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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 August 2026.

Vale Brian Harrison

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Life Member Brian Harrison.

Brian passed away peacefully on Monday 27th July 2026, aged 96. Brian is survived by Murray and Bronwyn and their respective families.

2026 National Junior Championships

Congratulations to Aarohi Achar on her selection in the Queensland team to complete at next month's championships.

2026 National Veterans Championships

Congratulations to Therese Chappell, Marianne Orman, Mike Summers, John Sherriff, and Harry Bligh for their selection in the Queensland team to compete at the Nationals in October.

TTA Tour – QLD – 22nd / 23rd August

Taleisha Gaeta, Aarohi Achar and Manasee Sivayoganathan, together with coach Alan Walsh, travelled south to represent Townsville at the event.

Aarohi competed in her first-ever TTA Tour. At just Under 12, she stepped up to compete in both the Under 13 and Under 15 Girls' Singles, including a win in her Under 15 group.

Manasee competed in the Under 15 Girls' Singles and produced some very close matches against highly ranked opponents, showing great fight throughout the competition.

Taleisha had an outstanding tournament and brought home two medals:

Gold - Under 19 Girls' Singles

Silver - Under 21 Women's Singles

2026 Queensland Veterans Championships

Further to the Teams and Individual results from the event, Therese Chappell was awarded the Presidents Shield for Women and Venkat Vangaveti was awarded the Russell Bond Memorial Shield for O40 Men.

Around the Club

Therese and Paul Chappell, and Angie Pace travelled down to Toowoomba for their Open, but no results to hand yet.

More information and photos are available on out club Facebook page.

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Upcoming Tournaments and Events

All the ***QLD*** Events will be held at the South Pine Sports Complex

Friday Night Social Tournament – 4th Sept

~~Qld Veterans Open Teams – 4th / 6th Sept – Bundaberg -~~ Cancelled

Cairns Open – 19th / 20th September

Junior Training Camp – 22nd / 25th Sept

National Hopes Tour – Moreton Bay – 21st / 25th September

The Battle – The Stan Walmsley Cup - Townsville - 26th September

Australian Junior Championships – 27th Sept / 3rd Oct – Moreton Bay

Australian Veterans – 17th / 24th October – Albury NSW

Business Battle – 30th October

Townsville Closed and Aged – 14th / 15th November

Queensland Open 28th / 29th November

AGM and Presentation of Trophies – 6th December – Centenary Hotel

For all event dates, check TTQ website at Events - Table Tennis Queensland or our own Calendar at Calendar and Events - Townsville Table Tennis

Sausage Sizzles

We have been given opportunities for fundraising at Bunnings Fairfield Waters as follows.

22nd November (Sun)

Trivia

This planet and all (well, some) of its inhabitants are beautiful. I hope you're able to remember this on your toughest days.

Remember that we live on a planet where trees warn each other of danger through a fungal network.

Where Octopuses Dream.

Where Elephants return to the bones of the deceased to stand over them in silence.

Where Bees use dance to communicate where to fly and where the flowers are.

Where Crows (and Magpies) remember the faces of those who were cruel to them and pass that memory to their babies.

Where Ants build cities.

Where Cats purr at a frequency that accelerates the healing of bones.

Where after a forest fire, the first thing the earth does is grow flowers

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

The Tigers Tail