

Newsletter



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Welcome to the October Newsletter

ITF World Teams & Individuals Championships

Special points of interest:

- *ITF Teams Event in Umag, Croatia Sept*
- *Shirley Brown QSM*
- *Hawkes Bay VTC*
- *Players participating in overseas tournaments*
- *TNZS National Dates to remember*
- *ITF Dates to remember*
- *Upcoming TNZS Clubs Tournaments*

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Umag, Croatia, 21st Sept to 4th Oct.

The players enjoyed warm weather in the beautiful seaside resort of Umag on the North-west coast of Croatia, well away from the migrants who were making their way north on the east side of the country. The venue had 20 clay courts, 4 of these were indoors but all matches were played outdoors. New Zealand had teams in the Men's 80+ & 70+ and Ladies in the 80+. They played against other teams from 40 nations from around the world and many of the players stayed on to the next week, to participate in the individual competition.

While the teams did not win their age groups, there was some exciting tennis from all the players. Day 4 for the 70+ men saw both Dave Hawkes and Steve Molnar have excellent wins in their singles against Zimbabwe, however the doubles was a cliff hanger—Allan Dickey and David Theyers were up 6/5 and 40 love in their first set but lost in a tiebreaker, won the 2nd set but lost the 3rd. The result was 6/7(2) 6/1 3/6.

The 70+ men's team finished 10th out of a larger group of 23 nations, and improved their ranking by 11 places, while the 80+ team started with a world ranking of 13th, climbed up to 6th, out of 13 Nations. The 80+ women's team finished 4th out of 9 countries.

There was a great team spirit with the teams enjoying lots of laughs. The Australians always stopped for a chat with the New Zealanders and vice versa, a bond between the teams from down under.



Go to www.tenniseniors.kiwi for more information on this event

Umag is an attractive tennis centre, with excellent accommodation and restaurant facilities, but all the games were played on clay, a surface that European nations are very familiar with. Those of our players who were less mobile than formerly, found the frequent use of drop-shots, to which the clay surface lends itself, a major challenge!

Team & Individual Results & Achievements

Team Results:

W80+ - 4th out of 9 teams
 M70+ - 10th out of 23 teams
 M80+ - 6th out of 13 teams

The men's 80+ team had one of the toughest days on Day 2 playing Germany who were seeded 4 and the women's 80+ team came up against France on their last day who were seeded 1. All team placing were in the top half—well done to all the players.

Individual Results:

R3: David Hawkes MS70
 R3: Steve Molnar MS70
 R2: Paul Honiss MS80
 R1: Ashley Wilson MS80
 R3: Jean Stevens W80
 R2: Mary Walsh W80
 R2: Margaret Burgess W80

For further results & photos from Umag, Croatia, check the TNZS website
www.tenniseniors.kiwi



Mary, Jean & Margaret flying the flag



Carolyn Dickey flying the flag on the sideline

Queens Birthday Honour



Shirley Brown has received the "Queens Service Medal (QSM).

Shirley is a member of the West Coast Veterans Tennis Club. Read more on TNZS website



Hawkes Bay Veterans Tennis Club

Hawkes Bay have just completed a very successful October Tournament with many keen Seniors Players participating from around the country.

For results and a few photos, check TNZS website. Below are some of the successful players.



Players participating in ITF Tournaments Overseas

Throughout the year many of Tennis NZ Seniors players travel across the Pacific to participate in a number of ITF Australian Seniors Championships.

There are also players living abroad whose results reach us from time to time.

Listed below are some of the results during 2015:

October, Tennis Seniors Sunshine Coast Championships

Karen Cranston WS50+ Winner

Marietta Duffy Burgess WS60+ Winner

Janice Smith WS50+

July, Tennis Seniors Queensland Championships

Mark Thompson MS35+

Grant Williams MS55+, MD55 Semi finalist singles, Finalist doubles

Graeme Thompson MS65+

June, Victorian Seniors Clay court Championships

Peter Stokes MS50+, XD45+

April, 46th International Championships, Italy

Paul Smith MD55+, XD55 Won singles, Won doubles

If you are aware of any other players not listed but have been playing away from home, please notify the National Administrator, email: tnzseniors@xtra.co.nz

A few action shots from the overseas tournaments

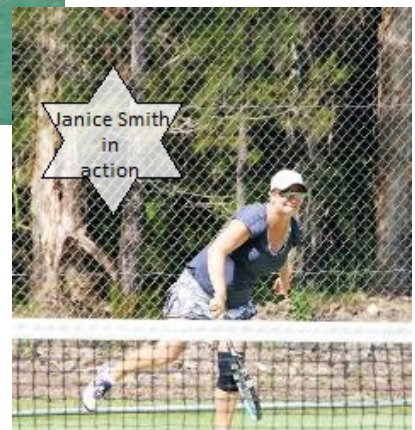


Peter Stokes

**SOMETIMES
IT'S NOT HOW
GOOD YOU ARE,
BUT HOW BAD
YOU WANT IT**



Paul Smith



TNZS National Dates to remember



National Championships 2016 Napier

Hosted by Hawkes Bay Veterans Tennis Club
 Dates: Sat 23 to Wed 27th January 2016
 Venues: Hawkes Bay Tennis Club
 Greendale Tennis Club
 Nelson Park Tennis Club
 Others as required
 Courts: All games will be on artificial grass
 Information: For all information on the event go to www.tenniseniors.kiwi



National Teams Event 2016 Waikato

Hosted by Waikato Seniors Tennis Club
 Dates: Fri 25 to Sun 27 March 2016
 Venues: Waikato Tennis Centre
 St Peters Tennis Club
 Hamilton Squash & Tennis Club
 Cambridge Racquets Club
 Courts: Hard & artificial grass
 Information: All information on the event will be on TNZS website shortly



ITF Seniors Dates to remember

2016 ITF World Teams & Individuals Championships

Young Seniors World Teams/Individuals Championships (35+ to 45+), Croatia
 Teams: 1-6 May 2016 Individuals: 7-14 May 2016
 Nominations Open for the teams 20 October, Close 20 November 2015



Seniors World Teams/Individuals Championships (50+ to 60+), Helsinki
 Teams: 19-24 June 2016 Individuals: 25 June—2 July 2016
 Nominations Open for the teams 1 November, Close 15 December 2015

Super Seniors World Teams/Individuals Championships (65+ to 80+), Turkey
 Teams: 16-21 October 2016 Individuals 22-29 October 2016
 Nominations Open for the teams 20 February, Close 31 March 2016



Tennis NZ Seniors Clubs Upcoming Events

Date	Club	Contact
Oct 24-25	West Coast Veterans Tennis Club	Richard Wilding rwilding@callsouth.net.nz
24-25	North Otago Masters	Pat Gunn patgunn1749@gmail.com
24-25	Tennis Seniors Auckland	Monica Doyle info@clubedenepsom.co.nz
Nov 7-8	Gisborne Seniors	Joe Mihaere jh.gis@xtra.co.nz
Nov 10	Thames Valley	Maureen Burr rm.burr@clear.net.nz
Nov 15	Tennis Seniors Western Bay of Plenty	Lynda Fleming tswbop@gmail.com
Nov 14-15	Cashmere Seniors	John Holmes admin@cashmeretennis.org.nz
Dec 5-6	Masterton Tennis Centre	Marie Miller millaz@xtra.co.nz

For more information, get your copy of the 2015 Tournament Programme and Handbook from your club

Can you help a fellow Seniors Tennis Player: Looking for a long term rental. A retired professional woman (Tennis Senior) 68, is seeking a 2 bedroom cottage/house with carport/garage in Coatesville, Redvale, Kumeu or Waimauku Areas. Pet Friendly (an Outreach Therapy Trained Dog who is 14yo) who visits hospitals and rest homes, plus a cat.
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