

Tournament Sub-Committee Report

December 2015 – January 2016

WPA Open Triples:

The only tournament run by the tournament sub-committee during this period was the WPA Open Triples held at Manawatu on 12th December.

15 teams entered and the winners were Dave Gatchell, Lew Gill and Shirley Selwyn.

A suggestion was made during the tournament that perhaps the timing of the tournament would be better if it was earlier in the season. This will be looked at by the tournament sub-committee in their review of the 2015/2016 season.

2016 Interclub Competition:

Due to the loss of Park Avenue as a venue for the east zone the interclub competition is being reviewed by the tournament sub-committee and all clubs have been sent paper outlining 3 options for clubs to vote on for the 2016 event.

The first interclub day of 13th February has been cancelled due to the review.

The options are:

Option One:

Interclub for 2016 be cancelled and we re-look at options for 2017.

Option Two:

Same format as usual (with clubs that want to play) but zones will be either East/West or North/South depending on entries. Under this option it is likely that some clubs wont be able to field a team of 6.

Option 3:

A new format be adopted with each club fielding a team of 4. This will be two doubles combinations. The event will be held on 12th March (Note - the competition will be completed in one day) and the venue will be Horowhenua (If availability of their terrain is confirmed). The day would consist of 4 randomly drawn matches club against club. That is, club A number 1 team would play club B number 1 team and the number 2 teams would play each other. If it is a tie (1 win each) points for and against would determine the result. After 4 randomly drawn rounds the top 4 teams would play semi-finals and then the 2 winners would play a final.

Clubs can have more than 4 players if they wish, as different players can be brought in for each match (but not during a match).

Games would be timed 50 minutes plus one end.

Clubs have been asked to list their options in order of preference. The outcome will be ratified by the meeting on 18th February. Club responses must be received by 16th February.

Graeme Morris on behalf of the Tournament Sub-committee.