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Bar Hours

Mon	5pm - 9pm
Tue	5pm - 10pm*
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Thu	5pm - 10pm
Fri	5pm - 8pm
Weekends	As required

Pro Shop Hours

Mon	5pm - 9pm
Tue	5pm - 10pm*
Wed	5pm - 10pm*
Thu	5pm - 10pm
Fri	5pm - 8pm
Weekends	By appointment

During Tournaments

*During interclub activity

SPONSORS OF THE WEEK

A-Z FLOORING

Again, A-Z Flooring have come to the party supporting Tawa Squash by sponsoring the Tawa Open again. Many years of support on and off the court by Malcolm, Nicola and family has helped make Tawa the biggest (by members) and friendliest club in Wellington. Check the A-Z Flooring website to see how they can help you.

<http://www.azflooring.co.nz/>



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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING THIS SUNDAY

As earlier notified, we are holding a Special General Meeting this Sunday 29th April from 12 noon – 1pm to update the constitution and to elect a committee for the rest of 2018. This was postponed from the AGM last December. All full members are welcome to participate and vote for a new committee to keep us at the forefront of Wellington Squash.

JOIN THE TEAM

How would you like to help run the 2017 Squash Wellington Club of the Year?

We have more squash members than any other club in the region (by far), we have the friendliest members, and we run fantastic events. But there is always room for new blood and new ideas on our committee. Details are on the club notice board or reply to this email if you would like more information.

WORKING BEE – only small jobs but plenty of them from 1:30pm Sunday 29th

After the SGM on Sunday we are hoping to get enough volunteers along to knock off a few minor jobs. Only an hour of your time is required (although we will not turn you away if you are happy to stay longer) and tasks will involve mainly cleaning – eg walls, oven, skirting boards, bar shelves, fly trap and windows. Also graffiti removal, water blasting, gardening and pruning are likely to be done. This will begin after the conclusion of Sundays SGM. Every little bit of help makes a difference. Lots of little bits make a big difference.

COURT BOOKING SYSTEM

DID YOU KNOW that the names on the live key tags being used on each individual court appears on the booking screen during their current active session? So the person/people who have booked the court will only be visible if you click on the live court session. This is great if you want to see who is on court when you are away from the courts. However this has caused a bit of confusion when members turn up and look at the court booking after their session has begun. If someone is still on court this will show names different to those who have booked.

A-Z Flooring Tawa Open Tournament

The Tawa Open is well over half full and there are still two more weeks to go before entry cut off. The men's draw will be headed by Commonwealth Games Rep Evan Williams fresh from his memorable time at the Gold Coast event so there will be some top quality squash on show. We will obviously be limiting numbers – we can only cater for so many with three courts – so get in now to help secure your spot. Details and entries are on the notice board downstairs or on iSquash at <https://www.squash.org.nz/sit/homepage>

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 4th May

Successful Squash Open Day

Tawa Squash had a successful day supporting the Squash NZ open day initiative as we signed up 12 new members. There was great support from many members who turned up to provide a typical Tawa welcome which contributed significantly to the success.

Ex Stalwart Harry Gregson passes away

On following up on the wellbeing of one of our longest ever serving members, if not the longest, it was with much sadness that we found out from his widow, Margaret, that Harry has passed away. Harry had developed dementia and died last September after 2 years in a rest home in Whitby. Harry was a regular at Tawa Squash club nights showing off his deft touches, particularly specialising in cross court drops, boasts and high lobs. Harry would hit with anyone, and helped many beginners and competent players alike to improve their racket skills and understanding of key tactics. The clubs sympathies and best wishes have been relayed to Harry's family.



Kitchen Alterations

Next month will see the replacement of the kitchen counter. It is being moved forward slightly into the bar area providing more space in the kitchen, a new benchtop is being fitted, a corrugated iron matching fascia will be added, and sliding draws will replace the shelves underneath. There may be a little inconvenience while being constructed but we will endeavour to keep this to a minimum.



Bryan Smith President



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Nikki Farmer Jnr Cnvnr



Louise Sinclair Vice Pres



Richie Hoare Developmnt



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Winter Interclub starts next month

Winter Interclub begins mid May and lasts for 10 weeks. Last winter we had a brilliant response to this event and entered more teams than we have for more than a decade. This year looks like being similar. There will be 6 or 7 in each team which will cover injury, illness and other unscheduled events. The cost is \$150 per team (\$20-\$25 each). Entries close 5th May. To enter, put your name on the notice board downstairs at the club. The men's competition is Tuesdays, while Women's and Men's Masters is Wednesday.

Thanks a Million to... *all the volunteers who helped run the Open Day* – with the fear of overlooking someone names won't be listed but a special acknowledgement goes out to the Farmer family – Nikki, Scott, Maddy and Flynn for a significant effort, something we often experience from this neat family. You'll go a long way to find better club members. Also to Graham Street for mowing the lawns the week before the open day in the middle of an extremely busy time for him. Thanks to you all.

Entertainment Books have arrived

The physical books are currently at the club so if you are in the market for \$100's of savings you can collect one at the bar for \$65. You can check the participating businesses online at <https://online.flippingbook.com/view/196241/>. Every book sold provides a \$13 reward to Tawa Squash if the club is nominated as your "fundraising activity". All money raised will go towards extending our digital scoring system to all courts.

Welcome to our latest new members

Aided by a successful open day, we are pleased to welcome the following full senior members: *Hastin Ramadeen, Jacques & Shareen Botha, Jarrad Sloper, John Clark, Katie Townshend, Kylie Summers, Ranui Robertson, Leanne Stokes, Luisa Zigliani, Murray Knight, Nathan Gorte, and Rowena Burton*

And new juniors *Luke Van Diggele, Amelia Clark, Cooper McCuan, Elena Hogg, Jackson McCuan, Jacob Winter, Jeandre Botha, Kasey McCuan, Shanique Botha and Skylar Potgieter*

Also to new pay to play member *Paul Shoemark* and returning as a midweek member is *Tere Wilson*.

'Welcome, and may our existing members make you feel that this is where you belong'

Court Booking Rules

A reminder to all members regarding Block Booking of Courts.

Block bookings are not allowed except under certain circumstances.

Two courts booked at the same time or two courts booked consecutively both constitute "block booking". Courts shall be block booked "as an event" for club nights, interclub and tournaments. All block bookings for school coaching, outside groups (eg scouts), team trainings or for any individual requirements needs the prior approval of the Club Manager. During peak hours however the booking system prevents members booking two consecutive or simultaneous courts.

Our booking rules can be found at <http://tawasquash.weebly.com/court-booking-rules.html>

What's on

Friday Junior Club Nights resume Friday 4th May 5pm - 7pm, Members free, non members \$5. Small nix 5-8 yr olds 5pm-5:30pm FREE

Monday Senior Club Nights Mondays 7:00 – 9:00pm, free

"The Borough" sponsored Mums n' Bubs Thursdays (9:30am) \$5, full members free

A-Z Flooring Tawa Open Tournament May 10th-14th

Next Working Bee Sunday April 29th

Special General Meeting Sunday April 29th 12pm – 1pm

Winter Interclub Entries cut off Saturday 5th May

Thanks to our Sponsors

Please support our Sponsors as they provide immense help to our Club

