

Island Bay Tennis & Squash Club

Annual Report For the year ended 30 June 2023







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President's Message

Andrew Munkacsi

Kia ora, talofa lava, welcome everyone. Thanks to a high-functioning management team, I can report here that 2022/23 was a good year for our club. Our membership numbers and finances have remained relatively healthy.

Again, I would like to thank each person on the management team. Our club would not be this great without you. Thank you to Lauren Wash, Renee Bell, Gerard Elkink, Myles Sayer, Charlotte Bell, Kristen Davison, Paul Hodder, Ramon Das and Dayne Far.

On the courts, our tennis and squash interclub teams had many successes this past year. Congratulations to all players. Let's keep it going next year!

A big thanks to our tennis coaches Dave Knight, Alice Bolton, Paul Liger, Josh Smith and Lucy Skogstad for all your hard work over the year and the wonderful job you do with our junior and senior players who continue to represent us strongly at interclub level, as well as regionally and nationally. Special thanks to Paul Liger for coaching, playing interclub and club champs during his visit to Aotearoa from France.

Thank you also to everybody who helped with the coaching programmes and the running of the intraclub and interclub leagues, as well as the many tournaments; we truly appreciate your assistance. Thank you in particular to Charlotte Bell and Myles Sayer for their hard work in organising events as well as maintaining facilities for tennis and squash, respectively. Myles is stepping down from his position as Squash Club Captain this year. Myles has done great things in his time for the functioning of our club, as well as its reputation both locally in Wellington as well as nationally.

We were fortunate to secure a few grants and donations this past year that helped cover the costs for renovations in our club. This included the painting of the club room, updating of the showers in the men's locker room, and the construction of the hitting wall on the tennis courts. Thank you to Paul Hodder, Lauren Wash, Phil and Charlotte Bell for writing these grants. Also thank you to many of our club members who organised and helped to run the quiz nights which raised funds for some of these projects.

Thank you to Dayne Far and others for their work to maintain the bar in our club. This is a luxury for our members. Thanks also to Brooklyn Northern United for sharing the clubroom during their football season. Welcoming football players on site, diversifies our club and we very much appreciate your fiscal contributions as well as your help to paint the club room.

Finally, a huge thank you to our sponsors. New World and Empire Cinema, your support is greatly appreciated. We look forward to your continued support, and as always welcome support from new sponsors.

It is my honour to be a part of 52 years of squash and 109 years of tennis in Island Bay. Please feel free to contact me and talk about anything. Let's make this great club even better!



Club Officers, Champions & Award Winners

Club Officers and Committee Members

Club Manager Renee Bell
Secretary Lauren Wash
Treasurer Paul Hodder
Bar Manager Dayne Far
Chairperson Gerard Elkink
Squash Club Captain Myles Sayer
Tennis Club Captain Charlotte Bell
Management Committee Members

Kristen Davison & Ramon Daz

Girls Singles Rebecca Wash Boys Singles Magnus Muckanski

Women's Open Jessie Ward-Thomas

President Andrew Munkacsi

Squash Club Champions 2022 Men's Open Otis Brown
Open Doubles Phil Kupenga & Chris White
Women's C grade Rebecca Lovelock
Men's C grade Myles Sayer
Women's D grade Catharine Sayer
Men's D grade Romain Dubois
Women's E/F Grade Nicky Kingston
Men's E Grade Michael Chung

Tennis Club Champions

Girls Doubles Eshana Dullabh & Rebecca Wash
Boys Doubles Rafferty Hogan & AJ Hale
Junior Mixed Doubles Florence Galvin & Hunter Howe
Ladies Singles Charlotte Bell
Men's Singles George Lyons
Ladies Doubles Cynthia Pfeffer & Helen Mackay
Men's Doubles Jeremy Guy & Paul Liger

Senior Mixed Doubles Helen Mackay & Paul Liger

There was no consolation round for 2023.

Ken Imlach Memorial Trophy, Club Ambassador Margot Lyons **Peter Moon Trophy, Best and Fairest**

Otis Brown, with special mention to Sean O'Connor

McGregor Club Pride Trophy

Maria Buchanan

Anita Thomas Memorial Trophy, Most Valuable Person Squash Jack Shearer

Bev Pierre Memorial Trophy, Most Valuable Person Tennis

Jane Leverington

Most Improved Squash

Rob McDonald

Most Improved Tennis Senior

Sean O'Connor, special mention to Fiona Setford

Most Improved Tennis Junior

Summer and Sienna Robertson, special mentions to Shreeya

Dullabh, Rikki St Amand, Caleb Stark and Brooke Barrett

Gumboot

Bobby Stannard

Special Award for Service to the Club

Eamonn (Easy) Kelly

Membership report

Renee Bell, Club Manager

Total membership has fallen by one from 337 to 336 in the past year.

Squash membership fell slightly, from 76 to 71.

Tennis memberships saw slight growth, increasing from 61 to 64.

Joint membership (family/junior/student/life) also saw slight growth, increasing by 1 to 201.

	Last year July - 2022			This year July - 2023				
	Total	Female	Male	Other/ unspecified	Total	Female	Male	Other/ unspecified
Squash		l						
Associate	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	0
Couple	7	5	2	0	4	3	1	0
Couple Partner	7	2	5	0	4	1	3	0
Midweek	3	3	0	0	3	3	0	0
Senior	57	12	45	0	56	13	43	0
Squash subtotal	76	22	54	0	71	20	51	0
Tennis		l.	L			L	L	L
Associate	4	1	3	0	2	0	2	0
Couple	5	3	2	0	8	6	2	0
Couple Partner	5	2	3	0	8	1	7	0
Midweek	6	3	3	0	1	1	0	0
Senior	41	22	19	0	45	23	20	2
Tennis subtotal	61	31	30	0	64	31	31	2
Tennis & Squash	1							
Family	28	17	11	0	28	18	10	0
Family Partner	28	13	15	0	28	10	17	1
Junior 12-18	78	32	46	0	73	33	33	7
Junior under 12	47	19	28	0	52	18	29	5
Social	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Life	12	4	8	0	12	4	8	0
Student	7	1	6	0	7	2	5	0
Tennis & Squash subtotal	200	86	114	0	201	86	102	13
Totals	337	139	198	0	336	137	184	15

Club Strategy

Management Committee

Our club strategy is reviewed every year by the management committee and displayed on our club noticeboard.

The strategy for the 2023/24 financial year, is shown below.



Treasurer's Report

Paul Hodder BCA, CA, Treasurer

Following are the accounts of the Island Bay Tennis and Squash Club Inc. for the year ending 31st March 2023.

For the year ending 31st March 2023 we have made a surplus of \$26,276 compared to a deficit of \$185 for the previous year meaning our cash position remains healthy.

Thanks to Maria Buchanan and Renee Bell who take on some of the accounting administrative tasks and have done a great job.

ISLAND BAY TENNIS & SQUASH C	LUB INC.		
Statement of Financial Performance for year ending 31st March 2023			
	2023	2022	
<u>INCOME</u>			
Net Bar Income	20,410	17,109	
Net Tennis & Squash Income	37,111	43,345	
Grants & Donations	13,043	8,696	
Fundraising	8,011	5,256	
Interest	1,050	55	
Other Income	5,217	5,217	
TOTAL INCOME	84,842	79,678	
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Accounting Package Fees	575	548	
Bank/Paypal/Eftpos Fees	832	1,201	
Cleaning	5,106	5,085	
Club Manager Contract	10,739	12,000	
Depreciation	6,588	7,351	
Entertainment & Functions	956	961	
General Expenses	79	5,173	
Insurance	9,623	8,458	
Power	9,415	9,326	
Repairs & Maintenance	8,769	23,642	
Software & Website	2,351	3,013	
Telephone/Internet/TV	1,349	1,438	
Wgtn CC Ground Lease	2,184	1,667	
TOTAL EXPENSES	58,566	79,863	
TOTAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	26,276	(185)	

ISLAND BAY TENNIS & SQUASH CLUB INC.

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash & Bank Accounts	117,438	83,306
Accounts Receivable	3,834	1,855
GST Receivable		
Inventory	2,959	2,959
Prepayments		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	124,231	88,120
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Building	182,026	182,026
Furniture & Fittings	20,448	21,232
Plant & Equipment	122,772	111,842
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS	325,246	315,100
TOTAL ASSETS	449,477	403,220
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	2,617	2,205
GST Payable	(1,467)	1,393
Subs Received in Advanced	5,640	10,698
Tennis Court Repair Funds in Advance	27,616	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	34,276	14,296
NET ASSETS	415,201	388,925
Represented by:		
Accumulated Funds Brought Forward	388,925	389,110
Current Year Surplus(Deficit)	26,276	(185)
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS	415,201	388,925

2023 Club Management Report

Renee Bell, Club Manager

He aha te mea nui o ao? He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata.

What is the most important thing in this world? It is people, it is people, it is people.

When I think about Island Bay Tennis and Squash Club (IBTSC), I think of this proverb – "it's all about the people." Club sport is about community. IBTSC is more than just a facility with courts; it is a vibrant community of families and individuals who come together to share a common passion - a love for tennis and squash.

Being new to this role, it hasn't taken long to figure out that our members are what makes our club special – I would like to acknowledge and thank our members for their contributions and continued support over the year, whether it be a helping hand at a working bee, supporting one of our events, or contributing to or attending one of our many fundraisers.

I would also like to thank our wonderful club committee. Your dedication, enthusiasm, and unwavering support play a vital role in shaping the club, and your ideas, feedback, and active participation in club activities help the club to continuously improve and evolve. Finally, I would also like to acknowledge Henry, our previous club manager, for his work over the year and his support while I transitioned into the club manager role.

After previous years being dominated by the challenges of COVID-19, 2022/23 delivered some much-needed normalcy, and the club saw a return to all services and events as we once knew them. As usual, over the year, the club has also encountered a few bumps along the road with the continued roofing issues and, more recently, the Hello Club system failures. However, the year has also delivered many highlights.

Highlights from the year include:

Tennis

- Club Champs
- Pre-champs tournament
- Construction of the hitting wall
- Parent-child tournaments
- Junior club days
- Men's interclub team making it to Premier 1 for the first time in club history

Squash

- Junior squash uptake
- 2022 Winter interclub 3 division wins 2 RU and Slazenger cup winners
- Superchamps
- Squash Club camps and MasterChef curry night
- Island Bay Doubles
- Hosting the Surf City Squash Club Challenge (biennial event)
- Island Bay on tour to New Zealand open in Tauranga
- Island Bay Open
- Squash Wellington Awards at Club Mana
- Our squash Facebook page won best social media account, and
- Jack Shearer won Coach of the Year and also went on to win at the national awards as well!

Thanks again to everyone for their support this year, and may the year ahead bring great things.

Tennis

Charlotte Bell, Tennis Club Captain

I was recently asked what makes our tennis club unique. It took me some time to think about this. I decided that what I love about our club is the people. We have a wonderful community at our club. When you join, you enjoy the sports we offer, as well as making true lifelong friends. I am so grateful to many of our members for their continued support in social and fundraising activities. This collaborative effort in creating and enjoying these activities builds a wonderful culture at our club. I am proud of our continued efforts to improve facilities for members, and of the social and family focus we prioritise, as well as the achievements of our high-performance players. We are inclusive and visitors always comment on our manaakitanga. I am proud of the Island ay tennis whanau.

Tennis Central and Tennis New Zealand are keen to keep people in our communities in Tennis. It is a wonderful game to enjoy with friends and family throughout our lives. In the coming year we aim to promote our club further in our community and to invite potential members to come and see what our club has to offer.

Tennis Central Awards

We were very proud to have David Knight as a finalist in the 'Club Coach of the year' and 'Performance Coach of the year' category and our Club nominated for 'Club of the Year' at the Annual Tennis Central Awards in August this year. Our Technifibre Mixed Interclub team gained the C-Grade award and our Premier Men's 2 team gained promotion to Premier 1 next season. This is an amazing achievement and is testament to the commitment of the players in this team. Tennis in our region continues to be 'on the up' and we enjoyed celebrating in the successes of many players, clubs, coaches and volunteers at these awards.

Coaching

Led by David Knight and his team, the club has continued to provide excellent coaching options for a range of playing abilities.

Rusty and Rusty-ish; on Monday evenings and Active Tennis on Thursday evenings before Club Night and also on Friday mornings. Senior players have also benefitted from training camps. We had an excellent camp run by Paul and Alice in April which focussed on volleying. Juniors have also been involved in individual and group coaching sessions and it is fantastic to see the progress they make, and their confidence build to try interclub. Friday afternoon Junior Club Days have also been popular this year with a number of new families taking part.

Promoting our Club in the Community

We have two main opportunities each year to do this; our annual Island Bay Festival in February and the Love Tennis weekend in September. David and his coaching team will be visiting local primary schools in the coming month in the lead-up to 'Love Tennis'. We also hope to connect more with local Primary Schools to promote Tennis as a game and to promote our club further within the community. It would be fantastic to see teachers being able to teach some Tennis at our local schools as part of their regular Physical Education program. Hopefully this will extend to children and families visiting our club in September for 'Love Tennis 2023'.

While we did not take part in the parade in the Island Bay Festival in February, we did invite the public and members of the Island Bay Community to our club over the Island Bay Festival weekend. We had several current members attend and welcome visitors. We also promoted a membership deal and had several people join our club because of this.

We donated a Tennis membership to the Island Bay School Silent Auction fundraiser and hope to be involved in other community events in the coming year.



Love Tennis Weekend 2022

Our annual 'Love Tennis' weekend was a huge success! We had an amazing team of volunteers who





baked, made Supreme coffee, and interacted with visitors in the clubrooms and on court. We also had David and Alice running some awesome on-court activities and hitting drills and Andy, Magnus and others having fun hitting with many visitors, both young and old.

The theme for the day was 'Under the Sea' given our proximity to Island Bay. We had a bubble machine, 'guess how many balls in the basket' game, face-painting, a disco on court and more! Our social media guru, Kristen, documented the day in 'real time' and made sure we had music to add to the atmosphere. Thank-you to existing members who came along to help with this event and who interacted with members of the community in a friendly way.

Thank-you also to Supreme Coffee for supporting this event. We also thank Mel Jansen and Flo Perret from Tennis Central who provide advice, merchandise and advertising for the 'Love Tennis' event. Tennis Central do an amazing job promoting Tennis in our region and we really appreciate their energy, enthusiasm and support in helping us in many ways throughout the season.

The growth of our club is vital to its sustainability. Love Tennis is a great opportunity to showcase our club and to encourage people to develop a love for the game as we all have! I hope many of you will be



able to come along to this event coming up in September and help promote our club and our sport to potential new members.

Social Slams and Parent-Child Tournaments





A focus for me has been finding ways to get members involved in club tournaments that do not cost them anything. This is a chance for players to come along to organised events and have fun!

We have continued to organize a monthly Social Slam on a Sunday afternoon. These have taken place from 2-4:30pm on a Sunday, either at our courts or at the Renouf Tennis Centre. The primary goal of each Social Slam is to get Senior members of all abilities participating in a fun tournament. It is an afternoon of short mixed doubles matches, with players rotating each match. We encourage new members to join us at these events as they are a great way to meet other members at the club. We finish the afternoon with a shared afternoon tea and a drink, and members enjoy this too.

We have run one Parent-Child Tournament so far this year and have another one scheduled for September. I really enjoy seeing families of young and older children on court. Tennis is a fantastic family game, and we hope to see many of you on court at our next Parent-Child Tournament soon.

Collaboration with other clubs





We are hoping to invite other clubs to join us in these social tournaments in the future to develop some stronger relationships with other Tennis Clubs in our region. We also hope to run Junior Social Slam tournaments soon. We feel that this is particularly important for Junior members who do not wish to participate in competitive Tennis.

Renouf Winter Club Nights

Given we are still working towards lights at our club I wanted to offer members another chance to keep playing Tennis over the Autumn and Winter months. We have continued our Sunday afternoon timetabled booking at Renouf Centre between 4pm-6pm. Members registered to be part of this for both Term 2 and Term 3 and we shared the cost/player. This has been great and a good chance to keep our tennis skills up during the winter months.

Tennis Club Championships

We introduced a pre-champ's tournament on Sunday 19 March this year which was very well received. This was a chance for players to practice their doubles combinations. We also had some of our top men's interclub players offering tips from the side-line. Thanks to Kurt Hollis and Andy Munkacsi for their assistance and encouragement with this.

Our Club Champs followed on Saturday 25 and Sunday 26th March and Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 April. We were able to use courts at the Renouf Tennis Centre and our courts to host both Junior and Senior players. Thank-you so very much to all our participants who took part. I felt very proud of you all. Thank-you also to Phil Bell, Paul Liger and Hema Dullabh for all your help to run club champs this year.



Senior Interclub

Our Senior Interclub had a very strong season this year. This has included several teams incorporating Junior players into the teams with the support of Senior players. This has been crucial to the future development of these teams in the club.

Over the Summer season on Saturday mornings, we had three Men's teams, one captained by Andrew Munkacsi, one by Ramon Das (Brent Matthews, Simon Bailey, Mike Sansom, Mark O'Brien, Watson Irving, George Lyons, Jon Skogstad, Henry Sim, Damien Sua, Joey Wongpown) and one by parent managers Theresa Meredith and Kath St Amand (Magnus Munkacsi, Hunter Howe, Riki St Amand, Ruari Meredith, William Paget, Hamish Dullabh, Hugh Loughnan, Greg Spencer, Phil Bell, Dion

Basile, Joey Wongpown). Andy's team has secured themselves (and more importantly Island Bay) a place in the Premier Grade 1 for next season.

Thanks to Empire Cinema and Eatery for their sponsorship of this team to help them to reach this achievement.



We had two Women's interclub teams playing on Saturday mornings. These teams progressed well in the season and all players really enjoyed it.

Women's 1 (Helen MacKay, Lucy Skogstad, Francesca Lyons, Margot Lyons, Justine Vanstone, Arlene Smyth, Sally Whitehead, Alice Dommett-Doyle, Lauren Wash, Charlotte Bell). Women's 2 (Anne De Geus, Kristen Davison, Fiona Setford, Christina Vellasamy, Lauren Wash, Fiona Bawden, Jane Leverington, Gin Loughnan, Chloe Coles, Maria Buchanan, Emma Nelson, Rosie Blackwood).

We had two Mixed teams (one C grade managed by Phil Bell (Simon Bailey, Greg Spencer, Maria Buchanan, Kathryn Hazlewood, Cynthia Pfeffer, Michael Slade, Charlotte Bell, Helen MacKay, Carrinya Feaunati, Joey Wongpown) and one D grade managed by Christina Vellasamy (Andy Vellasamy, Sue Domanski, Yuri Domanski, Livv Robson, Trent Kokich, Andrew Cameron, Chloe Coles, Hugh Loughnan, Ari McPhee, Gin Loughnan, Rosie Blackwood, David Gould) playing on Saturday afternoons. The Mixed-C team won their grade which is a great effort – congratulations.

We also had three Tuesday night women's teams, one captained by Cynthia Pfeffer (Maria Buchanan, Helen Mackay, Charlotte Bell, Arlene Smyth, Carrinya Feaunati, Margot Lyons, Alice Dommett-Doyle), one by Lauren Wash (Anne De Geus, Jane Leverington, Fiona Setford, Briony Bradley, Fiona Bawden) and one by Kristen Davison (Christina Vellasamy, Alex Hill, Chloe Coles, Sue Domanski,

Rosie Blackwood, Gin Loughnam, Alexis O'Connor, Jo Robinson). Maria Buchanan captained the mixed-doubles team on a Friday morning. These teams showed continued development from players.

Winter does not stop us continuing to play interclub tennis. We currently have three mixed interclub

teams who play around the region on Sunday

afternoons.

Anne De Geus captains a Friday C grade team-'What a Racquet'- and this team combines members from Island Bay and other clubs.

Our Club is also represented in the Business House League with two teams playing on both Monday and Wednesday evenings throughout the year.



Junior Interclub

We had another great season of Junior Interclub this year. Six teams of keen young players represented Island Bay. We are so very proud of these young people and it is them that keep the future of our club looking bright! To all our junior players we hope that you have enjoyed your competitive Tennis this year and we thank your whanau and coaches for supporting you in your growth and development with Thank you to Hema Dullabh for taking on the Junior Convenor role and this incredible sport. supporting the Junior interclub teams.

The Junior Interclub Teams for 2023

Island Bay Boys A

Riki St Amand Magnus Munkacsi **Hunter Howe** Rafferty Hogan Harrison Wills

Island Bay Boys C

Harry Duff Alfie Doyle Hugo Tufferv Joshie McJorrow Thomas Ramsden

Island Bay Blue (Wellington Boys Green Hot Shots)

Zachary Elliot Edison Bordignon Theo Pithie Sami Bland Ari Weinstock **Edward Stringer**

Island Bay Girls B (Wellington Girls A)

Lola Doyle Megan Cameron Eshana Dullabh Rebecca Wash (Pictured right)

Island Bay Girls C (Wellington Girls C)

Florence Galvin (pictured below)
Zoe Lind-Thomas
Molly Bank
Shreeya Dullabh
Brooke Barrett
Summer Robertson





Island Bay Gold (Wellington Girls Green Hot Shots)

Sienna Robertson Charlotte Howell Madison Wicks Caleb Stark Patrick Fyfe

Our club also has junior members taking part in the Tennis Central Green, Yellow and Orange Leagues. This is a fortnightly competition run on a Sunday afternoon. Coaches run these events and they are a brilliant way to introduce our junior players to competitive tennis. It is a chance to learn the game in a relaxed and fun way. Thanks to David Knight for his enthusiasm and involvement in this.

We were privileged to host the Jaguar Race to the ASB Classic in November 2022. This tournament, in partnership with the Lavie Tennis Academy in Auckland, was a qualifying event for U16 & U14 players to play on Centre Court at the ASB Classic in January 2023. This was an awesome opportunity to see the pathways possible for promising young tennis players in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Tennis Projects

We have been undertaking some exciting work for some projects to enhance our member experience at our club. Thanks to the Club Committee for agreeing to \$20,000 being allocated to these projects.

We are so proud to have achieved our first project, the hitting wall. This has come about due to the expertise of club members in engineering and construction (Jared Sullivan, Chris White and Sam Atkins), as well as the generous donations from members and support for fundraisers. We are in the

process of installing a sign to thank members for their generous donations through our 'buy the block' fundraiser.

We also ran a movie fundraiser and applied for several grants to help with the finding of this project. We were successful at receiving \$15,000 of grants from The Pelorus Trust, NZCT and Pub Charity.

Thanks so much to Andrew Cameron and family for painting the wall. The mesh fence behind the wall is also being raised to prevent too many wayward balls. This has involved further Council consent and the club committee agreeing to this work being completed.



We have Landowner approval for the Lights Project and are very close to resource consent being approved. We have a fantastic site-specific plan (thanks to Lumosa) and look forward to seeing this project progress over the coming year. Once our lights have been installed, we will be resurfacing the courts. This will be the final stage of our current projects. Thanks so much to Phil Bell and Kath St Amand for their work to get this project this far. Thanks also to those of you who supported the recent Club Quiz Night, we really appreciate it.

We really appreciate our members helping to maintain our facilities with working bees and gardening. Thank-you so much to those who regularly support these efforts. Community Sport at its best!

Social Events and Awards

As well as having fun playing the game we love, we have also organised social events this year. These

have included a disco for our junior members, and tables at the Wellington Tennis Open.

We also enjoyed our annual Club Awards celebration In December. Well done to those members who were recipients in 2022.





Here's to another great year of Tennis at our Club! Go the Bay!

This is my last year as Tennis Club Captain. I will be stepping down from this role in August 2024. Please get in touch with me if you are interested in taking on this fun and rewarding role.

Coaching report

Dave Knight, Head Tennis Coach

I am very proud to be the Head Coach at Island Bay and 2022-23 proved no different. Over the past year, we lost a long-time Club coach and friend Henry Sim to "a real job" which was pretty tough but also brilliant to see him finding a pathway that really excited him going forward. Henry had been with me at Island Bay since I started in 2014 and I'm extremely thankful for the team we formed and what we achieved working together. Thanks for everything Henry.

On a better note, it was fantastic to add some French flair through Paul coming for the summer season (2023-24 edition pending!) but for highlights I can't go past the consistent efforts of coaches Alice and Lucy. Both are girls I have formerly coached at the Club and their growth in maturity, confidence and technical skills in coaching all throughout the year has been a real highlight to me. They are able to add a pleasant spark (that sometimes I lack after a full day on court!) and I thank them deeply for this infectious energy they bring to the courts.

Specific highlights for us included:

- Seeing the top men's teamwork their way into Prem 1. What a brilliant effort.
- Seeing the hitting wall go up. We still have some tweaks to make but I really love what this provides for the real tennis enthusiasts out there. I know a number of top National players who reached that level on 80%+ wall hitting in their development stage!
- Hosting the Road to ASB tournament with Seb Lavie. Seb is a good friend of mine, and it was
 fantastic to have this event at our Club. Charlotte's and Kristen's efforts in helping make this
 happen were tremendous.
- The number of juniors playing rep tennis from Island Bay- from NZ reps down to association level teams. This takes huge effort and desire so well done.
- The new faces beginning to play at the Club whether it be Orange League or interclub it is great to see people new to tennis out there and enjoying it.
- Tennis can be a family sport and I always enjoy seeing a family play together. Not many sports allow for this!

Personally, I was honoured to take the NZ junior boys' team to their qualifying event in Kuching (Malaysia) followed by an older team to Korea. This was followed by some long overdue travel (my first trip to Europe) where I did manage to make it to Roland Garros and Wimbledon – pretty special!

Thanks to Charlotte (and behind the scenes Phil) for their continued support/willingness to make things happen. The Club is truly grateful for everything that you do. Finally, thanks to those that continue to support us and have us help you on your or your child's tennis journey. Tennis can teach so much beyond the sport itself and we are honoured to be able to help you/your loved ones on this pathway!

...apologies for any stray balls/children/cones! We do our best!





Squash

Myles Sayer, Squash Club Captain

Throughout the past year, the club and squash scene has been bustling with events and achievements that have cemented our sense of community and camaraderie. After 7 years at the helm as the Squash Club Captain this is my last squash report thankfully: give me typography and image creation any day. I'd like to think that I'm standing down with the club and squash scene in a good state and with initiatives set to continue and be enhanced.

Wellington Masters

We won the right to host the 2022 Wellington Masters tournament last July, one of the major district events on the squash calendar. Overall, it was a resounding success despite the challenges of a small volunteer pool. The late-night finish allowed players to enjoy the karaoke machine, showcasing talents beyond the squash court. The event received valuable local support from division sponsors and contributors. The on-court action was highly competitive, congratulations being in order for the Champions, Sam Atkins and Jeanne Yells.

District Superchamps 2022

We only fielded 3 men's teams at District Superchamps last year but all 3 put in a great effort, with some impressive individual performances. Unfortunately, none of our teams could replicate the previous year's E grade men's success. Three of our members did, however, come out victorious as they were part of the Tawa women's B grade team that went on to win not only Districts but Nationals too.

Wellington Representatives

The club was very proud of a few members for earning Wellington Representative Honours last year. Otis Brown was selected for the Wellington Junior team to compete at Junior

Nationals



Wellington and then fellow member Bobby Stannard joined him with a late call-up. Both played their best squash in the teams' competition where they were able to showcase their talent and passion for the sport. Cheryl Sullivan and Evan Michelson were also selected for the 2022 Wellington Masters Rep team and competed in the National Masters in Hamilton. These honours were a testament to their hard work and dedication.

Milestones/Achievements

The club celebrated numerous individual, team and club milestone

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achievements throughout the last year and continue to do so. Most of these were players achieving and surpassing milestone grades, whether it was Rob McDonald going from D grade all the way to C1 or Anna Marquis-Skepetaris making it back to B1 after a long hiatus. It seemed every week another member had surpassed a milestone and made us all proud, that all their mahi was earning them the rewards.

I attribute many of these achievements to having such a good club coach. Our very own Jack Shearer won not only coach of the year at our Wellington District awards but won Development coach of the year at the New Zealand Squash Awards. Having someone like Jack, who is passionate, creative and committed to helping players improve their squash has been hugely beneficial to our club.

Not only were our individual players achieving great things but our interclub teams' performance in the 2022 winter interclub season were outstanding. Out of the 7 teams entered across the mixed and women's divisions, 5 of them made the final for their respective divisions. Out these, 3 of the teams came away with the silverware and on the back of this, Island Bay won the coveted Slazenger Cup for best club performance during the winter interclub season.

We also defended our Best Social Media title at the District Awards on the back of our entertaining and engaging Island Bay Squash Facebook group.

Our top 'Summer Masters' team got the 2023 season off to a great start by winning division 1 with a great victory in the final, showcasing the club's talent for the more experienced player.

Unfortunately, this most recent winter interclub season wasn't as successful, but we did have 3 teams make the finals once again and one of the teams, our Hot Madrases, went on to win its final away from home.

Tournaments

Island Bay players attended various tournaments locally and out of district, achieving success and bonding with each other. We are great tourists and love catching up with exmembers. This year our trips included Tauranga, now home to Nick Lowther and Tim Cen and Blenheim, expertly hosted by John Michalskis. A huge contingent from the Bay made its mark courtside on the beanbags at the NZ Squash Open in Mt Maunganui, keen to witness men's and women's top pros showcase skills we normally only glimpse on Squash TV.

Club Champs showcased great skill and willingness across all the grades and competitions. Well done to Otis Brown for winning not only the Junior Boys' but the Men's Open title after some epic matches. Jessie Ward-Thomas defended her Women's Open title before departing our shores. It finally took the pairing of Phil Kupenga and Chris White (newly eligible

master) to defeat the 4-times defending Masters Doubles champs in a thrilling 5 setter.



During summer and the pre-season, it was our turn to host the Surf City v Island Bay Club Challenge, the Ashes of New Zealand squash. Unfortunately, Surf City managed to defend its unique lifebuoy trophy. The event was a great success again for both clubs especially off court, thanks to the contributions of many players and the strong Te Rāwhiti connection in our club.

Our first tournament of the year was a One Dayer. Like last time it was a great event, featuring fantastic tight squash matches and a vibrant atmosphere throughout the day and evening. These tournaments are brilliant from an organiser's perspective as they are easier to organise and less volunteer dependent.

Once again, we hosted the first round of the Squash Wellington Junior 9Hundy & Below series, providing young players with a fun and competitive experience, including 3 of our own junior boys. It'd be great if we had a few more coming through, especially girls.

This year's Island Bay Open was the season highlight and probably the best under my administration, attracting new and returning players who showcased some thrilling squash action. It was a big moment for us when Otis got the upset over the top seed in the Men's Open division semi-final. Huge thanks to the tournament sponsors and member contributions, as without the support and funding we wouldn't be able to run the tournament. Open winners were James Thompson who defended his title and first-time winner

Samantha

Douglas.

Social Squash and Events

Attendance numbers to our weekly Monday club night continued to be light unfortunately compared to what it was regularly getting two years ago. Unsure what the reasons are, as not much has changed between now and then, except possibly greater tournament participation at the weekend leading to tired legs on Mondays. The smaller numbers of participants do result in more court time, however, for those that do turn up, so not all bad.

Bay Jams social nights started last year and was a hit, bringing together ex and life members, as well as current members, to enjoy music, kai, and a great time. This great initiative came from the Tuesday night Bay crew lead by Petelo, Waz & Dame etc. Because these nights were so much fun, we continued to use these as the after-party entertainment at the conclusion of our tournaments.

The Masterchef Curry Night was another highlight event once again, featuring talented home chefs presenting their delicious curry creations. The club enjoyed a night of fun and camaraderie, with Akhil Warrier crowned as the IB Masterchef Curry King. For this addition everyone was a judge, which made everyone feel more involved and a fairer competition.

Social Intraclub was a great success, with high weekly participation and friendly competition. The Nations Cup-themed finals night was a highlight, featuring players in national colours and tactical power play decisions. Once again, the trend for our social Intraclub competitions was that the spring competition had higher interest and attendance numbers than the summer version, due to immediately following the second Squash 101 intake.



Junior & Adult Programmes

Many thanks to all our volunteer coaches and organisers who dedicated time to help our next crop of players improve their skills and gain more confidence to play the sport we love, whether it be our after school junior programme, Squash 101 or Wāhine nights. Two of our most recent Squash 101 graduates are now regular Wāhine night attendees and playing in tournaments. Bravo!

Outro

It's been a real honour being the squash club captain over all these years as it's been hugely rewarding and given me an excuse to get out from behind my computer. In saying this, I strongly encourage you to get in behind and support the next and future squash club captains as it's a massive job for one person. Put your hand up to do more than, say 1 or 2 hours of TC or bar once or twice a year by stepping up and coming onto the management committee or helping form a separate squash committee or working group to bear the load. You should want to give back to the club and squash community that has given you and will give you so much in return. Take a look at all the other best clubs around: they have a group of people that help organise and run events and competitions not just one key person. Your club needs you!





Grants, Fundraising & Sponsorship

Lauren Wash, Secretary

Over the last year we have made many grant applications to help with club projects.

We were grateful to receive:

- \$5000 from New Zealand Community Trust towards the tennis hitting wall, and
- \$5000 from Pub Charity towards the tennis hitting wall.

We have been working on updating our building and maintenance plan at the club and have a few major projects that we want to achieve, including tennis lights (project team in place for these) and replacing the squash walls, lights and floors.

The club has confirmed a contribution of \$20,000 to both tennis and squash towards these major projects but we will need community grants.

Over the next year our focus will be on grant applications for these projects; but we need some help from members, contact me on secretary@islandbaytsc.org.nz and let's make these projects a reality!

Fundraising

- Our 2022 quiz and auction raised nearly \$4,500 towards our tennis hitting wall,
- This year's quiz raised \$3,800 towards tennis projects,
- Our movie night in March "What's Love got to do with it" raised nearly \$800 towards the hitting wall, and
- Buy a block for the tennis hitting wall made \$1050.

Please get in touch if you have any fundraising ideas.



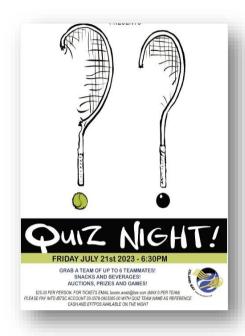






As part of our grant applications for these major tennis and squash projects, we need to show that we are actively fundraising, so all ideas and support are very welcome.

Sponsorship





Over 2022/23 year we have been grateful for the ongoing support from New World Island Bay who are our current silver

sponsor. Please support them in return.

If your business needs some fresh, new advertising, we have a current opportunity for both Gold and Bronze sponsorships.

Email our club manager Renee Bell on clubmanagerisbtsc@gmail.com for more information. We can provide flexible options based on what works for you or your business.

With nearly 400 members and popular social media outlets we have a wide-reaching audience.

The Committee would like to thank the members who have helped and supported our fundraising activities over the past year. Without this help, we simply would not have the funding to provide the facilities, activities and programmes for our community.

Special mention to:

- Sullivan Consulting
- Renovations and Redesigns
- Lloyd Richardson
- Mahony Horner Lawyers
- Empire Cinema
- Milne print
- Juliette Best art for donations to our annual Quiz
- Anne De Geus from Andy G Just Sew for tennis net repairs
- Local retailers in Island Bay and Newtown for donations to 2023 Quiz and Fundraiser
- Buy a Block fundraiser, for hitting wall, you know who you are
- Dion Basile for plastering walls insider foyer
- Mick Ede for being our on call plumber and handyperson, and
- Cameron family for providing paint and labour for the tennis hitting wall.

Infrastructure & Maintenance

Gerard Elkink, Committee Chairperson

The past year has been a period of completing previously started projects, continuing work for ongoing projects, and maintaining what we already have. Whilst not very exciting to look at the results of this work nevertheless represent a lot of effort on the part of the people looking after them and these people deserve our sincere thanks.

Provision of lighting for the tennis courts is our biggest project at the moment and has taken many hours of work by Phil, Charlotte and the rest of the Lights Committee, to coordinate design work, meetings with Wellington City Council for planning permission and of course, fundraising. The work is still going on, but progress is steady.

The tennis hitting wall was completed in April 2023.

Work to resurface the observation deck was begun earlier this year by people from BNU as part of their agreement to assist with maintenance. The area was water-blasted in preparation for the application of traffic guard, but this did reveal a few areas of concern round the windows where water seems to be entering and causing the underlying wood to rot. This will need some attention so that the membrane will last longer than a few years. There are also a few places where holes could start due to deck fastening starting to push up through the existing membrane. More investigation is required. Note that we will be liable if water starts to leak into the Services Club area.

There have been some problems with the galvanised iron building roof leaking water into the women's changing area. We have had various people looking at possible solutions. One of these was to replace the entire roof, at considerable cost, but it seems that we may be able to get by with a repair. Work on this is continuing.

As a sign of the times, our internet connection which links the bar Eftpos system to the world, was moved from copper to fibre after a last-minute communication from Chorus telling us that they would no longer support the old technology.

A topic that came up for discussion recently was that of hiring companies to do various jobs round the club that in the past would have been done by volunteers as part of a working bee. This is something that will need to be addressed in the future as members find themselves less able to assist directly due to time and skill constraints. The main issue is the money to fund the work, and how to get it.

In conclusion, thanks to all Committee and club members (and those helpers that are neither) who put in so much hard work in ensuring that our facilities remain in good condition.



Bar and Social

Dayne Far, Bar Manager

The bar continues to be able to provide a diverse range of choices to members and visitors to the club; thanks to strong patronage from club members, visitors and BNU. If you're looking for a venue to host a private event, remember that the club is an option. Just reach out to me if you wish to make any enquiries.

This past summer both the main and secondary fridge broke down which caused some concern. Both were remedied, but it was a timely reminder the bar needs to be kept clean, tidy and uncluttered. Product should not be tucked up against the single door fridge as this restricts airflow.

As a general reminder to members, please remember that the bar is for all members. So, keeping the bar tidy and stocked should be everyone's responsibility. If you're using the bar, please remember to turn the glass washer on when you open the bar so any glasses can be put through it before you leave. It only takes a couple of minutes to run the cycle, so if you're unsure please ask someone. Also, if you can have a quick look and restock before you leave it would mean that members coming in after you aren't greeted with an empty fridge. It only takes a few minutes to do and ensures that we are actually making proper use of our stock.

The club is currently investigating the use of Paywave at the club. There are also still upgrades that the bar needs with a new fridge and glass washer the highest priorities. We have recently installed a pc at the club which can be used to play Spotify. Please let me know if you have questions about using it – but I ask that members not install other programs/use it for other purposes. If it is misused, then it'll get removed or turned into a kiosk (like the Helloclub computer downstairs which only has a singular purpose).

If there's anything you'd like to see from the bar, just reach out and ask. Cheers!



AGM 2022 - Minutes

Meeting Date: Sunday 28th August at 4pm

Chairperson: Gerard Elkink

Attendees: Andrew Munkacsi, Gerard Elkink, Charlotte Bell, Myles Sayer, Paul Hodder, Lauren Wash, Henry Sim, Margot Lyons, Helen Mackay, Ramon Das, John Harrison, Michael Chung, Catherine Sayer, Andrew Cameron, Kristen Davison, Alex Hill, Mick Ede, Eamonn Kelly, Anne De Geus, Damien Sua, David Eng.

1. **Apologies:** none received

- 2. **Previous Minutes from AGM 2021,** proposed that the minutes of the 2021 AGM be accepted as a true and correct record. Harry and seconded by Lauren
- 3. **Report approved**, sent out with agenda and copies available at AGM.
- 4. **President's Report.** Nothing to add since report
- 5. **Financial Report.** Nothing to add since report
- 6. Membership Report
- 7. **Questions on other reports in Annual Report.** No questions asked.
- 8. **Election of Officers,** read out by Gerard and not contested.
- 9. **Non-management Committee roles**. Kristen voted in by CB and seconded by LW to run social media and website. No other nominations received.
 - Gerard gave his thanks to the committee for their hard work over the last year.
 - Andy reiterated Gerard comments and noted membership numbers reduced due to people relocating cities not to different clubs.
- 10. General business. Ramon informed members that New World in Island Bay will continue to provide some sponsorship in the form of a voucher that we can use to cater fundraising events. Query regarding outcome of a squash disciplinary incident. Members reassured this has been discussed and measures taken. We have to protect the privacy of people involved so this will not be shared with members. However, we also want club members to know that we take misconduct complaints seriously so agreed going forward our club Code of Conduct and complaints procedure needs to be more visual around the club.

Tennis lights Sub-Committee meeting is on 7th September, email Charlotte if keen to join this group and appreciate members supporting our fundraising efforts like our Quiz in September. Hitting wall, this will involve minimal disruption to courts, awaiting on grant applications. Meeting closed. 4.25pm.

ELECTION - MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ROLES

Position	Nominee	Nominated/Seconded
President	Andrew Munkacsi	Committee
Vice President	Gerard Elkink	Committee
Secretary	Lauren Wash	Committee
Membership Secretary	Henry Sim	Committee
Treasurer	Paul Hodder	Committee
Tennis Club Captain	Charlotte Bell	Committee
Squash Club Captain	Myles Sayer	Committee
Management Committee Member	Helen MacKay	Committee
(health, safety, legal, conduct)		
Management Committee Member	Margot Lyons	Committee
	Ramon Das	
Other Management committee positions (x2)	Kristen Davison	Charlotte Bell, Lauren Wash

MANAGEMENT APPOINTED ROLES

Position	Management appointee	Management Committee member
Bar Manager	Dayne Far	yes
Club Manager	Henry Sim	yes
Club Statistician	Myles Sayer	N/A