



Waikato Table Tennis Association

NEWSLETTER

September 2025

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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The Incorporated Societies Act 2022 (New Zealand) requires societies such as Waikato Table Tennis Association to adopt a new constitution that complies with the Act's mandatory provisions on membership rules, governance structures, financial management, dispute resolution, and the use of surplus assets. To comply, existing societies must revise their constitutions, have them approved by members at a general meeting, and then reregister under the new Act to remain on the register. The overall deadline for reregistration is 5th of April 2026.

Our proposed new constitution has been approved by the Committee and emailed to all members. We have a Special General Meeting scheduled for Monday the 27th of October (Labour Day) at 5pm where we need our members to approve the new constitution so that we can reregister before the deadline. Please come along if you are able to.

WAIKATO CLOSED

Our annual Waikato Closed tournament will be held on Sunday the 2nd of November with an estimated start time of 11am. We will be keeping this tournament short and sweet with just two events – Women & Girls Combined and Men & Boys Combined. Both events will start with a Round Robin which will then lead to a Knockout Stage. Please come along and have a crack at getting your name up onto the Honours Board.

To be eligible to play in the Waikato Closed you must be a current financial member of WkTTA. Entries will only be accepted online via the TTNZ Tournament Software. If you do not already have an account then please go to <https://ttnz.tournamentsoftware.com/> and create one. We will be posting the Waikato Closed up onto TTNZ Tournament Software in the next week or so.

POLICY & GUIDELINES DOCUMENTS

All of our Policy & Guideline Documents can be accessed from the main menu of Hello Club. Three new documents have been approved by the Committee recently – Award Guidelines, Team Funding Guidelines and Waikato Closed Eligibility & Seeding Guidelines. These will be posted up shortly.

TUESDAY COMPETITION NIGHT

We are going to change the format of the Tuesday Night Competition to become just an individual's match play night without teams or doubles matches:

- Tuesday Competition Night will run every Tuesday starting at 7:30pm sharp.
- No need to book for the whole term, just turn up when you can (like on Wednesday nights).
- Registration + Payment will **ONLY** be accepted via Hello Club and this **MUST** be done before 7pm.
- After entries close at 7pm everyone will be divided into Round Robin Groups within their grade.
- Have a look at the Directory on Hello Club and you will see that our Competition Night players have been divided into grades (enter "A Grade" or "B Grade" into the Search Bar at the top of the Directory).
- At the end of each night the person who placed last in A Grade will be demoted to B Grade and the person who placed first in B Grade will be promoted to A Grade.
- Hello Club Directory will be updated after each Tuesday Competition Night.

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- The criteria for promotion/demotion will be based upon the number of people that played in that division on the night. If 10 or more people play in a division, then 2 people will be demoted/promoted. But if 9 or less play in a division then only one person will be demoted/promoted. Note: if less than 4 play in a division then there will not be any demotion/promotion in that division for that night.
- Ungraded people that have never played in the Tuesday Competition Night before will start off in B Grade.
- We will not have any introductions. This will be run like a tournament where you just turn up, go to your table and start playing. We will write up the members of each Round Robin group on the whiteboard with their table number, people can then just turn up and get started.

PARAS

Shout out to Sarah Clarke and Mark Liddle who have been competing in the Para Table Tennis Festival in Auckland.





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SECONDARY SCHOOLS COMPETITION PHOTOS

Further to the information in last months newsletter about the New Zealand Secondary Schools competition that was held in our stadium. I have obtained additional photos of some of our Waikato Juniors that competed. Awesome to see so many of our Waikato Juniors on the podium.





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BITS & PIECES

Prize giving will take place before the AGM in November. **Please return any trophies that you currently have.**

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