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Friday(ish) Flash – 15th January 2010

Welcome all, in this edition:

- Summer competitions
- Midweek rosters -repeated
- Vouchers
- Steamboat Tournament
- Finally – PLAYER PROFILE

COMPETITIONS

SUMMER NIGHT COMPETITION

Blair Gleeson Memorial Trophy – B Grade Night Competition.

Competition will begin Tuesday 2nd February.

Teams consist of 2 men and 2 women – B grade players only.

Entries to Lynne Campbell 348 2373 (away 16th – 30th Jan) or Les Wright.

Entries close 6 p.m. Saturday 30th January.

\$40.00 per team payable first night of play.

Entry forms on noticeboard – please complete in full.

A-grade

Volunteer required to organise the post-christmas a-grade competition. Previous organiser acknowledged as the worst ever and will be scuttling back into his shell forthwith. Qualities required – must be: stubborn, ruthless, sympathetic, organised, dictatorial, democratic, accurate with figures, able to fudge figures, gud at spelinge, open to bribes and incorruptible. Please e-mail Friday Flash with expressions of interest. Selection will be by way of rigorous examination of qualifications, by which I mean that the first applicant gets the job.

Midweek Rosters

February 10

Tue 2 Dawn Wright and Wigs A-Tweed
Thu 4 John Williams and Carron Thompson
Tue 9 Margaret Costello and Pam Watson
Thu 11 Doreen Jennings and Paul Rayner
Tue 16 Garth Gilbert and Les Wright
Thu 18 Graham Tyler and John Goldsmith
Tue 23 Anne Rowe and Angela Tweedale
Thu 25 Marama Hihira and Tom Brock
March 10

Tue 2 Dawn Wright and Kathy Raisin
Thu 4 Margaret Fox and Marama Hihira
Tue 9 Nancy Ingle and Margaret Roddick
Thu 11 John Williams and Carron Thompson
Tue 16 Margaret Costello and Pam Watson
Thu 18 Doreen Jennings and Paul Rayner
Tue 23 Garth Gilbert and Les Wright
Thu 25 Graham Tyler and John Goldsmith
Tue 30 Anne Rowe and Angela Tweedale
April 10

Thu 1 Margaret Fox and Marama Hihira
Tue 6 Wigs A-Tweed and Wayne Costello
Thu 8 John Williams and Carron Thompson
Tue 13 Margaret Costello and Margaret Bannerman
Thu 15 Doreen Jennings and Paul Rayner
Tue 20 Garth Gilbert and Les Wright
Thu 22 Graham Tyler and John Goldsmith
Tue 27 Nancy Ingle and Vic Grubi
Thu 29 Bernie Hearn and Tom Brock



**GREAT VOUCHER
DEALS!!**

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LIVE VOUCHER

Steamboat Tournament

Don't forget to get your entries in for the Steamboat Tournament, which will be held on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th January. There will be a Yankee event on the Friday night as a warm-up. Download your entry form from the club web-site.

Make sure you get aboard the Waimarie on the Saturday night for a night of food, fun and frivolity. Sing along to old jazz favourites such as 'Jailhouse Rock' and 'Bohemian

Rhapsody'. Michael Smythe has promised a dry night and enlisted the help of Paul Cornish in this matter, so we can all have a good laugh when the heavens open up.

Normally \$45 just for the cruise, this event offers a barbeque and live music for the same price, so those with an eye for a bargain will be knocking each other off the gangway to get a seat.

N.B. 'Dry night' = 'Not raining'. We don't want to discourage the alcoholics.

FINALLY

Player profile: David Fortescue Hyacinth Butters



Noted for his sticky-out ears and goofy smile, David Butters has overcome these obvious impediments to become a successful entrepreneur, club president and family man. With his marketing company, Maxkatt, powering the NZ economy forward, a succession of premiers have frequently looked toward the Butters intellectual powerhouse to assist in the smooth running of the country. It would not be an overstatement to say that New Zealand is the country it is today largely due to the Butters input.

On the tennis front, he has somehow managed to spawn a whole crop of talented offspring, lead by young Kyle, but closely followed by Sam and Paris. This is all the more surprising as anyone who has seen Dave play can testify. With his strange twisty, flippy service style and his total lack of a volley, backhand, smash or lob, the origins of the talent in the rest of the Butters clan are shrouded in mystery.

As president of the Wanganui club, Dave has done an exemplary job. With a surprising blend of enthusiasm, apathy and levity, Dave is the man who gets things done. There are few members of the club that have not been cajoled into volunteering for some good cause or other by the force of the Butters personality. Here is a man that knows what needs to be done to get things done, and the club has reaped the benefits.

Well done, Dave and long may you reign. With new arrival Jack the latest addition to the family, the Butters dynasty is set to continue for a few generations yet.

Enjoy your tennis.

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