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N.Z. SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

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1972–	D.R. Massam (Wellington)

MEMBERSHIP

The recorded figures for 1976 (bearing in mind they actually relate to the year 1975) show an increase of 4,158 on the previous year. There are now 140 affiliated Clubs, 6 more than 1975. Auckland (4), Waikato (1), B.O.P. (1), H.B./Gisborne (1), and Southern (2) had increases while Canterbury surprisingly decreased by 3. 34 additional courts were erected, Southern and Auckland gaining the most. An extra 2145 men, 1516 women and 512 juniors are now playing. The percentage of male players is 64% to 36% women.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP (including Juniors)

	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
Auckland	4228	4600	5005	5510	6563	7895
Waikato*	3404	2335	2781	2827	3359	3542
Bay of Plenty	—	1105	1342	2357	2812	3036
Hawkes Bay/Gisb.	1661	2365	2615	2869	3170	3573
Central	3367	3517	3875	3910	4240	4447
Wellington	3711	4473	5054	5746	6296	6773
Canterbury	1865	2176	2398	2842	3008	3238
Southern	2027	2687	3505	3711	4760	5862
	<u>20263</u>	<u>23278</u>	<u>26575</u>	<u>29772</u>	<u>34208</u>	<u>38366</u>

* Includes Bay of Plenty Clubs in 1971.

DISTRICTS AND CLUBS

AUCKLAND DISTRICT SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mrs Alison Childs, P.O. Box 5310, Auckland
Secretary: Mr W.C. Drake, P.O. Box 5310, Auckland

24 Clubs 75 Courts 6652 Seniors 1243 Juniors

WAIKATO DISTRICT SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mr N.J. Gifford, 148 Studholme St., Morrinsville
Secretary: Mr J.B. McKenzie, P.O. Box 9119, Hamilton

18 Clubs 41 Courts 2994 Seniors 548 Juniors

BAY OF PLENTY SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mr R.B. Clarke, 57 Botanical Rd., Tauranga
Secretary: Mr W.R. Murphy, P.O. Box 447, Whakatane

11 Clubs 29 Courts 2479 Seniors 557 Juniors

HAWKES BAY-GISBORNE DISTRICT SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mr D.H. McGehan, 504 W. Southampton St., Hastings
Secretary: Miss I.M. Maclean, P.O. Box 196, Hastings

9 Clubs 26 Courts 3090 Seniors 483 Juniors

CENTRAL DISTRICTS SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mr B.G. Mathieson, 88 Hamlet St., Stratford
Secretary: Mrs A. Stuart, P.O. Box 1764, Palmerston North

17 Clubs 44 Courts 3647 Seniors 800 Juniors

WELLINGTON DISTRICT SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

President: Mr D. Sim, Brandon House, Dudley St., Lower Hutt
Secretary: Mr K.R. Green, P.O. Box 843, Wellington

17 Clubs 50 Courts 5721 Seniors 1052 Juniors

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President: Mr V.J.W. Hargreaves, P.O. Box 2609, Christchurch
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20 Clubs 46 Courts 2921 Seniors 317 Juniors

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President Reports



The sport has continued to develop and advance in many spheres in the 1976 season which has been very full and active.

The marked increase in affiliated players surprised even the more optimistic administrators but it seems apparent that the incentive that squash offers should ensure that the number of courts and participants continue to increase even more dramatically. This will of course result in more responsibility being imposed on administrators and also see the greater need for full time administration particularly with secretarial work becoming more demanding.

Life Members

The Management Committee after due deliberation was unanimous in recommending that Murray Day and Don Green should be proposed to the annual general meeting as life members of the Association and I am sure that this decision will have universal support. The members of the committee consider that it is an appropriate time to honour their contributions and achievements even though they will still continue to serve the sport in many ways. Both have been involved in administration at the club, district and national as well as international levels for many years and they have always been prepared to be both authoritative and flexible as the situation demanded.

Management

The Management Committee again met eight times of which six occasions were in Wellington, once at Palmerston North during the N.Z. Champs and once at Taupo after the annual general meeting. All members have made significant contributions both at meetings and in fulfilling many other responsibilities. The only changes from the previous committee were the appointments of Andrew Doig and Butch Gifford as Central Districts and Waikato delegates in place of Bill Weld and Ken Mackwell respectively. I would like to record my genuine appreciation to the Committee for their support and assistance and in particular to the Officers and the Secretary Don Massam. There will be some changes in the Committee in 1977 and their new thoughts will no doubt prove a stimulus. Special mention should be made of Dennis Smart who is retiring this year. He has served both as Central Districts and Hawkes Bay—Gisborne delegate for many years.

Playing Activities

The season has seen a much greater emphasis on overseas involvement and the only internal tour was the one of our own under 23 team to the South Island.

The main feature was the participation of the Men's team in the International Series in England. They performed creditably and were probably the best prepared team that we have sent away. Although in the team's contest the final position was 5th, they lost only narrowly to Pakistan with the result that they finished third in a pool behind the ultimate champion and runners up. The subsequent performance of two players in reaching the quarter finals in the individual championship was a noteworthy feat. We were also fortunate in being able to send a team to participate in the Hashim Khan Trophy in Pakistan and the players who undertook this tour benefitted from the tour, as well as achieving some noteworthy performances. Mention should also be made of the success of Bruce Brownlee in reaching the final of both the South African and Australian Championships. I believe that the results throughout the year indicate that our leading players now hold high ranking in the world as amateurs and 1977 could see even a greater advancement. The Women's Team competed in the inaugural World Championships in Australia and in addition played tests with England and Australia.

The New Zealand Championships at Palmerston North were again the highlight of the domestic season and both finals provided exciting contests. The victories of Howard Broun and Jennie Webster were well earned especially as each had suffered some set-backs in the previous season. Auckland proved too strong in both the inter-district events but the overall performances of the other teams indicated a greater closeness of playing strength.

The new points format, whilst perhaps producing some anomalies, did appear to maintain interest to a greater extent. The fine efforts of the Central Districts Organising Committee and the Palmerston North Club ensured a successful and enjoyable tournament.

The National Teams events were very successful, as always, and this year saw the inaugural E grade teams contest at Ashburton and the support that this event was accorded both at district and national level illustrates the enthusiasm and depth of the competitive involvement in the sport. Hamilton and Tauranga are congratulated on their Cousins Shield and Mitchell Cup successes.

The under 23 internal tour offered the players a chance to cope with different conditions and it was clear that their presence in tournaments including the South Islands Championships enhanced these events.

There was a variation in the junior touring programme from previous seasons when a team of two boys and two girls played in the N.S.W. Championships. Although this visit could perhaps have been longer and the players faced with more varied opponents the experience should be beneficial. We are also very appreciative of the incorporation of our leading under 13 and under 15 juniors in the Cheezels Tournament in Sydney. The interests of the Juniors are well served by a Junior Management Committee and many other junior administrators throughout the country.

The re-arrangement of the Junior programme and the involvement of some players in Australia caused some unexpected results and neither the Junior Open Champions Rod Hayes and Annette Owen played in the subsequent age group event. The recommended programme changes by the Junior Management which have been approved should be beneficial in 1977.

Supporting Administrators

Significant contributions have been made during the year by selectors and the directors of coaching, statisticians and rules and referees and we are fortunate in the calibre of those who held these appointments. I wish to pay a special tribute to Ken Mackwell who inaugurated the National Amateur Coaching Scheme and who subsequently developed it to a very advanced level. His dedication and thoroughness were only two of his attributes. His contributions to the Management Committee as the Waikato delegate for over four years was also noteworthy. It is fitting that a presentation will be made to him at the annual general meeting as a recognition of his services.

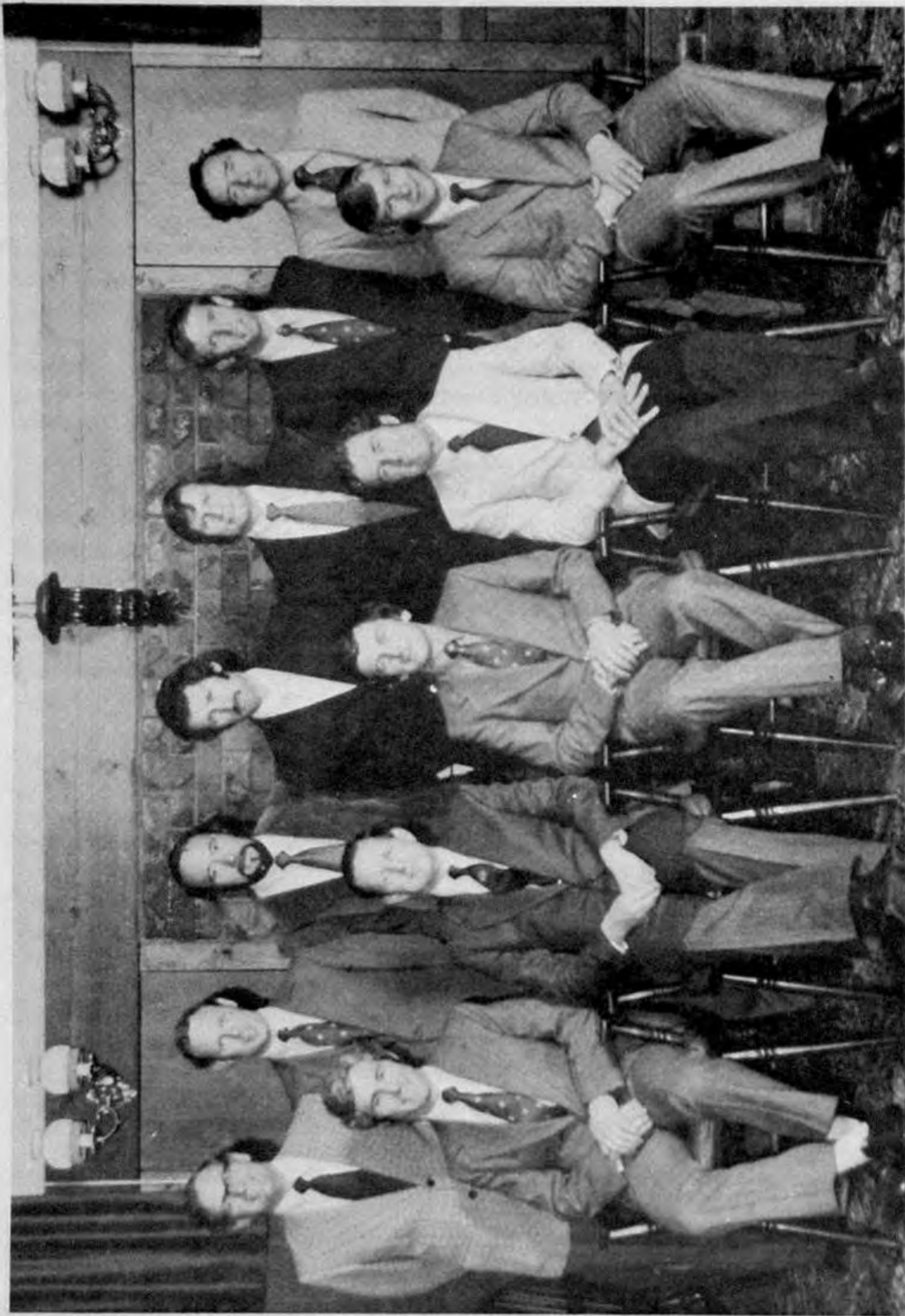
We are appreciative of the assistance we have received from sponsors and in particular from Air New Zealand with their association with the N.Z. Champs which we trust will continue for some years.

I would urge all players and administrators to support our sponsors wherever feasible.

In conclusion, I have enjoyed my three years as President and as Chairman of the Management Committee especially as it has given me the opportunity of meeting and mixing with players and administrators throughout the country both on and off the courts and I am indeed grateful for their cooperation and encouragement. I am sure that my successor will find his term of office similarly rewarding. It has been suggested in many quarters that the N.Z. administrators contribute more than their counterparts in other countries, and this I believe can be attributed to the example and dedication of those who formed and developed our Clubs, Districts and the National Association. Growth and progress in the sport is such that the future administrators will be forced to cope with many new challenges.

I believe that a continuing international programme is a necessary part of our future progress but players fortunate enough to participate should not lose sight of the fact that the tours are only possible by the levies paid by all affiliated players so our representatives have a responsibility to all squash players.

— M.H. Sumpter.



N.Z.S.R.A. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Back Row, L to R. — K.R. Green (Wellington), A. Doig (Central), N. Gifford (Waikato), W.R. Murphy (Bay of Plenty), M. Greig (Auckland), M. McCarthy (Southern), D.R. Massam (Secretary).

Front Row, L to R. — V.J.W. Hargreaves (Canterbury), D.G. Green (Imm. Past President), M.H. Sumpter (President), R.G. Pollard (Vice-President), D.W. Smart (Hawkes Bay—Gisborne). Absent: M.P. Fenton (Vice-President).

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

COACHING

National Director, T. Yeend.

The most significant feature of this year has been the introduction of professional and amateurs integrated into one accepted scheme. Peter Dibley has been instrumental in formulating plans for professional involvement and has been approved by N.Z. Management. We now only have to await the arrival of the scheme intended.

The Coaches School was held in March at Hamilton where both professionals and amateurs came together to confirm each other's opinions of the total concept of Dardir's original idea.

Two U23 schools were held, one in Auckland and the other in Christchurch. Both were successful; and lessons will be learnt from them I am sure.

Bay of Plenty have been extremely active and should be congratulated on their efforts this year. Auckland with their new co-ordinator Don Campbell have been concentrating on improving coaching ability, and several new coaches will be making their mark on the Squash Scene in future.

Most areas have completed a very busy year whereas some may be resting on their laurels; but nevertheless intend better things.

The Coaching Films have been distributed to three regions, Central, Southern, and Canterbury, and clubs wishing to make use of these should apply to the necessary Co-ordinator for that region.

The Coaching Booklet has been distributed to all clubs and should be a part of every coach's equipment. This is an excellent publication and congratulations go to Ken Mackwell and others who presented it.

On the playing side the Rothmans Inter-district Teams Event was excellent and proves to me a tremendous indication of the value of the coaching system.

The "Cheezels" Sponsored Junior Age Group Championships held at Mitchell Park was again proof of the depth of playing ability, not all, some may say; but surely largely attributable to all those involved in the coaching scheme.

In my first term as Director I have stepped fairly warily endeavouring to endorse that previously achieved by the scheme.

May I thank, on behalf of Management, all those participating in squash coaching and trust you gain the enjoyment and success you deserve. Let us not forget, without the players, no coach, therefore no pleasure.

1976 showed an improvement in the financial affairs of the Association due, in the main, to the increased levies. Our funds were also augmented by a grant from the Council for Recreation and Sport. This grant was allocated for specific activities such as coaching and coaching aids. This money has been spent and has supplemented our own budgeted funds. As required, we have reported to the Council how we spent the money and trust that this will stand us in good stead for a similar grant this year.

You will notice that we have a considerable excess of income over expenditure and this can be explained by

1. A substantial number of clubs which qualified for full levies, e.g. Southern District's levy was virtually double what it was last year.
2. An increase in membership over the forecasted figure.
3. Reduced expenditure in coaching (due primarily to utilisation of the grant from the Council for Recreation and Sport).

Loans to Clubs

We continued our policy on granting loans to clubs and this year we approved eight loans. Due to a restricted amount of loan money we had to reformulate our priorities during the year to give preference to those clubs whom we thought were more deserving of aid than others.

The basis of our priorities, in order, are:

1. New clubs devoted solely to squash (i.e. not part of tennis, rugby, etc.) in areas not well served by squash clubs.
2. New clubs affiliated to other sports but again in areas not well served by squash clubs.
3. New clubs devoted to squash only but in areas well served by squash courts.
4. New clubs affiliated to other sports but in areas well served by squash courts.
5. Extensions to existing clubs with two or less courts.

N.B. Consideration will be given to emergency situations, e.g. fire, earthquake damage etc., or exceptional developments.

Loan Summary

Loans to clubs to 31 August 1975	\$24,700
Loans to clubs to 31 August 1976	\$15,800
Total loan money (less repaid)	\$34,200

This year we advanced \$15,800 in eight loans.

You will note that the loan money advanced to clubs has steadily increased despite scheduled repayments. Even though our financial position has improved we are still limited in the availability of loan funds and will be adhering to the principle of giving priority to selected clubs. We must also budget ahead for major expense such as international events and allocate funds accordingly. As such we must maintain reserve funds for these purposes.

Last season's Annual General Meeting resolved that all players in the National Teams Event must sit a District Referees' Examination. Very early in the season, it became apparent that this would be impractical and almost impossible to police. As a move towards it however, all A and B grade players in the country were circularised, encouraging them to sit the examination.

Unfortunately the response was poor in most districts. On a national basis, only about 10% of eligible players sat, and of that number, the pass rate was only 40%. This is rather disturbing, in light of complaints from the top players that only referees of their own playing grade can effectively control their matches. The obvious answer is for more of them to become referees, but the top players say they have enough commitment, keeping their game up to a top level.

In view of this impasse, the players will have to accept present referees, but moves are being made to ensure that only the best referees will control the important matches, such as N.Z. Championships. The districts are currently grading their referees and when this has been completed, the top 3 - 5 in each district will be nominated to form a national pool. These referees will be encouraged to attend major tournaments throughout the country, to allow them to see players outside their own districts and also allow the players to see more of the referees.

If the response of top players to becoming referees was poor, the response of lower graded players was tremendous. Some districts had several hundred examinees, which is most encouraging. The main thing is to ensure that all referees are encouraged to control as many matches as possible and that in return, tournament controllers make use of qualified referees.

In an effort to keep the qualified referees active, all N.Z. referees were asked to control at least 10 suitable matches during the season. Most of them purportedly achieved this, although very few returned records of the matches.

Some districts extended this idea for use by their own referees and it seems that next season, all districts will be using it.

With the recent rule changes approved by the I.S.R.F. coming into effect from January 1st, 1977, a large re-educating programme is necessary. Although there are no major changes, the biggest task will be to ensure that all referees are aware of them and thence through to the players.

A problem that did arise this season was the inability to cope with the number of candidates who presented themselves at the N.Z. Championships for the practical examination of a N.Z. badge. This was due to a lack of N.Z. examiners being available. It is hoped to overcome this problem by -

- (a) Appointing more examiners and
- (b) Allowing suitable district championships to be used as testing grounds.

Four referees qualified during 1976 for the N.Z. Badge: L. Bowden, N. Idour, D. McGechan, T. Toscano.

A disturbing aspect of play this season has been the increasing incidence of bad behaviour by players. There were too many cases of players abusing the referee and not accepting decisions, bad language and racket throwing. Players must be made to appreciate that the referee is performing a thankless and mentally taxing job and can only rule on a situation as he/she sees it. Referees are being told to take a stricter stand on bad manners, award penalty points and in extreme cases, award the match. It will probably only need the extreme penalty to be invoked once or twice for the players to learn that bad behaviour will not be tolerated. We don't want any 'Nasty' players on the squash court.

In conclusion I would like to thank the district co-ordinators for their cooperation during the season and I am sure that the ground-work done will lead to more acceptance of refereeing as a necessary part of the overall development of squash.

TOURNAMENTS

D.W.R. Smart

During the 1976 season there were over 210 tournaments held throughout New Zealand. This is the first year that the 200 figure has been reached.

A pleasing feature was the number of tournaments held for lower grade players and as this is where the greatest number of our players are, it is good to see more and more clubs making tournaments available for these players.

A problem throughout all of New Zealand is still the ballotting out system and as New Zealand cannot legislate for clubs as to how the ballotting out should be done, it is unfortunate that the problem will continue in the future. No apparent solution can be found.

Clubs should take note that New Zealand is to recommend that when seedings are done for a tournament that the No. 1 seed and No. 4 seed be in the top half of the draw and the No. 2 seed and No. 3 seed be in the bottom half of the draw: this shall apply to all tournaments under the control of N.Z.S.R.A.

The New Zealand Association would like to thank all Clubs and Districts for their cooperation in preparing the tournament schedule, especially as there is now a great clash of major tournaments within neighbouring districts.

STATISTICIANS

Men: G. Dallimore; Women: N. Reid

This past year saw the retirement of Mrs A. Childs from the position of National Coordinator of Statisticians and the appointment of a man and woman to the new titles of N.Z. Director of Statisticians. We wish to thank Alison Childs for her work over the previous four years. Her experience and knowledge has made the job much easier for her successors.

The most noteworthy feature of the year was the publication of "Grading System of New Zealand". This was a series of instructions and guidelines which was distributed to District and Club Statisticians and to all clubs. There should now be a notice on Club Notice Boards advising players both graded and ungraded as to what requirements are needed to obtain a grading or to improve their present grading.

Another system introduced this year was concerning tournament results. Clubs holding tournaments were asked to send their results to the National Directors who in turn collated them and re-distributed them to District Statisticians who had players from their District playing in those tournaments. This system gave District Statisticians a chance to assess their players' ability against those from other Districts.

The District Grading Lists published this year provided more information than before with the introduction of players' classifications, viz.: Juniors, U23, Professionals and National or District Referees.

A pleasing feature within all Districts is the progression of the younger players to higher positions on the grading lists especially the number of Juniors and U23's now holding A gradings.

One aspect not so pleasing concerns clubs who either do not send their lists in or send them in late. Some Club Statisticians do not seem to realise that District Statisticians have a publishing deadline to meet.

In conclusion we would like to thank all District and Club Statisticians for their work and cooperation throughout the year.

PLAYERS LIAISON

Shane O'Dwyer

This year's players meeting at the N.Z. Championships in Palmerston North enjoyed a large attendance and was most successful as far as player participation was concerned; quite a number took the opportunity to express their views.

During the meeting players were advised of the concern of official tournament referees regarding the difficulty of controlling matches between top ranked players who failed to clear the ball properly and/or adopting barging tactics, then argued with the referee. Referees are worried about this, particularly when these players have not sat Referees Examination. If the problem does not improve, referees will adopt a hard line during friction matches.

An important development this season is the forming of a National Training Squad for men and women under the experienced guidance of Norm Coe and Rob Crothall who will be able to carry on the excellent work in preparing this year's Men's Team to the World Champs. They can now extend their expert knowledge of squash and physical training to a greater number of potentially good players to help them reach the top.

Finally, Neven Barbour was elected as the new Players' Representative. He is well known as an active top player capable of representing players' interests to the N.Z. Management.

BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

John Austin

The committee of one remains active though on a reduced scale than in previous years.

Three applications for loans were received during the year ended, from Rangiora, Putaruru and Waihi which lost its earlier clubhouse by fire.

Technical assistance was requested from Kawaroa Park and the University of Canterbury. Kawaroa Park is one of the many clubs experiencing serious trouble with wall construction and maintenance and to date no satisfactory solution has been found. Clearly new clubs which depart from the established methods of front wall construction in particular, run a high risk of becoming involved continually with an expensive problem which has no guarantee of success.

Evidence of the growth and consolidation of the game is seen in the number of established clubs now adding additional facilities as the second phase of their activity.

The cost of construction is high but to date has not been a deterrent to clubs with committed projects. What is needed by the Technical Committee is a master record of the costs of completed clubs, which can be updated each year, to ensure new clubs can be given some more accurate guide when they look to the Technical Officer to provide budgets for capital expenditure. No such records are held at this time. One can only hazard a guess that the cost of court and clubhouse construction has doubled over the past ten years.

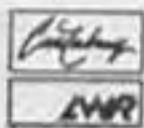
Courts to watch, in terms of technical performance, are the new two at Remuera with precast and pre-finished front walls (no plaster required) by Architect John Brown, and the six courts in the University of Auckland's \$1,000,000 recreation centre – Architects JASMAD Group. The latter have experimented with a new form of wall construction, involving plaster sprayed on over a dense metal mesh. Both facilities include glass rear walls, which will increase to five the number of Auckland clubs with the improved rear vision viewing.

Slowly – perhaps too slowly even yet, the standard of facilities being constructed is increasing. There is still room for a greater involvement of professional assistance in new club design and a continuing need to monitor the level of technical performance of existing facilities.

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INTERNATIONAL SQUASH RACKETS FEDERATION

Representative – Don Green

Undoubtedly the highlight of the year was the Fifth International held in England in May. The N.Z. team finished 5th but there was very little between the six top teams. Great Britain won the team's event breaking Australia's winning sequence. In the Individual Championship Kevin Shawcross (Aust.) beat David Scott (S. Africa) in the final. Two New Zealanders, Neven Barbour and Bruce Brownlee reached the quarter finals.

Along with the International, the I.S.R.F. Meeting was held in London. As the headquarters are now in N.Z., we were well represented at this meeting. Murray Day was Chairman, John Taylor – Vice-Chairman, and Michael Sumpter – Executive Secretary. They were present as Officers of the I.S.R.F. The other N.Z. Officer, John Austin – Treasurer – was unable to attend. In a delegate capacity N.Z. was represented by Don Green.

From the Meeting

1. Criteria for new members were agreed upon.
2. The Constitution was amended to include the 'promotion of doubles'.
3. The revised rules for singles should be available by January 1, 1977.
4. The distinction between amateur and professional remains.
5. The professionals now have their 'International Squash Players Association' and both bodies want close cooperation.
6. Another I.S.R.F. Handbook will be produced this year.
7. Next meeting scheduled for Toronto next year.

12 of the 14 full members were represented at the meeting, one associate member, an observer from the European Federation and Jonah Barrington from the professional body was present for one day.

Sixth International: This is to be held in Canada in September 1977.

General: Growth of squash appears to be worldwide, especially in Europe where the potential is enormous. The International body is going to be kept busy adapting, guiding, promoting, administering and controlling the game, hopefully under one umbrella. The (N.Z.) Officers were re-elected at the meeting and most countries seemed happy with the manner in which they were meeting their responsibilities. It is certainly an interesting and challenging time.

SELECTORIAL

V.J.W. Hargreaves (Convenor), J.R. Taylor, R.B. Clarke

Basically the selection policy for this past season was similar to that of the previous two years. However, as we were asked to select the three teams: men to Pakistan, U23 Internal Tour and the women to Australia, earlier than usual, we were unable to implement the policy to its full advantage. Pakistan's original invitation was declined because our team for England had confirmed arrangements which could not be altered. At the "eleventh hour" the Pakistan Squash Rackets Association agreed to accept a 'second' team and we were given twenty-four hours in which to select a team. For a change we were able to select a team blending with experience and youth. The U23's were only able to prove themselves at their championships (23 April) while the women were to attend the North Island and Auckland championships together with as many other championships as was possible.

In an effort to be more prepared for any future 'snap' selections we recommended, and it was approved, that a training squad, which would include leading juniors, be announced at the conclusion of the New Zealand Championships. Further to our plans New Zealand Management Committee appointed Flight Lt. Robin Crothall R.N.Z.A.F. Hobsonville as the National Coordinator of Training. So that we may improve upon our world ranking it was considered that we endeavour to keep the nucleus of the 1976 team together, in preparation for the 6th I.S.R.F. Championship in Canada 1977.

The overall performances of our team members in England were perhaps the best of any New Zealand team which has participated in the I.S.R.F. championships. Undoubtedly this was due to the intensive physical training and technique preparation the team underwent (under their manager Norman Coe and Rob Crothall) during the six months before their departure. In addition this also greatly assisted Murray Lilley, who was a squad member, with his performance in Pakistan.

Furthermore, their superior fitness and technique has been evident in the tournaments they participated in during the past season, especially in the New Zealand Amateur Championship when all but one of the squad members prevailed over their opposition with comparative ease.

Training Squad

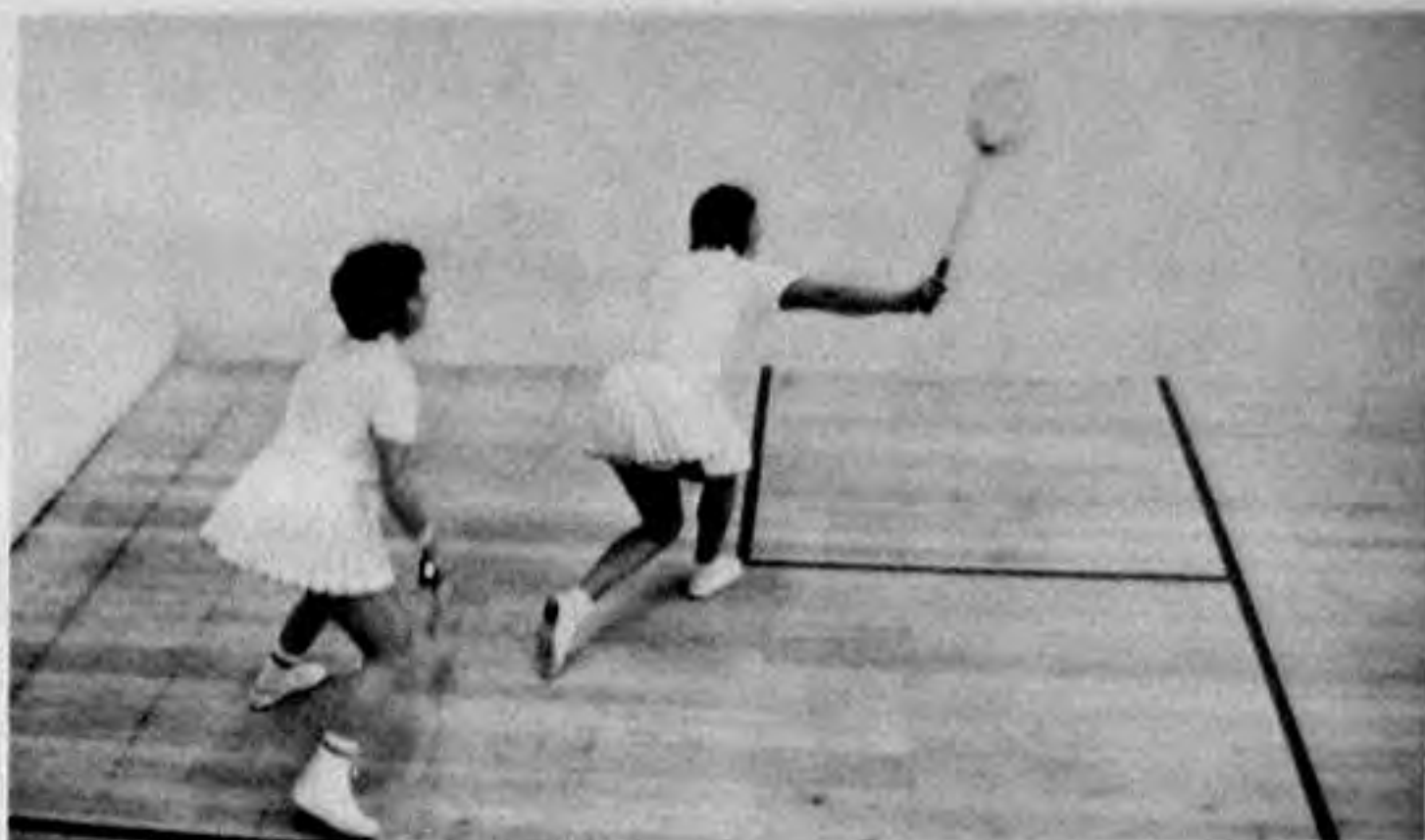
This squad has been divided into four geographical groups: Auckland, Waikato-B.O.P., Wellington-Central South Island. A training programme, which has been prepared by Robin Crothall, has commenced initially to build everyone up on the assumption that they are all to go to Pakistan in February 1977. After this there will be a slight let down period followed by rebuilding for the New Zealand Championships and the 6th I.S.R.F. Championship in Canada. This is when the women will be brought into the scheme.

Emphasis of the programme will be built around the "3C's":-

- Conditioning – which included squash skills and matches.
- Concentration.
- Confidence.

In addition, it is planned to use Dardir, Norman Coe, Trevor Johnston, Peter Dibley, together with the leading amateur coaches and should finance permit Kevin Shawcross, for the more advanced squash training.

**THE 1976
COMPETITIVE
SCENE**



N.Z. Champ Finalists: Jenny Webster (L) and Pam Buckingham

N.Z.S.R.A. RANKING LISTS

MEN			(1975)	WOMEN			(1975)
1.	H.A. Broun	(Auckland)	5.	1.	Mrs J. Webster	(Auckland)	6.
2.	(N.S. Barbour B. Brownlee)	(Auckland) (B.O.P.)	1. 4.	2.	Mrs P. Buckingham	(Auckland)	1.
4.	M. Lilley	(Central)	7.	3.	Mrs. J. Hawkes	(Wellington)	2.
5.	S.P. O'Dwyer	(Wellington)	6.	4.	Miss J. Wood	(H.B.G.)	7.
6.	T.H. Colyer	(Auckland)	3.	5.	Miss R. Davis	(B.O.P.)	4.
7.	A.G. Naughton	(Wellington)	9.	6.	Miss A. Owen	(Auckland)	—
8.	S. Hughes	(Auckland)	—	7.	Miss R. Stanton	(Canterbury)	8.
9.	L.M. Greene	(Waikato)	8.	8.	Miss R. Blackwood	(Auckland)	10.
10.	B. Barnett	(Waikato)	—	9.	Miss K. Glenny	(Wellington)	—
				10.	Miss P. Dyer	(Wellington)	—

**VOGEL ROSE BOWL
(Most Improved Male Player)**

Continuing his excellent progress since leaving Junior Ranks Brian Barnett of Cambridge was deemed the most improved male player in N.Z. for 1976. Still considered by many as the most talented player N.Z. has produced, it is hoped the award this year is only a stepping stone to a great future. He was hotly pursued by other promising nominees and he is going to need much dedication from now on to keep up with the rapid improvement of N.Z. Squash.

**AUSTRALIAN LADIES CUP
(Most Improved Women's Player)**

Annette Owen from Royal Oak deservedly took the Ladies title of 'Most Improved Women's Player' and her selection in the N.Z. Team to the World Open was due reward for her efforts. Bridging the gap from Junior to Senior is often difficult but her maturity is to be complemented, judged by the progress she has made this year.



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OVERSEAS TOURS

A full season saw 3 major overseas tours highlighted by the Men's Team competing in the 5th International Championships in Great Britain and the Women participating in the inaugural Womens World Open Championships in Australia. After some strong coercing by Pakistan a Mens 2nd Team played in the first Hashim Khan Trophy event at Karachi early in April.

MENS TEAM TO 5TH INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Undoubtedly the best prepared team to ever leave N.Z. arrived in Ireland on April 19th to begin a six week visit to Great Britain encompassing matches against Ireland, the fifth International Amateur Team Championships and the World Amateur Individual Championships. A brief trip to Scandinavia followed.

The Team was:	Neven Barbour	Auckland
	Howard Broun	Auckland
	Bruce Brownlee	Bay of Plenty
	Trevor Colyer	Auckland
	Norman Coe (Manager)	Auckland

The itinerary kicked off with two official tests against Ireland. Ireland's standard was not high but did produce an entertaining start for the N.Z. Team.

Results were:

1st Test – Fri. 23rd. N.Z. Won 4/0

N. Barbour	defeated	B. Cranwell	9/0	9/6	9/0
T. Colyer	"	J. McCrath	9/5	9/5	9/3
B. Brownlee	"	B. O'Gorman	9/5	9/6	8/10 9/4
H. Broun	"	D. Gotto	9/6	9/5	9/3

2nd Test – Sat. N.Z. Won 4/0

B. Brownlee	defeated	D. Gotto	9/4	9/7	9/5
N. Barbour	"	J. McCrath	9/0	9/5	10/8
T. Colyer	"	B. Cranwell	9/7	9/4	9/4
H. Broun	"	B. O'Gorman	9/6	9/2	9/6

After a warm up tournament at Stockholm the 'Main Mission' of winning the Teams Event began in earnest on May 5th.

All hopes were on achieving success in this event. Unfortunately the draw did not favour N.Z. and we ended up in the same pool as England and Pakistan while in the second pool only Australia and perhaps Egypt were of any consequence. To add to this N.Z. drew Pakistan in the opening match. Eventually succumbing to some real 'needle' squash, N.Z. went down 2/1 but all three players fought well and with Trevor Colyer leading Atlas Khan 6/3 in the fifth of the vital 3rd match it looked really good for a while.

Final results were: N.Z. 1, Pakistan 2

N. Barbour	defeated	M. Saleem	6/9	3/9	9/3	9/6	9/3
T. Colyer	lost to	Atlas Khan	4/9	9/6	9/0	1/9	6/9
B. Brownlee	" "	Maqsood Ahmed	9/6	9/6	9/7		

The next day N.Z. comfortably defeated Canada 3/0.

N. Barbour	defeated	M. Desaulniers	9/0	9/6	9/4
T. Colyer	"	J. Walia	9/5	9/0	9/5
H. Broun	"	V. Harding	9/5	9/0	9/0

On May 6th N.Z. met Great Britain and had to win to reach the final four but found them too strong losing 3/0. Again the games were tight. However the wins were not produced.

N.Z. 0, Great Britain 3.

N. Barbour	lost to	P. Ayton	9/4	9/7	9/6
T. Colyer	" "	S. Courtney	7/9	9/2	9/2 9/3
B. Brownlee	" "	J. Leslie	10/8	9/5	9/1

On May 9th N.Z. beat Kuwait 3-0 finishing third in the pool. Great Britain and Pakistan went on to the finals with Australia and Egypt while N.Z. played off in the lower group. They defeated U.S.A., India and Sweden to easily win this group and end up fifth overall.

Results:

May 11th Vs U.S.A. N.Z. Won 3/0

N. Barbour	defeated	P. Briggs	6/9	9/4	7/9	9/1	9/1
T. Colyer	"	T. Page	9/6	3/9	9/4	9/8	
H. Broun	"	G. Mateer	9/3	9/0	9/5		

May 12th Vs India. N.Z. Won 3/0

T. Colyer	defeated	R. Manchanda	5/9	9/7	9/1	9/7
B. Brownlee	"	N. Senapati	9/4	9/7	9/0	
H. Broun	"	J. Madon	9/10	9/4	9/1	9/1

May 13th Vs Sweden. N.Z. Won 2/1

N. Barbour	lost to	M. Hellstrom	9/0	3/9	2/9	4/9
T. Colyer	defeated	T. Tovar	9/2	10/8	6/9	9/5
B. Brownlee	"	L. Kvant	9/2	9/4	5/9	3/9 9/5

The World Amateur Individual followed the teams event and Neven Barbour was rewarded with the 8th seed. The N.Z.'s performed very well. Broun defeated I. Robinson (England) in the 3rd round before losing to Holding (S.A.). Barbour and Brownlee reached the last 8 before losing to Shawcross and Donnelly respectively.

Results were:

T. Colyer	2nd round	defeated J. Le Leivre	(Jersey)	2/9	9/4	9/7	9/1
	3rd "	lost to G. Stanier	(S.A.)	2/9	7/9	1/9	
H. Broun	2nd "	defeated J. Stockenberg	(Sweden)	9/1	9/0	9/1	
	3rd "	" I. Robinson	(England)	9/7	7/9	9/4	7/9 9/3
	4th "	lost to I. Holding	(S.A.)	7/9	9/5	7/9	4/9
N. Barbour	3rd "	defeated A. Alouba	(Egypt)	6/9	10/8	5/9	9/0 9/4
	4th "	" M. Corby	(G.B.)	9/5	9/4	8/1	ret.
	¼ finals	lost to K. Shawcross	(Aust.)	5/9	1/9	4/9	
B. Brownlee	2nd round	defeated I. Carlisle	(G.B.)	9/3	9/4	9/7	
	3rd "	" L. Robberds	(Aust.)	10/8	10/9	10/9	
	4th "	" M. Courtney	(G.B.)	8/10	9/3	9/6	9/0
	¼ finals	lost to M. Donnelly	(Aust.)	9/5	7/9	0/9	0/9

The Tour ended with an unofficial test against Finland in Turku on June 1st.

Results: N.Z.3, Finland 0.

T. Colyer	defeated	Marku Sainio	9/3	2/9	9/5	9/4
Neven Barbour	"	Kale Leskinen	9/1	9/1	9/2	
Bruce Brownlee	"	Magnuss Lindholm	9/4	9/3	8/9	9/0



N.Z. Team to 5th International. L to R. N. Coe (Mgr.), N. Barbour, T. Colyer, B. Brownlee, H. Broun.

WOMEN TO WORLD OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

A Women's Team competed in the first Women's World Open Championship which was held in Brisbane from August 18th – Sun. 22. In conjunction a Test Series was held between Australia, Great Britain and New Zealand, which was won by Australia. New Zealand lost both contests.

Following the Queensland tour, the team played in the Australian Championships and Inter State Series in Sydney and were away a total of four and a half weeks.

The team of four, led by Mrs Alison Childs as Manageress, was a blend of youth and experience with Mrs Jenny Webster and Mrs Pam Buckingham, both of Auckland, Nos. 1 and 2, and Miss Annette Owen, Auckland, and Miss Jane Wood, Hawkes Bay, Nos. 3 and 4.

There were some exciting matches during the World Open, which was won by Heather McKay. Jenny defeated the No. 8 seed, Gay Erskine of South Africa, to reach the third round, where she lost to Heather in a great game, while Pam took Marion Jackman, the eventual runner-up, to four games in the second round.

Jenny and Pam both reached the third round of the Australian Championships, while Annette played well to reach the final of the Junior Championships going down in five close games.

The team had some very evenly contested battles in the Inter-state Series, Jane not losing a match. New Zealand finished fourth equal with South Australia and Queensland. Great Britain went through undefeated. (Though in the case of New Zealand, results could not be recognized officially) and were followed by Victoria and New South Wales.

With so many top overseas players competing, the standard was very high indeed, both in the World and

Open Championships, and the N.Z. Team performed creditably against stiff opposition.

Results were:

1st Test Vs Great Britain at Miami Squash Centre, Gold Coast.

Lost 3/0	J. Webster	lost to	S. Cogswell	1/9	3/9	9/4	6/9
	P. Buckingham	" "	A. Smith	9/4	2/9	5/9	2/9
	A. Owen	" "	J. Maycock	7/9	3/9	3/9	
Res.	J. Wood	" "	K. Gardner	3/9	7/9	5/9	

2nd Test Vs Australia at Premier Squash Centre, Toowoomba.

Lost 3/0	J. Webster	lost to	S. Newman	8/10	6/9	9/6	9/0	2/9
	P. Buckingham	" "	M. Zachariah	3/9	8/10	1/9		
	A. Owen	" "	C. Van Nierop	4/9	3/9	0/9		
Res.	J. Wood	" "	J. Irving	7/9	8/10	2/9		

Interstate Series

Vs South Australia	won 2/2	Vs A. Capital Territory	won 4/0
Vs Victoria	lost 1/3	Vs Western Australia	won 3/1
Vs Queensland	lost 2/2	Vs Great Britain	lost 1/3
Vs New South Wales	lost 2/2		

MEN TO PAKISTAN – HASHIM KHAN TROPHY

For the first ever Hashim Khan Trophy held from March 31 to April 22, N.Z. sent a mixture of two seasoned players and two promising youngsters.

The Team comprised	Murray Lilley	Central Districts
	Shane O'Dwyer	Wellington
	Craig Blackwood	Auckland
	Rodney Hayes	Canterbury
Manager	Keith Green	Wellington

Battling with the oddities of the Asian World the team performed creditably without success in the teams event.

Eleven countries were represented in the teams, and with Pakistan entering a Professional and Amateur side, 12 teams participated. N.Z. were beaten 3/0 by the Pakistan Amateur team in the first round.

In the Individual all players won through qualifying matches and with the exception of Murray Lilley lost in the 1st Championship round. Lilley had two incredible matches defeating Torsan Khan 3/1 and just losing to Egypt's top Pro. A. Safwat 3/2 after leading two games to one and 8/1 in the fourth.

INDIVIDUAL'S OVERSEAS TOURS

1976 has seen an unprecedented number of players embark on private tours overseas. Craig Blackwood and Tony Naughton toured England competing in the British Amateur. Murray Lilley, Bruce Brownlee, Howard Broun, Julian Devoy, Rod Hayes and Robyn Blackwood entered the Australian Championships and Bruce Brownlee had a brief trip to South Africa. Without exception these players have derived considerable benefit, again emphasising the necessity of overseas competition to improve.

Broun and Brownlee performed exceptionally well in the Australian Championships. Broun reaching the semi finals before losing to Mike Donnelly and Brownlee going down to Donnelly in the Final. Two weeks earlier he had achieved further distinction in becoming runner up to John Leslie of Great Britain in the South African Championships.

N.Z. CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1976 Air New Zealand National Championships were held at the Palmerston North Club starting Saturday July 9th with the finals on Wednesday 13th. Entries (men 126, women 76) were marginally down on last year. However, none were balloted out and the playing entry exceeded last years by three. 4 Mens Grades, 3 Womens Grades and a Veterans Grade were catered for as follows:

Mens Amateur	64	Womens Amateur	32
Mens B	16	Womens B	24
Mens C	16	Womens C	16
Mens D	24	Womens Veterans	4
Mens Veterans	6		
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	126		76

The Womens Championship was significant in that the two 'new' members of the N.Z. Women's World Open Team, Annette Owen and Jane Wood, could not make any impression, both losing in the first two rounds. Prue Dyer and Alison Reilly reached the last eight against seeding predictions before succumbing to Julie Hawkes and Robyn Davis respectively. As expected Pam Buckingham and Jenny Webster contested the final. However for the first time in many matches between the two, Jenny came out on top. At no stage did she allow Pam to settle down and snatched a surprise victory 10/9 in the third game just as it appeared Pam might be obtaining control. It was good news for N.Z. Squash to see Jenny back in form as it strengthened a waning top standard.

The Mens Event was up for 'grabs' as there was no outright favourite, following impressive early season form from all the top seeds and with the tours to Pakistan and England most of the players had improved while not competing against each other. An early sensation was the withdrawal of Trevor Johnston, the reigning champion, as his amateur status was being questioned. Howard Broun, fast becoming known as 'Mr Individuality' of N.Z. Squash showed hitherto undisclosed concentration to defeat Murray Lilley, Neven Barbour and in the final, Bruce Brownlee. These successes undoubtedly left him as a justified champion.



N.Z. Womens Team to World Championships

L to R: Jane Wood, Jenny Webster, Alison Childs (Manageress), Pam Buckingham, Annette Owen.

RESULTS 1976 NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Men's Amateur Championship

Quarter Finals:					
N. Barbour	(Hsn)	defeated	S. Hughes	(NS)	9/5 9/2 9/3
H. Broun	(Rem)	"	M. Lilley	(KP)	3/9 9/4 9/3 9/5
S. O'Dwyer	(Coll)	"	T. Colyer	(Hsn)	9/3 10/8 9/6
B. Brownlee	(Rot)	"	T. Naughton	(Coll)	4/9 9/1 9/3 9/5
Semi Finals:					
H. Broun		"	N. Barbour		9/3 8/10 6/9 9/7 9/2
B. Brownlee		"	S. O'Dwyer		9/6 9/4 9/0
Final:					
H. Broun		"	B. Brownlee		9/4 9/5 1/9 8/10 9/3
Amateur Plate					
Final:					
S. Cleary	(Pan)	"	K. Harding	(CR)	9/2 9/4 10/8
Special Plate					
Final:					
R. Espie	(Coll)	"	L. Sparks	(Chch)	9/5 9/4 9/5
Classic Plate					
Final:					
B. Barnett	(Cam)	"	J. Devoy	(Rot)	9/2 9/2 9/3
'B' Grade					
Final:					
D. Rowe	(CR)	"	G. Martin	(PN)	9/1 6/9 6/9 9/1 9/6
'C' Grade					
Final:					
L. Wilson	(CH)	"	R. Whittington	(HB)	9/4 9/2 6/9 9/1
'D' Grade					
Final:					
R. Clark	(PN)	"	B. Jones	(PN)	9/2 9/10 9/4 9/6

Women's Amateur Championship

Quarter Finals:					
P. Buckingham	(Rem)	"	R. Blackwood	(NS)	9/5 9/1 9/4
R. Davis	(Tau)	"	A. Reilly	(Tau)	9/5 9/4 9/7
J. Hawkes	(Khd)	"	P. Dyer	(TH)	9/1 9/1 9/0
J. Webster	(Man)	"	R. Stanton	(CC)	3/9 9/4 9/5 9/3
Semi Finals:					
P. Buckingham		"	R. Davis		9/6 9/5 9/2
J. Webster		"	J. Hawkes		9/5 9/2 9/4

Final:					
J. Webster		defeated	P. Buckingham		9/6 9/6 10/9
Amateur Plate					
Final:					
A. Owen	(RO)	"	B. Kemp	(NS)	1/9 8/10 9/1 9/4 9/7
Classic Plate					
Final:					
R. Stanton	(Chch)	"	R. Blackwood	(NS)	9/4 9/2 9/5
Special Plate					
Final:					
L. Moore	(Man)	"	J. Wood	(HB)	9/4 9/4 def.
'B' Grade					
Final:					
J. Stanton	(PN)	"	J. Oakley	(Wg)	9/2 9/4 9/4
'C' Grade					
Final:					
L. Johnston	(Hn)	"	P. Anderson	(Ota)	9/3 9/3 10/8

N.Z. INTERDISTRICT TEAMS EVENTS

Auckland clinched their superiority in N.Z. Squash by winning both the Mens and Womens Interdistrict Championships.

Their teams were virtually N.Z. line ups and with the players basically much fitter than previous seasons they had no difficulty with any District and in fact only dropped 2 games over the 5 rounds. Murray Lilley was the outstanding individual. Playing No. 1 for Central, he didn't lose a match, defeating Broun, Greene, Brownlee, O'Dwyer and Gardner.

Vervies McCausland had a similar success, winning all her five matches at No. 3 for B.O.P. including a victory over Annette Owen.

The format this year was different to past seasons in that a pool system operated and one less game was played. It proved reasonably successful although the way the points concluded the Waikato Men and Wellington Women both ended up third when in actual fact they were both clear seconds over the five rounds. This aspect and when to slot the free session will obviously have to be looked at for 1977.

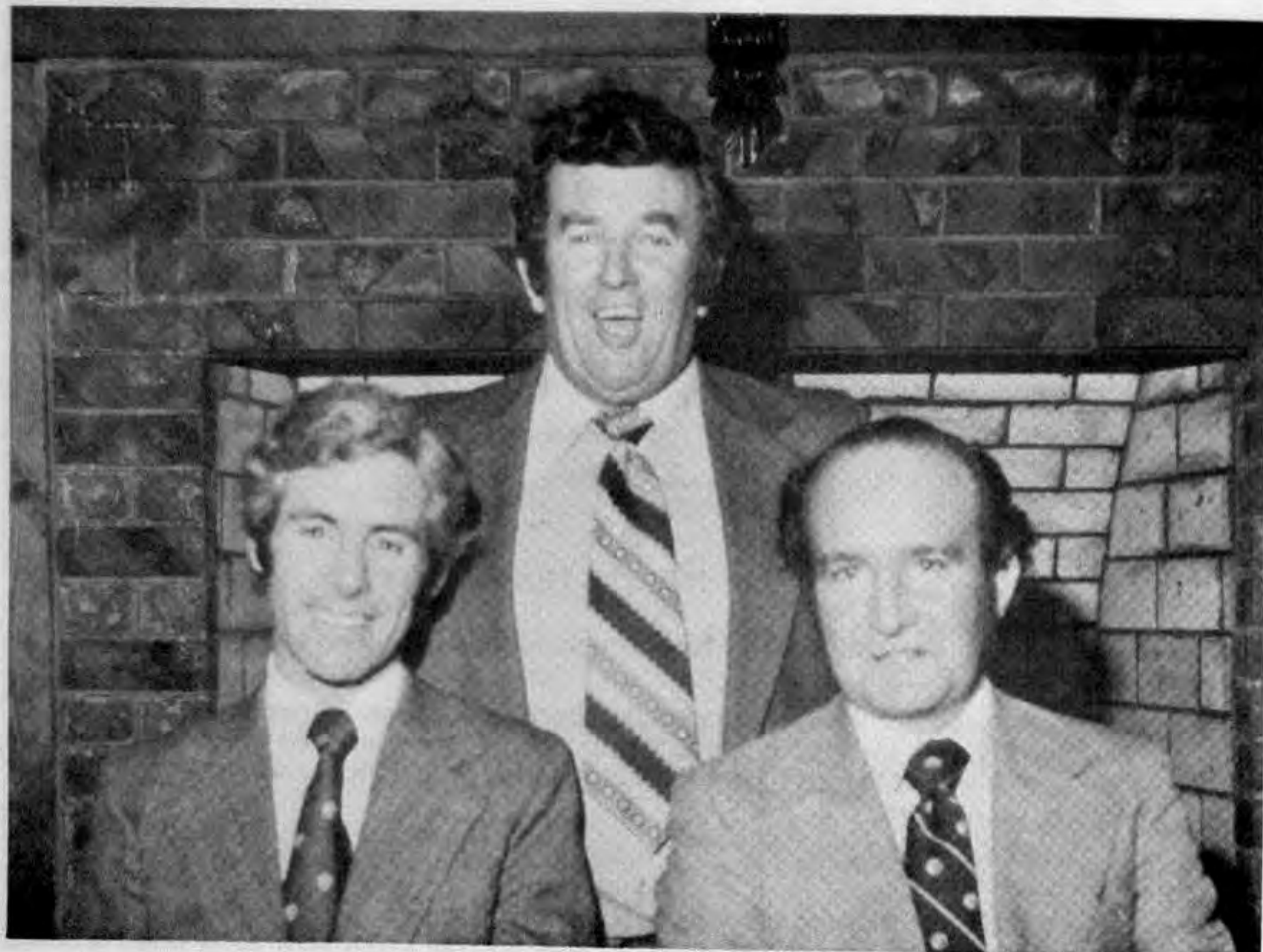
Results (with last year's placings in brackets).

MEN		WOMEN	
1.	Auckland (4)	1.	Auckland (1)
2.	Wellington (2)	2.	Bay of Plenty (2=)
3.	Waikato (3)	3.	Wellington (4)
4.	Canterbury (5)	4.	Canterbury (2=)
5.	Central (7)	5.	Hawkes Bay/Gisborne (5)
6.	Southern (6)	6.	Central (7)
7.	Bay of Plenty (1)	7.	Waikato (6)
8.	Hawkes Bay/Gisborne (8)	8.	Southern (8)

The winning teams were:

H. Broun
N. Barbour
T. Colyer
S. Hughes
C. Blackwood
J. Taylor (Manager)

Jenny Webster
Pam Buckingham
Annette Owen
Robyn Blackwood
Bev Kemp
Wilma Halling (Manageress)



N.Z. Selectors V. Hargreaves (Convenor), R.B. Clarke, J.R. Taylor.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hosted very well by the Henderson Club on Queens Birthday Weekend June 4th-7th.

ENTRIES for the Mens Championships in particular the top grades were very disappointing and it has resulted in N.Z. Management taking positive steps to ensure that all leading players compete in future if they wish to be eligible for N.Z. selection. The Womens Championship due to it being a selection tournament, had good entries but highlighted the non-availability of Julie Hawkes and Robyn Davies, two leading players, for selection to Australia.

Stephen Hughes had a very convincing victory over Craig Blackwood to win the Mens title. The Ladies

event, which promised an interesting battle for supremacy, petered out when Jenny Webster tore a leg muscle.

Results:

Mens Championship

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Semi Finals:

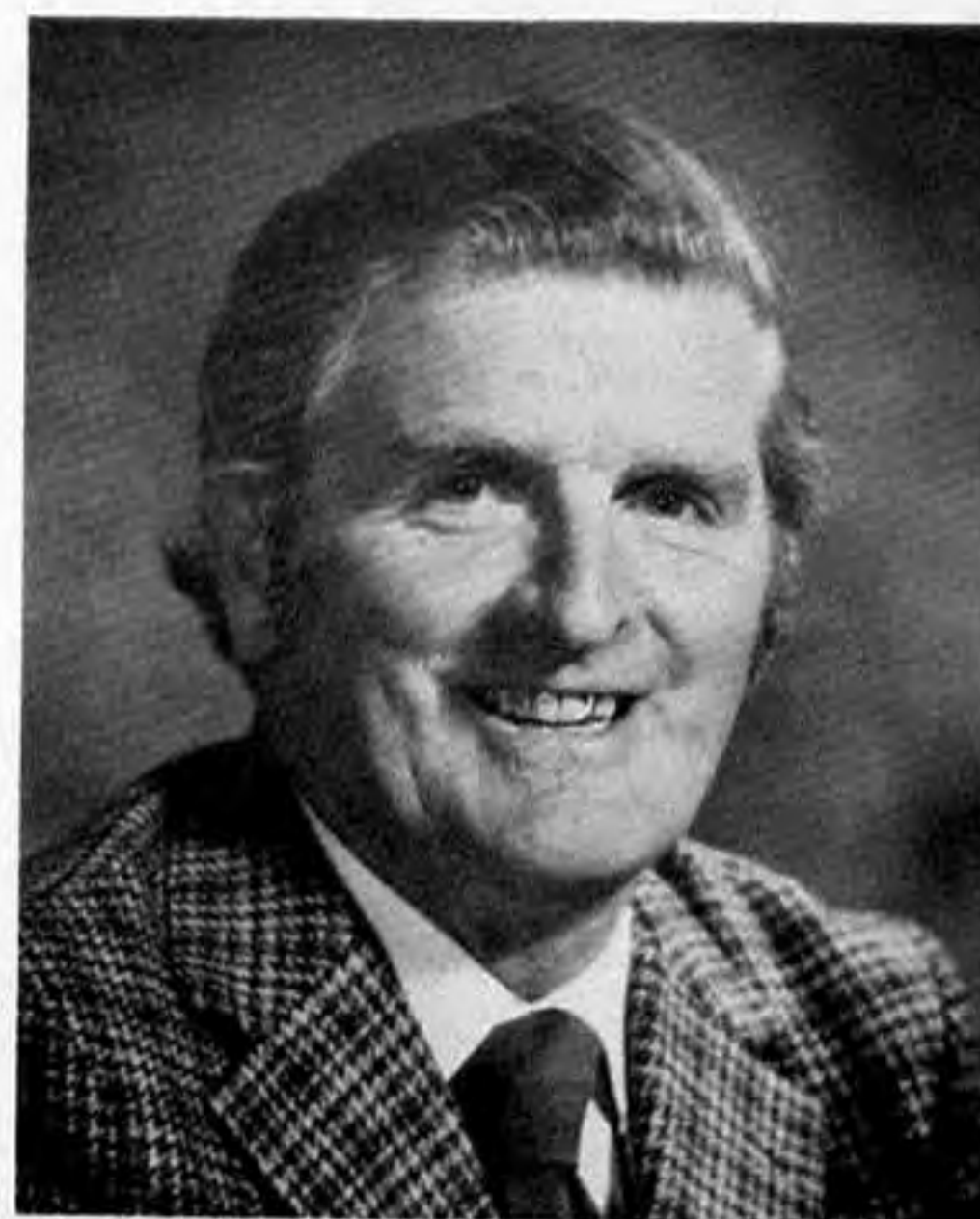
	C. Blackwood (NS)	defeated	A. Malloch (Rem)	9/4 9/2 9/0
	S. Hughes (NS)	"	B. Barnett (Cam)	9/3 9/5 9/7
Final:	S. Hughes	"	C. Blackwood	9/2 9/6 9/6
B. Grade	W. King (RO)	"	G. Watson (AV)	9/6 1/9 9/3 3/9
C. Grade	C. Prentice (NS)	"	R. Clarke (NS)	5/9 9/7 9/3 9/2
D. Grade	J. Scott (Hsn)	"	G. Hill (Hsn)	9/6 8/10 9/3 9/6 9/6 9/7
F. Grade	A. Davies (AV)	"	D. Napper (Pons)	9/1 9/2 10/8

Womens Championship

OPEN

Semi Finals:

	P. Buckingham (Rem)	defeated	J. Wood (HB)	9/1 9/3 9/1
	J. Webster (Man)	"	C. McIntyre (EE)	9/5 9/1 9/5
Final:	P. Buckingham	"	J. Webster	9/4 9/4 W/O
B. Grade	M. White (HB)	"	V. Brumby (Hsn)	2/9 9/7 5/9 9/0 10/8
C. Grade	A. Murphy (Whk)	"	G. Ellis (Gis)	7/9 9/5 9/5 9/1
D. Grade	B. Hutchins (Ham)	"	M. Betham (Whg)	9/7 9/5 8/10 8/10 9/7



Ken Mackwell.
Long serving Administrator for Waikato and N.Z.
Founder of N.Z. Coaching Scheme.

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

212 players (54 women, 158 men) competed at the Otago Squash Rackets Club on weekend July 18-20. In addition courts were used at University, Kaikourai and Southern. Excerpts from two matches on Saturday were featured at length on TV.

The N.Z. U23 Team, currently on tour of the South Island, strengthened both the Mens and Womens draws. 3rd seed Brian Barnett eclipsed Steven Cleary in straight games, losing only 5 points, in the Mens Final and a similar victory, last year's winner Ros Stanton defeated Pat Lush 1973 Champ to win the Womens. With one exception all the semi finalists were U23.

Results:

Men's Open

Semi Finals:

B. Barnett	(Tga)	defeated	R. Hayes	(Chch)	3/9	4/9	9/4	9/1	9/1
S. Cleary	(Pan)	"	B. Mathews	(Chch)	9/3	9/4	9/5		

Final:	B. Barnett	"	S. Cleary		9/1	9/0	9/4		
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Div. II

Final:	G. Balami	(Chch)	defeated	R. Haynes	(Otag)	9/2	9/5	3/9	9/4
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Div. III

Final:	S. Stephenson	(Bside)	"	M. McCarthy	(Otag)	9/6	9/1	10/8	
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Div. IV:	J. Oakley	(Chch)	"	C. Hibbett	(Chch)	9/5	9/10	9/1	9/0
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Women's Open

Semi Finals:

R. Stanton	(HSOB)	defeated	K. Graham	(Chch)	7/9	9/1	5/9	9/5	9/5
P. Lush	(Chch)	"	J. Garvey	(Tga)	9/6	10/8	6/9	3/9	9/5

Final:	R. Stanton	"	P. Lush		9/6	9/2	9/4		
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Div. II:	L. Sycamore	(Otag)	defeated	P. Anderson	(Oam)	9/5	9/5	9/3	
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Div. III:	L. Powell	(Inv)	"	J. McLean	(OU)	10/9	9/0	9/4	
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Div. IV:	J. Smith	Tim.OB)	"	J. Norton	(Otg.)	9/7	6/9	10/8	9/5
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Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)
N.Z. Womens Champion 1976.

NATIONAL TEAMS EVENTS

COUSINS SHIELD - MITCHELL CUP

On September 24-26th the Hamilton Club hosted the battle for N.Z. Club supremacy and had delight in seeing their own Men easily achieve their third victory in five years.

Tauranga, who had never entered previously, fielded five A graders to narrowly defeat Thorndon 3/2 for the Women's Title. Record entries of ten Men's teams and 10 Women's teams were received. Although games were programmed for 3½ hours per team, some extended well over that time and a second round game between Kawarua Park and Collegians in the Cousins Shield Section took 6½ hours to determine the winner.

Clubs entered as follows:

Cousins Shield

Collegians	North Shore
Hamilton	Palmerston North
Henderson	Panmure
Kawarua Park	Remuera
Mitchell Park	Royal Oak

Mitchell Cup

Hamilton	Palmerston North (df.)
Hawkes Bay	Remuera
Khandallah	Royal Oak
Mitchell Park	Tauranga
North Shore	Thorndon

Results were:

Round 2

Kawarua Park	3	Collegians	2
Mitchell Park	3	Remuera	2
North Shore	4	Palm. North	1
Hamilton	4	Henderson	1

Semi Finals

Mitchell Park	3	Kawarua Park	2
Hamilton	4	North Shore	1

Finals

Hamilton	5	Mitchell Park	0
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P. Fear df. B. May 6/9 4/9 9/7 9/5/6.
P. Devoy df. M. Billington 3/9 9/1 9/3. 9/4.
L. Green df. S. O'Dwyer 9/5 9/3 9/1.
M. Warren df. R. Lust 9/3 9/6 9/2.
B. Hughes df. R. Sandilands 7/9 9/6 9/7 10/8.

Plate Winner - Remuera

B Grade - Held at Kawarua Park September 17-19

Men

1st Round

Rotorua	3	Palm. North	2
Mitchell Park	5	Hawkes Bay	0
Eden Epsom and Hamilton	Byes		

Round 2

Remuera	3	North Shore	3
Thorndon	3	Royal Oak	2
Tauranga	3	Hamilton	2
Hawkes Bay	3	Palm. North	2

Semi Finals

Thorndon	3	Hawkes Bay	2
Tauranga	3	Remuera	2

Finals

Tauranga	3	Thorndon	2
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A. Reilly df. K. Brabin 9/0 9/3 9/1
V. McCausland l. P. Dyer 9/4 8/10 5/9
9/5 7/9
R. Davis df. K. Glenny 9/5 9/6 9/3.
M. Mannix df. J. Cooper 7/9 9/7 10/9 9/7
J. Garvey l. B. Barton 8/10 10/8 3/9 5/9

Plate Winner - North Shore.

Women

1st Round

Khandallah	4	Hamilton	1
Gisborne	3	Chch HSOB	2
Panmure	5	Kawerau	0
Palmerston North	Bye		

2nd Round

Eden Epsom 3	Rotorua 2
Hamilton 5	Mitchell Park 0

Final

Eden Epsom 3	Hamilton 2
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Winning Team – Eden Epsom

D. Shaw, B. Bark, M. Oliver, M. Molloy,
D. George, C. Wight, C. Bradley.

C Grade – Held at Hastings September 17–19**Men****1st Round**

Island Bay 3	Henderson 2
Un. Waikato 3	Palm. North 2
Burnside 4	Gisborne 1
Otago 3	Tokoroa 2

2nd Round

Island Bay 3	Un. Waikato 2
Otago 3	Burnside 2

Final

Island Bay 3	Otago 2
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Winning Team –

J. Greenfield, K. Hannan, P. McElroy (Capt.)
J. Mason, B. Kennedy.

Plate Winner – Tokoroa.

D Grade – Held at Taupo September 17–19.**Men****1st Round**

North Shore 3	Christchurch 2
Tauranga 4	Khandallah 1
Hawkes Bay LT 4	Palm. North 1
Hamilton 3	Southern 2

2nd Round

North Shore 4	Tauranga 1
Hawkes Bay 3	Hamilton 2

Final

Hawkes Bay LT 3	North Shore 0
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Winning Team –

T. Littleford, K. Harrison, D. Syme, T. Judd (Capt.)
R. Panton, K. Rouse, A. Thimbleby (Manager)

Plate Winner – Palmerston North

2nd Round

Gisborne 3	Khandallah 2
Palm. North 4	Panmure 1

Final

Palm. North 5	Gisborne 0
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Winning Team – Palmerston North

J. Peed, J. Stanton, S. Clarke, W. Gillett,
J. Tyler.

Women**1st Round**

Collegians 3	Royal Oak 2
Fielding 3	Cambridge 2
Hawkes Bay 3	Christchurch 2
Whakatane Bye	

2nd Round

Collegians 5	Fielding 0
Whakatane 4	Hawkes Bay 1

Final

Collegians 4	Whakatane 1
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Winning Team –

S. Wells, H. Robinson, C. Bryant, G. Cowie,
N. Drake.

Plate Winner – Cambridge.

Women**1st Round**

Timaru 3	College Rifles 2
Geysers City 4	Gisb./H.B. 1
Linwood 3	Kawaroa Pk. 2
Hamilton OB 3	Khandallah 2

2nd Round

Geysers City 3	Timaru 2
Hamilton 4	Linwood 1

Final

Hamilton OB 3	Geysers City 2
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Winning Team –

C. Lind, N. Campbell, B. Hutchens,
A. McKechnie, D. O'Conner, P. Lind (Mgr.)

Plate Winner – College Rifles.

E Grade – Held at Ashburton September 17–19.**Men****Round 1**

Royal Oak 4	Kawaroa Park 1
Tauranga 3	Clutha 2
Hastings 3	Sumner 2
Hamilton 4	Island Bay 1

Semifinals

Royal Oak 4	Tauranga 1
Hastings 5	Hamilton 0

Final

Royal Oak 5	Hastings 0
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Winning Team – Royal Oak

R. Faase, K. Harding, D. Marsh, T. Griffiths,
D. Annan.

Women**Round 1**

Northshore 5	Rangitikei 0
Timaru OB 3	Kawerau 2
Gisborne HOB 3	Christchurch 2
Hamilton 5	Khandallah 0

Semifinals

North Shore 3	Timaru 2
Gisborne HOB 3	Hamilton 2

Final

North Shore 4	Gisborne HOB 1
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Winning Team – North Shore

A. D'Arth, K. Wilson, B. McBurnie, J. Fordyce,
J. Newman.

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

AUCKLAND

Controlled by the Manurewa Club with the assistance of Te Papa and Papakura from June 19–27th. 472 players contested the 16th Auckland Championships, 11 less than last year, but still a formidable task for the organisers. It was sponsored yet again by Lion Breweries who assist not only in the monetary sense, but who always show a lively interest in, and enthusiasm towards, all aspects of the Tournament.

Pam Buckingham defeated Jenny Webster to retain her title, after being one game down, and only narrowly winning the third. Neven Barbour broke Howard Broun's two year hold on the Mens Title thereby winning his first Auckland Championship.

Women's Open

Semi Finals	P. Buckingham (Rem) defeated C. McIntyre (EE) 9/2 9/1 9/4
	J. Webster (Man) " A. Owen (RO) 9/2 10/8 9/3
Final	P. Buckingham " J. Webster 7/9 9/4 10/8 9/2

Men's Open

Semi Finals	N. Barbour (Hsn) defeated S. Hughes (NS) 9/0 9/6 10/8
	H. Broun (Rem) " T. Colyer (Hsn) 9/5 9/5 9/4
Final	N. Barbour " H. Broun 9/6 9/6 7/9 5/9 9/6

WAIKATO

Held at the Hamilton Squash Club from April 30 to May 2nd.

A full field of 144 players were catered for during the Waikato Championships. Ballotted out players were only minimal compared to the previous year when 120 players were eliminated. The standard of play was particularly high in the women's section where the incentive of the inaugural world women's championship later in the year resulted in nearly all the leading women squash players attending the tournament. Pam Buckingham won the title for the fourth time. Although the men's competition was affected by the absence of the leading N.Z. players who were overseas, the standard of play was good and Tony Naughton who won the event gained his first major open championship title.

Results were:

Men					
Semi Finals	L. Greene	(Ham)	defeated	B. Hughes	(Ham) 9/2 9/3 9/1
	A. Naughton	(Col)	"	P. Devoy	(Ham) 9/7 9/3 9/1
Final	A. Naughton		"	L. Greene	9/5 9/3 7/9 9/0
Women					
Semi Finals	P. Buckingham	(Rem)	"	A. Owen	(RO) 9/2 9/7 9/2
	J. Webster	(Man)	"	C. McIntyre	(EE) 9/5 9/1 9/3
Final	P. Buckingham		"	J. Webster	9/6 9/2 4/9 1/9 9/0

BAY OF PLENTY

Played at Whakatane on weekend July 31 - August 2nd.

Following the N.Z. Championships the Bay Open produced relaxed and often exciting squash. With Bruce Brownlee in South Africa a repeat N.Z. Final wasn't on. However Neven Barbour very determinedly turned the tables on Howard Broun in a close five games. The title holder, Trevor Johnston, obviously lacking in match play after withdrawing from the Nationals, faded against Barbour in the semies.

Pam Buckingham, eager to reverse her National Title loss to Jenny Webster was unwell but nevertheless under any conditions would have found her super confident opponent difficult to handle. She put up a valiant performance, before succumbing in four games.

Results:

Men's Open

Semi Finals	H. Broun	(Rem)	defeated	T. Colyer	(Hsn) 9/7 9/2 9/3
	N. Barbour	(Hsn)	"	T. Johnston	(GC) 8/10 9/5 10/8 9/1
Final	N. Barbour		"	H. Broun	4/9 9/7 5/9 9/3 9/7

Women's Open

Semi Finals	J. Webster	(Man)	defeated	G. Roberts	(Gis) 9/1 9/3 10/8
	P. Buckingham	(Rem)	"	A. Owen	(R.Oak) 9/1 9/7 9/7
Finals	J. Webster		"	P. Buckingham	2/9 9/3 9/3 9/2

WAIKATO BREWERIES SHIELD

The Annual Competition played between Waikato, Hawkes Bay/Gisborne and Bay of Plenty was hosted by the Taupo Club on August 29th.

Results were: 1st Waikato Won 9 matches, 31 games,

2nd B.O.P. Won 8 matches, 29 games,
3rd HB/Gis. Won 7 matches, 29 games.

HAWKES BAY - GISBORNE

Played on weekend June 18-20th, both Open Championships were run as round robin events.

The winners were: Men Garth Lawrence
Women Mary White.

CENTRAL DISTRICTS

The Central Districts Championships were held at Wanganui on weekend June 25-27th and were keenly contested as the Districts led up to the N.Z. Champs. Bill Deerness created the only upset in eliminating 3rd seed Graham Bowen in the second round. Otherwise form went as expected with Murray Lilley comfortably beating Shane O'Dwyer 3 straight in the final. Jean Reid justified her top spot but not without a spirited challenge from Heather Deerness (No. 4 seed) who had exceeded all expectations to reach the final.

Results were:

Mens Semifinal

	M. Lilley	(KP)	defeated	M. Billington	(MP) 9/1 9/5 9/4
	S. O'Dwyer	(Coll)	"	W. Deerness	(Wgi) 7/9 9/3 9/3 9/6
Final	M. Lilley		"	S. O'Dwyer	9/6 9/6 9/2

Wanganui Open - April 23-25th

Men	G. Bowen	(KP)	"	W. Deerness	(Wang) 3/1
Women	J. Reid	(KP)	"	H. Deerness	(Wang) 3/1

Taranaki Open - May 6-9th

Men	M. Lilley	(KP)	"	C. Blackwood	(NS) 3/0
Women	Winner Mrs P. Dyer.				

Manawatu Open - June 4-7th

Men	M. Lilley	(KP)	"	T. Johnston	(ROT) 3/2
Women	J. Reid	(KP)	"	S. Clarke	(PN) 3/0

NEWBIGIN SHIELD

The annual triangular event between Wellington, Hawkes Bay/Gisborne and Central Districts was held at Palmerston North May 14-16th. Teams consisted of six men and six women, each player having two games in each tie.

Results: Wellington beat Central Districts 16 matches to 5
" " H.B./Gisborne 19 matches to 5
Central Districts drew H.B./Gisborne 12 all 37 games all.

WELLINGTON

For the first time the Association conducted their District Championships over the course of a week at four venues. Collegians, Khandallah, Scottish Harriers and Mitchell Park. All 248 entries were accepted. However these were not as high as expected and a change of date in 1977 is anticipated to increase numbers.

Shane O'Dwyer and Julie Hawkes continued their domination in the Open events, both winning convincingly. The Veterans event with the age lowered to 40 attracted a full field of 16.

Men's Open

Semi Finals	S. O'Dwyer	defeated	S. Hughes	4/9	9/5	9/6	9/0
	P. Dibley	"	A. Naughton	9/5	2/9	9/5	9/3
Final	S. O'Dwyer	"	P. Dibley	2/9	9/6	9/5	9/0

Women's Open

Final	Julie Hawkes	defeated	Kay Glenny	9/7	6/9	10/8	9/3
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CANTERBURY

June 25th, 26th, 27th at the Christchurch Club. 172 entries.

The men's final was marked by a great fightback by the Cambridge colt, Brian Barnett, who nearly took the match into the fifth after trailing Tony Naughton 0 - 2 in games 3 - 8.

An over-confident Naughton stopped playing his drops and his opponent saved five match balls and eventually took the third with seven straight points. In the fourth Naughton raced to a 7 - 1 lead but Barnett managed to level before losing the final two points.

As expected, the top women's seed Ros Stanton easily won her final from the sixth seed, Merle Holland, who had demolished the second seed, Julie Garvey, in the quarter-finals. Mrs. Holland had trouble reading Miss Stanton's tight boasts and her opponent generally proved far too consistent. Only in the second when she lead 8-6 did Mrs. Holland appear to have a winning chance.

Men

Semi Finals	A.G. Naughton	(Collegns.)	beat	S. Cleary	(NZ Colts)	9/1	9/5	9/4
	B. Barnett	(NZ Colts)	"	L.P. Skurr	(HSOB)	9/6	9/1	9/6
Final	A.G. Naughton		"	B. Barnett		9/7	9/5	8/10 9/7

Women

Semi Finals	Miss R. Stanton	(NZ Colts)	beat	Mrs K.F. Graham	(Burnside)	8/10	9/5	9/3 9/4
	Mrs M. Holland	(Sumner)	"	Mrs J. Bruce	(Oamaru)	9/4	9/3	9/3
Final	Miss R. Stanton		"	Mrs M. Holland		9/4	10/8	9/4

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS

The Southern District Championships at the Oamaru Squash Club's new extended facilities were staged at Queen's Birthday weekend June 4-7th and drew the usual large entry from both Southern and Canterbury Districts.

Men

Semi Finals	R. Bowman	(Oamaru)	beat	J. Pinel	(Oamaru)			
	B. Gardiner	(Celtic)	beat	R. Goodall	(Invercargill)			
Finals	B. Gardiner	(Celtic)	beat	R. Bowman	(Oamaru)	3/9	9/6	3/9
						9/1	9/6	

Women

Ladies Final	Miss P. Lush	(Chch.)	beat	Mrs J. Bruce	(Oamaru)	9/3	9/7	9/5
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VETERAN SQUASH

Like past years, veteran squash has continued without any National organization, but some districts have had championships; in addition both Henderson and Whakatane Clubs promoted successful tournaments. The N.Z. Championship attracted six entries in the Mens, and four in the Womens. Where districts have lowered the minimum age to Women 35 years, and Men 40 years, there appears to be a definite upsurge in interest.

N.Z. Men's Veteran Championship - Palmerston North, July 10-13th

Semi Finals	R. Roche	defeated	N. Coe	(HSN)	9/3	9/5	9/6
	K. Turnbull	(Hm)	"	K. Green	(Khd)	9/1	9/2 9/5
Final	K. Turnbull	"	R. Roche		9/6	7/9	9/5 9/4

N.Z. Women's Veteran Championship

Semi Finals	C. McBain	(F)	"	W. Halling	(NS)	9/10	10/8 9/4 9/3
	T. Turner	(P)	"	L. Mills	(Fd)	9/5	9/6 9/1
Final	C. McBain	"	T. Turner		9/2	3/9	1/9 9/6 9/2

South Island Championships - Christchurch, August 6-8th

Men

Semi Finals	R.G. Pattinson	(Chch)	defeated	N. Herd	(KP)	10/8	9/3 3/9 0/9 9/7
	L.G. Milne	(Sumner)	"	P. Steinmetz	(Chch)	9/4	9/6 9/5
Final	L.G. Milne	"	R.G. Pattinson		9/7	5/9	9/0 9/1

Women

Semi Finals	Mrs K.F. Graham	(Burnside)	defeated	Mrs J. Terrell	(Linwood)	9/2	9/3 9/7
	Miss S. Young	(Linwood)	"	Mrs E. Hooke	(Chch)	9/2	9/10 9/0 9/3
Final	Mrs Graham	"	Miss Young		10/8	10/8	9/4

Auckland Championships

Men's Veteran	K. Turnbull	(Ham)	"	A. Wright	(Rem)		
Womens	W. Halling	(NS)	"	C. Black	(Man)		

Wellington Championships

Semi Finals	B. Sixtus	(Nel)	"	P. Wilson	(MP)	9/2	9/3 9/3
	K. Green	(Kh)	"	J. Wesley	(Nel)	9/4	9/3 9/5
Final	B. Sixtus	"	K. Green		9/2	9/5	9/7

UNDER 23 SQUASH

Director, M.S. Greig

The major innovation during the 1976 year was the National Under 23 Tournament, which was an outstanding success with players from all parts of the country competing. Other activities were National Coaching Schools in Auckland and Christchurch, and a week's tour of the South Island encompassing the South Island and Canterbury Championships.

Despite progress made since this category was initiated (largely at Norman Coe's instigation), it still tends to be placed in the Cinderella category. This season we sent our top U23's to Invercargill to gain experience while our juniors get sent to Sydney for the same purpose. It is from players presently in the 18 to 23 years age bracket that we must look for our future representatives. The importance of this group becomes apparent when one considers that three represented New Zealand this season (Brownlee, Blackwood, Hayes) and eight were seeded in the first sixteen for this year's New Zealand Championships. It is out of competition among players in this age group (including juniors) that both districts and New Zealand's top players will arise, hence it is logical that incentives and competition should be greater at this level.

A major breakthrough this year was Annette Owen's selection in the N.Z. Women's team. It was an example of a junior of sufficient standard responding to the opportunities and the competition.

Players in the U23 category tend to have reached a level where personal coaching and encouragement is required, but unfortunately this is not always recognised by clubs and districts. Personal coaching of a younger player by an older experienced player represents an ideal opportunity for the experienced player to gain personal satisfaction while putting something back into the game.

Coaching Schools

A Northern School was held in early April and a Southern School later in the season. The lower graded players probably benefit the most from these schools due to the opportunity to trade shots with some of their more experienced contemporaries. Transport costs are expensive but the weekend does provide an opportunity for the players to receive both individual and group coaching from Dardir. His contribution to these schools is most appreciated and I am sure serves as an inspiration to the players.

National Under 23 Championships

This was held at the Geysers City Club in Rotorua from April 23-25th. The response from the players was tremendous with entries coming from as far as Dunedin. The standard of play was high and with all players receiving at least three and many four or five matches, all players gained extensive competitive experience against their contemporaries.

The mens final between Brian Barnett and Stephen Hughes was a tight match with Stephen coming from behind in the fifth game. The womens was won in straight games by Annette Owen over Ros Stanton. 48 entries were accepted, 24 men and 24 women. Of these 16 were current A graders, enabling a very high standard of competition.

Results were:

		Men			
Semi Final	S. Hughes (NS) B. Barnett (Cam)	defeated	J. Devoy (Rot) R. Espie (Well)		
Final	S. Hughes	"	B. Barnett		
		Women			
Semi Final	R. Stanton (HSOBCC) A. Owen (RO)	defeated	R. Blackwood (NS) J. Garvey		
Final	A. Owen	" "	R. Stanton	9/1	9/4 10/8

Internal Tour of South Island - 18th June - 26th June, 1976

This tour commenced at the South Island Championships in Dunedin, included matches in Invercargill, Oamaru, Ashburton, Christchurch, and concluded with the Canterbury Championships. The teams were:

Men		Women	
B. Barnett	Cambridge	R. Stanton	HSOB-Chch.
S. Cleary	Panmure	J. Garvey	Tauranga
J. Devoy	Rotorua	A. Reid	Wellington

The Team was managed by Peter Powell of New Plymouth who reported that the team was well received at all venues. Unfortunately the standard of opposition particularly for the women was not as high as desirable. Congratulations to Ros Stanton in winning S.I. and Canterbury titles and to Brian Barnett for winning the South Island and being runner up for the Canterbury title. Results appear elsewhere.



National Under 23 Team - South Island Tour
 Back Row, L to R: S. Cleary (Auck), B. Barnett (BoP), J. Devoy (BoP).
 Front Row, L to R: R. Stanton (Cant), J. Garvey (BoP), P. Powell (Cent. - Manager), A. Reid (Well)

JUNIOR SQUASH

Director, N.J. Gifford

This year saw the first year of Junior Management as an almost autonomous body. Although we have had problems during the year it would be hoped lessons have been learned and the situations that have arisen will not be repeated. The attendance of the Director of Juniors at all New Zealand Management Meetings has I feel been to the benefit of both Junior Management and N.Z. Management. Junior activity is of great importance to the complete Squash scene and the close cooperation of the Junior and Senior Management is essential. District Junior Coordinators are the members who make up the N.Z. Junior Management Committee and during this first year some have done a great deal towards the smooth running of Junior activities. Whilst we all have the interest of Junior players foremost in our thoughts, sight must not be lost of the fact that we are all part of N.Z. Squash.

We have indeed been fortunate this year in securing a Sponsor such as A.B. Consolidated. Through their generosity four boys and four girls will be competing in Sydney in the "Cheezels" 1976 South Pacific Championships. We are looking towards a system, such as is in operation in Australia, for the next year's event, where the total entries in Australia alone are in excess of 10,000 children. I would take this opportunity to thank David Hughes from A.B. Consolidated and also Peter Allen from the Australian Court Owners' Association. Peter Allen's Association introduced the tournament last year and this year invited New Zealand to participate.

The playing programme for the year started in May with the N.I. Championships held in Tauranga. The standard of this year's Juniors at such an early stage was remarkably high.

Entries for the N.I. Champs were large and resulted in many being balloted out. This created some ill feeling in some areas but a resolution brought forward from the Junior Committee should help solve this balloting problem in future.

A team to travel to N.S.W. State Championships was named at the conclusion of the North Island. Some confusion arose from the non-inclusion of certain top Juniors in this team. I feel this area of selection is one which is a very real problem with no simple solution. Very good reasons both for and against the selection policy can be put forward.

The N.Z. Open held in Napier resulted in a very poor turn out of players. Many reasons for this have been put forward and next year the event will be held in conjunction with the North Island Champs at the later date of Queens Birthday Weekend. This move should ensure the N.Z. Open as a success player-wise.

Another change to next year's events will be the re-grouping of the N.Z. Age Groups with the Inter-District Teams Event. Venues will be College Rifles for the Age Group Champs and Whangarei for Teams. This relieves the strain on billets that in the past has created problems.

This year saw the Teams Event held in Invercargill. The efficient manner in which the event was run is indeed a credit to the Clubs concerned.

During the year a few problems have arisen that we as Administrators feel have to be stamped out and so certain conditions will be enforced next year. A list of do's and don'ts will be forwarded to the host clubs for National Events in this regard.

It is hoped that with the programme already set for 1977 and the possibility of any tours to Australia being announced early in the New Year Juniors can plan their year's activities to not only the advantage of N.Z. Squash but also to their own wants and needs. We must always remember these young people have many commitments and whilst we as squash people place a great deal of importance on squash we must not lose sight of the individual's own priorities.

As Convenor of Selectors may I thank Dawn Dryland and Doug Lawrie for their cooperation throughout

the year. We don't always have much chance to get together during the year; but on the occasions we have, the midnight oil has been burnt discussing the many and varied problems associated with selecting teams and naming ranked players. It is a problem confined only to Juniors, the ability of an 18 year old compared to the brilliance of a 15 year old, who gets what place on the Ranking List or what Seed in the N.Z. Open? This will be something that there will never be a quick and simple solution to; but I feel if Junior Selectors of future years sit and ponder as has been done this year, hopefully the problem will be resolved without any player feeling an injustice has been done.

Finally I would thank on behalf of all Juniors, the members of the Junior Management who keep the ever increasing number of Juniors playing involved in Club and District activities.

1976 Ranking Lists

In a move away from the past ranking system the selectors decided to rank the Juniors in their respective age groups.

Boys Under 19			Girls Under 19		
1.	R. Hayes	(Cant.)	1.	A. Owen	(Auck.)
2.	R. Norman	(Auck.)	2.	R. Blackwood	(Auck.)
3.	S. Smith	(Auck.)	3.	S. Burgess	(Wai.)
4.	D. Banks	(Wai.)	4.	D. Bold	(HB-G)

Boys Under 17			Girls Under 17		
1.	D. Oakley	(Well.)	1.	K. Leabourne	(Auck.)
2.	P. Viggers	(HB-G)	2.	J. Milne	(Cant.)
3.	G. Devoy	(BoP)	3.	Jenny Oakley	(Well.)
4.	C. Wasley	(Cant.)	4.	S. Clarke	(Cant.)

Under 15 Boys			Under 15 Girls		
1.	S. Davenport	(Cant.)	1.	J. James	(BoP)
2.	D. Lovett	(Waik.)	2.	S. Stagg	(Well.)
3.	C. Maxwell	(Auck.)	3.	K. Waddell	(Well.)
4.	D. Rae	(HB-G)	4.	C. Lind	(Waik.)

Under 13 Boys			Under 13 Girls		
1.	J. Bushell	(Can.)	1.	M. Kelsall	(Auck.)
2.	D. Crosbie	(Can.)	2.	Jillian Oakley	(Well.)
3.	R. Wyatt	(BoP)	3.	S. Devoy	(BoP)
4.	J. Parata	(Well.)	4.	W. Stanton	(Cant.)

Overseas Tour to Australia

On June 24th a Junior Team comprising:

Ross Norman	—	Auckland
Shane Smith	—	Auckland
Joanne Milne	—	Christchurch
Shona Burgess	—	Hamilton
Mrs Dawn Dryland	—	Wellington (Manageress)

left Auckland for Miranda, Sydney, to compete in the 1976 N.S.W. Amateur Championships. The team consisted of promising young players who were given the opportunity to gain valuable playing experience outside N.Z.

At the commencement of the tournament, there was some initial difficulties in adjusting to conditions, but the final results were impressive. The most exciting game and one which drew the largest gallery during the week, was in the Junior Open between Ross Norman and G. Middleton (3rd seed). Ross gave a wonderful demonstration of ability, courage and determination and was loudly applauded for his victory.

Both Ross and Joanne reached the semi-finals of their respective Junior Championships, and all the team were successful in the Grade Competitions. It was interesting to find that in spite of the average age of our players (17 years) and the fact that this was their first tour overseas, their approach was one of complete maturity, with all the priorities correctly placed.

Results:

Ross Norman	N.S.W. Mens "A" Grade Champion
Shane Smith	" " "B" " "
Joanne Milne	" Womens "B" " "
Shona Burgess R/Up	" " "B" " "



Jack and Elly Tyler — two stalwarts of N.Z. Junior Squash for many years.

N.Z. Junior Open

This event staged at Napier on June 11-13th was not the success it should have been. Reasons for the non participation of top players are many and varied. It would be hoped the grouping of the N.Z. Junior Open with the N.I. Championships in future years will ensure the success it deserves.

Play was of quite a high standard, however, in spite of the non inclusion of a number of top players. In a repeat of the 1975 final the girls event held a lot of interest with Annette Owen meeting Robin Blackwood. This match was a particularly interesting one with Annette reversing last year's loss after some anxious moments.

However the boys final was never in doubt with Rod Hayes in top form.

Results:

		Boys						
Semi Finals	R. Hayes (Chch)	defeated	R. McDonald (Tim)	9/2	4/9	9/4	6/9	9/2
	J. Simpson (Ham)	"	J. Romanos (IB)	5/9	9/6	9/4	9/6	
Final	R. Hayes	"	J. Simpson	9/6	9/6	9/1		
Plate Final	M. Lafferty (Rot)	"	G. Brooks (Rot)	5/9	7/9	10/9	9/5	9/4
		Girls						
Semi Finals	A. Owen (RO)	"	D. Bold (HB)	8/10	9/3	9/0	9/0	
	R. Blackwood (NS)	"	S. Clarke (PN)	10/8	9/0	9/6		
Final	A. Owen	"	R. Blackwood	9/3	9/4	3/9	9/7	
Plate Final	T. Spooner (HB)	"	M. Glew (Hast)	9/7	4/9	9/6	7/9	10/8

N.Z. AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS

Venue — Mitchell Park, Wellington, August 27-29th.

The Championship this year was sponsored by A.B. Consolidated Marketers and Manufacturers of Cheezles.

A trip to Sydney for the under 13 and 15 Boys and Girls winners and runners-up to compete in the Cheezles South Pacific Championships in November was undoubtedly a reason for the large entry in these grades and competition was keen. Ross Norman won the boys under 19 title comfortably and Kathy Leabourne the girls after a hard fought semi final. The Oakley family of Mitchell Park were to the fore — Jenny winning the under 17 girls, David the under 17 boys, and Jillian runner-up in the under 13 girls.

Results:

		Girls							
U19 Semi Finals		K. Leabourne (Pam)	defeated	T. Romanos (IB)	9/2	5/9	9/2	7/9	9/5
		D. Bold (HB)	"	S. Burgess (Ham)	9/6	3/9	9/1	8/10	9/3
Final	K. Leabourne	"	D. Bold	9/2	9/1	9/6			
U17 Semi Finals		J. Milne (Sum)	"	L. Lever (Mt.M)	9/8	9/4	9/1		
		J. Oakley (MP)	"	S. Clarke (PN)	9/3	6/9	9/5	9/6	
Final	J. Oakley	"	J. Milne	7/9	9/5	9/6	9/5		
U15 Semi Finals		J. James (Tga)	"	K. McDonald (UH)	9/5	9/5	9/6		
		A. Stagg (Mast)	"	C. Lind (HOB)	6/9	9/3	9/3	9/7	

Final	J. James	"	A. Stagg	9/3 9/5 3/9 9/0
U13 Semi Finals	D. Kelsall (Man)	"	J. Sperry (Mast)	7/9 9/3 8/10 9/2 10/8
	J. Oakley (MP)	"	S. Devoy (Rot)	9/3 9/5 6/9 9/7
Final	D. Kelsall	"	J. Oakley	9/3 9/1 9/6
Boys				
U19 Semi Finals	R. Norman (Pan)	"	D. Banks (Ham)	9/7 9/0 9/4
	P. Daley (Rot)	"	S. Smith (RO)	9/6 9/7 9/5
Final	R. Norman	"	P. Daley	9/3 9/2 9/3
U17 Semi Finals	G. Devoy (Rot)	"	P. Viggers (HB)	9/1 9/2 6/9 9/6
	D. Oakley (MP)	"	C. Walsey (Burn)	7/9 9/1 9/2 9/5
Final	D. Oakley	"	G. Devoy	9/4 9/0 9/1
U15 Semi Finals	S. Davenport (Burn)	"	C. Maxwell (RO)	9/7 9/1 9/6
	D. Lovett (Ham)	"	D. Rae (Hast)	9/4 2/9 9/7 9/6
Final	S. Davenport	"	D. Lovett	6/9 9/2 9/1 9/2
U13 Semi Finals	M. Crosbie (Burn)	defeated	R. Wyatt (Rot)	9/2 9/5 9/6
	J. Bushell (Burn)	"	N. Parata (FP)	7/4 W/O
Final	J. Bushell	"	M. Crosbie	9/1 9/3 9/2

ROTHMANS INTER-DISTRICT TEAMS EVENT

Venue - Invercargill, July 30 - August 1st.

The "Deep South" were amiable hosts for the 1976 Interdistrict Teams Event. Derek Bulman and his management very capably handled this big event to introduce many Northerners to the subtleties of Southern Squash. Competition was strong with Auckland proving superior in both events. In the Girls, Auckland continued the domination it has enjoyed for three years. Their Boys Team improved on last season's fourth placing for a comfortable win.

Final Placings (last seasons placings in brackets).

Boys		Girls	
1.	Auckland (4)	1.	Auckland (1)
2.	Canterbury (2)	2.	Waikato (6)
3.	Waikato (5)	3.	Central (2)
4.	Wellington (1)	4.	Wellington (5)
5.	Bay of Plenty (3)	5.	Bay of Plenty (3)
6.	Southern (8)	6.	Canterbury (4)
7.	H.B.-Gisb. (7)	7.	H.B.-Gisb. (7)
8.	Central (6)	8.	Southern (8)

Results were:

Round 1.

Auckland	4	Wellington	0
B.O.P.	2	H.B.-Gisb.	2
Waikato	3	Central	1
Canterbury	4	Southern	0

Round 2.

Waikato	4	Southern	0
Canterbury	4	Central	0
Auckland	4	H.B.-Gisb.	0
B.O.P.	2	Wellington	2

Finals

Auckland	3	Canterbury	1
Waikato	3	Wellington	1
B.O.P.	4	Southern	0
H.B.-Gisb.	4	Central	0

Round 1.

Auckland	4	Wellington	0
B.O.P.	4	H.B./Gisb.	0
Waikato	3	Canterbury	1
Central	4	Southern	0

Round 2.

Waikato	4	Southern	0
Central	3	Canterbury	1
Auckland	4	H.B.-Gisb.	0
Wellington	3	B.O.P.	1

Finals

Auckland	3	Waikato	1
Central	3	Wellington	1
B.O.P.	3	Canterbury	1
H.B.-Gisb.	2	Southern	2

MACKWELLS TROPHY

Annually awarded to the player who does the most on and off the court during the District event. This year's winner was Debbie Bold of H.B.-Gisb.

AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rod Hayes, Annette Owen and Robyn Blackwood all competed in the Championships during September. The most notable achievement was in Annette reaching the final of the Women's event where she lost to the top seed Rhona Shapland 10/9 9/4 1/9 5/9 2/9.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hosted by the Tauranga Club, May 14-16th.

166 entries were received and 117 accepted. There were only 13 in the Girls U19 and 8 in the Girls U13, otherwise all were full 16 draws. In one of the best finals seen for ages Ross Norman beat Shane Smith 10/8 in the 5th for the U19 title.

Annette Owen comfortably won the Girls U19. In somewhat of a surprise Michael Hall from Papakura defeated David Oakley 3/1 in the U17 grade. The Girls U17 final saw a very interesting battle between Kathy Leabourne and Joanne Milne.

Results:

U13 Boys	R. Wyatt (Rot)	defeated	H. Leabourne (Pan)	2/9 9/5 9/4 6/9 9/4
U13 Girls	D. Kelsall (Man)	"	S. Devoy (Rot)	9/4 9/2 9/3
U15 Boys	D. Lovett (Ham)	"	C. Maxwell (Pap)	7/9 9/3 9/4 10/8
U15 Girls	J. James (Tga)	"	K. Waddell (MP)	3/9 2/9 9/5 9/6 9/4
U17 Boys	M. Hall (Pap)	"	D. Oakley (MP)	9/6 9/5 5/9 10/8
U17 Girls	K. Leabourne (Pan)	"	J. Milne (Sum)	5/9 9/3 4/9 9/7 9/2
U19 Boys	R. Norman (Pan)	"	S. Smith (RO)	2/9 9/4 6/9 9/0 10/8
U19 Girls	A. Owen (RO)	"	S. Burgess (Ham)	9/6 9/1 10/8

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Venue – Burnside Squash Club, May 21–23rd.

U19 Boys

S Finals	R. McDonald (Celtic)	defeated	J. Oakley (HSOB)	6/9	9/5	9/4	9/1
	C. Wasley (Bsde)	"	A. Corkin (Chch)	9/5	9/4	9/0	
Final	R. McDonald	"	C. Wasley	9/5	9/3	9/6	

U19 Girls

S.Finals	M.A. Redpath (Otago)	"	K. Aplin (Bsde)	9/0	9/3	9/0	
	M.A. Stemmer (Sumner)	"	S. Hargreaves (Bsde)	9/0	9/3	9/5	
Final	M.A. Redpath	"	M.A. Stemmer	9/10	9/3	9/5	9/5

U17 Boys

S Finals	S. Davenport (Bsde)	"	C. Posa (Celtic)	9/4	9/6	9/0	
	W. Bissett (Sumner)	"	S. Hargreaves (Bsde)	9/3	9/5	7/9	10/9
Final	S. Davenport	"	W. Bissett	9/7	9/2	9/4	

U17 Girls

S Final	J. Milne (Sumner)	"	D. O'Grady (Bsde)	9/1	9/2	9/0	
	C. Oakley (Chch)	"	A. Milne (Sumner)	9/6	9/2	9/3	
Final	J. Milne	"	C. Oakley	9/1	9/2	9/1	

U15 Boys

S Finals	J. Bushell (Bsde)	"	S. Mortimer (Makarewa)	10/8	9/1	9/0	
	M. Corner (Bsde)	"	G. Utteridge (Otago)	9/2	9/2	9/2	
Final	J. Bushell	"	M. Corner	9/3	10/8	9/6	

U13 Boys

S Finals	M. Crosbie (Bsde)	"	R. Aplin (Bsde)	9/3	9/5	9/1	
	S. Aplin (Bsde)	"	A. Smith (Bsde)	9/4	9/6	9/0	
Final	M. Crosbie	"	S. Aplin	7/9	9/1	9/1	9/0

NEW ZEALAND SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION HONOURS BOARD

MENS CHAMPIONSHIP (Riddiford Gold Cup)

1932	Christchurch: G.E.F. Kingscote (Christchurch)
1933	Christchurch: P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
1934	Christchurch: P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
1935	Christchurch: P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
1936	Timaru: W.R. Fea (Timaru)
1937	Timaru: W.R. Fea (Timaru)
1938	Timaru: W.E. Renton (Timaru)
1939	Devonport (A): W.E. Renton (Timaru)
1946	Timaru: A.H. Malcolm (Hamilton)
1947	Palmerston North: A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
1948	Timaru: M.J. Souter (Timaru)
1949	Palmerston North: A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
1950	Timaru: J.A. Gillies (Invercargill)
1951	Palmerston North: J.A. Gillies (Invercargill)
1952	Oamaru: J.A. Gillies (Invercargill)
1953	Palmerston North: D.D. Mochan (Palmerston North)
1954	Invercargill: P.R. Vesty (Timaru)
1955	Remuera: D.D. Mochan (Palmerston North)
1956	Timaru: D.G. Green (Dunedin)
1957	Palmerston North: D.D. Mochan (Palmerston North)
1958	Oamaru: J. Cheadle (Australia)
1959	Napier: M.A. Oddy (Great Britain)
1960	Timaru: C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1961	Hamilton: C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1962	Palmerston North: C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1963	Christchurch: C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1964	Henderson: C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1965	Masterton: R. Carter (Australia)
1966	Timaru: T. Johnston (Palmerston North)
1967	Hamilton: D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
1968	Palmerston North: J. Johnston (Palmerston North)
1969	Christchurch: D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
1970	Remuera: D. Burmeister (North Shore)
1971	Lower Hutt: M. Asran (United Arab Republic)
1972	Dunedin: L.M. Greene (Hamilton)
1973	Napier: N.S. Barbour (Henderson)
1974	Hamilton: N. Barbour (Henderson)
1975	Christchurch: T. Johnston (Geyser City)
1976	Palmerston North: H. Broun (Remuera)

WOMENS CHAMPIONSHIP (Mitchell Rose Bowl)

1951	Palmerston North: Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
1952	Oamaru: Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
1953	Palmerston North: Mrs R. Maddern (Australia)
1954	Invercargill: Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
1955	Remuera: Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
1956	Napier: Miss B. Patterson (Napier)
	Miss A. McKenzie (Timaru)



- 1957 Palmerston North: Miss A. McKenzie (Oamaru)
- 1958 Oamaru: Miss A. McKenzie (Oamaru)
- 1959 Miss B. Patterson (Napier)
- 1960 Timaru: Miss A. McKenzie (Oamaru)
- 1961 Hamilton: Mrs A. Stephens (Hamilton)
- 1962 Palmerston North: Miss P. McGlenaghan (Australia)
- 1963 Christchurch: Mrs A. Stephens (Hamilton)
- 1964 Henderson: Mrs D. Deacon (Henderson)
- 1965 Masterton: Miss H. Blundell (Australia)
- 1966 Timaru: Mrs P.A. Mills (Hamilton)
- 1967 Hamilton: Mrs M. Waugh (Henderson)
- 1968 Palmerston North: Mrs V. Biss (Palmerston North)
- 1969 Christchurch: Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)
- 1970 Remuera: Miss T. Lawes (Remuera)
- 1971 Lower Hutt: Mrs P. Buckingham (Hamilton)
- 1972 Dunedin: Miss C. Fleming (Auckland)
- 1973 Napier: Mrs P. Buckingham (Hamilton)
- 1974 Hamilton: Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)
- 1975 Christchurch: Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)
- 1976 Palmerston North: Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)

RUNNERS UP NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Some of New Zealand's most outstanding players are not mentioned anywhere in the records as they have not been fortunate enough to win a title.

MEN

- 1932 P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
- 1933 J.E.F. Vogel (Palmerston North)
- 1934 D.W.J. Gould (Christchurch)
- 1935 W.E. Renton (Timaru)
- 1936 D.W.J. Gould (Christchurch)
- 1937 P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
- 1938 P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
- 1939 P.D. Hall (Christchurch)
- 1946 W.E. Renton (Timaru)
- 1947 W.E. Renton (Timaru)
- 1948 W.E. Renton (Timaru)
- 1949 W.E. Renton (Timaru)
- 1950 A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
- 1951 A M Johns (Palmerston North)
- 1952 T.R. v e s s y (Timaru)
- 1953 L.G. M i n e (Timaru)
- 1954 A. Higgins (Oamaru)
- 1955 F.N. Coe (Timaru)
- 1956 F.N. Coe (Timaru)
- 1957 F.N. Coe (Timaru)
- 1958 V. Toohey (Australia)
- 1959 N. Bloomfield (England)
- 1960 A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)

WOMEN

- Miss E. Wilson (England)
- Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
- Mrs M. Naylor (Remuera)
- Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
- Miss B. Patterson (Hamilton)
- Mrs A. Tietjens (Remuera)
- Mrs A. Tietjens (Remuera)

- 1961 I.T. Easton (Hamilton)
- 1962 I.T. Easton (Hamilton)
- 1963 G. Bird (Timaru)
- 1964 W. Deacon (Henderson)
- 1965 C.R. Waugh (Henderson)
- 1966 D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
- 1967 T. Johnston (Palmerston North)
- 1968 D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
- 1969 J. Stevens (Remuera)
- 1970 P. Dibley (Maketu)
- 1971 M. Corby (Gt. Britan)
- 1972 N.S. Barbour (Henderson)
- 1973 T. Colyer (Henderson)
- 1974 T. Cheetham (Australia)
- 1975 N.S. Barbour (Henderson)
- 1976 B. Brownlee (Rotorua)

- Mrs M. Naylor (Remuera)
- Mrs A. Tietjens (Remuera)
- Mrs H.M. Hargreaves (Henderson)
- Mrs M. Waugh (Palmerston North)
- Miss A. Graven-Smith (Gt. Britain)
- Miss C. Fleming (Eden Epsom)
- Mrs P. Buckingham (Cambridge)
- Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)
- Miss T. Lawes (Remuera)
- Mrs. J. Webster (Manurewa)
- Miss T. Lawes (Mitchell Park)
- Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)
- Miss C. Fleming (Eden Epsom)
- Mrs P. Buckingham (Henderson)
- Mrs J. Hawkes (Khandallah)
- Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)

VETERAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN (N.Z. VETERANS CUP)

- 1961 A.D. Long (Palmerston North)
- 1962 T.D.C. Childs (Henderson)
- 1963 R.G. Pattinson (Christchurch)
- 1964 R.B. Lugton (Hamilton)
- 1965 O. Bold (Hawkes Bay)
- 1966 O. Bold (Hawkes Bay)
- 1967 A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
- 1968 A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
- 1969 M. Blank (Christchurch)
- 1970 M. Lust (Masterton)
- 1971 No contest
- 1972 No contest
- 1973 M. Lust (Masterton)
- 1974 K. Turnbull (Hamilton)
- 1975 R. Roche (Remuera)
- 1976 K. Turnbull (Hamilton)

WOMEN (BROADBENT CUP)

- Mrs S. Currin (Henderson)
- Mrs A. Tietjens (Remuera)
- Mrs F. Howard (Hamilton)
- Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
- Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
- Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
- Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
- Mrs L. Brownlee (Rotorua)
- Mrs D. Dryland (Wellington)
- No contest
- No contest
- Mrs C. McBain (Fielding)

INTERDISTRICT TEAMS EVENT

MEN (M.C. DAY CUP)

- 1972 Auckland
- 1973 Wellington
- 1974 Auckland
- 1975 Bay of Plenty
- 1976 Auckland

WOMEN (K.A. MACKWELL CUP)

- Auckland
- Auckland
- Auckland
- Auckland
- Auckland

AUSTRALIAN LADIES CUP

Presented by the Australian Women's Association for the most improved N.Z. Woman player

1960	Miss V. Milligan (Palmerston North)
1961	Mrs J. Lever (Henderson)
1962	Mrs H. Hargreaves (Henderson)
1963	Christchurch Women's team
1964	Mrs M. Waugh (Remuera)
1965	Miss M. Rippon (Remuera)
1966	Miss C. Fleming (Eden Epsom)
1967	Mrs P. Buckingham (Cambridge)
1968	Miss M. Lynch (Palmerston North)
1969	Miss N. Dunning (Hawkes Bay)
1970	Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)
1971	Miss J. Grieve (Hastings)
1972	Miss J. Lamb (Khandallah)
1973	Miss C. Parkinson (Rotorua)
1974	Miss J. Park (Hamilton)
1975	Miss J. Wood (Hawkes Bay)
1976	Miss A. Owen (Royal Oak)

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN

(WYNDHAM HOOPER MEMORIAL CUP)

1948	A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
1949	A.H. Malcolm (Hamilton)
1950	A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
1951	A.H. Malcolm (Hamilton)
1952	A.G. Perigo (Palmerston North)
1953	A.H. Malcolm (Hamilton)
1954	D.D. Mochan (Palmerston North)
1955	A.H. Malcolm (Hamilton)
1956	D.D. Mochan (Palmerston North)
1957	A.G. Roberts (Remuera)
1958	A.M. Johns (Palmerston North)
1959	R.B. Clarke (Palmerston North)
1960	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1961	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1962	I. Easton (Hamilton)
1963	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1964	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1965	P. Dibley (Remuera)
1966	P. Dibley (Remuera)
1967	C.R. Waugh (Henderson)
1968	T. Johnston (Palmerston North)
1969	D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
1970	J. Isaacs (Mitchell Park)

VOGEL ROSEBOWL

Presented by J.E.F. Vogel (Wellington) for the most improved N.Z. Male Player

1970	G. Stewart (Kawaroa Park)
1971	S. O'Dwyer (Collegians)
1972	T. Colyer (Henderson)
1973	H. Broun (Hamilton)
1974	B. Brownlee (Rotorua)
1975	M. Lilley (Kawaroa Park)
1976	B. Barnett (Cambridge)

WOMEN

(HAMILTON CLUB CUP)

Miss N. Muir (Palmerston North)
Miss N. Muir (Palmerston North)
Miss N. Muir (Palmerston North)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Mrs P. Hunter (Hamilton)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Mrs N. New (Palmerston North)
Miss B. Patterson (Hamilton)
Miss B. Patterson (Hamilton)
Miss L. Wright (Australia)
Mrs M. Naylor (Remuera)
Mrs M. Naylor (Remuera)
Miss D. Linde (Australia)
Mrs D. Deacon nee Linde (Henderson)
Miss L. Hubinger (Australia)
Miss P. Mills (Hamilton)
Mrs M. Waugh (Henderson)
Mrs V. Biss (Palmerston North)
Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)
Mrs P. Buckingham (Remuera)

1971	C.R. Waugh (Henderson)
1972	V.J. Hargreaves (Christchurch HSOB)
1973	T. Johnston (Rotorua)
1974	T. Johnston (Rotorua)
1975	T. Cheetham (Australia)
1976	S. Hughes (North Shore)

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN

1949	J.A. Gillies (Invercargill)
1950	J.A. Gillies (Invercargill)
1951	M.J. Souter (Timaru)
1952	M.A. Gunn (Oamaru)
1953	P. Vesty (Timaru)
1954	N. Coe (Timaru)
1955	L.G. Milne (Timaru)
1956	F.N. Coe (Timaru)
1957	F.N. Coe (Timaru)
1958	D.G. Green (Timaru)
1959	D.G. Green (Timaru)
1960	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1961	I. Easton (Hamilton)
1962	C.R. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1963	G. Bird (Timaru)
1964	G. Bird (Timaru)
1965	D.R. Preston (Christchurch)
1966	M. McKenzie (Remuera)
1967	P. Dibley (Remuera)
1968	G.L. Bird (Timaru)
1969	G. Davidson (Timaru)
1970	D.R. Preston (Christchurch)
1971	S. O'Dwyer (Collegians)
1972	N.S. Barbour (Henderson)
1973	D. Preston (Christchurch)
1974	I. Robinson (England)
1975	I.B. McNeill (HSOB)
1976	B. Barnett (Tauranga)

WOMEN

Miss L. Wright (Australia)
Miss R. Robb (Australia)
Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
Mrs K. Graham (Otago)
Mrs K. Graham (Otago)
Mrs P. Leopold (Christchurch)
Mrs K. Graham (Otago)
Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
Mrs R. Woodhead (Christchurch)
Mrs K. Graham (Burnside)
Miss P. Lush (Christchurch)
Mrs J. Webster (Manurewa)
Miss R. Stanton (HSOB)
Miss R. Stanton (HSOB)

NATIONAL TEAMS COMPETITIONS

Premier Club Competition

OPEN GRADE

MEN (COUSINS SHIELD)

1947	Palmerston North
1948	Timaru
1949	Timaru

WOMEN (MITCHELL CUP)

1950 Timaru
 1951 Palmerston North
 1952 Timaru
 1953 Timaru
 1954 Timaru
 1955 Palmerston North
 1956 Oamaru
 1957 Oamaru
 1958 Timaru
 1959 Palmerston North
 1960 Palmerston North
 1961 Palmerston North
 1962 Timaru
 1963 Timaru
 1964 Timaru
 1965 Remuera
 1966 Remuera
 1967 Remuera
 1968 Remuera
 1969 Henderson
 1970 Henderson
 1971 Mitchell Park
 1972 Hamilton
 1973 Hamilton
 1974 Henderson
 1975 Remuera
 1976 Hamilton

Hamilton
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 Palmerston North
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 Palmerston North
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 Remuera
 Remuera
 Remuera
 Remuera
 Eden Epsom
 Henderson
 Hawkes Bay
 Tauranga

'B' GRADE

MEN

1968 Kawaroa Park
 1969 Wellington
 1970
 1971 Henderson
 1972 Collegians
 1973 Eden Epsom
 1974 Hamilton
 1975 Hamilton
 1976 Eden Epsom

WOMEN (BOUCHIER CUP)

Palmerston North
 Rotorua
 Kawaroa Park
 Hawkes Bay
 Remuera
 Whangarei
 Khandallah
 Palmerston North

'C' GRADE

MEN (ROYAL OAK SHIELD)

1969 Henderson
 1970 Royal Oak
 1971 Hamilton
 1972 Palmerston North
 1973 Mitchell Park
 1974 Otago University

WOMEN

Henderson
 Hawkes Bay
 Otago
 Havelock North
 Hastings

1975 Gisborne College Rifles
 1976 Island Bay Collegians

'D' GRADE

MEN (TAWA CUP)

1971 Palmerston North
 1972 Collegians
 1973 Ponsonby
 1974 North Shore
 1975 Burnside
 1976 Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis

WOMEN (TAWA CUP)

Panmure
 Cambridge
 Cambridge
 Whakatane
 Tauranga
 Hamilton Old Boys

'E' GRADE

MEN (SOUTHERN CUP)

1976 Royal Oak

WOMEN (BAY OF PLENTY CUP)

North Shore

NEW ZEALAND UNDER 23 CHAMPIONSHIP

MEN

1976 S. Hughes (North Shore)

WOMEN

A. Owen (Royal Oak)

JUNIORS

N.Z. JUNIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Inaugurated 1975)

BOYS

1975 R. Hayes (Christchurch)
 1976 R. Hayes (Christchurch)

GIRLS

R. Blackwood (North Shore)
 A. Owen (Royal Oak)

NATIONAL AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOYS

(Under 19 years)

1950 L.G. Milne (Timaru)
 1951 P. Vesty (Timaru)
 1952 P. Vesty (Timaru)
 1953 P. Vesty (Timaru)
 1954 P. MacKenzie (Oamaru)
 1955
 1956 P. MacKenzie (Oamaru)
 1957 G. Davidson (Oamaru)
 1958 G. Davidson (Oamaru)
 1959 G. Bird (Timaru)
 1960 G. Bird (Timaru)
 1961 G. Bird (Timaru)

GIRLS

W. Clarke (Palmerston North)
 J. Cunningham (Remuera)
 L. Marshall (Air)
 J. Cleghorn (Palmerston North)
 No competition
 No competition

1962	T. Johnston (Palmerston North)	P. McClenaughan (Australia)
1963	D. Burmeister (Palmerston North)	No competition
1964	B. Tietjens (Remuera)	P. Kidd (Cambridge)
1965	B. Tietjens (Remuera)	J. Hislop (Palmerston North)
1966	B. Tietjens (Remuera)	J. Hislop (Palmerston North)
1967	D. Cotter (Remuera)	J. Hislop (Palmerston North)
1968	T. Colyer (Timaru)	M. Lynch (Palmerston North)
1969	S. Hughes (Remuera)	R. Garvey (Remuera)
1970	S. Hughes (Remuera)	R. Garvey (Remuera)
1971	S. Kennedy (Henderson)	B. Holdham (North Shore)
1972	S. Hughes (North Shore)	R. Stanton (Palmerston North)
1973	B. Taylor (Manurewa)	R. Stanton (Palmerston North)
1974	B. Barnett (Cambridge)	J. Park (Hamilton)
1975	B. Barnett (Tauranga)	A. Owen (Royal Oak)
1976	R. Norman (Panmure)	K. Leabourne (Panmure)

(Under 17 years) (LEWIS CUP)

1973	B. Barnett (Cambridge)	A. Owen (Royal Oak)
1974	R. Norman (Panmure)	R. Blackwood (North Shore)
1975	R. Norman (Panmure)	K. Leabourne (Rotorua)
1976	D. Oakley (Mitchell Park)	J. Oakley (Mitchell Park)

(Under 16 years) (LEWIS CUP)

1973	R. Norman (Panmure)	K. Leabourne (Rotorua)
1974	D. Oakley (Mitchell Park)	K. Leabourne (Rotorua)
1975	P. Viggers (Hawkes Bay)	K. Lever (Tauranga)
1976	S. Davenport (Burnside)	J. James (Tauranga)

(Under 13 years)

1973	D. Oakley (Mitchell Park)	No contest
1974	S. Davenport (Burnside)	K. Waddell (Mitchell Park)
1975	S. Davenport (Burnside)	G. Oakley (NCU)
1976	J. Bushell (Burnside)	D. Kelsall (Manurewa)

N.Z. ROTHMANS INTER-DISTRICT TEAMS EVENT

BOYS (ROTHMANS CUP)

1970	Auckland
1971	Waikato
1972	Waikato
1973	Auckland
1974	Wellington
1975	Wellington
1976	Auckland

GIRLS (ROTHMANS CUP)

Waikato
Waikato
Waikato
Central
Auckland
Auckland
Auckland

NORTH ISLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOYS

1954	B. Sinclair (Palmerston North)
1955	
1956	G. Haddon (Palmerston North)
1957	G. Haddon (Palmerston North)
1958	C. Waugh (Palmerston North)
1959	G. Haddon (Palmerston North)
1960	G. Haddon (Palmerston North)
1961	G. Haddon (Palmerston North)
1962	T. Johnston (Palmerston North)
1963	C. Nancarrow (Australia)
1964	K. Shawcross (N.S.W.)
1965	G. Lynch (Palmerston North)
1966	B. Tietjens (Remuera)
1967	D. Cotter (Remuera)
1968	S. Kennedy (Henderson)
1969	S. Kennedy (Henderson)
1970	S. Kennedy (Henderson)
1971	S. Kennedy (Henderson)
1972	S. Hughes (Remuera)
1973	D. Wyatt (Rotorua)
1974	D. Williams (Australia)
1975	R. Espie (Collegians)
1976	R. Norman (Panmure)

GIRLS

W. Clarke (Palmerston North)
J. Cunningham (Remuera)
J. Cleghorn (Palmerston North)
J. Cleghorn (Palmerston North)
S. Hay-Campbell (Palmerston North)
M. Burmeister (Palmerston North)
B. Tietjens (Remuera)
D. Bruce (Australia)
P. Kidd (Cambridge)
S. Achurch (Australia)
J. Hislop (Palmerston North)
J. Hislop (Palmerston North)
M. Lynch (Palmerston North)
M. Lynch (Palmerston North)
R. Garvey (Remuera)
B. Coldham (North Shore)
B. Coldham (North Shore)
C. Parkinson (Rotorua)
S. Heaney (Australia)
A. Owen (Royal Oak)
A. Owen (Royal Oak)

SOUTH ISLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOYS

1963	M. Garrett (Christchurch)
1964	T. Tucker (South Australia)
1965	D. Garrett (Christchurch)
1966	
1967	
1968	T. Colyer (Timaru)
1970	L. Plevers (Univ.)
1972	P. Salt (Christchurch)
1974	M. Thompson (Ashburton)
1975	R. Hayes (Christchurch)
1976	R. McDonald (Celtic)

GIRLS

Miss M. Goddard (Christchurch)
No contest
P. Monk (Christchurch)
M. Redpath (Otago)

NEW ZEALAND REFEREES

Auckland District

J. Bethell
Mrs J. Childs
D. Crowe
Mrs W. Halling

R. Cahill
N. Coe
G. Fabling
B. Kennedy

R. Carrington
P. Cooper
K. Fitzgerald
Mrs. P. Lee

P. O'Connor
Mrs N. Thomson
I. Webster

M. Such
Mrs M. Wade
Mrs J. Webster

J. Taylor
M. Waterhouse
Mrs N. Wynyard

Waikato District

M. Day
J. Haines
K.A. Mackwell
W. Young

B. Edmond
N. Lee
R. Marsden

J. Fabling
N. Gifford
L. O'Neill

Bay of Plenty District

R.B. Clarke
Mrs V. McCausaland

Mrs J. Lever
Mrs G. Neil

Mrs E. Little

Hawkes Bay—Gisborne District

E. Ball
D. Smart

D. McGehan
T. Toscano

J. Pine

Central District

A. Doig
I. Rowland

G. Haddon
Mrs E. Tyler

K. Housiaux
W. Weld

Wellington District

J. Barton
D. Cook

P. Beard
K.R. Green

L. Bowden
G. Hargreaves

Canterbury District

N. Idour

D. Lawrie

R. Monk

Southern District

D.G. Green

W.A. Green

NEW ZEALAND SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION (INC.)
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 1976

INCOME

1975		
44842	Affiliation Fees	71425.00
2218	Income from Investments	1965.50
400	Mitchell Trust	400.00
1000	Sponsorship	—
124	Refund ex Slazengers re Faulty Squash Balls	—
—	Grants ex Council for Recreation and Sport	12132.00
<u>48584</u>		<u>85922.50</u>

EXPENDITURE

69	Annual General Meeting Expenses	3118.44
335	Annual Report	618.00
100	Audit Fee	125.00
5335	Coaching	18096.18
1720	Colts	628.70
2500	Cousins Shield, Mitchell Cup and Grade Events	8000.00
97	General Expenses	235.53
2000	Interdistrict Teams Event	2500.00
1249	Junior Committee Expenses	1197.00
1232	Junior Teams Event	4048.51
5458	Management Committee Expenses	6080.90
500	N.Z. Championships	400.00
743	N.Z. Selectors' Expenses	592.81
782	Printing and Stationery	1164.51
722	Postage and Tolls	1300.51
300	President's Travel	300.00
353	Publicity	581.85
997	Rules and Referees	439.39
5000	Secretarial	5833.28
296	Subscriptions	385.00
1420	International Meeting	1500.00
3096	Tours — Internal	1517.81
17269	— Overseas	21920.96
9	Veterans	—
—	Legal Expenses	117.00
—	N.Z. Junior Open	100.00
<u>51582</u>		<u>80801.38</u>

(2998) Excess of Income over Expenditure \$5121.12

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. The general principles recommended by the New Zealand Society of Accountants for the measurement and report of results on an historical basis have been followed.
2. The accounts have been prepared on an income and expenditure basis.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST 1976

1975	ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
41530	Balance 1st September 1975		38532.66
(2998)	Less Excess of Expenditure over Income		—
—	Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure		5121.12
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38532	Balance at 31st August 1976		\$43653.78
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	Represented by:		
	ASSETS		
500	Cups and Shields	500.00	
24700	Loans to Clubs	34200.00	
3810	Sundry Debtors	7876.57	
301	Stock	559.00	
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29311			43135.57
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	INVESTMENTS		
6000	Mortgage Advances	—	
15000	Deposits – N.Z.I.M.	25000.00	
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21000			25000.00
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	BANK ACCOUNTS		
1894	Bank of New South Wales – Wellington	4878.01	
771	Australia and New Zealand – Sydney	771.45	
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2665			5649.46
675	Bulk Air Deposit		1447.76
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53651			75232.79
	Less Current Liabilities		
15119	Sundry Creditors		31579.01
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38532			\$43653.78
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AUDITORS REPORT

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Association, the Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Accounts are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the Association's affairs as at 31st August 1976.

BRUNTON, CROPP & CO.
Chartered Accountants,
Lower Hutt, N.Z.

OVERSEAS TOURS 1976

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Training and Preliminary Expenses	1487.27
T. Hosford – Air Fare and Allowances	1840.20
Outfitting	468.50
Farewell Function	100.00
Allowance to Players	478.59
Accommodation and Meals	1039.23
Travel – External	5396.30
– Internal	736.63
Miscellaneous – including insurance	772.88
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	\$12319.80
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JUNIORS TO AUSTRALIA

Travel	1164.00
Accommodation	933.04
Allowance to Players etc.	497.57
Uniforms	164.50
Insurance	95.00
Miscellaneous	123.31
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	\$2977.42
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LADIES TO AUSTRALIA

Travel	1470.00
Allowance to Players	1046.05
Accommodation	757.14
Entry Fees	171.08
Insurance	130.00
Outfitting	422.50
Miscellaneous	373.77
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	\$4370.54
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SUNDRIES

Pakistan Tour	1555.29
Miscellaneous Grants	510.13
Additional Costs re 1975 Tours	187.78
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	\$2253.20
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NEW ZEALAND SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)

LOANS TO CLUBS AS AT 31.8.76

Date of Original Advance		\$
28. 2.73 and		
18. 8.76	Waihi	2000
8. 5.74	Tararua	1200
12.11.73	Collegians	1200
15.11.73	Hastings	1200
15.11.73	Hawkes Bay Lawn Tennis	1200
18.11.73	Palmerston North H.S.O.B.	900
23.11.73	Taupo	1200
22. 2.74	Geyser City	900
7. 6.74	Tokoroa	1200
16. 8.74	Tawa	1200
13. 9.74	Papakura	1600
20.12.74	Manurewa	1600
10. 3.75	Ponsonby	1600
9. 6.75	Royal Oak	1600
1. 7.75	Gore	1600
24.12.75	Ashburton	2000
"	Kapiti	2000
"	College Rifles	2000
"	Pirates	2000
31. 5.76	Te Kuiti	2000
"	Rangiora	2000
13. 8.76	Putaruru	2000
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		\$34200
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CHEEZELS
SUPPORT N.Z. AGE GROUP SQUASH
CHAMPIONSHIPS



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AUCKLAND AND CHRISTCHURCH



Indoor
or Outdoor

DUNLOP
The name of the Game