

NEW ZEALAND TEAMS—Winners of the Perpetual Cup

Since 1985 an award has been presented to the State or Territory having the most successful team's results at the Annual Australian Seniors Championships. This was first won by New Zealand in 1990 and now after 26 years, NZ is once again the proud holder of the trophy.

The New Zealand Teams:

Women's 75+ (**Winners**) ; Bev Evans, Tup Cox, Janice Larmer & Jillian Roberts.

Women's 55-64 (**Winners**); Raewyn Heywood, Mary-Anne Rogers, Janet Agnew, Sylvia Wilmshurst, Carol Thorpe.

Men 60+ (**3rd place**); Steve Brennan, Quentin Maisey, Larry Seales, Bruce Barrett (USA), Alan Russell.



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An International Tennis Champion at 84.

Ashley Wilson has jumped 76 places to 27th on the ITF World Seniors Ranking after winning the Australian National Seniors Individual Championships in the 85+ Men's singles.

It is extremely rare for a Kiwi to win such an event. Ashley beat out the other competitors in the 85+ age bracket, including the world number 3—Australian Adrian Alle who is an old friend.

There were ten 85+ men entered in the singles and with no ranking points, Ashley was not seeded. He had to play in one of the two back matches to move through to the final eight. He was pleased to have the match which alleviated some nervousness. When eventually meeting the #1 seed Adriane Alle, he did so in style winning 6-1 6-0.

