

March 2011



Upcoming Events and Tournaments

- March - Clubs will receive Super League and Inter-club information
- April 8-10 Hastings Open
- April 22-24 HBSRC Eastern Open
- April - Clubs will receive the Super League and Inter-club draws
- April 29—May 1 Waipukurau Open
- May 6-8 G & H Training Pot at Havelock North and Hastings Clubs
- May - HB and Gisborne Secondary School competition starts

Newsletter

What are Squash Eastern up to...

- **Squash Eastern Board Poster -** Squash Eastern would like to thank Sean O'Connor of Print Solutions (and a committee member of HB Lawn Tennis and Squash Club) for his valuable help in putting the poster together. It is designed to help you understand some of the things we do as a Board on YOUR behalf, and to let you know who is on the Board. Check out



your club notice-board!

- **Strategic and Annual Plans** have been completed and are available for you to view through our website. These will give you a more in-depth look at some of the things we do.

- **Squash Eastern Website** - thanks to our webmaster Campbell Angus for the recent upgrade. Information is available on all clubs in our area on this website, so make sure it's current! Check it out:

www.squasheastern.co.nz

Coaching and Refereeing

National Coaching Workshops 2011.

These will take place in Auckland on Saturday April 2nd and Christchurch (this may be changed!) on Sunday April 3rd. Registrations close on March 18th. If

you are interested, we would love to offer some assistance.

Email Squash Eastern administrator Gay Atkins: admin@squasheastern.co.nz for more info.

Referee Courses

Board member Joel Le Comte has offered to run some of these necessary courses.

It is planned to hold a course at a Napier and a Hastings venue pre-interclub—what a good idea!

What Can Clubs and Club Members do?

Photos - please take photos at all and any squash events and send the best ones in.

Let's promote our great sport!

Havelock North are trialling a new keyless entry system which will eventually lead to clubs being able to take member and casual bookings via the internet. More info is available on our website.

Watch this space!!!

- **Waipukurau** Open tournament on April 29 to May 1st. This club have put in a lot of hard work over the past few months. Squash Eastern are asking other clubs in the region to get behind Waipukurau and **support this tournament**. Please get a group together from your club and head down to CHB for a great week-end!!!
 - **We** are advertising our website as the first port-of-call for anything squash related. Please check that your club's info is recent, and remember to send us your latest club **Newsletters, photos, innovative ideas** that your club have or anything that is working well that you could share with other clubs.
 - **Interclub** - just a gentle reminder to players wanting to play Interclub. This is a **social as well as a competitive** night, so bring supper if you are required to and please stay and socialise with your opponent. This is what squash is all about!
 - **The** Hawke's Bay Secondary School comp attracts large numbers. Potentially there could be a lot of **new young members** for clubs to gain, if we put our thinking caps on! We will send out to all clubs examples of brochures which could be given out to every team member. There were 47 school teams (of 4 or 5 players) last year.
 - Club members should also try to be more welcoming and patient—these youngsters are our future! We welcome any ideas your club might have on attracting new members too!
 - **Fundraising** - Squash Eastern are keen on organising some type of fundraiser to help send regional teams to Nationals. Any ideas welcome!
 - **Micro-courts** - we are seeking someone to take the Micro-courts to primary schools in the Napier and Hastings areas. More info on the website.
 - **Scoring** - there are changes to the Point A Rally scoring system that you should be aware of. Check out the website.
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