



2022 Otago Women's Quadrangular Team





2022 ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF SQUASH OTAGO INC

Presented at the Annual General Meeting to be held at Otago Squash Club Lounge on Monday, 12th December 2022 at 6.00 pm



2022 Otago Metro Triangular Team



2022 Otago Master's Team



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AGENDA

1. Apologies

a. Motion: That all be received.

2. Minutes of the 2021 AGM

a. Motion: That the minutes of the AGM held Monday, 6th December 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record.

3. Chairs Report

a. Motion: That the Chairs report as presented be adopted

4. Financial Report

a. Motion: That the audited financial accounts for the 2021/2022 year as presented be adopted if available.

5. Motions & Remits

a. Remit received. Change constitution to require annual review rather than audit of accounts – GVC (Pirates)

6. Election of Squash Otago Board

- 7. Appointment of Reviewer in place of an Auditor
- 8. General Business

Meeting closed:



2021 – 2022 Squash Otago Inc. Officials



Gareth van Coller (Chairman - Board)



Matt Morton (Board Member)



Brent Taucher (Board Member & President Central Otago)



Stuart Hammer (Life Member) (Board Member - resigned May 2022)



Neil McDonald (Board Member & Life Member)



Matt Laurenson (Board Member)



Aynsley Munro (Executive Officer)



David Small (Life Member)



Andrew Swan (Board Member)



Tony Johnston (CO Board Member)



Paul Johnston (CO – Administration)



Ken Rewcastle (Honorary Auditor – resigned 2022)



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 6th December 2021 Otago Squash Club at 6.00 pm

- Present: Neil McDonald (NM) (Squash Otago Chair & Life Member), Stuart Hammer (SH) (SO Board & Life Member) Andrew Swan (AS) (SO Board), Tony Johnston (TJ) (SO Board, Wanaka & Otago) Gareth van Coller (GVC) (SO Board & Pirates); Matt Laurenson (ML) (Otago University); Brent Taucher *video* (BT) (Alexandra); Helen Brownlie (HB) (Sunnyvale), Matt Morton (MM) (Pirates); Mark Gribben (MG) (Otago); Rangi Clark (RC) (Otago); Gavin King (GK) (Otago University); Chris Gable (CG) (Otago); & Aynsley Munro (AM) (SO Executive Officer)
- Apologies: Rebecca Gibson (RB) (Cromwell & Squash Otago Board); Ken Rewcastle (KR) (Sunnyvale & Auditor); Angela Button (AB) (Otago) & Lloyd Pearson (LP) (Pirates)

N McDonald/G van Coller

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 6th December 2020 be taken as read and confirmed as correct.

T Johnston/R Clark

Matters Arising:

MM queries SO pay-2-play system. AM explained how it came about from a change in SNZ funding procedure to Districts around 2012. Rather than districts receiving funding on membership growth, they had to apply for funding for a district project. At the time, there were no pay-2-pay facilities in the Otago District so Squash Otago used that project to get some funding from SNZ. The logical club to install the system was Otago Squash Club – the current home of SO and the reason for pay-2-play income in and expenditure in the financial reports.

Chairman's Report:

After welcoming everyone and thanking them for their attendance, Neil McDonald (Chair) presented his report as circulated and moved that it be accepted.

Financials:

N McDonald/H Brownlie

Stuart Hammer, presented the 2021 Audited Financial Statements to the meeting for adoption. He highlighted and commented on the following:

- 1. 55% of our funding is from grants we would have serious problems without it
- 2. The equity stood at \$138,000.00 and total assets at \$165,000.00

With no queries the financial reports as circulated were moved and passed for adoption.

Stuart Hammer/Gavin King

Remits: Nil

Election of Officers:

 Board:
 Stuart Hammer
 (Re-appointment)

 Neil McDonald
 (Re-appointment – standing down as Chairman)

 Andrew Swan
 (Re-appointment)

| | Rebecca Gibson | (Resigned – CO) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Tony Johnston | (Re-appointment - CO) |
| | Gareth van Coller | (Re-appointment) |
| | Matt Morton | Gareth van Coller/Mark Gribben |
| | Matt Laurenson | Harry McDonald/Helen Brownlie |
| | Brent Taucher (CO) | Aynsley Munro/Tony Johnston |
| Auditor: | Ken Rewcastle | (Re-appointment - TBC) |

Motions & Remits: Nil

General Business:

 <u>Audit</u> – GVC questioned as he had previously whether it was necessary to have accounts audited rather than just reviewed. SH suggested the constitution should be referred to. NM read from the constitution -

'At the Annual General Meeting of the Association, an Auditor shall be appointed to audit the accounts of the Association and to certify the annual balance sheet. In the event of the Auditor being unable to act the Board shall have power to appoint a replacement until the next Annual General Meeting. No person shall be appointed to hold office as Auditor who is a Board member of or Delegate to the Association'

- 2. Club Vaccinations & Options to be discussed at Board Meeting to follow
- 3. <u>Neil McDonald</u> AM thanked Neil for the great working relationship and friendship they had achieved in the 17 years he was her boss in his position as Chair of Squash Otago. NM responded

There being no further business, Neil concluded the meeting by advising the first meeting of the new Board would follow and once again reiterating his thanks to the sponsors, the Board, Ken Rewcastle (Auditor), Aynsley Munro and everyone for their attendance wishing them a happy Christmas and holiday and looked forward to catching up next year. The meeting closed at 6.20 pm

Signed: _____ Dated: _____ Dated: _____

Chairman



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – 2022

This year we have seen yet further changes from SNZ and I might add, all for the better. All good things going forward for the game of Squash and the direction it is being driven. A few things to take note within the Otago district this year are mentioned below, mostly good but also some challenges to overcome in 2023.

Many thanks again to our sponsors of the interclub competitions as well as the Otago Community Trust, Bendigo Valley Sports and Charity Foundation and the Lions Foundation. Their continued support are invaluable to the affordability of participation, not to mentioned funding behind the scenes work.

The closure of the University Squash courts will be seen as a real low point in the district. Ongoing discussions with Tennis Otago regarding the use of the Logan Park facility will provide a bit of hope to retain the identity of the student club but, in the short term, they will play out of Otago Squash Club in 2023.

Apart from the above, I can point out some good areas this year as well. The Cromwell Community Squash Club have rewritten the book on juniors and how to grow a club. The club's club champs entry list was just short of 100 players which is unbelievable, giving the fact that it is a country club. 150 Members in Cromwell are an outstanding number of members, and this could be seen in their yearend awards ceremony which was attended by several players and a night to remember I might add. The junior program has grown from strength to strength, and this is promising for up-and-coming players and future participation in the junior team competitions representing the district. Wanaka Squash Club also performed well in the junior area and represented a few good players in the junior series.

Another mention should be made of Pirates Squash Club which have now won the Dunedin area interclub club of the year award for a record 4th time in a row. The club came a long way in the last 4 years from the brink of total collapse to a completely revamped state of the art facility. The club also led the numbers area in the district at 180 members were reached in October and growing. The club's junior program is also growing and hopefully can get back to the former glory days from about 5 years ago.

The Alexander Squash Club hosted the E-grade National Super Champs event and again, was a tremendous effort and success. Central Otago remains a destination for everyone, and this was again proved by this wonderful country hospitality representing the district.

For the 2023 season, the Otago District Open will be hosted in Cromwell and going forward, to rotate between Dunedin and Central Otago, something to look forward to and enjoy playing at different venues for this event. Also take note of Wanaka Squash club planning to add another court, great for Central Otago.

Last but not the least, it remains and always will be very difficult to mention all the volunteers from all the clubs in the district. The fact that the sport just like most other minority sports, require quite a lot of volunteer time just to keep things ticking over are a small miracle, so from the Squash Otago Board, many thanks to all the countless hours of our volunteers. Without volunteers and the thankless jobs, they do, squash in the district will struggle to say the very least and remains a passion for everyone involved trying to give back to the community.

Gareth van Coller Chairman



Executive Officer's Report 2022



The 2022 year started with much the same negativity as in 2021 with COVID cancelling the first tournament of the year – the 2022 Otago Community Trust NZ Master's Games. This is the 1st time this has happened since its inception in 1992. A difficult decision made by organizers especially with the many months of preparation involved and the financial lost and benefits to the city.

Thankfully, it wasn't too long before the country came to terms with having to live with the virus and most things started to get back to some sort of normality. In saying this, it has been notable that nearly two years of uncertainty has taken its toll on people overall even though in the squash scene, figures out today show Squash Otago's player numbers are up 10% on 2021.

After a couple of years of cancelled events, it was pleasing to see most SNZ calendared events proceeded without too much disruption. Highlights for Squash Otago in 2022 was the hosting of the South Island Quadrangular in May between Canterbury, Midlands, Otago & Southland with Midlands taking home the trophy from Canterbury in second place.

A number of our juniors competed in the South Island Junior Age Groups in Oamaru in July with Aria Bannister and Ashton Hansen successfully taking out the South Island under 15 titles. Levi Casey (Cromwell), a junior on his way up and aged nine at the time, contested the Under 11 title coming a very creditable 2nd behind Zavier Hansen from Gore.

Another event back on the calendar was the school's squash tournament staged during school's sports week with record numbers and schools entered. Otago Boy's High School won the boys event with the girls going to Cromwell Girl's 'A'. Over 50 players from 9 schools throughout the district enjoyed a full day of squash and fun with the 2023 tournament planned to be played over two days to cater for the increased interest. The school development programmes facilitated in the past by Ange Button which disappeared due to the uncertainty of COVID will be back on board and expanded early in 2023.

Another resurgence, after many years in the wilderness, was an Otago Junior National Girls' team. The team made up of Diana Galloway (Wellington import); Martha Toghill (Otago University); Aria Bannister (Otago); Grace Brenssell (Cromwell); Hollie Thomas (Otago University) & Coach/Manager Rod Bannister (Otago) not only competed but came a close third (points count-back) to BOP. Congratulations also goes to Aria in winning the girl's New Zealand U15 title. To round off a very successful year for our juniors, congratulations to Martha Toghill who has been selected for the New Zealand Junior Girls' Team travelling to Australia later in December to compete in the Trans-Tasman Series.

After the disappointment of having 'C' Grade National Super Champs cancelled in 2021, Brent Taucher and the Alexandra Squash Club, organized and hosted a very successful National 'E' Grade Event ably assisted by neighboring clubs Omakau and Cromwell. Overall team winners were Henderson Squash Club Women from Auckland and Hastings Tennis & Squash Club in the Men.

A much depleted Otago Master's Team more aptly called 'Otakato' travelled to Hamilton in September to contest both the teams and individual competitions. Due to late pull-outs for various reasons, we were grateful to Fran Hopkins and Nicki Blake for their help in organising a number of local Waikato players to plug the holes. Thank you also to Alby King (Pirates) for managing the team.

The usual Central Otago & Dunedin interclub competitions successfully concluded without delays with a new entrant to the Dunedin competition - Oamaru Squash Club taking out the Mixed 'A' Division using Palmerston as their home courts. Numbers for pre and post-Christmas summer tourney competitions were slightly down on previous years but the experiment of providing women's only draws had its supporters which will probably be trialed again in February giving the lower graded women a choice of format. Information on Central Otago's interclub and tournaments can be viewed later in the report (refer page 15).

2022 Champion of Champions, which hasn't been supported greatly in the past did have interest in most grades this year, thanks to the push by Hamish Dudley (Otago University) hosting the local eliminations together with the Nationals being hosted by neighbours Southland. Congratulations to Lowri Waugh (Otago University) in winning the Women's 'A' Grade – our only successor.

Moving away from events and onto what keeps our sport viable. I cannot emphasis enough the importance of our Clubs and their administrations who continually work tirelessly in the background improving their facilities, providing in-house competitions, coaching and offering encouragement to their memberships and in short keeps our sport out in the public domain, accessible to not just club members but to the community as a whole. Now days, membership is not always a criteria for involvement and with new directions being taken within the sport, this is going to be more the case. Hopefully, clubs have been keeping up with the circulated correspondence advising of the forthcoming changes in all areas of our sport.

Another area of extreme importance to our sport is our funders and sponsors who have supported us over many years. The Otago Community Trust, our major supporter has once again continued their support in the 2022 year for which we are so very grateful and would struggle without. The Lion Foundation and Bendigo Valley Sports & Charity Foundation also came up trumps and we were successful in getting a couple of funding rounds of Government Wage Subside which obviously will not happen again. Squash Otago warmly recognizes the support received from our loyal sponsors without whose tangible assistance, the sport would be significantly less successful – (refer page 12).

A special mention of the Otago University Squash Club and the students who have worked valiantly to wield off being kicked out of their club by the Otago University. Alas, the 31st December is D-Day with no exceptions. Arrangements have been made with the Otago Squash Club for their club to operate out of their Kaikorai Valley Road clubrooms in 2023 as a temporary measure in hope of Tennis Otago agreeing to rehouse them at the Logan Park courts. The student club is such a very proud and important part of the Dunedin squash scene, with a long history of great young squash players who certainly knew how to play on and off the court. While the club is still operating, there is always hope of a solution being found!!

My congratulations and thanks to all squash players, teams, administrators, referees, coaches and parents for being part of and helping out with our great sport. Congratulations to the Pirates Squash Club in winning the Dunedin 'Top Club' Shield and best wishes for a successful result with their nomination for the National Top Club Award. Best wishes also goes to Pirates Ben Edwards (Coaching) and Amy Coleman (Volunteer) for their respective nominations in SNZ National Awards.

To the Dunedin Games Committee (names on page 12) and Helen Brownlie (Chair) my thanks for your time and effort for another season well organized. Special thanks to the Otago Squash Club for hosting a very successful Dunedin interclub prize-giving, themed 'Favourite Sports'. To Brent Taucher, Paul Johnson and their Central Otago team for organizing and overseeing your competitions, a big vote of thanks.

To Stuart Hammer (Board & Life Member) and Ken Rewcastle (Auditor) who resigned earlier in the year, a huge thank you for your expert advice, guidance and friendship over all of my tenure – you are certainly missed. Finally to the 2022 Board, my special thanks for your continued help and support.

My best wishes for a safe and happy Christmas and New Year with your family and friends. I think you all deserve it. See you in 2023.

Aynsley Munro Executive Officer



2022 Dunedin Games Committee Report

The Dunedin Games Committee aims to provide a good, competitive squash across all grades, to promote squash, to encourage the development of individual players, and to be the conduit between the players, the Clubs and Squash Otago

The move to New Zealand's new COVID-19 traffic light system in December 2021 once again created some uncertainty about whether competitive squash could proceed under the new regulations. And then the South Island moved to Red from 23 January to 13 April!! Yes, the 2022 interclub competition could proceed and yes, it commenced as planned and on schedule.

The 2022 Dunedin Interclub Competition consisted of sixty-two mixed teams competing on either the Tuesday or Wednesday night. This included the Oamaru A team playing in Division One, using Palmerston as their home courts. After all the changes several years ago, the format for the Competition is now well established, and once again the Competition was both very competitive and enjoyable across all the grades. The continued use of the iSquash Interclub module and the distribution of information via posters, email and the Squash Otago website all contributed to the success of the Competition.

Congratulations to the winning Clubs; to Pirates Squash Club Top Club of the Year (again), and to the Otago Squash Club for hosting a very successful "Favourite sports person or teams" themed prize-giving function.

I personally would like to thank the 2022 Dunedin Games Committee for their availability and input into the running of the successful 2022 Dunedin Interclub Competition, and for their commitment to squash at both the Club and District levels.

Helen Brownlie Chair Dunedin Games Committee

Dunedin Games Committee 2022:

| Clutha | Lizzie Watson |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Otago | Mark Gribben and Jason Wereta |
| Otago University | Beth Giles and Hamish Dudley |
| Palmerston | Ken Fergusson and Anita Vickers |
| Pirates | Matt Morton and Amy Coleman |
| Sunnyvale | Helen Brownlie and Marty Wilde |
| Taieri | Rex Miller and Aaron Pool |
| Squash Otago | Aynsley Munro |

Results for 2021 Competitions:

| 2022 Male Player of the Year |
|--------------------------------|
| 2022 Female Player of the Year |
| 2022 Club of the Year |

Taine Win (Otago University) Katie Duncan (Otago) Pirates Squash Club

| Interclub | Championship Winner | Round Robin Winner |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Division 1 | Oamaru A | Oamaru A |
| Division 2 | Pirates 2 | Pirates 2 |
| Division 3 | Sunnyvale A | Sunnyvale A |
| Division 4 | Otago University D | Sunnyvale B |
| Division 5 | Sunnyvale C | Otago F |
| Division 6 | Taieri F | Otago H |
| Division 7 | Otago University F | Otago University F |
| Division 8 | Taieri H | Taieri H |
| Division 9 | Sunnyvale E | Sunnyvale E |
| Division 10 | Pirates 13 | Pirates 13 |
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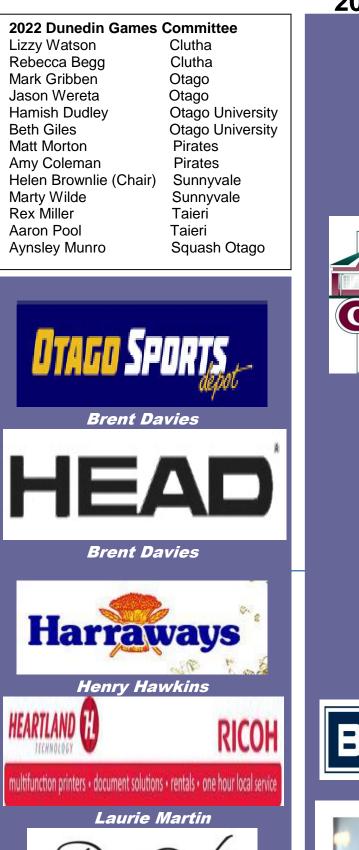
Winter Tourney Winner

| Division A | Brad Suddaby (Otago) |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| Division B | Chris Kensington (Palmerston) |
| Division C | Stephen Scott-Nota (Pirates) |
| Division D | John Batt (Clutha) |
| Division E | Carl Barlev (Pirates) |
| Division F | Ben Turnbull (Sunnyvale) |
| Division G | Jesse Price (Otago) |
| Division H | Iris Bugarski (Taieri) |
| Division I | Taine Win (Otago University) |
| Division J | Ben Hutchison (Pirates) |
| Division K | Bryan Thompson (Taieri) |
| Division L | Bryn Gibson (Otago University) |
| Division M | Bridgette Jones (Otago) |
| Division N | Mac Perkins (Otago) |
| Division O | Anita Vickers (Palmerston) |
| Division P | Logan Bosworth (Otago) |
| Division Q | Goutram Pareek (Pirates) |
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2022 INTERCLUB SPONSORS

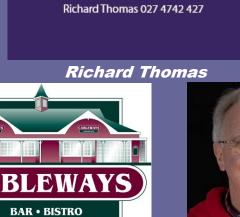
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2022 JUNIORS REPORT

2022 HEAD JUNIOR SERIES



Levi Casey 2022 Junior Personality Cup

HEAD JUNIOR SERIES 2022 PLACINGS (Attendees – 6 tournaments)

| 1 st | Rui Fukaya | 820 points |
|------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| 2 nd | Liam Brady | 800 points |
| 2 nd | Oisin Corbett | 800 points |
| 3 rd | Max Cross | 770 points |
| 4 th | Hayden Webb | |





2022 Otago Junior Champions Aria Bannister & Ashton Hansen (Otago)



The 2022 Otago District Junior Open was played in conjunction with the 6th and final tournament of the HEAD Junior Series hosted by Pirates Squash Club on 20th & 21st August. Both Girl's & Boy's titles were won convincingly by top seeds Aria Bannister and Ashton Hansen (Otago SC). Neither dropped a match in their way to taking out the championships. Nine year old, Levi Casey (Cromwell) who is holding an impressive D1 grading, is a name of the future. As well as winning the 2022 Junior Personality Cup, Levi won the Boy's 'A' grade from much older Kyan Prince of Wanaka; Boys 'B' went to Liam Brady from Taieri from club mate Max Cross with Jaxon Innes (Taieri) winning the Boy's 'C' over Sam Pool also from Taieri. Taieri was well represented in the prize line-up with Hayden Webb taking out the Mixed 'A' from Finlay Rowe (Pirates). Mixed 'B' went to Thomas Jurczyluk from Wanaka who is relatively new to tournaments.

Seventy-one juniors in total played in the six series tournament with a huge 'thank you' to Brent Davies from Otago Sport Depot and HEAD for once again sponsoring the very popular annual tournaments that concentrates on encouraging newer player to the sport and tournaments.



Congratulations to all Otago Juniors that competed in the 2022 South Island Junior Age Group Champs held in Oamaru in July. Special mention and congratulations to Ashton & Aria (opposite) adding to their many achievements this year by taking out the South Island Under 15 titles. Other Otago entries were: <u>Under 15</u> – Ashton Hansen (Otago & Gore); Riley Bridgman (Otago); Aria Bannister (Otago); Grace Brenssell (Cromwell) <u>Under 13</u> – Delta Brenssell (Cromwell) <u>Under 11</u> – Levi Casey & Melia Spriggs (Cromwell) <u>Recreational</u> – Finlay Rowe (Pirates)





2022 Women's E Grade Winners Cromwell Squash Club



2022 Alexandra Squash Club Men's 'E' Grade Teams – winner Alexandra A



The Otago District Super Champ Eliminations were held earlier than usual with events being played on the weekend of $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ July. Men's 'B' Grade was played between Otago and Pirates eventually won by Pirates with the deciding match being played at a later date. Otago University was the only 'B' Grade Women's entry with both Men's & Women's teams deciding against seeking National honours. There was more interest in Men's 'C' Grade which was played at the Otago University courts with the students coming out victors over Sunnyvale 3 – 2 and over Alexandra 4 – 1. A keen Sunnyvale team was a strong second place-getter with a 3 – 2 match win over Alexandra.

Pirates were the only entrants in the men's & women's 'D' Grade with the Pirates ladies heading to Kawaroa Park to check out the strength of 'D' graders from around the country.

With 'E' Grade Nationals being hosted by Alexandra, there was a good turn out for eliminations which with local teams playing on Friday night and then the rest played at Pirates on Saturday. Men's team from Alexandra (2); Omakau, Wanaka, Otago & Pirates took part while women's from Pirates, Alexandra and Cromwell battled it out in Cromwell. Winners were Men's Alexandra 'A' & Cromwell Women. To make for a balanced draw and after a few team pull outs, there was a good representative from Central Otago clubs with runner-ups Omakau also taking part.

Pirates completed their great turnout in most grades by entering a team in both Men's and Women's 'F' Grade but unfortunately, they had no opponents and also decided not to travel to National Finals in Ashburton.

Otago District Eliminations – 2022 Winners

| | <u>Men</u> |
|-----|---------------------|
| ade | Pirates SC |
| ade | Otago University SC |
| ade | Pirates SC |
| ade | Alexandra SC |
| ade | Pirates SC |

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<u>Women</u> Otago University SC Not contested Pirates SC Cromwell SC Pirates SC

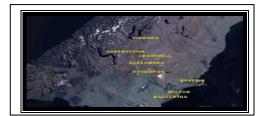
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2022 National Winners

| | Men | <u>Women</u> |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 'B' Grade | Thorndon SC | Tawa SC |
| 'C' Grade | Lakes Squash Club | Surf City Squash Club |
| 'D' Grade | Surf City Squash Club | Surf City Squash Club |
| 'E' Grade | Henderson SC | Hastings T&S Club |
| 'F' Grade | Taihape Squash Club | Surf City Squash Clu |

2023 – Super Champs District & Hosting Clubs

| B' Grade | Otago | TBC |
|------------|----------|-----|
| C' Grade | Midlands | TBC |
| D' Grade | Eastern | TBC |
| E' Grade | Auckland | TBC |
| F/J' Grade | Central | TBC |





2022 Central Otago Squash Report

A good attendance in person and on-line was reported at the meeting and finale to end off the 2022 CO squash season.

<u>Top Club</u> - It was agreed that the Top Club competition was not working for most clubs suggesting that clubs put on their 'thinking caps' over the summer break to come up with a new formula to bring to the first meeting of the new year. Decisions agreed upon - it would start early April and run for approximately 5 - 6 weeks with possibly an E/F super series to encourage lower graded players to take part.

<u>Interclub</u> - Interclub review was more positive with most clubs happy with the format. Premier & Division one worked very well but Division 2 had quite a few uneven matches. Agreed that point range needs to be tightened and also another division (3) needed to be created. Using a blue dot ball for all 'E' Grade competition and below was discussed. Finally, it was requested that at least two more people should review and format teams at the start of the competition.

2022 Grade winners - Premiers - Alexandra 1; Division one - Wanaka; Division two - Maniototo.

Coaching - All clubs in the CO district had a coach available to them this year which was a massive boost for players.

<u>E Grade Super Champ Nationals</u> - Overcoming the disappointment of the cancellation of 'C' Grade Nationals in 2021 (due to COVID), it was great to see Alexandra backed by Omakau rally & have the opportunity to show off their talent in running tournaments as well as their beautiful countryside and southern hospitality by being awarded the hosting of 2022 'E' Grade Nationals. 16 teams (8 men & 8 women's teams) contested the event with very positive publicity gained for squash in our region. Overall winners were:

Women - Henderson SC (Auckland); Men – Hastings Tennis & Squash Club (Eastern). Well done to Brent and his team.

<u>SI Triangular</u> - A big 'thank you to David Small and the Omakau SC in hosting a very successful 2022 South Island Triangular between Central Otago, Midlands and Otago Metro. For the first time since 2014, Otago Metro were able to get their name on the old 'log of wood' by winning against Central – 6 matches to 4; Midlands 7–3 with Midlands coming in second place with their 6 – 4 win over Central. The prize-giving was held on Saturday evening over a beautiful meal at the historic Chatto Creek Restaurant.

<u>Central Otago Champs</u> - The 2022 Central Otago Champs were held in conjunction Alexandra Labour weekend tournament with Alexandra members taking a clean titles. With the timing later in the season than usual, entries were light. <u>Final results</u>: 2022 Central Otago Men's Champion (Central Otago Sports Depot Cup) - Hayden Manson (Alexandra); 2022 Central Otago Women's Champion (Trudy King Cup) -(Alexandra); 2022 Men's 'A' (Amon Saunders Memorial Cup) – Zavier Robb (Alexandra); 2022 Women's 'A' (Aynsley Munro Cup) – Lena Sutherland (Alexandra)

2022 Honours Board

2022 Central Otago Men's Champion - Hayden Manson (Alexandra)

2022 Central Otago Women's Champion - Karla Robb (Alexandra)

2022 Otago Master's Women's Champion - Tracey Flux (Queenstown)

2022 Otago Master's Men's Champion - Shaun Madden (Cromwell)

2022 Otago Super Champs 'E' Grade Eliminations - Alexandra Men & Cromwell Women

2022 Otago Quadrangular Team - Tracey Flux (Queenstown); Alana Changfort (Queenstown); Isaac Cowley (Alexandra)

2022 Otago Master's Team – Dan Goodall (Wanaka); Brent Taucher (Alexandra); Tracey Flux (Queenstown)

- 2022 Champion of Champions (District winners) Gary Toye (Queenstown C Grade); Steve McCallion (Queenstown–E Grade)
- 2022 Otago HEAD Series Junior Personality Award Levi Casey (Cromwell)

2022 HEAD Junior Series winner – Rui Fukaya (Wanaka)

2022 Otago Junior National Girl's Team – Martha Toghill (Wanaka/Otago University) & Grace Brenssell (Cromwell)

2022 NZ Junior Trans-Tasman Team – Martha Toghill (Wanaka/Otago University)

Brent Taucher CO - President



2022 OTAGO CHAMPIONSHIPS



The 2022 Otago District Championships were held at the Otago Squash Club over the weekend of $27^{th} - 28^{th}$ May which produced very competitive

matches with over 25 five setters played. Men's title winner was 2021 runner-up, Southland's Regan McNaught from Makarewa who had a convincing win in three 11/7, 11/4, 11/9 over Brad Suddaby (Otago). Top seed, Sam Cross (Pirates) won the women's title after being two games down against third seed, Bellah Crawford (Otago University) by pulling the momentum around and winning 6/11 9/11 11/9 11/6 11/7. With the women's draw being one of six, 2nd seed Aria Bannister came second by defeating Bellah 11/9 6/11 11/7 11/8. Sam and Aria's match ended with a win to the top-seed Sam in four – 9/11 11/3 11/6 11/4.

Summary of grade winners & runner-ups:

| Women's Open | : Sam Cross (Pirates – 1 st) |
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| Men's Open: | Regan McNaught (Makarewa – 1 st) |
| <u>Men's A</u> : | Ashton Hansen (Otago – 1 st) |
| <u>Men's B</u> : | Paul Singh (Pirates – 1 st) |
| <u>Men's C</u> : | Josh Baxter (Otago University – 1 st |
| Mixed A: | Taine Win (Otago University – 1 st) |
| Mixed B: | Samantha Watson (Sunnyvale – 1 st) |
| Mixed C: | Grace Brenssell (Cromwell – 1 st) |
| Mixed D: | Jamie Beaman (Otago – 1 st) |

Aria Bannister (Otago -2^{nd}) Brad Suddaby (Otago -2^{nd}) Reece O'Connell (Otago -2^{nd}) Quinn Alexander (Otago University -2^{nd}) Sam McKenzie (Otago University -2^{nd}) Iris Bugarski (Taieri -2^{nd}) Travis Shaw (Taieri -2^{nd}) Kay Baldock (Pirates -2^{nd}) Helen Brownlie (Sunnyvale -2^{nd})



2022 Otago Masters – Queenstown

A big 'thank you' to Dan Batchelor and the Queenstown Squash Club for hosting the successful 2022 Otago Master's Championships in June. In the Women's Open, top seed, Tracey Flux (Queenstown) retained the Otago title she has had a stranglehold on for the last 3 years and before that in 2017. In the men's draw, top seed Shaun Madden (Cromwell) did not drop a game to win the title he has previous held in 2016 & 2018.





2022 Otago District 'Open' Champions

Sam Cross (Pirates) Regan McNaught (Makarewa)



2022 Otago Master's - Champions

Tracey Flux (Queenstown) Shaun Madden (Cromwell)



2022 Otago Junior's - Champions

Aria Bannister (Otago) Ashton Hansen (Otago)



2022 Central Otago Champions:

Hayden Manson (Alexandra) Karla Robb (Alexandra)







2022 South Island Triangular Winners (opposite)

<u>Otago Metro Team</u> – Brad Suddaby (Otago); Neil Hampton, (Sunnyvale); Brandon Roberts (Otago University); Nick Grayston (Otago); Sam Cross (Pirates); Anna Bartlett (Taieri); Kay Baldock (Pirates); Natasha Martin (Pirates); Tess Brunton (Otago) <u>Manager</u>: Jason Wereta (Otago)

<u>Central Otago</u> – Tim Schwass (Queenstown); Jed McDonald (Wanaka); Nathan Woodward (Alexandra); George Naylor (Maniototo); Hannah Chisholm (Omakau); Melissa Doddds (Alexandra); Caroline Berendt (Cromwell); Kayla Sargeant (Omakau) <u>Manage</u>r: David Small (Omakau)



2022 Otago Metropolitan 'Club of the Year' - Pirates S

Pirates Squash Club



2022 Dunedin Area Most Improved Players of the Year

Taine Win - (Otago University)

Katie Duncan – (Otago)





2022 Most Improved Female Katie Duncan (Otago)

2022 South Island Quadrangular – Otago Squash Club, Dunedin – 14th – 15th May 2022

<u>2022 Otago Team</u> – Andrew Watts (Pirates); Tony Brown (Pirates); Paul Tapsell (Otago); Nick Askin (Otago); Ben Edwards (Pirates); Brad Suddaby (Otago); Ashton Hansen - absent (Otago); Isaac Cowley - absent (Alexandra); Tracey Flux (Queenstown); Sam Cross (Pirates); Angela Button (Otago); Lowri Waugh (Otago University); Alana Changfort (Queenstown); Martha Toghill (Otago University); Aria Bannister (Otago) & Kate Fitzpatrick (Otago University); <u>Manager</u>: Alby King (Pirates)





2022 Otago Secondary 'Top School' Winners Munro Cups – Friday, 2nd September 2022

Boys - Otago Boy's High School Girls – Cromwell College





The 2022 Otago School's Tournament was held on Friday, 2nd September with record team entries from Central Otago & Dunedin area schools. The following schools were represented. Mt Aspiring College - Wanaka (2 teams); Cromwell College (4); Lawrence (2); Taieri College (2); Otago Boy's High School (2); Bayfield High School (1) & Columba College (1). To cater for schools that could not field a team, an individual tournament was held alongside the team's event. This included players from Logan Park High School & Kavanagh College complimented by team players making for a long day with 76 matches being played between the hours of 9.00 am & 5.00 pm. There were a lot of tired juniors, teachers & parents by the end of the day with many having an extra few hours travel added to their day before getting home. A review of the structure of the event is planned so as to accommodate the growing interest & increasing number of schools entering. Unfortunately with the late finishing time, the usual prize-giving had to cancelled. Winners of the Teams: Boy's: Otago Boy's (A) - Ben Turnbull, Jack Buttar, Jamie Beaman & Josh Allison Girls: Cromwell College (A) - Grace Brenssell, Georgia Spillane, Delta Brenssell Winners of the Individual Draws: Mixed A: Ashton Hansen (OBHS) Mixed B: Melanie Button (Columba College) Oil Pathchotinont (Columba

2022 Otago aka Otakato Master's Team - Hamilton - September 2022



Late withdrawals from the Otago Master's Team and replacements provided mainly from Waikato caused a team name change to 'Otakato'. A big 'thank you' to Fran Hopkins and Nicki Blake in making sure Otago were able to provide opponents for most age-groups throughout the tournament.

<u>Girl's A</u>: College)

Team Members -

Mark & Paul Tapsell (Otago); Brent Taucher (Alexandra) Dan Goodall (Wanaka); Sam Cross (Pirates); Tracey Flux (Queenstown); Alby King (Manager- Pirates) & Fran Hopkins (Waikato)

2022 New Zealand Girl's Under 15 Champion October 2022

Aria Bannister (Otago)



| TEAM: | Otago | TEAM: | Canterbury | SCORE: | 3-1 |
|-------|---|--|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Diana Gallo | way | Petra Curd-Mc | Cullough | 3-0 |
| | Martha Tog | hill | Moriya Karat | t i | 3-1 |
| | Aria Bannist | er | Olivia McCoy | / | 3-0 |
| | Grace Brens | ell | Tanisha Butt | | O -3 |
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2022 Otago Junior Girl's Team - 3rd NZ Junior Teams - Lower Hutt – October 2022

Left to Right: Rod Bannister (Otago - Manager/Coach), Grace Brenssell (Cromwell); Diana Galloway (Wellington); Aria Bannister (Otago), Hollie (Otago University); Martha Toghill (Otago University)

2022 – National Champion of Champion Winners – Lowri Waugh ('A' Grade - Otago University)



Hosted by Southland – October 2022

Elimination winners representing Otago District

- A Grade Lowri Waugh (Otago University)
- B Grade Nick Askin (Otago) & Lowri Waugh (Otago University)
- C Grade Gary Toye (Queenstown) & Kylie Murdoch (Cromwell)
- D Grade Brandon Roberts (Otago University) & Kay Baldock (Pirates)
- E Grade Steve McCallion (Queenstown) & Kate Lawton (Otago University)
- F Grade N/A

2022 - NZ Junior Trans-Tasman Team - Martha Toghill - (Otago University)



The team for the 2022 Trans-Tasman Junior Test Series has been confirmed including our very own Martha Toghill (opposite) from Wanaka, presently attending the Otago University and playing out of the Otago University Squash Club. Players will compete in the 2022 Oceania Junior Championships and the Trans-Tasman Junior Test Series held at Thornleigh Squash Club, Sydney with the tournament played 17th - 19th December and the test series, 20th - 21st December.

2022 Metropolitan Prize-giving











Club Information

Clubs and Senior Equivalent Membership (SEM) Numbers – 2022 year (frozen from 2021)

| Clubs | Courts | SEMS |
|------------------|--------|------|
| Alexandra | 2 | 69 |
| Clutha | 2 | 32 |
| Cromwell | 3 | 65 |
| Maniototo | 2 | 40 |
| Omakau | 2 | 16 |
| Otago | 4 | 103 |
| Otago University | 3 | 42 |
| Palmerston | 2 | 23 |
| Pirates | 3 | 121 |
| Queenstown | 2 | 61 |
| Sunnyvale | 2 | 76 |
| Taieri | 3 | 102 |
| Wanaka | 2 | 67 |
| Total (13 Clubs) | 32 | 817 |

Metropolitan Interclub Teams - 2014 to 2022

| | м | w | м | w | Mixed |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Clubs | 2014 | 2014 | 2015 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| Otago University | 8 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 11 |
| Otago | 9 | 5 | 11 | 5* | 14 | 12 | 11 | 16 | 14 | 17 | 14 |
| Pirates | 9 | 2* | 9 | 3* | 12 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 15 | 16 | 16 |
| Palmerston | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Sunnyvale | 8 | 5* | 8 | 5 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Taieri | 8 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 11 | 10* | 10 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 9 |
| Clutha | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Oamaru | 0 | 00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total Teams | 43 | 22 | 47 | 21 | 68 | 59 | 62 | 64 | 59 | 65 | 62 |
| W=Women M=Men | 2014 | 2014 | 2015 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| * indicates Combined teams | | | | | | | | | | | |

