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PHOTO: Lui Syder in Action at Junior Nationals

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1. Alex Grayson, NZ U19 Champion
2. Coach Ricardo Stanley with Juniors at Papakura Squash Club
3. Squash Auckland Elite Squad Coaches
4. Abbie Palmer, NZ U13 Champion & Auckland U13 Champion

Squash Auckland Board of Directors and Management Positions

Board of Directors	Paul Cameron (Chairman) Bob Dey Pam Gilbert Tanya Laurence Tim Marshall Kirk Richardson	Senior Selectors	Aileen Buscke Nigel Lloyd Trudy Englebreetsen
Patron	Dame Susan Devoy	Junior Selectors	Aileen Buscke Ricardo Stanley Trudy Englebreetsen
General Manager	Trudy Englebreetsen	Masters Selectors	Jenny Webster Eddie Conder Gower Dallimore
Development Manager	Steve Hodges	Team Managers	Aileen Buscke Gary Duberly Jason Kay Paddy Martin
Development Officer	Jason Kay	Auditor	Hayes Knight
Referee Convener	Heather Findlay	Hon Solicitor	Michael Sumpter
Statistician	Kaye Jackson		
Interclub Committee	Karen Hadfield Dietmar Lander Jason Kay Trudy Englebreetsen		



*Heather Findlay
District Referee
Convener*



*Kaye Jackson,
Auckland District
Statistician*

2008 Season Highlights

National Champions

Congratulations to Auckland's National Champions:
Auckland Junior Mens Team, Kashif Shuja, Alex Grayson, Abbie Palmer, Eden Epsom F Grade Ladies, Eden Epsom F Grade Mens, Herne Bay C Grade Ladies, North Shore Mitchell Cup Team and the Herne Bay Cousin Shield Team.

NZ Caps

Senior Men: Kashif Shuja and Campbell Grayson (Chennai)
Junior Boys: Alex Grayson and Cameron Jamieson (Switzerland)

World Champions

Congratulations to Gary Duberly (40-44 years) and Richard Purser (65-69 years) who became World Champions in October this year at the Masters World Championships in Christchurch.
Francy Stephenson (55-59 years) and Lisa Cowlard (35-39 years) placed 2nd.

Sponsorship and Funding

Squash Auckland received \$115,000 in grant funding in 2008. We thank the gaming trusts for their significant contribution which has greatly benefited the organisation.

Tass Print has sponsored Squash Auckland for over a decade. They are very generous with their time and support our thanks also go to them for providing additional cash sponsorship for this years Squash Excellence Awards.

Thank you to Black Knight for their ongoing sponsorship and support.

Website

Squash Auckland launched its new website in December 2007 and Interclub went online in March 2008. The online Interclub system has significantly changed the way we administer the game and saves time for clubs and Squash Auckland.



*World Champions
Gary Duberly and
Richard Purser*

Chairman's Report

This year Squash Auckland moved into new premises, hired a new full time Development Manager, commenced implementation of the new strategic plan, and appointed a new Chairman. We welcomed Tanya Laurence to the Squash Auckland Board who, along with other Board members, helped to ensure we remained focused on taking Squash in Auckland in a new direction.

Everything Squash Auckland implemented this past year, and will implement in the future, is underpinned by our Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan focuses on increasing the capability of our clubs to deliver squash to the Auckland region. We understand that our clubs are the main delivery arm of Squash and are run mostly by a core group of volunteers that need support. Our new Development Manager, Steve Hodges, was brought on board for this very reason and many of you at the club committee and club management level would have felt his support.

The annual review of our Strategic Plan showed that Squash Auckland had a good year achieving most key action items. Now that the Board and General Manager have a better understanding of what is achievable with the time and resources available, minor amendments have been made to the Strategic Plan and these are detailed in this Annual Report.

One of the Board's goals for the year was to review and amend Squash Auckland's constitution to ensure it accurately reflects how Squash Auckland is managed and remove the references relating to the formation of the inaugural Board that are no longer relevant. Additional information was also included to provide clarity around how a club can become a member, quorums and voting. All changes were reviewed by lawyers - Simpson Grierson and I hope the new constitution will be voted in at the AGM.

The Board aims for excellence in everything it does for Squash Auckland. This year this included an independent Board evaluation consisting of a SPARC confidential online survey and attendance at a Board meeting by Simon Peterson (CEO of Sport Auckland) to present the survey results and provide feedback on the meeting processes and conduct. While the results highlighted some minor areas for improvement which the Board will implement, Simon Peterson was very impressed with the progress the Board has made and the processes in place.

It was after great consideration that the Board decided to move away from the Squash New Zealand premises at Unitec this year to pursue the new opportunities at Sport Auckland House - an office space purpose built for Regional Sports Organisations. The advantages of shifting to Sport Auckland House included the ability to learn from other regional sporting bodies, work closer with regional councils and SPARC to deliver better services, and to gain support from Sport Auckland. Already we are seeing some benefits of this move with Sport Auckland selecting Squash Auckland for



*Paul Cameron,
Chairman*

the Organisation Development Tool (ODT) in the 2009 season. The ODT is a SPARC funded initiative that provides an independent assessment on all aspects of Squash Auckland's business and operations. Sport Auckland also provides \$30,000 to implement key findings/projects which will help us to achieve our Strategic Goals and assist with overcoming any organisational risks.

While the Board is happy to report a surplus of approximately \$18,900 from a budgeted deficit of \$13,900, we acknowledge hard financial times are coming and the organisation has a heavy reliance on Trust funding. This was discussed at the first Board meeting in 2008 and the plans that we have put in place aim to build reserves and seek alternative income streams. The key to this will be the organisations' ability to leverage the good work we are doing and our new website to obtain naming sponsorship money. Integrated Control Technologies (ICT) has already come on board this year as a naming sponsor alongside Black Knight and Tass Print, and we hope to add more sponsors in the near future. If your company or someone you know might be interested in supporting Squash Auckland please let us know.

SEM increases always cause much AGM debate every year. The Board have discussed at length all options available, including reducing the SEM, and have decided the best policy is to adopt an annual increase or decrease pegged to the Reserve Bank's annual CPI rate. This will avoid large increases in the future and is good business practice in that is easy for the clubs to forecast and replicate.

The Squash Auckland Board has actively engaged with Squash New Zealand this year to try and get the services and support required from the National body. This has included participation by Squash Auckland Board and staff members on advisory groups and input into the Squash New Zealand Strategic Plan Review. As a result Squash New Zealand is working towards developing a new plan that is club-centred and facility focused. This closely aligns with what Squash Auckland is trying to achieve and we look forward to the new direction which will complement our efforts.

The Board congratulate all those who have achieved in Squash this year. These people were highlighted at our annual Squash Excellence Awards. Of particular note were the successes achieved by Alex Grayson and Abbie Palmer this year due to the dedication and great attitude they brought to their national title successes – well done. Equally important are the awards that recognise those who support our game. Congratulations to Henderson Squash Club (Club of the Year), Graeme Vincent (Papakura, Personality of the Year), and Rochelle Hobbs (Henderson, Administrator of

the Year). These awards closely align with what our strategic plan is trying to achieve and I thank all clubs, committees, managers, coaches, volunteers, and players for your dedication to Squash in the Auckland region.

The Board has worked as a cohesive unit this year and I thank all the members for their efforts. It is with regret that we farewell Kirk Richardson and Bob Dey from the Board after two years of service. Kirk has brought an independent viewpoint and financial expertise to the Board including much time spent outside board meetings supporting the General Manager as a member of the Finance Committee. Bob started on the Board as Chairman and steadied the ship before handing over the reigns this year. Bob has been a long time contributor to Squash Auckland over the years and contributed to the Board with his honest and thoughtful appraisal of everything we do. Thank you Kirk and Bob.

Finally, thank you to all Squash Auckland staff and volunteers. Paula Browning at Sport Auckland for all your help with the accounts, Kaye Jackson for her outstanding work as District Statistician, and Heather Findlay for her passion as District Referee Convenor. To Jason Kay our Development Officer thanks for the great work on Interclub this year, and Steve Hodges for the effort and energy put into your role helping the clubs as Development Manager. Finally, a special thanks to our General Manager Trudy Englebreetsen for the energy and enthusiasm she brings to the organisation.

Happy squashing!

Paul Cameron
Chairman

Board Attendance

	12/12	1/2	13/3	24/4	4/6	7/8	25/9	16/10
Paul Cameron	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bob Dey	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Trudy Englebreetsen	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pam Gilbert	✓			✓	✓	✓		
Tanya Laurence		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Tim Marshall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kirk Richardson	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓

A Board meeting was held on 17 October 2007, prior to the AGM. Tanya Laurence was elected as a new Board Member. June McCabe and Paul Wright stood down from the Board at the 2007 AGM.

The meeting on 17 October 2007 was attended by Paul Cameron, Bob Dey, Trudy Englebreetsen, Tim Marshall, Kirk Richardson & Paul Wright.

General Manager's Report

2008 has been a busy year for the Board and staff of Squash Auckland. Much has been achieved this year in terms of delivering on the Strategic Plan. The launch of the new website was both rewarding and a test of our resources and capability. Squash Auckland will continue to deliver on the Strategic Plan goals and ensure clubs receive value for money.

Strategic Plan

In 2007 Squash Auckland reviewed the Strategic Plan and restructured the organisation to ensure it could deliver the key outcomes required to take the organisation forward and ensure clubs were supported. This meant that 2008 was the first year where we implemented the new plans strategic goals. 2008 has been a successful year in delivering quality services to clubs in Auckland; some key deliverables against our strategic goals are outlined below.

Goal One: Drive Innovative Systems for the delivery of Squash

The greatest deliverable under the systems goal was the website. Phase one went live in December and phase two, the online interclub system, was introduced in March.

Squash Auckland was pleased to engage and introduce new sponsor Apex Insurance to clubs in July. Apex Insurance has added value to Squash in Auckland by providing clubs with quotes that can significantly reduce overheads. Ten clubs have been provided with a quote and many will be signing up with Apex come renewal time. Savings range between \$1700 and \$2500 per club.

Many clubs have also begun using the Xero accounting software to manage the clubs' accounts. Squash Auckland paid for the first 2 months of fees for those clubs who chose to use Xero in an effort to assist clubs in 'getting started.'

Goal Two: Facilitate the development of modern Facilities that attract players

Resources for facility management and information for facility maintenance is available on the new website.

Facility work is one of the priority areas in the 2009 financial year. The facility goal includes work with local authorities to ensure clubs are being catered for and receiving all benefits and support they are entitled to from their local council.

Assisting clubs with long term facility plans was not achieved this year. In the main this is because Strategic Planning is the priority and must be completed before facility plans can be developed.

*Trudy Englebretsen,
General Manager*



Goal Three: Improve the capability of club People to deliver

Several clubs have begun the Strategic Plan process.

The inaugural Club Development Day was hosted at Alexandra Park in June. The day was attended by 27 club people representing 17 clubs. The day included presentations from ASB Community Trust and NZCT, a session on sponsorship and staff presentations on the online club survey and volunteer recruitment and retention. The day was a success and another development day will be on the agenda for 2009.

Coach education was an important part of setting the scene for the junior development work scheduled for 2009 hence Squash Auckland's investment in coach development this year. We achieved this by enabling each club to send 2 coaches to each of the level 1 courses at no charge. Squash Auckland also subsidised the course fee for level 2 coaches. As a result of this investment we were pleased to have 36 coaches attend the level 1 courses and 7 coaches attend the level 2 course. Next year Squash Auckland will be working to provide tools, guidance and resources to all coaches to implement junior club programmes. We will also be working to provide a greater level of service to coaches to ensure they continue to coach in clubs.

Thanks to the work of District Referee Convener Heather Findlay we welcome 2 new District Referees. Nelson Palmer and Terry Manuatu completed their District Badge in July.

Goal Four: Make relevant Competitions happen

Interclub competitions are now administered online. As with any IT solution there were some teething problems, but these were outweighed by the benefits of having an online system. Thank you to all clubs, captains and players for your support in the implementation of the online system.

The online system decreases the time Squash Auckland spends administering interclub. Now that the grading list is interfaced with the online system clubs also save time when entering teams because player codes and points are calculated by the system. Additionally, there are no longer errors with player codes which delay the processing of results and results are visible on the grading list much quicker.

Goal Five: Market for real Growth

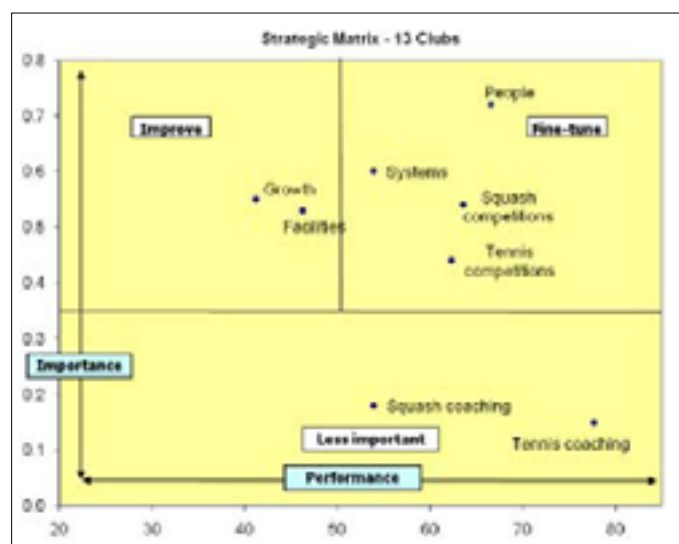
Squash Auckland engaged Vitality Research to develop a member satisfaction survey that was administered in 13 clubs. Members were asked to 'rate' their club in relation to how satisfied they were in the following areas; Growth, People, Systems, Facilities, Competitions (tennis and squash) and Coaching (tennis and squash).

The completed surveys enabled Squash Auckland to provide individual clubs with qualitative and quantitative data and a report inclusive of recommendations for future development. The reports provided specific information to the club committee about how the members felt and also highlighted the clubs' results against the 13 club average. This enabled clubs to benchmark themselves against the others who completed the survey.

1,155 individual club members from the 13 clubs completed the online survey.

Efforts of club people are the most highly correlated/important to member satisfaction (score between 0-1 on y axis) and clubs typically deliver well in this area.

Growth & Facilities are also highly correlated to member satisfaction and overall the trends show that more work is required in these areas.



Having made a decision to sell the Micro-courts, Squash Auckland will be investing time and energy in ensuring clubs can deliver quality programmes to schools.

Junior Development will be a key focus in 2009 and work in this area has already begun. Work is underway with a number of clubs to ensure they have the tools and resources to form strong partnerships and deliver quality programmes to their local schools. Additionally Squash New Zealand has agreed to pay for the research we are currently undertaking in secondary schools. This research will enable us to provide recommendations to clubs on what can be done to attract youth.

The high performance junior squad structure was not particularly successful and while the level of investment in this area will not change in 2009, the number of players receiving support will be reduced. Squash Auckland will be investing in a smaller group of elite players in partnership with players and their families. Additionally we hope to have 3 squad meetings throughout the year for those players who are not selected into the elite coaching squad, should funding be approved.

High Performance

Well done to our representative teams and Auckland players. We celebrated the consistent form of our Junior Boys Representative who retained the National team championship title. Congratulations to our NZ Caps and our National Champions Kashif Shuja, Alex Grayson and Abbie Palmer.

The Volunteers

Squash Auckland is very fortunate to have an active team of volunteers assisting with the day to day running of the organisation.

Kaye Jackson's tireless efforts as Statistician have been greatly appreciated. The Statistician role is very important and we are extremely lucky to have such an effective administrator working with us.

Heather Findlay, our District Referee Convener has worked hard to recruit 2 new District Referees this year. We thank Heather for the time and effort she has put into running rules nights and attending tournaments.

Dietmar Londer & Karen Hadfield volunteered their time again this year to assist with managing Interclub protests/disputes that arose during the season. This is a time consuming task and we are very fortunate to have both Dietmar and Karen assisting us.

Aileen Buscke, Gary Duberly, Jason Kay and Paddy Martin (Team Managers), thank you for taking time off work and managing the teams - a very tiring and important role.

Aileen Buscke, Gary Duberly, Ricardo Stanley, Gower Dallimore, Jenny Webster and Eddie Conder thank you for your efforts in selecting the Auckland representative teams.

Board

Thank you to the Board of Squash Auckland for your ongoing support and drive to ensure the organisation progresses and achieves the strategic objectives. A special thanks to Bob and Kirk for all their work and support over the past two years.

Staff

A final thank you to the Squash Auckland staff, Steve Hodges and Jason Kay for their contribution to the organisation in 2008. It has been a big year for Squash Auckland which would not have been possible without great staff.

The progress we have made this year stands us in a good position moving into 2009. Clubs are the heart of squash and Squash Auckland will continue to invest time and resources into developing clubs and ensuring they receive the support they need.

Trudy Englebreetsen

General Manager

Development Managers Report

Having been in the role now for 12 months I am able to look back on what has been a busy and productive year for Squash Auckland. A large part of my first year has been spent visiting clubs, meeting key people in the game, talking to other sports bodies and generally trying to understand what the issues are facing squash both regionally and nationally with the goal of identifying ways to strengthen clubs and ultimately grow the game in the region. Armed with all this information extensive work has taken place with clubs on a variety of initiatives designed to add value to their existing programmes and in some cases introducing new programmes to their current suite of offerings. In keeping with Squash Auckland's strategic goals key areas of progress this year have included:

Information Technology

Text messaging is one of the most cost effective and efficient ways to communicate with members. This year Squash Auckland made available the contact details of two text messaging providers' services – Telecom and Message Media - that clubs could consider as a way of communicating to their members. To their credit a few clubs are using text messaging for out-bound messages and as a reminder service to members, however it would be good to see more clubs take advantage of this service, as it offers significant potential not just as a cheap and effective means of communication but also as a marketing and promotion tool.

Shared Services

Special mention must go to a number of coaches – Manu Yam, Tony Mathews, Mark Waldin, Chris Lloyd, Marg Forester - who this year have very generously given their time to coach junior and senior players across a number of clubs. This has been of great benefit to those clubs that have not been able to employ the services of a full-time coach of their own, by allowing them to share a coach with one or more other clubs instead. As a result of their efforts clubs and Squash Auckland have been able to provide coaching to a larger group of club members and schools that otherwise may not have been possible.

Facilities

A number of meetings were attended this year with local councils with a view to better understanding what level of support they would be willing to provide for the ongoing development of the region's squash facilities. To date no specific commitments have been given by council authorities. However discussions will be continuing during 2009 to try and secure a positive outcome for individual clubs. In the meantime work is continuing on the development of guidelines for the upgrade and maintenance of a clubs' facilities. It is anticipated that in 2009 a manual consisting of preferred suppliers will be available to all clubs to help them in deciding who to contact when it comes time to upgrade the club facilities.



*Steve Hodges,
Development Manager*

People

Over the last 12 months support and assistance has been provided to 5 clubs to guide them through the strategic planning process. The process to date has involved extensive consultation with a wide cross section of club members via online surveys, focus group interviews, and face-to-face meetings with the club's executive. Currently work is continuing with these clubs in an effort to help them complete their plans for 2009. It's hoped that next year more clubs will take up our offer of assistance to formulate a plan.

A lot of work this year has gone into trying to add value to clubs' junior coaching programmes. Initially assistance was provided by way of sharing coaches. A number of facilitated meetings have taken place throughout the year with selected clubs to help them establish coaching programmes. As a result clubs across the region are 'sharing' coaches. This has provided an opportunity for those clubs that wouldn't normally be able to afford to employ a coach full-time being able to contract one for specific coaching programmes. The result is more clubs being able to offer regular coaching to their members.

School/Club relationships: Funding has been provided by Squash Auckland for the provision of schools coaching to be held at selected clubs. This has provided participating clubs with the opportunity to develop long term relationships/partnerships with local schools that otherwise may not have been available to them. In addition clubs have had the opportunity to secure more members by integrating them into their existing coaching programmes.

Mini Squash: This year a pilot programme involving mini squash was offered to a select group of schools and clubs. The purpose of the programme is to provide an entry point for young children looking to play squash. The programme provides a graduated certificate system where children can measure their progress. From here they then follow a structured pathway that enables them to progress into higher level squash including competitions, tournaments and eventually senior squash. Once a post-programme analysis has been conducted the programme will be expanded to incorporate all clubs in the region from 2009.

Coach Education: The first part of the regions' coaching strategy was undertaken this year. Two Level 1 courses were run with a total of 36 coaches attending. The next stage is to get as many of these coaches assessed and actively coaching with their club.

In 2009 Squash Auckland will have a coaching pathway available to new and aspiring coaches in the region. The goal will be to provide coaches with clear guidelines on how they can progress as a squash coach and provide details on what opportunities there are available to them in the region and/or nationally. One of the goals of this strategy is to identify coaches who have the potential and desire to coach at a high level and provide them with education, mentoring, and paid coaching opportunities. Some work has already begun with a small group of current club coaches who have attended the level 2 coaching course and are coaching at club and district level. As the programme becomes established it will be expanded to include a wider cross-section of coaches.

Competitions

A key part of a junior player's development is the opportunity to play competitively. This year work has been carried out on providing competitive opportunities for players in the early stages of their squash development, namely F and J grade players. Thanks to the outstanding work of Paul Cornish and his team of coaches and volunteers at Devonport Squash Club we have been able to provide a template for clubs in the region to follow when forming a regional interclub competition for junior players. To date we have 3 clubs (Franklin, Waiuku, and Papakura) in the southern region about to embark on a 5 week interclub competition involving 6 teams from the three clubs. In the central area 3 clubs (Royal Oak, Panmure, and Howick) recently participated in their own interclub competition. On the North Shore, Devonport, Belmont Park, Browns Bay and North Shore currently participate in a northern clubs based competition. It is hoped that as these regional competitions become established more clubs will participate in 2009 and beyond which will enhance junior squash.

Steve Hodges

Development Manager

Development Officers Report

Interclub 2008

This year we moved to administering interclub online. Entering teams, distributing draws, and the reporting of results are now all administered through the Squash Auckland website. This has resulted in a much more efficient system which saves time and ensures accuracy. Teams and individuals can now view draws and results online and team captains are immediately advised of results once the host club has entered them online.

During Senior Spring pennant we trialled point-a-rally scoring. Clubs will be asked for feedback to determine if point-a-rally should continue, however interim feedback would indicate that games are too short in relation to travel distances and in general the traditional scoring system is preferred.

Junior Interclub

Following a vote by clubs a junior tournament series was trialled in the first half of the season. Clubs who registered were rewarded for the number of juniors participating and their performances in each junior tournament. Ten clubs entered the first series, which was won by Eden Epsom. Belmont Park placed second. Further consultation with clubs has seen a second junior tournament series being run for the latter half of the season in which 6 clubs entered.

Open Interclub

There were four teams entered in Open Interclub this year. Herne Bay, North Shore, Remuera, and Titirangi competed for the Open Interclub Championship title. Using the point-a-rally scoring system, teams played two round robins, followed by play offs. Herne Bay won this year's Open Interclub championship beating North Shore 2-1 in the final.

Senior Interclub

The winter competition saw a change in format which altered the number of teams per division from six to eight. The teams played two round robins and were promoted/relegated between the two rounds. There continues to be strong interest in senior interclub in 2008 - the total team entries increased by 9 teams to 501 in total.

Masters Interclub

A slight drop in entries to both the winter and spring master's competitions saw total entries drop by 9 teams to 136 for the year. The teams that entered continue to show a strong competitive spirit, matched only by the social and fun atmosphere after the games.

Thank You

Being a member of the interclub committee is often a thankless job which does require significant time and commitment. I would like to thank Dietmar Londer and Karen Hadfield for their continuing

*Jason Kay,
Development Officer*



efforts in helping ensure a fair and consistent application of the interclub rules.

Tass Print continued their support of the interclub competition by sponsoring the scorecards. Additionally we have a new Interclub sponsor, Integrated Control Technology who we thank for their support.

2008 Black Knight Super Champs



Franklin C Grade Super Champs Team

A decision by Squash New Zealand in 2008 saw the introduction of four player teams, rather than the traditional five. There was much talk regarding the four player team, particularly when results were two matches all and the winner was decided by game or points count back.

Feedback received from Squash New Zealand after the District Super Champs was strongly in favour of returning to the five player team. Squash New Zealand has indicated that the five player team will be reinstated in 2009.

In Auckland there were 43 men's and 20 women's team entries. C grade again had the most interest with 13 men's teams and 7 women's teams.

Many thanks to the tournament sponsor Black Knight for their continued support. Thank you to all the volunteers who ran this event at the host clubs; Henderson, Herne Bay, Manurewa, Panmure, and Titirangi. The host club's help is invaluable in

ensuring the competition is well run and enjoyable for all involved. Congratulations to the following teams who were the Auckland Champions and went on to the national Super Champs.

Grade	Men's	Women's
B	Panmure	Panmure
B2	Panmure	No Contest
C	Panmure	Herne Bay
D	Herne Bay	Titirangi
E	Henderson	Henderson
F	Eden Epsom	Eden Epsom

National Super Champs

Congratulations to the Herne Bay C Grade Women's Team and Eden Epsom F Grade Men's and Women's Teams who won their respective national titles.

Jason Kay

Development Officer



Eden Epsom F Grade National Super Champs Winners



Herne Bay C Grade National Super Champs Winners



Eden Epsom F Grade Men's National Super Champs Winners

Auckland Open & Graded Champs Report

Papakura Tennis & Squash Club was privileged to be asked to host the Auckland Open in May this year. This year's Open was held in conjunction with Auckland Graded Champs.

Being a small club with only four courts we undertook the task with some fear but a lot of self belief that we could do a good job. We were fortunate to have very generous sponsors in Cavendish Carpets, Peter Hill Design, Alpwood Joinery and Pointfore which enabled us to offer very good prize money. We thank our sponsors very much for their generous support.

The Open doubled as a selection tournament for the junior boy's team. This team were to represent New Zealand at the World Champs in August.

The Open Men's draw was a full 16 initially but unfortunately No.1 seed Kashif Shuja had to withdraw on Saturday morning due to illness. His withdrawal left the way open for our number one player & club coach, Ricardo Stanley, to fill the spot. We think he felt pretty happy to be placed there with Kashif's name being crossed out and his inserted.

With so much on the line for the junior players the competition was fierce but all matches were played in the true spirit of the competition. The final was played between Martin Knight & Cameron Jamieson with Martin winning in 3.

Unfortunately the Women's draw only attracted 5 players who played a round robin. The final was between (we still consider her Papakura although she now plays for Remuera) Lana Harrison & Lisa Cowlard of Red Beach. Lana came out the winner in a very good match.

A tournament of 140 players is a huge task for any Club and a culmination of many people's efforts. I would particularly like to thank Christine Moore my right-hand helper with whom I spent many hours in the preceding 2 weeks before the tournament. Thanks to her husband David & my wife Donna for allowing that to happen!

A big thank you to Heather the Auckland District Convener for organising the District Referees, Pat McHugh & Terry Manuatu. Thanks also to Trudy at Squash Auckland and of course our Club members for assisting with bar and Tournament Control.

Graeme Vincent
Tournament Director

Auckland Open and Graded Champs Winners

	Men	Women
Open	Martin Knight (WNTH)	Lana Harrison (RM)
B	Lance Beddoes (HD)	Amanda Landers-Murphy (WKHW)
C	Bryce Cottle (HW)	Jorja Tarrant (WKTU)
D	Peter Matthews (MR)	Anneka Weterman (FR)
E	Liam Blain-Caunce (EE)	Olwen Gilbert (HW)
F	Kyle Sowden (FR)	Madeleine Lie (EE)

*Auckland Open Champions
Martin Knight and
Lana Harrison*



Masters Nationals Report



*Back: Richard Purser (RM), Gary Duberly (NS), Mark Waldin (NS), Chris Prentice (NS), Kevin Smuts (HW), Glen Hurley (PM), Paddy Martin (Manager)
Front: Francy Stephenson (NS), Lisa Cowlard (RB), Kaye Jackson (WW), Cheri Tahana (MR), Kaye Hoffman (PM), Annie Hall (NS).*

Player of the team: Kevin Smuts

World Champions!

Richard Purser (65-69) and Gary Duberly (40-44)

October 2008 and Christchurch was the scene for the Head World Masters Squash Championships followed by the NZ Inter-District teams event.

Auckland was well represented and four players made it through to the main draw finals in their respective age groups.

Gary Duberly (40-44) played superb squash in 5 matches to reach the final, a taxing effort as his quarter and semi-finals both were over an hour long. He produced the match of the finals, going into a 5th game against Richard Elliott from England, having lost the 4th game 9-0. This man was a runner, and seemed to get to everything Gary threw at him until the final game, that is. Gary's drop shots were sublime; he got nicks and threw in some very deceptive shots to win 9-2. The score-line not an indication of the effort that went into winning.

Richard Purser (65-69) was clinical with his drops, boasts and lobs in disposing of his Australian opponent, Ted Vale, in straight games. Ted managed a slight rally in the second game before Richard stepped up the pace to take the match 9/0, 9/6, 9/1

Francy Stephenson (55-59), who had beaten the top seed in the semi final, lost the final in 3 games to a very hard hitting opponent, Gaye Mitchell from Australia.

Lisa Cowlard (35-39) won the first game of her match against Amanda Hoppes before the Australian picked up the pace and took out the battle in 4 games.

In other results, Patsy Fleming came 3rd in the 65-69 age group, playing the eventual winner Jean Grainger in the semi final and going down in 5 hard fought games – a match which should have been the final. Maurice Peters finished a creditable 3rd in the 75-79 age group.

So, after 6 hard days of individual competition, the Auckland team players had to front up for 2 matches on each of the first two days, and one game on day 3. This was a tall order for some who had already driven their bodies to the limit.

Day one: wins against Otago and Central, both results 7-4, with players finding it quite difficult to get fired up after such a big week of individuals, but putting their tired and sore bodies aside to do their best for the team.

Day two: this was the big one, against Bay of Plenty (2nd seed) in the morning and Canterbury (1st seed) in the afternoon. Individual performances of note were Kevin Smuts, who disposed of his similarly graded opponent for the loss of only 12 points, and Glenn Hurley (B1) taking 2 games from a classy A2 player. Our eventual score line of 5-5 and Auckland winning by 2 games, emphasizes the importance of these two results.

The match against Canterbury was always going to be a difficult one for us. They had the luxury of 6 reserves, so the Auckland players were up against much fresher opponents. But again, Kevin Smuts came to the fore, being down 2 games against last year's NZ team representative Ed Post, before coming back and winning in 5 games. He deservedly got our 'player of the series' award, being victorious in all 5 matches. The final result was a 6-4 loss, with the contest going down to the last match on court.

Day three: Waikato proved to be very worthy opponents, with Auckland taking the match 6-4. Kaye Jackson, playing in the 50+ age group, looked every bit as youthful in beating a much younger opponent in 3 games. Gary Duberly managed to drag his weary body around the court for another win, glad that the hardest 8 days of his life were over!

In the final match Canterbury eventually beat Bay of Plenty 5-5 (by one game) to take out the title. This meant that Auckland finished 2nd with 4 wins out of 5, a well-deserved result for a fantastic team effort.

Once again, I have been proud to manage the Auckland team, a well-knit and supportive group of people. You're the best!!!

Paddy Martin

Team Manager



Butter wouldn't melt in the mouths of World runners up Francy Stephenson (55+) and Lisa Cowlard (35+) with World Champion Gary Duberly (40+), but their mischief caused grief to their team manager!

Senior Nationals Report



Women's' Team

Lisa Cowlard (RB), Lana Harrison (RM), Aileen Buscke (Manager), Sarah Agi (RB) Absent: Jackie Laurenson (RM).



Men's' Team

Alex Grayson (TT), Graeme Wilson (RM), Gary Duberly (Manager), Campbell Grayson (TT) Absent: Cameron Jameson (TT).

The event was held in Auckland at the Remuera Rackets Club. In the Individuals there were 42 A grade players in the men's draw and 32 in the women's draw. The depth was fantastic and we witnessed some exciting matches throughout the week.

The teams' competition this year was more even than has been for quite a few years. Although the Auckland women's' team was seeded one (ahead of Wellington and Waikato) there was only a handful of points separating the three teams so the competition was expected to be close. And it was! Auckland had a good draw through to the finals but Waikato and Wellington had a good battle in the semis before Waikato emerged the winners. This meant an Auckland-Waikato final. There was nothing in it! It went right to the wire!

Lana Harrison lost in 3 games to Kylie Lindsay, Rachel McLeod beat Alana Sincock in 4, and Jackie Laurenson realising every point counted was in dynamic form and dropped only one point against Lassie Cull. The decider was played by Lisa Cowlard, she played the in-form, top junior Amanda Cranston. Lisa threw everything she had into the game. She won the second set which levelled the sets scores. So now it came down to points. However, it was not to be. As hard as she tried Lisa could not quite muster enough points and Auckland lost by a mere 3 points on the count back!

The men's competition was much more clear cut and, as expected, Auckland met Wellington in the final for the second year in a row. This time unfortunately the titleholders were far too strong and once again we had to settle for second place. Team number one players Martin Knight and Campbell Grayson had their second near two hour marathon in a few days, Martin winning in 5; Alex Grayson had a good tussle with the experienced Shane Johnstone before going down 10-8 10-8 10-8, while Cameron Jamieson was convincingly beaten by last years' NZ Junior Champion Evan Williams. This gave Wellington an unbeatable lead so the fourth match between Graeme Wilson and Willie Bicknell did not take place.

The Individuals saw a number of mixed results.

Top men's hope Campbell Grayson (last years' runner-up) went down to long time rival Martin Knight in a tremendous duel which has become customary when the two meet. This time Campbell lost 9-7 in the 5th. He finished 3rd overall.

Graeme Wilson made the quarter finals then lost to third seed Josh Greenfield from Central Districts. He went on to the Classic Plate Final where he went down to former top liner, now residing in Auckland, George Crosby. Alex Grayson went close to causing a major upset against Josh Greenfield in the second round. He won the first two sets and was comfortably placed in the third before the experience of his older opponent gradually won through in 5 games. He then lost in 4 to team mate Gary Duberly in the first round of the Special Plate. Gary had also lost in the second round to Wellington's Evan Williams but made the final of the Special Plate where he lost in 4 to Waikato's Chris Lloyd.

In the women's' event Jackie Laurenson and Lana Harrison were quarter finalists having gone down to the top two seeds Shelley Kitchen and Jaclyn Hawkes respectively. In the Classic Plate Jackie played well against the higher ranked Kylie Lindsay before going down in 4 while Lana Harrison was a shade disappointing losing in 3 to junior rival Amanda Cranston. Lisa Cowlard, who lost a great 5 set battle to Jackie Laurenson in the second round really got her rhythm back with some good results in the Special Plate. She beat fellow team mate Rachel McLeod, Vicky Beker and smart junior Emma Millar, all in straight games in the final. After winning her first round Rachel McLeod went down to Shelley Kitchen in the second and then Lisa Cowlard in the plate. Sarah Agi improved as the week went on. She was disappointed to lose her first round but made amends to beat some handy A graders to win the plate.

At the Awards Dinner after the Individuals, Alex Grayson won the much coveted MOST IMPROVED MALE PLAYERS' TROPHY. An overwhelmed Alex paid tribute to his new coach, Anthony Ricketts and to the support of his parents and family. It was an honour so well deserved.

Both Gary and I enjoyed being part of the Auckland Teams this year. It was a first for Gary who did well in his double role as a player-manager. I am sure (and I hope) it won't be the last time he accepts this responsibility!

Aileen Buscke & Gary Duberly
Senior Team Managers

Junior Nationals Report



Girls' Team

Aileen Buscke (Manager), Georgina Shelton-Agar (RM) Crystal Tahata (MR), Morgan Baker (NS), Nicola Blake (EE) and Catherine Graham (RM).



Boys' Team

Jason Kay (Manager), Cameron Jamieson (TT), Alex Grayson (TT), Lance Beddoes (HD), Michael Blanchard (TT) and Bradley Robinson (PK).

The Junior Nationals was hosted by the Squash Gym in Palmerston North. There were 240 entries and the event organisation was first class.

Both teams played to their ranking and accordingly the boy's team were comfortable winners against Hawkes Bay-Gisborne while Wellington had too many guns for our young girl's team.

We did, however retain the Gifford Cup as the overall combined winner.

In the Boys' team final Alex Grayson overwhelmed Bryce Redman in 3, Cameron Jamieson made every post a winner beating Simon O'Shaunessy, also in 3. Lance Beddoes lost to Liam O'Shaunessy in 4. So after 3 matches, Auckland led 2-1 and Michael Blanchard played Jason Baty in the decider.

It was important that he won to keep the winner's trophy in Auckland. Being a pressure match he began nervously losing the first two sets and was within one point of going down in 3 but he fought back well, rallied determinedly cutting back his error rate to finally winning the 3rd 10-8. The final two sets were comfortable 9-6 9-3 and the Auckland Boys' retained their title!

The Girls lost in the semis to the eventual winners Wellington and in the playoff for 3rd place lost an exciting clash with Central Districts on a points count back. Crystal Tahata and Georgina Shelton Agar lost easily to the stronger pair of Amanda Landers-Murphy and Danielle Fourie respectively. This meant Auckland needed to win equally as well at the three and four positions. What a huge ask! But Catherine Graham and Nicola Blake felt up to it and played above themselves. Although they won in 3 they conceded 15 points between them, 8 too many for a victory but it no doubt helped our overall total points to win the Gifford Cup.

There were some interesting results in the Individuals...

Boys

Although he was seeded 2nd it was expected that Alex Grayson would win the Boys' Under 19 title. Alex has had one amazing season which few would have predicted six months earlier. His sheer determination, his tremendous desire to win, his total dedication and discipline to the task at hand under the guidance of new High Performance Coach Anthony Ricketts saw him move from a battling reserve in the Boys World Junior Team to New Zealand Under19 Champion. The road to the title was not an easy one. Alex had a challenging 5 setter with NZ Junior team member Keeghan Burkhart from Wellington in the semi final. The rivalry was obvious. The referee was tested to the full, with appeals and disputes. Whilst it was not the best game of the tournament from a spectators point of view it was for Alex a very satisfying win. He went on to beat Matiu Te Kani McQueen (who had eliminated Cameron Jamieson in the other semi-final) in 4 games in the final to cap off his wonderful season. Cameron lost the play-off against Keeghan Burkhart in 4 to finish in 4th place. Lance Beddoes (who was top seed in the Boy's Under 17) lost a tight 5 setter with Tate Matson from Northland in the final. Michael Blanchard was runner-up in the Under 19 Special Plate while Bradley Robinson, a first timer in the team, lost his Under 17 second round to fellow Auckland Josh McHugh and went down in the semi-final of the Special Plate.

Girls

Our number one player Crystal Tahata had a good tournament. She was 5th seed and finished accordingly in the Under 17's. After losing her quarter final match in 5 to the much improved Danielle Fourie from Central Districts she went on to win the Classic Plate and in doing so Crystal recorded some good wins. She played really well to beat Northland's Sacha Pou-tito in straight games in the final. Both Danielle and Sacha were named in the NZ Junior Elite Squad. If Crystal could continue the form shown at the Nationals she too, could well be considered for selection. In the teams event she had the unenviable task of number one position but still gave her best.

Georgina Shelton-Agar also recorded a 5th placing in the Under 19's which was a 16 draw. After losing her second round Georgina moved to the Special Plate where she played some of her best squash. She scored two good 5 sets wins, in the semis against BOP's Amanda Tapiata and in a tense final she overcame Sarah Gilmore from Waikato. Catherine Graham and Nicky Blake were solid team members. At 3 and 4 respectively we relied on their steadiness, determination and good team spirit to win in 3 where possible and so take the pressure off the top 2 players. Both girls rose to the occasion and lived up to expectations!

Catherine and Nicky had similar results in the Individuals. Catherine was 8th seed in the Under 17's. She made the quarter finals then lost to top seed and eventual winner Emma Millar from Wellington. In the first round of the Classic Plate she went down to team mate Crystal in straight games. Nicky Blake was also 8th seed in the Under 19's and lost, as expected, to top seeded Amanda Cranston from Waikato before going down to another Waikato player Sarah Gilmore in the Special Plate.

Team reserve Morgan Baker played to the best of her ability. As expected she lost to second seeded Megan Craig from Canterbury in the second round of the under 17's. Then she went on to win the Special Plate. In doing so she beat three higher ranked players to finish in 9th position. She was seeded 15th.

Jason Kay and I thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Junior Teams this year. The team camaraderie was great and to once again bring home the Boy's Trophy and the Gifford Cup was an added bonus.

Aileen Buscke & Jason Kay

Junior Team Managers

Secondary School Report

College Sport would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the Squash Clubs in the Greater Auckland Region for allowing College Squash to play on your courts. Without your courts we would have 850-900 students unable to participate in this sport. This year 164 teams entered into the Auckland Secondary School Squash Weekly competition. Games started in early May and continued until early August. This year we had another 4 new schools join the squash sport. Well done to the new schools. In the Auckland Secondary School Intercollegiate Squash teams Champs we had only 35 teams enter. It was a full 2 days of intense squash and we now required a third venue to be able to accommodate all teams. Some great squash was played! In Division One we had 8 boy's teams and only 3 Girl's teams that both played at Eden Epsom Squash Club. Division Two Boys had 12 teams and they played at the National Squash Centre. The Division Two Girls had 12 teams and they played at Henderson Squash Club.

The winners were:

Boys Division One: Auckland Grammar 1st,
Kings College 2nd,

Girls Division One: Epsom Girls Grammar 1st,
St Cuthberts College 2nd,

Boys Division Two: Botany Downs Secondary School 1st,
Orewa College 2nd,

Girls Division Two: Diocesan School for Girls 1st,
Saint Kentigerns College 2nd

The results at the nationals for the Auckland schools saw Auckland Grammar School win the title for another year in the boy's draw and Epsom Girls Grammar came 2nd to Waikato Diocesan.

Premier Finals weekly competition

The Auckland Secondary School Squash Season came to an end with 11 teams entered into boy's Division One, Auckland Grammar 1 Boys 1st, Auckland Grammar 2, 2nd and Mt Albert Grammar 3rd. In the girl's division One, Epsom Girls Grammar 2 came 1st; St Cuthberts College 2nd and 3rd place in the girl's division went to Baradene College.

Other results

Senior A Boys 1st Rosmini College
2nd Auckland Grammar School 1

Senior B Boys 1st Western Springs College
2nd Sacred Heart College

Junior A Boys 1st Auckland Grammar School 1
2nd Saint Kentigerns College

Junior B Boys 1st Edgewater College
2nd Orewa College 1

B Girls 1st Diocesan School for Girls 1
2nd Saint Kentigerns College

C Girls 1st Orewa College 1
2nd Diocesan School for Girls

Collette Amai

Sport Manager – College Sport

Auckland Affiliated Clubs Details

		No. of Courts
Auckland Squash Centre	Karaka St, Newton	8
Belmont Park Racquets Club	133 Bayswater Ave, Bayswater	3
Browns Bay T & SRC	Freyberg Park, Browns Bay	4
Devonport SRC	Wairoa Rd, Devonport	3
Eden Epsom T & SRC	1 Penrhyn Rd, Mt Eden	5
Franklin SRC	Franklin Rd, Pukekohe	4
Henderson SC	63 Buscomb Ave, Henderson	6
Herne Bay Ponsonby T & SC	10 West End Rd, Herne Bay	4
Howick SRC	Meadowland Drive, Howick	4
Kumeu SC	Access Rd, Kumeu	3
Manurewa SRC	Weymouth Rd, Manurewa	5
Maramarua SRC	Maramarua Golf Course, Maramarua	2
North Shore SRC	Shea Tce, Takapuna	7
Panmure SRC	Lagoon Dr, Panmure	5
Papakura T & SRC	Cnr Green & Queen St, Papakura	4
Red Beach SL & SRC	Ngapara Rd, Red Beach	2
Remuera Rackets	Dilworth Ave, Remuera	6
Royal Oak RC	116 Symonds St, Royal Oak	5
RNZAF SRC	RNZAF Base, Whenuapai	2
RNZN SC	Naval Base, Queens Pde, Devonport	2
Shepherds Park RC	Cresta Ave, Beach Haven	4
Silverdale United SRC	State Highway 1, Silverdale	3
Te Papapa RF & SC	Fergusson Park, Olea Rd, Onehunga	3
Te Kauwhata SRC	Mahi Rd, Te Kauwhata	2
Titirangi T & SC	1 Ava Ave, Titirangi	5
Waiuku SRC	Racecourse Rd, Waiuku	3
Warkworth SRC	Shoemith St, Warkworth	2
Weymouth Cosmopolitan Club	Sykes Rd, Weymouth	4

Honours Board

TASS PRINT Squash Excellence Awards 2008

Most Improved Junior Boy	Sion Wiggin (BB)
Most Improved Junior Girl	Hayley Hughes (EE)
Most Improved Male	Alex Grayson (TT)
Most Improve Female	Jackie Laurenson (RM)
Team of the Year	Eden Epsom F Grade SuperChamps Teams
Referee of the Year	Pat McHugh (NS)
Coach of the Year	Manu Yam (BP)
Master of the Year	Sue Marsters (MR)
Administrator of the Year	Rochelle Hobbs (HD)
Young Sportsman of the Year	Alex Grayson (TT)
Young Sportswoman of the Year	Abbie Palmer (WW)
Sportsman of the Year	Kashif Shuja (RO)
Sportswoman of the Year	Louise Crome (RM)
Personality of the Year	Graeme Vincent (PK)
Club of the Year	Henderson Squash Club



*Young Sportswomen of the Year Abbie Palmer and
Young Sportsman of the Year Alex Grayson*

Auckland Open and Graded Championships Winners

	Men	Women
Open	Martin Knight (WNTH)	Lana Harrison (RM)
B	Lance Beddoes (HD)	Amanda Landers-Murphy (WKHW)
C	Bryce Cottle (HW)	Jorja Tarrant (WKTU)
D	Peter Matthews (MR)	Anneka Weterman (FR)
E	Liam Blain-Caunce (EE)	Olwen Gilbert (HW)
F	Kyle Sowden (FR)	Madeleine Lie (EE)

Auckland Masters Age Group Championships 2008

	Men	Women
35-39	Steve Spence (HW)	Crystal Thomas (MR)
40-44	Richard van Rynbach (HW)	Annie Hall (NS)
45-49	Glen Hurley (PM)	Kaye Hoffman (PM)
50-54	Kevin Smuts (HW)	Eva Tahata (MR)
55-59	Chris Prentice (NS)	Francy Stephenson (NS)
60-64	Graham Richardson (RM)	Betty MacDonald (WU)
65+	Bruce Bark (HW)	



Auckland Masters Age Group Champs

Auckland Junior Age Group Championships 2008

	Boys	Girls
U19	Lance Beddoes (HD)	Crystal Tahata (MR)
U17	Bradley Robinson (PK)	Young-Eun Koo (EE)
U15	Peter Matthews (MR)	Rebecca Lepper (EE)
U13	Sion Wiggin (BB)	Abbie Palmer (WW)
U11	Anthony Lepper (EE)	Anna Hughes (EE)



Auckland Junior Age Group Champs

Cousin Shield

Champions: Herne Bay Rackets Club
Herne Bay claimed the Cousin Shield title for the first time, beating top seeds Remuera 3-1 in the final.



Herne Bay Cousin Shield Team

Mitchell Cup

Champions: North Shore Squash Club
North Shore ended Remuera's 9 year reign, beating the top seeds 3/0 in the final. Sweet revenge for North Shore after being beaten in last year's final.



North Shore players Larissa Stephenson and Catherine McLeod with the Mitchell Cup

Black Knight Super Champs - Eliminations

Men	Women
B Grade	Panmure
B2 Grade	Panmure
C Grade	Panmure
D Grade	Herne Bay
E Grade	Titirangi
F Grade	Henderson
	Eden Epsom

Super Champs National Finals

Herne Bay C Grade Women's team and the Eden Epsom F Grade Men's and Women's teams won their respective National Super Champs Finals

Auckland Team Placings at the National Super Champs Finals

	Men	Women
B Grade	Panmure 6th	Panmure 2nd North Shore 4th
C Grade	Panmure 6th	Herne Bay 1st
D Grade	Herne Bay	Titirangi 2nd
E Grade	Henderson 6th	Henderson 8th
F Grade	Eden Epsom 1st	Eden Epsom 1st

Senior Spring Interclub Pennant Winners – 2007

	Men	Women
M01	Remuera	W01 Te Papapa
M02	Kumeu	W02 Remuera
M03	Panmure	W03 Warkworth
M04	Titirangi	W04 Waiuku
M05	Franklin	W05 North Shore
M06	Titirangi	W06 Papakura
M07	Remuera	W07 Devonport
M08	Henderson	
M09	Red Beach	
M10	Howick	
M11	North Shore	
M12	Titirangi	
M13	Devonport	
M14	Browns Bay	

Masters Spring Pennant Winners – 2007

MS01	Panmure
MS02	Remuera
MS03	Herne Bay
MS04	Remuera
MS05	Weymouth
MS06	Herne Bay
MS07	Browns Bay
MS08	Remuera
MS09	Henderson
MS10	Royal Oak
MS11	Weymouth

Autumn Interclub Pennant Winners – 2008

	Men		Women
M01	Remuera	W01	Remuera
M02	Henderson	W02	Franklin
M03	Remuera	W03	Remuera
M04	Titirangi	W04	North Shore
M05	Howick	W05	Warkworth
M06	Devonport	W06	Weymouth
M07	Eden Epsom	W07	Red Beach
M08	Howick	W08	Remuera
M09	Eden Epsom	W09	Henderson
M10	Browns Bay	W10	Papakura
M11	Weymouth		
M12	Belmont Park		
M13	Howick		
M14	Henderson		
M15	North Shore		
M16	Titirangi		
M17	Manurewa		
M18	Remuera		
M19	Panmure		

Winter Open Interclub Pennant – 2008

Winner: Herne Bay
Runner Up: North Shore

The Herne Bay team of Chris Lloyd, Josh Thom, and Matt Taylor beat the North Shore team of Gary Duberly, Matt McHugh, and Nick McHugh 2/1 in the final.

Winter Senior Interclub Pennant Winners – 2008

	Men		Women
M01	Eden Epsom	W01	Remuera
M02	Franklin	W02	Eden Epsom
M03	North Shore	W03	Royal Oak
M04	Browns Bay	W04	Kumeu
M05	Browns Bay	W05	Remuera
M06	Royal Oak	W06	Henderson
M07	Henderson	W07	Manurewa
M08	Shepherds Park	W08	Papakura
M09	Navy		
M10	Navy		
M11	Papakura		
M12	Remuera		
M13	Belmont Park		
M14	Eden Epsom		
M15	Maramarua		

Winter Masters Interclub Pennant Winners – 2008

MS01	Henderson
MS02	Browns Bay
MS03	North Shore
MS04	Royal Oak
MS05	Red Beach
MS06	Titirangi
MS07	Franklin
MS08	North Shore
MS09	Henderson
MS10	Manurewa

Junior Tournament Series 1

Winner: Eden Epsom
Runner Up: Belmont Park

Past Presidents

1966-71	Tom Childs
1972-73	John Austin
1974-75	Mike Sumpter
1976-77	Alison Childs
1978	Mike Loudon
1978-79	John Lister
1980-81	Wilma Halling
1982-84	Mike Greig
1985-86	Sue Purdie
1987-88	Elaine Penney
1989-91	Mike Birch
1992-95	Vern Pere
1996	Neil Tuffin
1996-99	John Sangster
2000	Nigel Fitzgerald
2001	Geoff Dimes (acting)
2002-04	Arthur Fickling
2005-06	Marcus MacDonald
2007	Bob Dey

Chairman

2008	Paul Cameron
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Life Members

Alison Childs
 Gower Dallimore
 Mike Greig
 Wilma Halling
 Elaine Penney

AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF SQUASH AUCKLAND INCORPORATED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 6. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of Squash Auckland Incorporated and its financial position as at 30 September 2008. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 3 and 4.

Boards Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which fairly reflect the financial position of Squash Auckland Incorporated and of the results of its operations for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial statements, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the entity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with, or interests in, Squash Auckland Incorporated.

Unqualified Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflect the financial position of Squash Auckland Incorporated as at 30 September 2008 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 28 October 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Hayes Knight Audit

HAYES KNIGHT AUDIT

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

A stylized blue logo for Squash Auckland, featuring a dynamic, curved shape that suggests a ball in motion.

SQUASH AUCKLAND INC.

Statement of Financial Performance For the Year Ended 30 September 2008

	Note	2008 Actual \$	2008 Budget \$	2007 Actual \$
Income				
ASRA Affiliation		70,334	69,000	61,003
Events		70,693	75,000	71,513
Growth & Development		6,891	7,000	13,155
Sponsorship & Grants	4	129,607	153,800	202,343
Squash New Zealand		32,015	30,000	28,893
Other Income		7,454	3,000	8,747
Total Revenue		316,993	337,800	385,655
Expenses				
Audit Fees		4,362	4,000	4,560
Depreciation		16,021	33,000	5,277
Events & Competitions		28,077	28,000	61,595
Governance		3,557	4,500	6,256
Growth & Development		96,554	116,500	99,731
High Performance		30,501	35,000	17,123
Loss on Disposal of Assets		3,296	0	6,267
Management & Operations		94,454	110,700	130,260
Rent & Office Expenses		21,173	21,000	18,289
Total Expenses		297,995	351,700	349,359
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		18,998	-13,900	36,296



SQUASH AUCKLAND INC.

Statement of Financial Position As At 30 September 2008

	Note	2008 Actual \$	2007 Actual \$
Current Assets			
Westpac Current Account		10,626	61,317
Westpac Investment Accounts	2	53,389	47,161
Stock		11,800	1,854
Accounts Receivable		48,212	28,606
Prepaid Expenses		5,425	21,077
		<u>133,452</u>	<u>160,015</u>
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		4,843	3,742
GST Payable		8,243	5,785
Accruals		4,500	8,768
Grants Received in Advance	6	21,555	33,185
Other Income Received in Advance		640	0
		<u>39,781</u>	<u>51,479</u>
Working Capital Surplus / (Deficit)		93,671	108,536
Non-Current Assets			
Fixed Assets	3	71,245	37,382
		<u>71,245</u>	<u>37,382</u>
Net Assets		<u>164,916</u>	<u>145,918</u>

Statement of Movement in Equity For the Year Ended 30 September 2008

	2008 Actual \$	2007 Actual \$
Equity at the beginning of the year	145,918	109,622
Current Year Surplus / (Deficit)	18,998	36,296
Equity at the end of the year	<u>164,916</u>	<u>145,918</u>



President

24 October 2008
Date



Squash Auckland Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 September 2008

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

(i) Basis of Reporting

Squash Auckland Incorporated is an Incorporated Society and these Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with S23(i) of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

The Incorporated Society qualifies for differential reporting exemptions based on the following criteria:

- The Incorporated Society is not large as defined in the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants Framework for Differential Reporting in that the following apply:
 - a) Total revenue does not exceed \$20 million
 - b) Total assets do not exceed \$10 million
 - c) Total employees do not exceed 50

Measurement Basis

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost with the exception of certain items for which specific accounting policies have been identified.

a) Valuation of Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets have been recorded at cost less depreciation

b) Depreciation

Depreciation has been calculated on a diminishing value basis using rates which reflect the expected useful life of the assets.

The expected useful economic lives estimated for the major fixed assets categories are:

Office Equipment	5 years
Computer Equipment	3 years
Furniture & Fittings	5 years
Microcourts	5 years

Residual value is assumed to be nil in all cases.

c) Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable are shown at an amount which represents their estimated realisable value.

d) Goods and Services Tax

These Financial Statements have been prepared exclusive of Goods and Services Tax, with the exception of receivables and payables which include GST invoiced.

Squash Auckland Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 September 2008

e) Taxation

The Incorporation is a non profit body for taxation purposes under Section CB4(i)(h) of the Income Tax Act 1994 and as such no tax is payable on the profit for the year.

f) Revenue Recognition

All receipts are treated as income when received except where income is received in advance in which case it will be brought to account in the period to which it relates. Income contingent upon conditions to be met is only treated as income once the conditions have been satisfied.

(ii) Changes in Accounting Policies

There were no changes to accounting policies in the year ended 30 September 2008

2. Investments	2008	2007
WestpacTrust Call Account	53,389	47,161

3. Fixed Assets

	Cost	Acc Depn	NBV	Cost	Acc Depn	NBV
	2008	2008	2008	2007	2007	2007
Office Equipment	73,447	13,036	60,411	28,883	6,544	22,339
Furniture & Fittings	129	38	93	4,237	2,121	2,116
Micro Court	15,050	5,579	9,471	37,598	25,759	11,839
Trophies	1,587	317	1,270	1,088	0	1,088
Total Assets	90,213	18,968	71,245	71,806	34,424	37,382

Summary of 2008 Asset Additions

	Actual	Actual
	2008	2007
Office Equipment	52,681	20,579
Furniture & Fittings	0	129
Micro Court	0	0
Trophies	499	1,088
Total Assets	53,180	21,797



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Depreciation Expense by Category

	Actual 2008	Actual 2007
Office Equipment	12,952	1,795
Furniture & Fittings	384	521
Micro Court	2,368	2,960
Trophies	317	0
Total Depreciation	16,021	5,276

4. Sponsorship & Grants

	Actual 2008	Actual 2007
ASB Community Trust	20,817	43,015
Lion Foundation	20,000	50,000
NZ Community Trust	43,077	50,000
Pub Charity	8,818	21,150
Mt Wellington Charitable Trust	4,000	15,000
Other Trusts	18,391	21,692
Auckland City Council	550	1,342
Sponsorship	1,954	144
Sponsorship in Kind	12,000	0
Total Sponsorship & Grants	129,607	202,343

5. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 30th September 2008 (2007 : Nil)

There is a commitment relating to 2 car leases. This commitment is calculated as follows:

	2008 (\$)	2007 (\$)
Current	12,492.12	5,988.12
Term	8,500.04	7,984.16



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6. Income in Advance

Income has been received during 2007/2008 which relates to events and programmes planned for 2008/2009. In these cases, the income has been carried forward for the purpose of matching income against expenditure which is expected to be incurred in the 2008/2009 financial year.

	Actual 2008	Actual 2007
Mt Wellington CT	4,000	0
Scottwood Trust	0	1,948
Pacific Sports Trust	3,575	1,237
NZ Community Trust	6,923	30,000
Southern Trust	8,000	0
Pub Charity	1,057	0
TOTAL	21,555	33,185



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