paul, Patrick (15) and Roslyn

Photo by Otago Daily Times

Liz Fagerlund was excellent in A Grade winning all seven games and with a very high spread. Patrick Lister did an able job as an adjudicator and scorer.

Here are the results:

Name	Wins	Spread	B/W
A Grade			
1 Liz Fagerlund	7	957	9
2 Paul Lister	6	624	11
3 Doreen Ogston	4	376	11
4 Margaret Lyall	4	79	7
5 Shirley Hol	3	-367	9
6 Kathleen Mori-Barker	3	-368	8
7 Naomi Gilmore	1	-539	2
8 Ray Goodyear	0	-762	5
B Grade			
1 Barbara Butt	6	642	4
2 Roslyn Lister	4	410	8
3 Dominic Lister	4	62	5
4 Paula Gibbons	4	-142	3
5 Alison Torrance	3	-35	2
6 Betty Wilson	3	-198	2
7 Veronica Zilinskas	2	-614	0
C Grade			
1 Betty Sutherland	6	346	4
2 Jean Craib	5	349	1
3 Selena Chan	4	275	3
4 Charles Kiewiet	4	-93	3
5 Mary Lewis	3.5	-8	0
6 Wendy McIlwrick	2.5	-18	0
7 Margaret Preston	2	-366	2
8 Pat Steffensen	1	-485	1

We have collected goods toward a garage sale which was held at the club rooms along with a hotdog stand on April 27 to raise funds for our club travel fund.

Club Averages 1.2.02 - 23.3.02
Stats by Liz Fagerlund

Liz Fagerlund	21	425	1.29
Shirley van Essen	6	407	1.67
Doreen Ogston	6	407	2.00
Paul Lister	20	400	1.40

Name	Games Played	Ave Score	Bonus Ave
Kathleen Mori-Barker	15	391	1.27
Margaret Lyall	21	383	1.24
Shirley Hol	17	380	0.94
Terry Cook	12	367	1.25
Selena Chan	12	363	0.50
Gabrielle Bolt	9	362	1.22
Dominic Lister	8	360	0.25
Veronica Zilinskas	12	359	1.00
Colleen Cook	18	348	0.44
Roslyn Lister	21	346	1.00
Barbara Butt	18	341	0.44
Paula Gibbons	9	330	0.33
Betty Sutherland	18	328	0.56
Jean Craib	21	323	0.24
Judith Bach	9	318	0.11
Betty Wilson	18	312	0.28
Adam Young	12	305	0.58
Pat Steffenson	11	281	0.27

News from England

Ann and Malcolm Graham continue to send regular details of their trip, including Malcolm's tournament experiences. In the Highworth Scrabble Club's tournament in Swindon on March 3rd, Malcolm was delighted to win E grade and receive a fine trophy. He was the only undefeated player out of the 190 competitors.

Dunedin

by Bill Grigg

NZ Masters Tournament Easter 2002

Congratulations to our own Peter Sinton, finishing second with 18.5 wins. Well done. Winner - Mike Sigley, Wanganui

Quiz (1)

CEMNOOY - 2 words

Dunedin Lion Open Tournament

April 13 & 14

A big thanks to Maureen Holliday and Joan Pratt both from Hibiscus Coast; Debbie Caldwell, Nelson; and especially the Christchurch contingent of 12 players. We appreciate your support. Winner of Day 1 was Debbie Caldwell Nelson Winner of Day 2 was Paul Lister Christchurch

South Island Championships

Christchurch May 11-12

A small party of Dunedin Scrabbles ventured up with good results.

Marion Ross	3rd in A grade
Ruth Groffman	2nd in C grade
Chris Handley	2nd in D grade

Winner of A Grade was Shirley Hol of the Christchurch Club.

Quiz (2)

CEIPRTU - 2 words

Club Competitions

Round Robin

Karyn McDougall ave 442

Ladder

Karyn McDougall ave 409

Challenge

Peter Sinton ave 451

Dictionary

Stewart Fleming ave 557

High Win Scores

668 R/R Competition Peter Sinton

633 Dictionary Karyn McDougall

High Losing Scores

441 Challenge Stewart Fleming

440 Ladder Stewart Fleming

High Turn

176 Challenge Bev Allen

158 R/R Competition Peter Sinton

Nationals Hamilton June 1-2

Peter Sinton, Carolyn Kyle and Ruth Groffman will be representing the club.

Otago Lion Open November 2-3

15 games; 6 per grade; triple round robin; \$28

Contact: Ruth Groffman, 4 Wycolla Ave, St Clair, Dunedin
Email: ruthgroffman@hotmail.com

(1) ECONOMY, MONOCYCLE
(2) PICTURE, CURPITE

Quiz Answers

Happy Scrabbling
Bill Grigg

North Shore Tournament

by Allie Quinn

An excellent field of 76 players turned out for our annual tournament. The most pleasing thing was that six new players came for their first tournament and one of them, Mescal Kelly from Mt Albert, came second in her grade with six wins and an average of 356. Pretty good for a first timer! Our highest combined score of the day was the game between Glennis Hale and Lynne Powell when they scored 1050 (not quite reaching the record of 1078). Jill Johnson in the F Grade had the highest word score for QUEENIES with 203. The only person to win 7 games was Catherine Styles of Mt. Albert.

Both of our Lotto bonus words were won by George Laing of North Shore. Thanks to all who came along to our tournament — come again next year.

Answers to Non Nonwords From page 12

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|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. BANNOCK | 15. MONERAN | 29. SOLANIN |
| 2. BARONNE | 16. ANTONYM | 30. MANNOSE |
| 3. DUNNOCK | 17. MENAZON | 31. PHONONS |
| 4. ANYONES | 18. MECONIN | 32. LONGANS |
| 5. DOYENNE | 19. MINNOCK | 33. GNOMONS |
| 6. FACONNE | 20. SANNOPS | 34. NAPRONS |
| 7. FRANION | 21. POYNANT | 35. NORTENA |
| 8. ENFELON | 22. PANNOSE | 36. TONNELL |
| 9. FRONTON | 23. PENNONS | 37. NEWTONS |
| 10. HYPNONE | 24. PINNOCK | 38. WINNOCK |
| 11. JANNOCK | 25. PINNOED | 39. WONNING |
| 12. JOTUNNS | 26. PINONES | 40. TENZONS |
| 13. KONNING | 27. SPONGIN | |
| 14. CANNOLI | 28. RONNING | |

Addenda To Murphy's Law

- Everyone has a photographic memory. Some don't have film.
- He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
- A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- Back up my hard drive? How do I put it in reverse?
- I just got lost in thought. It was unfamiliar territory.
- Seen it all, done it all. Can't remember most of it.
- I feel like I'm diagonally parked in a parallel universe.
- He's not dead, he's electroencephalographically-challenged.
- She's always late. Her ancestors arrived on the Juneflower.
- You have the right to remain silent ... Anything you say will be misquoted, then used against you.
- I wonder how much deeper the ocean would be without sponges.
- Honk if you love peace and quiet.
- Pardon my driving, I am reloading.
- Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how it remains so popular?
- Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
- It is hard to understand how a cemetery raised its burial costs and blamed it on the high cost of living.
- The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.



EXECUTIVE EXERTIONS



It's hard to believe that my first year as President of the Association has come to an end already. Many thanks to all the help from the rest of the committee, and also from other members of the Scrabble community who have willingly shared their knowledge and ideas, to help make the job easier for me. Welcome to the new Vice-President of the association, Lynn Wood. I know Lynn will be a great asset to the committee and will have much to offer. It's great to see that ex Vice-President Sheryl Davidson is doing very well in competitions in her new home of Australia.

Congratulations to all the winners and place-getters at this year's Nationals, held in Hamilton for the first time since 1998, after being successfully held in other centres in the previous three years.

Thanks to all the people who helped

make the event a success — Pam Robson, who did a great job of buying the prizes, computer worker Ed Olson, adjudicator Pat Grant, Glenda Foster for pre-tournament computer work, the runners, all the other Hamilton players who helped, and a specially big thanks to Allie Quinn who not only did all the secretarial work required for the Nationals, she also did Joan Thomas's job of collecting entry fees and keeping the money side in order while Joan is overseas.

Next year's Nationals will be in Wellington, and the Masters in Hamilton, hosted by the Kiwi club.

Good luck to the 12 players who have qualified for the 2002 Trans Tasman competition to be held in Wellington in November. I'm sure our great team will do well.

Liz

- It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try and pass them.
- You can't have everything. Where would you put it?
- Latest survey shows that 3 out of 4 people make up 75% of the world's population.
- If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
- The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.
- Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
- Shin: A device for finding furniture.
- A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
- I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.

NZASP Rankings as at 2 June 2002

Name	Rating	Wins	Games	%	Name	Rating	Wins	Games	%
1 Kendall Boyd	2171	246	319	77%	49 Doreen O'Shea	1542	283.5	556	51%
2 Mike Sigley	2141	588	795	74%	50 Roger Coates	1542	301.5	629	48%
3 Peter Sinton	2095	322	437	74%	51 Yvonne Wilson	1537	220	390	56%
4 Howard Warner	2085	555.5	820	68%	52 Ann Hough	1521	212	393	54%
5 Patrick Carter	2070	443	713	62%	53 Joan Thomas	1503	282	529	53%
6 Jeff Grant	2065	948	1227	77%	54 Margaret Bundock	1499	464	938	49%
7 Blue Thorogood	1987	280	417	67%	55 Andree Prentice	1495	447.5	862	52%
8 Glennis Hale	1952	783.5	1409	56%	56 Reevea Pearson	1477	662	1404	47%
9 John Foster	1934	713.5	1247	57%	57 Frank Robinson	1472	45.5	94	48%
10 Andrew Bradley	1924	341	692	49%	58 Janice Cherry	1469	173	310	56%
11 Glynis Jennings	1916	297.5	624	48%	59 Jennifer Smith	1452	310	554	56%
12 Lynne Butler	1899	558	930	60%	60 Shirley van Essen	1451	167	293	57%
13 Peter Jones	1868	527	1052	50%	61 Andrew Denmead	1446	120.5	224	54%
14 Rosemary Cleary	1866	332	704	47%	62 Karyn McDougall	1442	312.5	599	52%
15 Cecilia Ruto	1846	128	248	52%	63 Delcie Macbeth	1440	348	651	53%
16 Denise Gordon	1841	443.5	862	51%	64 Rebecca Freeth	1440	125.5	216	58%
17 Sheryl Davidson	1836	605	1138	53%	65 Shirley Wyatt	1431	257	531	48%
18 Steven Brown	1834	360.5	680	53%	66 Rhoda Cashman	1422	482	1034	47%
19 Lynne Powell	1824	654.5	1253	52%	67 Hilda Scott	1421	197	360	55%
20 Chris Hooks	1818	470	957	49%	68 Shirley Martin	1414	309.5	589	53%
21 Glenda Foster	1807	478	924	52%	69 Julie Atkinson	1410	109.5	190	58%
22 Anna Geange	1800	359.5	679	53%	70 Isabel Zyp	1389	290	573	51%
23 Debbie Caldwell	1779	120	188	64%	71 Margaret Lyall	1388	248.5	502	50%
24 George Warnock	1769	31	56	55%	72 Yvette Hewlett	1385	184.5	402	46%
25 May Quigley	1735	442	982	45%	73 Betty Eriksen	1381	381.5	755	51%
26 Paul Lister	1732	363	635	57%	74 Stewart Fleming	1361	59	122	48%
27 Pam Robson	1732	358	747	48%	75 Marian Ross	1358	201.5	433	47%
28 Valerie Mills	1731	427	881	48%	76 Ruth O'Neill	1323	232.5	485	48%
29 Jane Walton	1715	215	399	54%	77 Glenda Geard	1319	544	1072	51%
30 Liz Fagerlund	1711	359.5	670	54%	78 Bill Grigg	1318	232.5	444	52%
31 Eileen McLean	1704	644	1244	52%	79 Murray Rogers	1302	116.5	215	54%
32 Lisa McLean	1700	359.5	706	51%	80 Carolyn Kyle	1294	207.5	402	52%
33 Fae Olson	1699	832	1727	48%	81 Ann Candler	1278	436	931	47%
34 Marianne Bentley	1688	98	216	45%	82 David Gunn	1259	612	1201	51%
35 June Mackwell	1654	360.5	789	46%	83 Margaret Cherry	1250	229	461	50%
36 Puti Rowe	1640	351	707	50%	84 Malcolm Graham	1230	183.5	360	51%
37 Correne James	1637	406.5	845	48%	85 Marianne Patchett	1214	138.5	254	55%
38 Gerald Warner	1637	643.5	1380	47%	86 Lorraine Van Veen	1212	418	815	51%
39 Lynn Wood	1632	735.5	1526	48%	87 Sue Walker	1212	293.5	587	50%
40 Faye Cronhelm	1617	440	885	50%	88 Hazel Purdie	1199	327	684	48%
41 Leila Thomson	1612	304	669	45%	89 Marj Baillie	1197	305.5	620	49%
42 Rogelio Talosig	1583	23	36	64%	90 Roto Mitchell	1193	193	366	53%
43 Glenyss Buchanan	1571	381	791	48%	91 Jean O'Brien	1188	420.5	845	50%
44 Helen Sillis	1560	467.5	912	51%	92 Doreen Ogston	1164	349	736	47%
45 Shirley Hol	1556	250.5	515	49%	93 Karen Rodgers	1162	75	199	38%
46 Maureen Holliday	1551	290.5	560	52%	94 Margaret Parsons	1155	205.5	365	56%
47 Kim Graham	1547	202.5	357	57%	95 Elsie Malkin	1150	129	247	52%
48 Allie Quinn	1545	542	1133	48%	96 Mary Gray	1139	211	391	54%

Name	Rating	Wins	Games	%	Name	Rating	Wins	Games	%
97 Kathleen Mori-Barker	1128	149	296	50%	145 Dorothy Haining	699	341	689	49%
98 Steve Richards	1110	97	174	56%	146 Kath Davies	698	122	250	49%
99 Pam Barlow	1098	211	404	52%	147 Paula Gibbons	686	136	275	49%
100 Elaine Moltzen	1096	305	624	49%	148 Ruth Munnings	668	48.5	98	49%
101 David Bragg	1089	78	122	64%	149 Marie Kingi	662	137	304	45%
102 Jill Johnson	1089	103	204	50%	150 Alan Medhurst	661	36	91	40%
103 Liz Catchpole	1085	207	427	48%	151 Carole Coates	661	233	496	47%
104 Ruth Groffman	1072	110.5	216	51%	152 Janni Henneveld	646	33	73	45%
105 Lyn Toka	1057	197.5	391	51%	153 Dorothy Latta	624	116	288	40%
106 Michael Hyndman	1055	170.5	314	54%	154 Lyres Freeth	613	27.5	42	65%
107 Ernie Gidman	1051	117	235	50%	155 Veronica Zilinskas	613	35	59	59%
108 Liz Richards	1022	92	173	53%	156 Elaine Ware	609	240	464	52%
109 Barbara Butt	1006	48	73	66%	157 Dawn Smith	605	44.5	96	46%
110 Janet Willison	1001	84	116	72%	158 Resie Coenen	583	81.5	244	33%
111 Samantha Samuels	998	30	55	55%	159 Isabel Weddell	570	33	55	60%
112 Colleen Cook	989	40	66	61%	160 Michael Groffman	566	29	51	57%
113 Catherine Styles	984	25.5	34	75%	161 Ria Shoebridge	543	42.5	90	47%
114 Karen Miller	953	148	297	50%	162 June Ward	540	103	222	46%
115 Olwen Skelton	938	300	625	48%	163 Taanga Lawrence	537	25	78	32%
116 Joan Pratt	927	314	597	53%	164 Jena Yousif	531	39	88	44%
117 Annette Coombes	924	276.5	625	44%	165 Margaret Durdle	530	30	52	58%
118 Bev Barker	918	291	614	47%	166 Lil Moore	529	302	642	47%
119 Chris Handley	907	111	233	48%	167 Dominic Lister	514	81	161	50%
120 Margaret Hanson	907	200.5	391	51%	168 Cecilia Bullo't	504	126	299	42%
121 Irene Hague-Smith	897	346	733	47%	169 Iris Boulton	467	59	123	48%
122 Rosalind Phillips	892	94	162	58%	170 Tim Henneveld	442	29.5	73	40%
123 Ray Goodyear	887	62	132	47%	171 Vera Burner	423	164	614	27%
124 Marie Cairns	870	114.5	212	54%	172 Betty Wilson	395	93	195	48%
125 Gabrielle Bolt	861	65	117	56%	173 Sue Mayn	390	7	28	25%
126 Jean Boyle	860	74.5	132	56%	174 Jenny Reed	376	23.5	49	48%
127 Valma Gidman	856	317	645	49%	175 Merle Spinetto	374	54.5	133	41%
128 Mary Farmer	847	78	153	51%	176 Maureen McBain	373	50	142	35%
129 Amelia Carrington	826	24	40	60%	177 Pauline Smeaton	367	31	67	46%
130 Connie Gervasi	824	31	48	65%	178 Betty Sutherland	342	98	234	42%
131 Amanda Clow-Hewer	824	26	36	72%	179 Jean Craib	314	58.5	202	29%
132 Lyn Dawson	820	197.5	347	57%	180 Wendy McIlwrick	288	32	74	43%
133 Yvonne MacKenzie	818	148	347	43%	181 Charles Kiewiet	240	24	73	33%
134 Jean Walsh	807	120	241	50%	182 Adam Young	77	26.5	74	36%
135 Allison Torrance	799	83.5	146	57%	183 Elvira Steel	0	103	487	21%
136 May Meads	789	197	378	52%					
137 Alice Hayward	766	50	82	61%					
138 Isabel Morris	760	45	81	56%					
139 Roslyn Lister	759	114.5	224	51%					
140 Tracy Ivamy	757	60	122	49%					
141 Maria Clinton	757	58	112	52%					
142 Pam Mayall	753	184	345	53%					
143 Kate Wignall	745	368	739	50%					
144 Jacqueline Coldham-Fussell	722	254	537	47%					

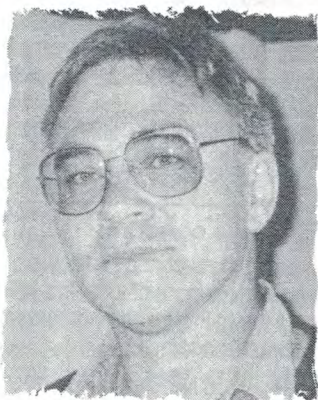
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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

NZ Masters Championship 30 March - 1 April 2002

23 Games

Name	Club Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
1 Mike Sigley	WAN	21	2398	466 58
2 Peter Sinton	DUN	18.5	1455	431 43
3 Blue Thorogood	IND	18	1381	460 58
4 Jeff Grant	IND	17	1436	437 48
5 Patrick Carter	MTA	16.5	813	417 39
6 Lynne Butler	NPL	16	965	415 33
7 Glennis Hale	MTA	12	670	421 43
8 Steven Brown	HAM	12	239	422 50
9 Andrew Bradley	MTA	12	163	393 30
10 Glenda Foster	WEL	12	126	407 36
11 Rosemary Cleary	WAN	12	-409	384 31
12 Denise Gordon	WAN	11	-121	408 37
13 John Foster	NSB	11	-272	389 34
14 Lynne Powell	NSB	10	-438	408 41
15 Sheryl Davidson	PAK	10	-573	388 38
16 Paul Lister	CHC	10	-1270	374 29
17 Fae Olson	NSB	9	-427	385 29
18 Debbie Caldwell	NEL	9	-647	393 39
19 Marianne Bentley	TAU	8	-394	401 36



Mike Sigley (WAN)
NZ Masters Champion 2002

Name	Club Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
20 Cecilia Ruto	IND	7	-263	392 34
21 Liz Fagerlund	CHC	7	-349	382 28
22 Lynn Wood	WEL	6	-1369	362 23
23 Peter Jones	MTA	6	-1547	361 23
24 June Mackwell	MTA	5	-1567	347 30

North Shore Bays Scrabble Tournament Saturday 4th April 2002

7 Games

Name	Club Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
1 Glennis Hale	MTA	6	761	472 18
2 Howard Warner	MTA	5	637	471 18
3 John Foster	NSB	4	41	403 11
4 Cecilia Ruto	IND	4	-376	369 6
5 Chris Hooks	MTA	3	-231	373 8
6 Andrew Bradley	MTA	3	-278	386 10
7 Lynne Powell	HIB	2	-114	414 12
8 Valerie Mills	PAK	1	-440	369 6

Grade B

1 Peter Jones	HAM	5	156	404 12
2 Lisa McLean	MTA	4	237	424 13
3 Fae Olson	NSB	4	233	394 9
4 Eileen McLean	MTA	4	31	401 8
5 Marianne Bentley	TGA	3	-148	384 9
6 May Quigley	IND	3	-203	373 4
7 Lynn Wood	WEL	3	-286	369 9
8 Rogelio Talosig	NSB	2	-20	403 13

Grade C

1 Correne James	MTA	5	195	390 10
2 June Mackwell	MTA	5	69	390 11
3 Faye Cronhelm	IND	5	69	367 7
4 Allie Quinn	NSB	4	126	377 5
5 Roger Coates	KIWI	4	10	382 8
6 Margaret Bundock	HIB	3	48	354 3
7 Gerald Warner	HIB	1	-235	371 5
8 Rebecca Freeth	ROD	1	-282	363 4

Name Club Wins Spread Ave B/W

Grade D

1 Jennifer Smith	HAM	4	356	418 9
2 Delcie Macbeth	IND	4	285	401 11
3 Maureen Holliday	HIB	4	101	379 10
4 Yvette Hewlett	0	4	-94	391 12
5 Glenda Geard	IND	3	-28	382 6
6 Janice Cherry	PAK	3	-108	378 7
7 Rhoda Cashman	HIB	3	-206	372 7
8 Shirley Martin	HAM	3	-306	344 6

Grade E

1 Hazel Purdie	MTA	5	385	420 7
2 Rosalind Phillips	PHC	4	117	367 9
3 Shirley Wyatt	MTA	4	25	364 5
4 Marianne Patchett	MTA	4	10	383 4
5 Margaret Cherry	PAK	4	-56	358 7
6 Isabel Zyp	HAM	3	-142	344 6
7 David Gunn	WKP	2	-121	383 12
8 Ann Candler	NSB	2	-218	365 6

Grade F

1 Jill Johnson	PHC	6	263	377 2
2 Elaine Moltzen	KIWI	6	246	403 14
3 Pam Barlow	PAK	4	304	394 10
4 Joan Pratt	HIB	3	40	374 8
5 Sue Walker	MTA	3	-148	380 9
6 Bev Barker	MTA	2	-162	342 5
7 Olwen Skelton	ROD	2	-267	335 6
8 Ernie Gidman	ROD	2	-276	350 6

Grade G

1 Samantha Samuels	KIWI	5	42	334 2
2 May Meads	PHC	4	367	408 8
3 Margaret Hanson	PHC	4	94	363 3
4 Kate Wignall	MTA	4	57	355 3
5 George Laing	NSB	4	-219	328 4
6 Dorothy Haining	ROD	3	-5	351 3
7 Carole Coates	KIWI	2	-132	335 7
8 Ruth Munnings	ROD	2	-204	333 7

Grade H

1 Catherine Styles	MTA	7	602	396 6
2 Lyres Freeth	ROD	5	323	357 2
3 Ria Shoebridge	PHC	4	257	345 2
4 Elise Joy	PHC	3.5	-245	313 2
5 Valma Gidman	ROD	3	44	344 4
6 Lil Moore	MTA	2.5	-41	334 2
7 Sue Mayn	ROD	2	-417	288 5
8 Maureen McBain	TGA	1	-523	292 1

Grade I

1 Resie Coenen	PHC	6	424	360 4
2 Mescal Kelly	MTA	6	424	356 4



Samantha Samuels (KIWI)
Grade G winner at North Shore

Name Club Wins Spread Ave B/W

3 Rob Van Slyke	ROD	5	248	274 1
4 Jenny Reed	ROD	4.5	374	342 1
5 Pauline Smeaton	TGA	4	145	336 3
6 Merle Spinetto	ROD	3.5	54	322 1
7 Lynn Carter	NSB	3	266	319 3
8 Evie Perrin	ROD	3	-93	319 1
9 Kate Leslie	ROD	3	-248	305 0
10 Noelene Bettjeman	HIB	2	-200	298 1
11 Margaret Miller	HIB	1	-697	255 0
12 Karen Stewart	KIWI	1	-697	254 2

Dunedin Open Scrabble Tournament Day 1 Saturday 13 April

7 Games

Name	Club Wins	Spread	B/W
Grade A			
1 Debbie Caldwell	NEL	5	242 12
2 Karyn McDougall	DUN	5	80 11
3 Paul Lister	CHC	4	393 11
4 Liz Fagerlund	CHC	4	311 10
5 Stewart Fleming	DUN	4	-52 10
6 Doreen Ogston	CHC	3	-203 10
7 Maureen Holliday	HBC	2	-357 8
8 Carolyn Kyle	DUN	1	-414 9

Name Club Wins Spread B/W

Grade B

1	Joan Pratt	HBC	5	190	10
2	Daisy Madden	DUN	5	-178	5
3	Barbara Butt	CHC	4	10	4
4	Amanda Clow-Hewer	DUN	3	260	10
5	Yvonne MacKenzie	CHC	3	74	8
6	Gabrielle Bolt	CHC	3	-49	5
7	Chris Handley	DUN	3	-206	5
8	Lyn Dawson	NEL	2	-101	8

Grade C

1	Michael Groffman	DUN	5	212	3
2	Trevor Rowell	DUN	5	136	5
3	Dominic Lister	CHC	4	201	4
4	Charles Kiewiet	CHC	4	18	3
5	Roslyn Lister	CHC	3	-52	5
6	Patrick Lister	CHC	2.5	-101	1
7	Paula Gibbons	CHC	2.5	-256	3
8	Elvira Steel	DUN	2	-158	1

Day 2 Sunday 14 April

7 Games

Grade A

1	Paul Lister	CHC	5	438	12
2	Carolyn Kyle	DUN	5	171	8
3	Liz Fagerlund	CHC	4	187	9
4	Marian Ross	DUN	3	-119	8
5	Stewart Fleming	DUN	3	-227	10
6	Karyn McDougall	DUN	3	-264	9
7	Debbie Caldwell	NEL	2.5	10	10
8	Maureen Holliday	HBC	2.5	-196	6

Grade B

1	Doreen Ogston	CHC	7	528	12
2	Gabrielle Bolt	CHC	5	232	6
3	Yvonne MacKenzie	CHC	4	190	8
4	Barbara Butt	CHC	3	118	5
5	Lyn Dawson	CHC	3	-41	7
6	Joan Pratt	HBC	3	-67	10
7	Chris Handley	DUN	3	-88	6
8	Charles Kiewiet	CHC	0	-872	2

Grade C

1	Roslyn Lister	CHC	7	687	3
2	Paula Gibbons	CHC	4	342	3
3	Dominic Lister	CHC	3	-157	3
4	Trevor Rowell	DUN	3	-221	0
5	Patrick Lister	CHC	2	-306	0
6	Elvira Steel	DUN	2	-345	0

South Island Champs
11-12 May 2002

15 Games

Name Club Wins Spread Ave B/W

Grade A

1	Shirley Hol	CHC	10	212	394	20
2	Paul Lister	CHC	10	180	389	16
3	Debbie Caldwell	NEL	8	598	431	35
4	Ann Hough	NEL	8	20	391	17
5	Andrew Denmead	NEL	5	-562	367	17
6	Andree Prentice	WAN	4	-448	374	13

Grade B

1	Margaret Lyall	CHC	10	195	382	21
2	Shirley van Essen	CHC	9	299	386	22
3	Marian Ross	DUN	9	232	384	16
4	David Gunn	WKP	7	-200	379	16
5	Murray Rogers	NEL	7	-212	371	13
6	Rosalind Phillips	PHC	3	-314	352	11

Grade C

1	Doreen Ogston	CHC	11	793	393	23
2	Ruth Groffman	DUN	10	685	386	11
3	Kathleen Mori-Barker	CHC	10	171	376	17
4	Colleen Cook	CHC	7	-323	356	11
5	Gabrielle Bolt	CHC	4	-509	333	6
6	Yvonne MacKenzie	CHC	3	-817	335	11

Grade D

1	Barbara Butt	CHC	12	586	372	11
2	Chris Handley	DUN	10	158	356	13
3	Lyn Dawson	CHC	8	287	377	16
4	Margaret Forbes	HIB	7	62	345	10
5	Allison Torrance	CHC	5	-331	345	17
6	Dawn Smith	NEL	3	-762	316	5

Grade E

1	Veronica Zilinskas	CHC	11	1009	369	9
2	Roslyn Lister	CHC	10	149	351	11
3	Paula Gibbons	CHC	9	352	352	14
4	Dominic Lister	CHC	9	304	360	19
5	Betty Wilson	CHC	6	-315	319	7
6	Adam Young	CHC	0	-1499	284	8

Grade F

1	Selena Chan	CHC	12	1089	373	4
2	Betty Sutherland	CHC	9	270	333	6
3	Wendy McIlwrick	CHC	8	93	327	5
4	Jean Craib	CHC	7	-120	328	3
5	Charles Kiewiet	CHC	7	-316	316	5
6	Elvira Steel	DUN	2	-1016	293	1

National Scrabble
Championship
1-2 June 2002

15 Games

Name Club Wins Spread Ave B/W

Grade A

1	Kendall Boyd	IND	15	1737	472	30
2	Peter Sinton	DUN	11.5	506	422	25
3	David Lloyd	IND	10.5	540	419	26
4	Jeff Grant	IND	10	1033	441	28
5	Howard Warner	MTA	8	474	433	27
6	Glennis Hale	MTA	8	-63	390	24
7	Peter Jones	HAM	8	-166	392	22
8	John Foster	NSB	8	-218	389	21
9	Andrew Bradley	MTA	8	-257	400	19
10	Blue Thorogood	IND	6	-405	383	18
11	Cecilia Ruto	IND	6	-665	383	16
12	Lynne Powell	HIB	5	-349	407	31
13	Chris Hooks	MTA	5	-443	378	25
14	Lynne Butler	NPL	4	-376	395	21
15	Steven Brown	HAM	4	-419	393	29
16	Glenda Foster	WEL	3	-929	372	19

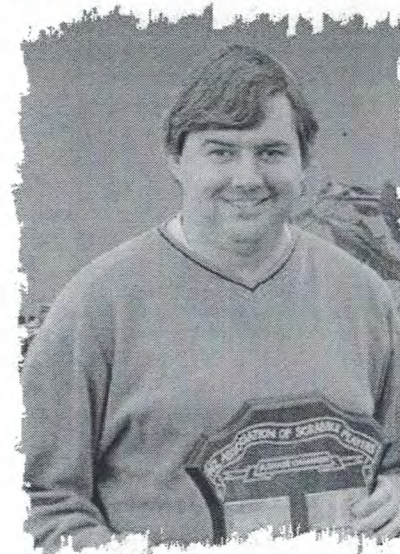
Grade B

1	Debbie Caldwell	NEL	12	1157	440	28
2	Pam Robson	HAM	9.5	350	402	21
3	Liz Fagerlund	CHC	9	239	394	16
4	Jane Walton	HAM	9	197	397	24
5	Paul Lister	CHC	9	-75	382	18
6	Valerie Mills	PAK	8	392	399	21
7	Eileen McLean	MTA	8	199	388	19
8	Lisa McLean	MTA	7	45	375	20
9	Marianne Bentley	TAU	7	-95	391	19
10	Fae Olson	NSB	7	-218	381	17
11	June Mackwell	MTA	6.5	39	398	20
12	Correne James	MTA	6.5	-215	368	21
13	Faye Cronhelm	IND	6	-508	375	18
14	Leila Thomson	LOH	6	-699	357	17
15	Lynn Wood	WEL	5.5	-393	361	16
16	Shirley Hol	CHC	4	-415	369	19

Grade C

1	Gerald Warner	HIB	11	659	401	16
2	Maureen Holliday	HIB	9.5	201	381	16
3	Rogelio Talosig	NSB	9	843	404	28
4	Helen Sillis	NPL	9	-200	375	11
5	Glenyss Buchanan	LOH	8.5	289	398	25

Name	Club	Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
6 Doreen O'Shea	HAS	8	544	410	21
7 Yvonne Wilson	HAS	8	107	386	22
8 Allie Quinn	NSB	8	-46	382	20
9 Roger Coates	KIW	7.5	-43	384	18
10 Andree Prentice	WAN	7.5	-154	378	12
11 Janice Cherry	PAK	7	231	384	19
12 Ann Hough	NEL	7	-278	367	21
13 Jennifer Smith	HAM	6	-499	362	16
14 Shirley Martin	HAM	5.5	-383	353	15
15 Andrew Denmead	NEL	5.5	-804	363	20
16 Jo Jackson	KIW	3	-497	357	8
Grade D					
1 Reeva Pearson	STR	12	726	408	29
2 Shirley Van Essen	CHC	11	701	408	19
3 Shirley Wyatt	MTA	11	59	361	10
4 Isabel Zyp	HAM	10	719	412	21
5 Yvette Hewlett	IND	9	434	398	26
6 Betty Eriksen	WAN	9	213	376	18
7 Ann Candler	NSB	7	524	407	24
8 Glenda Geard	IND	7	138	381	23
9 Murray Rogers	NEL	7	1	380	13
10 Ruth O'Neill	NPL	7	-428	367	12
11 David Gunn	WKP	6	-91	376	21
12 Carolyn Kyle	DUN	6	-675	361	15
13 Margaret Cherry	PAK	6	-751	344	11



Kendall Boyd (DUN)
NZ National Champ 2002

Name	Club	Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
14 Marianne Patchett	MTA	5	-526	351	10
15 Hazel Purdie	MTA	4	-339	366	8
16 Jean O'Brien	IND	3	-705	364	14

Grade E					
1 Sue Walker	MTA	12	464	402	25
2 Roto Mitchell	WAN	11	859	385	12
3 Doreen Ogston	CHC	10	217	368	19
4 Pam Barlow	PAK	9	709	383	20
5 Elaine Moltzen	KIW	8	232	397	23
6 Ernie Gidman	ROD	8	154	368	16
7 Lyn Toka	KIW	8	129	387	25
8 David Bragg	ROT	8	-14	375	15
9 Ruth Groffman	DUN	8	-50	362	7
10 Margaret Flaws	TAU	7	122	368	12
11 Samantha Samuels	KIW	7	-196	335	7
12 Karen Miller	PAK	6	-127	342	7
13 Joan Pratt	HIB	5	-275	364	14
14 Margaret Hanson	PHC	5	-504	331	7
15 Annette Coombes	WKP	5	-1051	338	15
16 Rosalind Phillips	PHC	3	-669	335	12

Grade F					
1 Valma Gidman	ROD	11	583	379	14
2 Allison Torrance	CHC	10	608	370	16

Name	Club	Wins	Spread	Ave	B/W
3 David Sutcliffe	WKP	10	-6	359	16
4 Roslyn Lister	CHC	9	449	362	14
5 Tracy Ivamy	HAS	9	370	359	18
6 Isabel Morris	CHC	9	338	368	7
7 Daphne Hick	NPL	9	211	352	10
8 Maria Clinton	NEL	9	-222	337	5
9 Jacqueline Coldham-Fussell	KIW	8	429	376	13
10 Carole Coates	KIW	7	46	370	19
11 Alan Medhurst	NPL	7	10	339	11
12 Marie Kingi	KIW	7	-503	329	15
13 June Ward	HAS	4	-411	350	8
14 Taanga Lawrence	HAS	4	-549	319	9
15 Dominic Lister	CHC	4	-590	334	12
16 Iris Boulton	NEL	3	-763	318	3

Grade G					
1 Catherine Henry	TAU	13	1083	378	12
2 JoAnn Ingram	TAU	13	844	365	9
3 Paula Gibbons	CHC	12	637	356	12
4 Resie Coenen	PHC	10	349	339	4
5 Jena Yousif	KIW	9	186	350	7
6 Margaret Durdle	TAU	9	61	351	7
7 Anthea Jones	HAM	8	257	356	11
8 Patrick Lister	CHC	8	121	328	5
9 Margaret Penniket	KIW	8	-310	328	11
10 Vera Burner	IND	7	-240	303	0
11 Maureen McBain	TAU	6	-265	325	6
12 Jean Craib	CHC	5	-321	327	9
13 Sharon Clarke	STR	5	-660	296	6
14 Jean Wacker	TAU	4	-854	300	1
15 Karen Stewart	KIW	3	-888	283	10

Team Trophy: Tauranga — 35 wins
Catherine Henry (13), JoAnn Ingram (13) and Margaret Durdle (9) all from E Grade

Georgie Trophy
Catherine Henry (13 wins, won G grade, 1st tournament)

Highest word of tournament — 149

Val Mills — DANGLIEST

Margaret Flaws — WIRELESS

Best overseas player

David Lloyd

Highest game trophy

Yvette Hewlett — 621

Bonus words trophy

Lynne Powell — 31



Catherine Henry (TAU)
G Grade and Georgie trophy
winner at Nationals

Nationals photos by Eddie Olson

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 (WAN)	763	John Foster (MTA)
Highest Losing Score	513	Jeff Grant (HAS)	521	June Mackwell (MTA)
Highest Drawn Game	456	Lynne Butler (NPL) & Glenyss Buchanan (LOH)	482	Margaret Warren (HAS) & Jeff Grant (HAS)
Highest Single Turn	221	Sheryl Davidson (PAK) Lisa McLean (IND) Jeff Grant (IND)	284	Sheryl Davidson (PAK) Shirley Wyatt (MTA)
Highest Single Turn Non-bonus	135	Ruth O'Neill (NPL)	261	John Foster (MTA)
Highest Combined Score	1078	Howard Warner (CAP) & David Lloyd (MTA)	1106	Dawn Kitzen (PHC) & Chris Hooks (MTA)
Largest Winning Margin	493	Mike Sigley (WAN)	577	Peter Sinton (DUN)
Highest Take-off	54	Lisa McLean (IND)	68	Andrew Bradley (MTA)
Most Bonus Words (3 Game Evening)	—	—	13	David Lloyd (MTA)
Highest 3-Game Aggregate	—	—	1805	Nigel Richards (CHC)
Most Consecutive Bonus Words	5	Allie Quinn (NSB)	5	John Foster (MTA)
Most Bonus Words in Game (1 person)	6	Nigel Richards (CHC) Yvette Hewlett (IND)	6	Mike Sigley (WAN) Nigel Richards (CHC) Lynne Powell (ROD) Karyn McDougall (DUN) Allie Quinn (NSB) Sheryl Davidson (PAK)
Most Bonus Words in Game (2 people)	8	Mike Sigley (WAN) & Glenyss Buchanan (LOH) Nigel Richards (CHC) & John Foster (IND)	8	Dawn Kitzen (PHC) & Chris Hooks (MTA)
Highest Average Single Tournament (Any Grade)	584	Nigel Richards (CHC)	—	—

NZ Masters (23 Games)

Most Games Won	Jeff Grant (HAS) 21 (1993, 1997), Mike Sigley (WAN) 21 2002
Highest Aggregate	Nigel Richards (CHC) 11,103 (1999)
Most Bonus Words	Nigel Richards (CHC) 61 (1998)
Highest Spread	Howard Warner (MTA) +2410 (2000)