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Newsletter

The following is a summary of the events that took place at TTTA and elsewhere in the Table Tennis World during January 2025.

Around the Club

Most activities were back to normal in early January, with Coach Olav starting training activities from 7th January, and Monday Social Seniors back on the 20th.

Wednesday nights kicked back in with some battles for cash events, and Fixtures starting as a Teams format from 5th February.

The club held a "Come'n'Try" day on Saturday 24th and we had a good flow of both Junior and Senior potential new players. Another "Come'n'Try" day is set for 15th February.

The new Committee held the first meeting of 2025, and the first order of business was to ratify Kyle Ricks in the position of Secretary of the club. Kyle was a post AGM nomination for the position.

Our club, along with the Mackay Association has arranged a weekend in Mackay for some Social / Semi-serious play and it looks like it has also attracted some players from Rockhampton as well.

Mackay has a strong Social Seniors group, and the club hopes some of our social seniors may like to involve themselves for a day or two of table tennis in Mackay.

Vale Rick Lee

I was informed in late January that Rick Lee passed just prior to Christmas (Heart failure and rapid onset of dementia).

Rick was cremated and wished for his ashes to be spread across a local golf course.

Rick is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Helga, and son Dale.

Upcoming Tournaments and Events

The following are the local events scheduled for the North in the first half of the year, with the two main Queensland events in bold.

Chinese New Year Tournament - February 1st

Townsville v Mackay Annual Battle - February 22nd/23rd (**Apologies - Incorrect Dates listed in December Newsletter**)

Townsville International Women's Day – March 8th

Rapid Fire Business Battle – March 21st

Qld Junior – Moreton Bay – April 15th / 18th

Townsville Open – May 3rd / 5th

Mackay Open May 31st / June 2nd

Qld Veterans – Moreton Bay – July 16th / 19th

For all event dates, check TTQ website or our own Calendar at [Calendar and Events - Townsville Table Tennis](#)

Sausage Sizzles

We have the following dates locked in for Fundraising at Bunnings Fairfield Waters.

2nd March, 25th May.

2024 Queensland Ranking – Townsville Members

In late December, TTQ published the Player Rankings for 2024. They are as follows:

Senior

Men: Olav Dahl (7)

Women: Jeraine Sebastian (4)

Youth (U21)

Men: Justin Zheng (7) Justin Cheung (8)

Women: Sophie Conroy (5)

Junior

U19

Boys: Mischa von Mellenthin (9)

Girls: Taleisha Gaeta (2)

U17

Boys: Jaemon Groves (7)

Girls: Taleisha Gaeta (3)

Manasee Sivayoganathan (8)

U15

Boys: Justin Zheng (4)

Girls: Sophie Conroy (9)

U13

Boys: Zavian Smith (6)

Girls: Manasee Sivayoganathan (3)

Sophie Conroy (6)

U11

Boys: Jason Yoo (5) Felix Dahl (9)

Girls: Aarohi Achar (7)

Veterans

O30

Men: Venkat Vangaveti (8)

Women: Jeraine Sebastian (1)

Pippa-louise Trass (2)

O40

Men: Venkat Vangaveti (2)

Women: Pippa-louise Trass (4)

O60

Men: Max Wellington (1)

O65

Men: John Sherriff (3)

O70

Men: John Sherriff (1) Mike Summers (5)

Morrie Bligh (9)

O75

Men: Harry Bligh (4) Morrie Bligh (6)

O80

Men Harry Bligh (3) Morrie Bligh (4)

That's all for this edition, until next month.

The Tigers Tail