# ACROSS THE ROARE

StHelens24 on 18/05/2024

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# **Results from round 8**

1	Botty Emilth	-		
-	Betty Smith	1	+368	
5	Jon Ford-King	6	+497	
	Margaret Griggs			
4	Margaret Bishop	4	+227	
5	Khen Meerding	4	+221	
6	Marion Merickel	4	-175	
7	Jan Hill	4	-184	
8	Maree Swanson	3	-499	
9	Etty Meerding	2	-229	
10	Leonie Balsley	1	-415	
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н	igh word: Betty !		hith RELAYED 104	EGUI

In the St Helens (Tasmania) Saturday tournament held 18 May, 93 year old Betty Smith took out first place winning 7 out of 8 games against a formidable field.

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Closing date for contributions to next issue of Across the Board 7 August 2024

# CASPA COORDINATOR'S REPORT 2024 Carol Johnsen

# Major points discussed at the Annual General Meeting of CASPA held in South Perth Community Centre on Good Friday, 29 March 2024

# Australian National Championship

Congratulations to Naween Fernando 2023 Champion

# Masters/State Team Challenge 2023

Congratulations to Edward Okulicz, Masters Champion and to the Queensland team of Liz Blanch, Sheryl Davidson and Jane Brown.

# WESPAC 2023

Congratulations to David Eldar, his second time as World Champion (last time 2017) held in Las Vegas.

# WESPA YOUTH 2023

Great efforts in Trang, Thailand from Ronnie Bennett (15th), Ashwin Page (37th), Vinh Nguyen (55th) and Kelvin Korn (90th).

Thank you to Tony Hunt and Tsa Ng for their continued efforts in this regard.

# **ALCHEMIST CUP**

A shame that Michael Tang has now cancelled this very popular event.

# WORD LIST

CASPA Presidents have voted that CSW21 be the accepted word list.

# **CHRIS MAY MEMORIAL BOARD**

CASPA Presidents have agreed that a memorial trophy/prize be presented at the Nationals each year.

# **Receiving ATB**

Our magazine, *Across the Board (ATB)* is produced as a PDF. If you wish to receive a hard copy (ie printed) please contact your State Membership Officer to discuss delivery options.

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# Around the States

# ACT

# CSW 21 Word List

Scrabble ACT members recently voted overwhelmingly to move from the CSW19 wordlist to CSW21. In 2022 a decision had been made in favour of CSW19 but this was overturned by the follow-up poll in February this year. Our first tournament using CSW21 was held at the end of February.

# **Recent tournaments**

Our 8-game Tournament on Saturday 24 February attracted 12 players, with the top three players each achieving 6 wins:

John Hamilton Karen Richards Tim Reddan

High game went to John Hamilton (601); high word to Karen Richards for **ZILAS** (99); and highest rating gain to Lexia Smallwood with +44 (to 1180).

Twelve contestants attended our Tournament on Saturday 16 March, with top three places going to:

John Spaan (8 wins out of 8 games) Tim Reddan (7 wins) Tony Hunt (6 wins)

High game went to John Spaan (587); high word to John Spaan for **BRONZES** (128); and Rebecca Hill had the highest rating gain with + 56 (to 1024).

Our most recent tournament was held on Sunday 7 May, comprising 8 games and with 10 players. The first three places went to:

Noel Barrett (8 wins) John Hamilton (7 wins) John Spaan (6 wins)

High game was claimed by two players, Ronnie Bennett and John Hamilton (565); high word to John Hamilton **BOUDERIE** (140); and highest rating gain to Noel Barrett with +53 (to 1513).

# **Future Tournaments**

Our Committee recently agreed tournament dates for the rest of the year as follows:

Sunday 23 June 2024

Saturday 13 July 2024 (our AGM Tournament) Saturday 17 August 2024

Saturday 21 September 2024

Saturday 19 October 2024

Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 November 2024 (ACT Championships)

All enquiries should be directed to Tim Reddan: treddan@iinet.net.au 02 6179 5000

# New South Wales

# **Tournament Roundup**

Eight face-to-face tournaments were held during the quarter in eight different locations and in assorted formats.

The first of these was the Wollongong Round Robin on 18th February. 55 players made the trip to the Collegians Club, Wollongong where Graeme Lock Lee took on the role of nonplaying director. Winners of the various divisions were Ryan Sutton (A), Kerry Constable (B), Sharon Sorensen (C), Vinh Nguyen (D) and Devorah Ullman (E). Vinh Nguyen achieved the high score of the day with **SQUINTS** for 136 while John Holgate had the highest game score with 519.

A week later we moved to Club Burwood RSL for the annual Matchplay Qualifier. 33 players played 8 games to determine who would take part in the head-head playoffs during the year. A Division saw Greg Pinchbeck win over spread from Rod Talbot, while in B Division, Steven Savona had a clean sweep to win over Asanka Dissanayake and Peter Griffiths, both on 6 wins. Noel Barrett scored the high word with **FIANCEES** for 173, while relative newcome Asanka Dissanayake had the high game score of 623.

Next it was back down south to the Bomaderry Bowling Club for the Bomaderry Club's annual event. The numbers were down to 28, despite players from both Queensland and ACT making the trip. In A Division Bob Jackman won narrowly by spread over Rod Talbot with 6 wins each, with Karen Richards down from Brisbane taking third place. Karen also notched up high word with **CLADDING** for 108. In B Division Caroline Scowcroft across from Canberra had a clean sweep with 8 wins over Natalie Tadday and Jule Banister, both on 4 wins. In C Division local lad Greg Hopson prevailed over Terry Horan (ACT) and evergreen Sunny Wright. The high game of the day went to Joanne Craig with a score of 562.

Two weeks later it was up to the beautiful lakeside home of your trusty editor Richard Birch and his good wife Colleen for the Lake Macquarie Open. This tournament had to be cancelled a year earlier due to a serious accident sustained by Richard. 24 players were easily accommodated around the house. while draws were displayed on a smart TV. At the end of the day it was Bob Jackman winning with 7 wins over Rael Havman and Rod Talbot both on 6 wins. Bob's only loss was to Wayne Jones who had made the trip down from South West Rocks with helper in tow. It was great to see Wayne back in the fray. During the day, Bob was also presented with a birthday cake baked by Colleen to celebrate his birthday the day before. High game of the day went to Rod Talbot with 581, while Dorothy Fields had the high word score of 122 for GAZIEST.

On the weekend of May 14th, eleven of Peter Shaw's friends converged upon the Oberon RSL Club to contest a Round Robin spanning the two days. Peter has not been in good



Lake Macquarie Tournament in full swing health lately, so it was decided to take a tournament to him, as he was not able to commute to Sydney.

As Peter was known to the club we were given the playing area and refreshments at no cost. Many of us enjoyed the local gardens



Participants in the inaugural Oberon tournament: L-R initiator Peter Shaw; Sharon Sorensen; Tony Kalayzich; John Barker; Greg Pinchbeck; Janine Whittaker; Liz Jackman; Joanne Craig; Rod Talbot; Jyoti Chandna; John Holgate and Bob Jackman.

while there, and the club meals were superb. Bob Jackman and Rod Talbot both emerged with 10 wins of the 11 games, with Greg Pinchbeck third on seven wins. Joanne Craig collected both high game of 562 and high word with **LOZENGES** for 118.

The next two tournaments were weekday events organised by Tony Hunt. The first of these was a six-gamer held at Oatlev RSL. Nearly half of the players were juniors, but three of the adults in Rael Hayman, Tony himself and Therese Newman were the only ones to win 5 games. Up and coming junior Kelvin Korn collected both high game of 562 and high word of 102 for **INFORCE**. Ten days later the venue moved to the Lansvale Sports Club for an afternoon four-gamer . Junior Alex Lam won all his games, while his brother Jeffery was second and Tony Hunt third, both with 3 wins. Malaysian Cecilia Khoo, now a part-time Sydney resident recorded the high game score of 603.

The last reportable event was the Hornsby Improvers, run by a group playing regularly at Hornsby RSL, the chosen venue.

As advertised, there were no prizes for winners, just for rating gainers. 31 players took part, undeterred by this fact. The tournament was well catered for and draws and scores being entered were shown on a large display screen.

The tournament was ably directed by Josh Watt after a crash course in Aupair, File Zilla and Ratings Software, and run as a hybrid event. Josh was the eventual overall winner in A Division with junior player Vinh Nguyen winning B Division. The ratings prizes went to Asanka Dissanayake(+94), Josh Watt (+80) and Sharon Sorensen (+59) in A Division, and for B Division Hornsby player Andrew Smith (+70), Vinh Nguyen (+ 34) and Chi Wai Lo (+26). Sharon Sorensen snared the high word of the day with **FEEBLING** for 194 while Joanne's game score of 542 was the best of the day.

# **Matchplay Progress**

The qualifiers for the 2024 Matchplay were decided in the Matchplay Qualifier held in February (see NSW Tournament Roundup).

To date only three Matchplay Round 1 playoffs have been completed, all being in

Matchplay B for players rated 1300 or below. Steven Savona beat Josie Mally 4-5, Asanka Dissanayake beat Margaret Berliner 4-1 and Pam Bennett upset reigning Matchplay B Champion Peter Griffiths 4-0. Links to progressive results of both Matchplay Divisions can be found on the Scrabble NSW Home Page.

# **Dictionary Usage**

It has been agreed by the NSW Committee that future tournaments it runs will be either be Hybrid Events, or as CSW22 as is the case with the Chris May Winter Masters. Essentially hybrid events enable players with a CSW22 preference to play with that list. Organisers of club tournaments and other events are free to specify the dictionary of their choice being CSW19, Hybrid or CSW22. The statement of Dictionary Usage on Scrabble NSW Home Page has been revised to reflect this new position.

# **Upcoming Tournaments**

Sunday 19th May ~ Central Coast Nearly Winter ~ CANCELLED

Saturday 1st June ~ Sutherland ~ Club on East, Sutherland ~ Ann Fiddler 9589 0128 ~ afiddler@bigpond.net.au

Sunday afternoon 2nd June ~ Lansvale #2 Mindsport Tournament Lansvale United Sports Club, 21 Shortlands Street, Canley Vale Tony Hunt 0417 470 167 ~ audiolifeportrait@gmail.com

Saturday 15th June ~ Wollongong Winter Tournament ~ Collegians Club, Wollongong ~ Graeme Lock Lee ~ 0417 967 859 ~ glocklee@hotmail.com

Tuesday 9th July ~ Junior-friendly Open Oatley RSL (TBC) Tony Hunt 0417 470 167 ~ audiolifeportrait@gmail.com

Friday 19th July ~ Junior-friendly Open (TBC) Lansvale Tony Hunt 0417 470 167 ~ audiolifeportrait@gmail.com

Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st July ~ Chris May Memorial Winter Masters [Open, CSW22, WGI Rated] ~ Bankstown Sports Club, Greenfield Pde, Bankstown~ Bob Jackman 0400 226 541 ~ rjackman@ozemail.com.au ~

Sunday 25th August ~ Australian Junior Schools Championship ~ Cabra-Vale Diggers

# CHRIS MAY MEMORIAL WINTER MASTERS

# 20тн-21st July



# Level 1 Bankstown Sports Club 8 Greenfield Parade, Bankstown

8 games at 25 minutes CSW22, open to all players WESPA Rated, WESPA Rules

# Entry fee \$100

Generous cash prizes including for rating bands perpetual memorial trophy for winner

Register here

More information on Web Flyer

Enquiries Bob Jackman rjackman@ozemail.com.au

Donate via GoFundMe to support Chris's Family and help fund this event



Club ~ Tony Hunt ~ 0417 470 167 ~ audiolifeportrait@gmail.com

Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th October ~ Wallerawang Tournament ~ TBA ~ Phillip Hamilton ~ 0402 319 307 ~ flipshamilton@gmail.com

Check our tournament calendar at https://scrabble.org.au/nsw/calendar.html for upcoming events.

Of special significance is the Chris May Memorial Winter Masters on the weekend of 20th and 21st July at Bankstown Sports Club. Chris's widow Ksenia has commissioned a special perpetual trophy for the winner and has promised to be on hand to present it. A GoFundMe campaign has been organised with half the proceeds to go to his daughter Natasha and half to the running of the event. To donate to this GoFundMe campaign find the link on the Tournament Information webpage or click directly on GoFundMe

Renewals

Renewals for 2024/2025 will be due upon receipt of this magazine. If you are a member of one of our affiliated clubs, your club convenor will handle the renewal for you. Otherwise you can renew by clicking the 'Renew with Scrabble NSW' button on the Scrabble NSW Home Page Parents of juniors please note that discounts for junior members no longer apply and the standard full member renewal of \$20 will again apply.

# Queensland

### Scrabble Masterclass sessions commenced at Brisbane State High School with 14 students attending the 6 lesson course.

We have been invited to continue the Masterclass sessions in term 3. The sessions are being coordinated by Roberta Tait with help from Natalie Page, Karen and Paul Richards.

A club has commenced at Tangara (West End, Brisbane) aimed to involve students from the Masterclass. 6 students attended the first meeting of the club. Roberta Tait is the club organizer. Meetings are held on Mondays after school. A club is also being mooted for Shailer Park to be run by Olga Visser with an initial meeting at the local library organized.

Discussions have commenced for Scrabble Queensland to be involved in the Scout Jamboree in January 2025 at Maryborough (Queensland). We would be in the STEM activity base area. It is expected that 10,000 people will attend the Jamboree and that 600 people per day (over 7 days) will go through the STEM activity base.

Progressive results at the end of April in the yearly Queensland Tournament Prize see Karen Richards in the lead with 111 points, Cameron Farlow with 101 points and Olga Visser with 81 points. On the Club side, Coorparoo lead with 204 points, followed by Southport on 140 and Toowoomba on 100. Since August 2023 Queensland players have participated in 12 local, 12 interstate and 7 international tournaments.

### Paul Richards President, Scrabble Queensland

# South Australia

The 2024 South Australian Scrabble Championships were held over the very hot March long weekend whilst Adelaide was in full festival mode, locally known as Mad March. In fact the Fringe brought us two international players; Michael Zackharo from Canada whose wife was performing in the Fringe and Jonas Wiberg a juggler from New Zealand. We also had eight interstate players which gave us a total field of thirty eight players.



Jonas /Wiberg from New Zealand



Participants in the South Australian Championship held earlier this year.

Russell Honeybun returned from Western Australia to successfully defend his 2023 title, winning with thirteen out of sixteen games and a margin of1766. Second and third places went to Trevor Tao and Jane Taylor on twelve games. Adam Kretschmer came fourth on eleven games and also became South Australia's number one player as a result of his rating gain. Carmel Dodd took out fifth place on ten games. There were also ratings band prizes for the best of the bottom half which were won by Julie Robbins in first place, Karyn Crease in second and Susan Roberts in third place.

We are so lucky that Prospect Primary School provides the venue free of charge which means that we can return the savings with very generous prize money and afford to have a paid Tournament Director.

# Tasmania

There have been three Tassie tournaments over the past few months. Two of these, in March and April, were held in Ross, a small village in the Midlands between Hobart and Launceston. Ross is well known for amongst many things, the Ross Village Bakery and their famous vanilla slice.

The March tournament was won by the ever consistent Ros Wilkinson and the high game of 493 was set by newcomer David Cardwell, a rare and impressive achievement in an open field. The April Ross tournament was won by Jon Ford-King who had an undefeated run for the day with 7 wins.

St Helens held a weekend tournament in May and Khen Meerding reported that Betty Smith took out the Saturday competition. An amazing result as Betty is 93 and her scrabbling just keeps getting better! At one point in the day a man came in during the tournament to catch a snake basking in the sun next door at the Neighbourhood House, you just never know what you're going to get at a Tasmanian Scrabble comp!

Jon Ford-King, proving that he is the young (contrastingly) up and comer of Scrabble Tasmania won the Sunday competition to continue his good run leading into some local tournaments in Bellerive and Kingston in the coming months

Check the website for details of upcoming tournaments.

http://www.scrabble.org.au/events/calendar.shtml

# Victoria

# This time of year is always exciting for Scrabble in Victoria!

By the time readers view this, we should have a Victorian Champion for 2024. Has David done it again and gone back to back? You will definitely know the answer to that question! One thing is certain at the time of writing is that David Eldar secured the 2024 Australian Championship, to accompany his win at WESPAC in Vegas last year. It was great to see Victorians make the journey over to Perth and we look forward to seeing more visit Adelaide in 2025.

The lead in to the Victorian includes a number of events of note. Our second Friday Night Scrabble event sees us head back to Doncaster as we trial a variation on what is considered standard event fare. The removal of clocks and going back to an overall timer was an enjoyable innovation last year, and it continued to be so when we retried it earlier this year. There are four more to feature after this and we look forward to welcoming newer players to our community as a result.

The event preceding the Victorian is a Youth Fundraiser for Oscar. Oscar will be flying the flag at the WESPA Youth Cup in Sri Lanka this September. Oscar will be Victoria's first representative at this event for some time; local support has been phenomenal and hugely appreciated. Again, by the time you read this, you will know more about this event and how it transpired. We are currently in renewal period. I would like to strongly encourage members to renew their membership early; your support is highly valued and the committee remains proud of the events we put on: the variety of events we run, both in person and online, demonstrates our continued commitment to providing Scrabble events how players want to play at times convenient to them.

Members can renew online, or at one of our events. The Victorian and our upcoming event in Wodonga are great opportunities to continue support for how we look after players in Victoria.

As always, happy Scrabbling, and I look forward to seeing you at an event in Victoria some time soon.

Check the website for details of upcoming tournaments.

http://www.scrabble.org.au/events/calendar.shtml

# Western Australia

Check the website for details of upcoming tournaments.

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# **COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIAN SCRABBLE PLAYERS' ASSOCIATIONS**

# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING –AGENDA**

# Friday, March 29, 2024 - 3.00pm

# South Perth Community Centre, South Terrace & Sandgate St, South Perth

# MINUTE TAKER: Carol Johnsen

**ATTENDEES:** Chris Hall (WA President); Jane Taylor (SA President); Terry Horan (ACT rep.); Tony Hunt (Youth Officer); Paul Richards (Qld President); Carol Johnsen (Coordinator)

**APOLOGIES:** Bob Jackman (NSW President); Nick Ivanovski (Vic President); Richard Birch (ATB Editor); Tim Reddan (ACT President); John Hamilton (Treasurer); Martin Rose (Tas President); Barry Harridge (Webmaster & Ratings Officer)

State; No. of Members December 2023 Voting Numbers

Australian Capital Territory	23	1
New South Wales	110	2
Queensland	71	2
South Australia	30	1

Tasmania	22	1
Victoria	137	2
Western Australia	49	1

# 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:

**MOTION:** THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 2023 CASPA AGM BE ACCEPTED.

Moved: Paul Richards Seconded: Chris Hall CARRIED.

# 2. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

Rules committee drafting of clock rule – Carol Johnsen will confer with Rules Committee to draft wording with regard to "holding".

# 3. CASPA BOARD NOMINATIONS:

Co-Ordinator:	Carol Johnsen
Editor ATB:	Richard Birch

Trademark (Mattel) Liaison Officer:

	Tony Hunt			
Youth Co-Ordinator:	Tony Hunt			
Treasurer:	John Hamilton			
Rules Officer:	Carol Johnsen			
Web Coordinator:	Barry Harridge			
Ratings Officer:	Barry Harridge			
Sub-officio: Youth Coach:				

Rael Hayman

**MOTION:** THAT THE NOMINATIONS OF OFFICE BEARERS (UNOPPOSED) BE ACCEPTED.

Moved: Jane Taylor Seconded: Paul Richards CARRIED.

# 4. OFFICER REPORTS:

Co-Ordinator - Carol Johnsen (attached)

*Editor* - Across the Board – Richard Birch Richard Birch advised by email that his report was the same as in 2023.

Trademark (Mattel) Liaison Officer - Tony Hunt

Julie Brice and Tony were scheduled to visit Mattel in Melbourne to discuss Youth Championship, youth sponsorship and PWD (People with a Disability) software for tournaments. NSW and Qld were the only active States with youth promotion and Woogles was an ideal vehicle for running online tournaments.

Web Coordinator - Barry Harridge (attached)

Ratings Officer – Barry Harridge (attached)

Rules Officer – CASPA Coordinator (Carol Johnsen) – no report

*Youth Coordinator* - Tony Hunt ee motions in General Business.

**MOTION:** THAT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS BE RECEIVED: COORDINATOR, EDITOR, TRADEMARK (MATTEL) LIAISON OFFICER, WEB COORDINATOR, RATINGS OFFICER AND YOUTH COORDINATOR BE RECEIVED.

Moved: Chris Hall Seconded: Terry Horan CARRIED.

Treasurer - John Hamilton - attached (2)

**MOTION:** THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORTS BE RECEIVED.

Moved: Terry Horan Seconded: Paul Richards CARRIED.

# **OTHER BUSINESS:**

(a) National Junior Scrabble Championship

**MOTION:** THAT CASPA COMMITS TO SANCTIONING & PROMOTION OF AN ANNUAL NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

Moved: Tony Hunt Seconded: Paul Richards CARRIED.

Tony Hunt advised that the Cabravale Diggers Club for August 25 had been booked this year, This is only a couple of weeks prior to the WYC however the date of the annual junior scrabble championship could either be set as a fixed date or floating depending on the date of the WYC (any time between August and December).

(b) Travel Expenses – Youth Coordinator & Youth Coach

MOTION: THAT ONE OR BOTH ROLES OF YOUTH COORDINATOR & YOUTH COACH ARE REIMBURSED AIRFARES BY CASPA FOR THE WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP.

Moved: Tony Hunt Seconded: Carol Johnsen LOST.

Discussion suggested that fundraising should be undertaken. Before CASPA could consider such large expenditure, a much larger bank balance was required.

- (c) Website have a system for people to advise corrections and changes needed on the website (Qld). Discussion suggested that when Barry Harridge was sent emails requesting updates, amendments, etc. it was usually undertaken anyway.
- (d) Treasurer's Report Split Tournament and State Levy receipts. Treasurer John Hamilton undertook this.(see attachment)
- (e) Youth Subsidy for Tournament Entry Fee -Confirmed that Youth Subsidy (half tournament entry fee) continues to apply. Funds were to be administered out of the CASPA Youth Fund.
- (f) Ad Noto Software The Ad Noto software used by people with disabilities (PWD) no longer works/ is not supported. Emails from Nick Ivanovski and Julie Brice were on-forwarded to Presidents re Mattel PWD Software. Jane Taylor suggested that an organisation such as "Technical Aid for the Disabled" might be employed to develop appropriate software.

- (g) Funding for: Australian Championship (currently \$3000) Masters /State Challenge (currently \$3000)
- (h) Host States for:
  - Australian Championships
  - 2025 South Australia
  - 2026 Australian Capital Territory
  - 2027 Tasmania (TBC)
  - 2028 Queensland
  - 2029 New South Wales
  - 2030 Victoria
  - 2031 Western Australia

Masters/State Team Challenge 2024 South Australia

2025 Victoria

Trans Tasman 2024 New Zealand

2026 Australia

**MOTION:** THAT THE COORDINATOR ORGANISES THE INVITATIONS FOR QUALIFIERS FOR THE MASTERS/STATE CHALLENGE EACH YEAR.

Moved: Jane Taylor Seconded: Paul Richards CARRIED.

(i) National Women's Championship

**MOTION:** THAT CASPA COMMITS TO SANCTIONING & PROMOTION OF AN ANNUAL NATIONAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP. Moved: Jane Taylor Seconded: Paul Richards CARRIED.

(j) CASPA Membership & Tournament Levies

**MOTION:** THAT AS OF JULY 1, 2024 THE NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP LEVY IS REDUCED TO \$6 PER MEMBER PER YEAR AND THE TOURNAMENT LEVY IS INCREASED TO \$2 PER HEAD PER PLAYER.

Moved: Bob Jackman Seconded: Martin Rose ADJOURNED

As this was a late motion, the meeting agreed that this motion would be dealt with by email with a decision by 31 May 2024.

The meeting agreed that funding for the Masters/State Challenge and Nationals to be placed on the 2025 AGM Agenda.

The meeting agreed that all motions must be on the agenda no later than 2 weeks before the AGM.

Other items of interest to be pursued included:

- That WESPA be approached with a view to developing a tournament software program which could be used world-wide (maybe with the assistance of Woogles team?)
- That QR codes could be used to facilitate the active results of tournaments on the national website.
- That there was a process to have Tournament Entry / Registration forms available on the national website
- Rules or procedures put in place where action could be taken when CASPAsanctioned clubs were discriminating against players.

CLOSE: 5pm

Income Statement CASPA 2023 Calendar Year 1 January 2023 - 3 January 2024				
Balance Brought Forward		\$7,854.70		
REVENUE				
Levies	8,926			
Net Revenue		\$8,926.00		
EXPENSES				
Insurance	1,596			
WESPAC Subsidies	1,100			
Nationals Logo	20.98			
AMSTC Grant	3,000			
Nationals Grant	3,000			
WESPA Membership*	232.61			
Total expenses		\$8,949.59		
Net income (loss) -\$23.59				
*Payment was made on 30 December 2022 however was not counted in 2022 expenses due to an oversight				
Closing Balance \$7,831.11				

# UNLEARN LIST

A handy list of words to unlearn, 3 to 8 letters long. The following are in CSW19 but not in CSW21/2. They are deemed to be offensive to target groups and individuals. The full list can be found online HERE.

ABO	DARKY	SPIKS	GYPPOS	SQUAWS	HUNKEYS	SHEGETZ	OCTOROON
GOY	DIKEY	SQUAW	HAOLES	VENDUS	HUNKIES	SHEMALE	PAPISHER
JEW	DOGAN	TAIGS	HONKEY	WIGGAS	JESUITS	SHICKSA	PAPISHES
LES	DYKEY	VENDU	HONKIE	WIGGER	<b>JIGABOO</b>	SHIKSAS	PAPISTIC
LEZ	FAGGY	WIGGA	HUNKEY	ZAMBOS	KAFFIRS	SHIKSEH	PAPISTRY
WOG	GINZO	ZAMBO	HUNKIE		KANAKAS	SHIKSES	PICCANIN
YID	GIPPO		JESUIT	BACKRAS	LEZZIES	SPAZZED	PICKNEYS
	GOYIM	ASPIES	JEWING	BINGHIS	MOFFIES	SPAZZES	POOFIEST
ABOS	GYPPO	BAASES	KAFFIR	BOHUNKS	MONGOLS	UMLUNGU	POOFTAHS
BINT	HAOLE	BACKRA	KAFIRS	BOONGAS	MULATTA	WETBACK	POOFTERS
CRIP	HONKY	BAKRAS	KANAKA	BOSCHES	MULATTO	WHITEYS	POOVIEST
DAGO	HORIS	BANTUS	LESBOS	BOSSBOY	NANCIER	WHITIES	POPERIES
GOYS	JEWED	BINGHI	LEZZAS	BUCKRAS	NANCIES	WIGGERS	POPISHLY
HORI	KAFIR	BOCHES	LEZZES	BUFTIES	NEGRESS	WOGGISH	POUFTAHS
JEWS	KIKES	BOHUNK	LEZZIE	BUMBOYS	NEGROES	WOOFTAH	POUFTERS
KIKE	LESBO	BOONGA	LUBRAS	CHINKIE	NEGROID		QUADROON
LEZZ	LESES	BOONGS	MOFFIE	COOLIES	NIGGERS	WOOFTER	OUASHEES
міск	LEZES	BOSCHE	MONGED	CRACKAS	NIGGERY	BOSSBOYS	~ OUASHIES
MUNT	LEZZA	BUBBAS	MONGOL	DARKEYS	NITCHIE	BULLDIKE	~ OUEERDOM
OFAY	LEZZY	BUCKRA	MUNTUS	DARKIES	PAPISMS	BULLDYKE	RAGHEADS
SPAZ	LUBRA	BUFTIE	NANCES	DIKIEST	PAPISTS	CHINKIES	REDNECKS
SPIC	MICKS	BUMBOY	NIGERS	DYKIEST	PICKNEY	FAGGIEST	REDSKINS
SPIK	MUNTS	CHOLOS	NIGGER	FAGGERY	POLACKS	FAGGOTRY	SCHIZIER
TAIG	MUNTU	COOLIE	PAPISH	FAGGIER	POOFIER	GOLLIWOG	SEMIMUTE
WOGS	NANCE	CRACKA	PAPISM	FAGGOTY	POOFTAH	GOLLYWOG	SHEENEYS
YIDS	NANCY	DAGOES	PAPIST	GAMMATS	POOFTER	GYPSTERS	SHEENIES
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	NIGER	DARKIE	POLACK	GIPPOES	POOVIER	HASBIANS	SHICKSAS
ASPIE	OFAYS	DIKIER	POOVES	GOYISCH	POUFTAH	JESUITIC	SHIKSEHS
BAKRA	PIKEY	DOGANS	POPERY	GOYISHE	POUFTER	JESUITRY	SHKOTZIM
BANTU	POOFS	DYKIER	POPISH	GRINGAS	QUASHEE	JIGABOOS	SHVARTZE
BINTS	POOFY	GAMMAT	REFFOS	GRINGOS	QUASHIE	MULATTAS	SPASTICS
BOCHE	POOVE	GINZOS	SAKAIS	GYPPERS	RAGHEAD	MULATTOS	SPAZZING
BOONG	POOVE	GIPPOS		GYPPING	REDNECK	NANCIEST	
BUBBA	REFFO	GOYISH	SCHIZO SCHIZY	GYPSTER	REDNECK	NEGROIDS	SQUAWMAN
BUFTY	SAKAI	GRINGA		HARELIP		NEGROISM	SQUAWMEN
CHOLO		GRINGO	SHIKSA	HASBIAN	SCHIZOS	NIGGERED	UMLUNGUS
COOLY	SKIMO	GYPPED	SHIKSE	HONKEYS	SCHIZZY	NITCHIES	WETBACKS
CRIPS	SPAZZ	GYPPER	SKIMOS	HONKIES	SHEENEY	OCTAROON	WOOFTAHS
DAGOS	SPICS		SPICKS		SHEENIE		WOOFTERS

# Vocabulary

Scrabble players are quite often thought of as having large vocabularies. Although I am not a top-rated player, I have a fair sized vocabulary (at least 28,300 English word families according to the English Vocabulary Size Test and between 67,000 and 150,000 words according to Machine Lines – links to these tests are below).

I read lots of novels so many of my words are probably useless for Scrabble play. I am also a fan of science fiction which, again, is possibly problematic. Although, my predilection does aid with memorizing some words.

Various novels use neologisms and so the vocabulary isn't translated to our English. For example, Larry Niven's Ringworld novel has a tasp\* a device which directly stimulates one's pleasure centres. Ursula K. Le Guin coined the word "ansible\*" in her 1966 novel Rocannon's World which enables fasterthan-light communication (of course don't despair if your get these letters because there is an anagram<sup>1</sup>). I only know one science fiction author who has had some of his words adopted in their fictional sense - Robert A. Heinlein. GROK (to understand deeply by intuition) comes from his 1961 Stranger in a Strange Land and WALDO (a gadget for manipulating objects remotely) from his 1942 novella "Waldo" originally published in Astounding Science Fiction. Heinlein also coined the acronym TANSTAAFL<sup>2</sup> which has been adopted by many economists but, again, it is not useful for Scrabble play.

From Star Wars you can get **SITH**, **JEDI**, **DROID**, and **BLASTER** (but there is no **wookiee\***, **ewok\*** or **lightsabre\*** yet. Yoda and Darth Vader are names so you wouldn't expect them to be in the list). From Star Trek you get **PHASER**, **SUBSPACE**, and **REPLICATOR** (but there is no **tricorder\***, **hypospray\***, or **holodeck\*** yet). Dr Who isn't very helpful here (there is no **dalek\*** or **TARDIS\***<sup>3</sup>).

- 1 LESBIAN
- 2 There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch
- 3 Dalek\* has the anagram LAKED and TARDIS\* anagrams to TRIADS. TARDIS\* is not allowable because it's an acronym for "Time And Relative Dimensions In Space".

Stefan Fatsis in his 2011 book *Word Freak*<sup>4</sup> notes that *in the tournament room, Scrabble has nothing to do with vocabulary* [p.40]. On a similar note, Andrew Fisher writing in *The Scrabble Player's Handbook*<sup>5</sup> concludes that:

In fact, the working vocabulary needed to play a very competent game of competitive Scrabble is surprisingly small, with most new players finding that the gradual learning of up to 2,000 select words makes an enormous difference to every game [p. 24]

What is an average vocabulary anyway? The *Oxford English Dictionary* [2nd edition] runs to some twenty volumes with 615,100 definitions and 47,156 obsolete words. In this only 171,476 words are listed as in current use and likely not all of them are in the CSW21 word list (which has 279,077 words). Any dictionary will list many head words and not necessarily all of the word forms (plurals, tense, et cetera). Online the *Oxford English Dictionary*<sup>6</sup> also differentiates English (American), English (Australian), English (British), English (Canadian), and English (New Zealand). Your vocabulary will be counted against some list of words found in such a dictionary.

Elin Asklöv writes in *Does Your Vocabulary Size Matter?* +*Babbel Magazine* 27 August 2019

[https://www.babbel.com/en/magazine/doesvocabulary-size-matter]:

Most linguists agree that in dealing with text data such as vocabulary lists, it makes the most sense to count the lemmas. A lemma is a word in its most basic form, without its inflexions. Otherwise, it would be virtually impossible to compare languages to each other. Say, for example, that you would study Swedish and German at the same time and learn five words for "have" in German and only one in Swedish. It doesn't necessarily make

- 4 Fatsis, S. (2011) Word Freak: Heartbreak, Triumph, Genius, and Obsession in the World of Competitive Scrabble Players. New York: Penguin Books.
- 5 see www.scrabbleplayershandbook.com
- 6 https://languages.oup.com/products/languagedatasets/available-languages/

your German vocabulary larger by four words — it shows that you're able to apply grammatical rules...

Adults who are native English speakers tend to have a vocabulary of 15,000 to 30.000 words, depending on who you ask and what you mean by vocabulary. The team behind Test Your Vocab has collected data from nearly 10 million (!) participants testing their vocabulary on their site and has found the most common range for adult test-takers to be between 20,000 and 35,000 words. In addition, the average 8-year old knows 10,000 words, and the median vocab size for a 40-year old is 30,000 words, with some people in their middle age ranging up to 38,000. Vocabulary seems to stops growing after 50 years of age. According to the same data, 4,500 words is the most common vocabularv size for non-native English test-takers. However, if they live abroad, they can score well over 10,000. When living in an English-speaking country, non-natives acquire 2.5 new words per day!

From a vocabulary point of view, one string of letters could be different words (e.g. **PRESENT** could mean a gift or the current time; **OVER** could mean concluded, a series of ball deliveries in cricket, superlying, or affect the whole surface, amongst other things). This is why vocabulary size may not help you play better Scrabble.

If you would like to get an idea of how big your vocabulary is here are two websites where you can test yourself:

So you want to show off the size of your dictionary? Look no further than this quick test, which will work out how many words you know. https://mikeinnes.io/posts/vocab/

https://my.vocabularysize.com/ The vocabulary tests on this site provide measures of word knowledge in about 10 to 15 minutes.

You also need to remember that in Scrabble not all words are acceptable (nothing capitalized, foreign, or requiring an apostrophe or hyphen – and in CSW21 no hate speech words either). So, you may not need <u>an additional</u> 2,000 words to be a great player but it may help. Happy self-testing!

# Scrabble Dream (Alfred Butts' Birthday) Michael Vnuk

Michael Vnuk has been continuing his Scrabble Dream series, this is one of his recent compositions.

Today (13 April at time of writing), 125 years ago, Alfred Mosher Butts was born in the state of New York. All tournament Scrabble players know (or should know!) that it was Alfred Butts who developed a word game in the 1930s that evolved into Scrabble in the late 1940s. So it is fitting to celebrate his birthday in some way, and the best way to celebrate is through a Scrabble tournament.

Interesting but irrelevant fact: The number of squares on the board (225) minus the number of tiles (100) is equal to 125.

While driving to the tournament, you're stopped at some roadworks. While waiting, you daydream about converting **BUTTS** to the bonus **SCUTTLEBUTTS** in a game, but your daydream is disrupted when someone toots you that it's time to be moving again. Before play commences, the tournament director announces that there are two special

prizes available today. In honour of Alfred Butts, a donor is offering to pay prizes of \$125 to every player who scores exactly 125 points in their turn and to every player who creates a 15-letter word in their turn.

It seems like a magnificent gesture, but you think that the donor (who is one of the players) is just trying to draw attention to themself, and is not seriously expecting to pay out anything. Even 10-letter words are quite rare, so it's extremely unlikely that a 15-letter word will be played today. Scoring exactly 125 is more likely than a 15-letter word, but still rare. Sometimes the highest-scoring word at a tournament doesn't even reach 100. If it's above, it might be between 100 and 120. Higher scores are often triple-triples, and so certain values turn up more often, ie 122, 131, 140. The chance of hitting 125 spot-on is very small.

In your first game, your opponent opens with **QUALM** (52) positioned vertically and with the **M** on the central star.

You say, 'I've got hookworm.' Your opponent pauses, gives you a quizzical look, then says: 'I'm sorry to hear that. Now, can we get on with the game?'

You play **HOOKWORM** from the middle left TWS. And then you tally the score. It is 125. You'll be receiving a prize!

After that flying start, you go on to win the game, and then the next two games before lunch.

In the lunch break, there's a birthday cake and a toast to the memory of Alfred Butts. The director also announces your 125 score for **HOOKWORM** and everyone claps. The director reminds people that further prizes can still be won in the afternoon session. The donor looks slightly miffed as they take your bank account details to send you the \$125 via internet banking.

During the first game after lunch, you play **WORTH** in the right column, with the **H** on the bottom TWS. There are a small number of words ending with **WORTH**, including **TAMWORTH** (a breed of pigs, named after the place in England where the breed was developed) and **JOBSWORTH** (a minor official, especially one who adheres rigidly and uncooperatively to petty rules, from 'It's more than my **job's worth** to let you ...').

After you draw tiles, your rack is **AENNPTY** and you decide that you want to play **PENNYWORTH**, but just when you're adding up the score in your head (it's 63), your opponent plays **THREE** down from the top TWS in the same column.

Now there are 5 empty spaces between **THREE** and **WORTH**, which means that **PENNYWORTH** doesn't fit. The obvious **THREEPENNY** doesn't fit either. Can you fit something partly in the slot? You think of **THREEP** (11) (**THREEP**, also spelled **THREAP**, has several meanings in Scots and Northern English, including 'rebuke'), but **THREEPEAT** (42) is much better, because the A will land on a TWS. **THREEPEAT**, made from combining **THREE** and **REPEAT**, means a third consecutive win, especially in sport. It has only become an allowed word in the last decade or so.

You notice that if you play **THREEPEAT**, your rack leave will be **NNY**, which is a bit awkward. You think that it's a pity that you can't play off **PENNY** in some way, which would leave a more helpful **AT**. Neither **THREEPENNY** nor **PENNYWORTH** will fit, but – ka-ching! – you see that you can make **THREEPENNYWORTH**, and down it goes for 87 points.

And then it dawns on you that it is a 15-letter word. And you've played it on a day when there is a prize for a 15-letter word. Another \$125 is coming your way!

The donor is playing at the next board. They see your word and they grimace. It looks like they are not too keen on paying out more money.

You go on to win that game and the next one.

In the sixth and last game, your opponent opens with **QUASHED** horizontally for 110. (It should be obvious that the  $\mathbf{Q}$  is on the DLS and the **H** is on the central star.)

Your rack is **AACOPR?** There are not many bonuses (sevens or eights) using the rack, but you see a simple word that scores well: **APpROACH** from the top middle TWS down to the existing **H**. It scores 95.

Your opponent is on a roll and plays **SJAMBOK** (a type of whip in South African English, which comes via a roundabout way from Persian). They position it with the s in front of QUASHED, making SQUASHED. However, before they announce the score (which is 131), they rearrange the tiles and play JAMBOKS, which is the only anagram of SJAMBOK. (JAMBOK is another spelling of SJAMBOK.) They keep the s in the same place, but now the letters extend upwards not downwards on the board. In both positions, the play allows an s to form SJAMBOKS, but playing upwards is less open than playing downwards (because of your APPROACH nearby), so your opponent is being careful. The score is also a bit less, because with JAMBOKS, the K is doubled, but with SJAMBOK, it is the J that is doubled. Obviously, your opponent is prepared to sacrifice a few points to make things harder for you.

And then the opponent works out the score for **JAMBOKS**. It's 54 for **JAMBOKS** itself, 21 for **SQUASHED**, and 50 for the bonus, which makes 125. Your opponent sits there momentarily dumbfounded. You congratulate them and wonder what the donor will be thinking when they find out about having to fork over another \$125. Your opponent is now leading 235–95. It looks like in this game you're going to be **SJAMBOKKED** (= 'whipped', as **SJAMBOK** can be a verb; it can also be spelled **SJAMBOKED**).

Your rack is **ABIITY**?, which has some promise. The only seven is **ABILITY** (**L** is a blank), but it doesn't fit anywhere on its own. If you hadn't played **APPROACH** where you did, **ABILITY** could have formed a short parallel overlap with **SQUASHED**, forming **AH**, **BE** and **ID**. A couple of eights (**PITIABLY** and **RABIDITY**) fit in several spots, with scores up to 80. Which is best? You wish you had the ability to work out the best approach.

And then the solution falls in your lap. You can simply extend **APPROACH** to make

**APPROACHABILITY** (L is blank). It's another 15-letter word! So you play it. And then you calculate the score: It is exactly 125! Two prizes from the one word. The donor will have a heart attack.

Now it's your opponent's turn to congratulate you.

You return your focus to the game. You're still behind 235–220, but now your opponent looks concerned. 'Change all,' they sigh. Later, they tell you that the rack was all vowels, but without an **E**. In hindsight, perhaps a short blocking move in the top left region would have been best for your opponent.

Your rack is **AHIMNPS**. The only anagram, SHIPMAN, is unplayable, but other words can fit in the top left, making SJAMBOKS and using the TWS and the DLS. MISHAP (74) looks great, or perhaps shorter words like MASH and **PASH** (both 62). You remember that **PASH** takes some unusual extensions: **PASHM** (71) and **PASHIM** (74), both meaning 'the fine underfleece of the goats of northern India, used for making rugs, shawls, etc.' (Note that although 'underfleece' appears in the Chambers Dictionary definition, the word itself is not allowed in Scrabble.) And then you see that after **PASHM** you can slot in your remaining IN before the first A of APPROACHABILITY to make PASHMINA, which has several meanings, but is commonly used in the West as the name for a shawl made from pashm. **PASHMINA** scores 130.

At the prize-giving, you have all the main prizes: a clean sweep of the games, the high game, and the high word for **PASHMINA** (130). And then it's the donor's prizes. Your opponent in game 6 gets \$125 for their 125point **JAMBOKS** (at least they will, as soon as the donor obtains the opponent's bank details). Your 125-point **HOOKWORM** has already been recognised, and now you are celebrated for the 125-point **THREEPENNYWORTH** and the magnificent **APPROACHABILITY**, which is both a 15-letter word and a 125-point play.

The donor's smile does not look genuine as they shake your hand and pose with the reconstructed boards showing your great plays. They are clearly not happy about having to part with a total of \$625 for the day.

Now, with \$500 in your bank account (via the wonders of internet transfers), you and many of the players head off to a nearby congenial drinking establishment. Even the donor joins in. Naturally, the first round of drinks is on you.

A few people have already posted photos and comments about your prizes on social media, but someone more media-savvy has started publicising your words and the **JAMBOKS** one, plus information about the prizes donated, and also the 125th birthday of Alfred Butts. Soon you get calls and texts from journalists asking for more information.

You notice that the donor still looks a bit unhappy, so you shout them another drink, which helps. But what really perks them up is when a journalist rings them specifically to ask about the prizes that they have donated and they realise that it's an opportunity for free publicity for their company.

Eventually, you're the last one there. You finish your drink with a final silent toast to Alfred Butts, then go home to a well-earned rest and dreams of more 15-letter words.

### Notes:

# All words have been checked with Zyzzyva using CSW21.

Definitions are from reliable sources.

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and you go on to win the game.

# **Club Directory**

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Southern Cross Club, Woden Wed 7 pm to 10 pm Tim Reddan ~ (02) 6179 5000

# New South Wales (area code O2)

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Bellerive ~ Thu 7pm ~ Margaret Bishop ~ 6244 5545

Glenorchy ~ Tue 1pm ~ Jill Norton ~ 6228 1861

Kingborough ~ Tue 7.30pm ~ Khen Meerding ~ 6229 5840 Ulverstone ~ Wed 9.30am ~ Jan Hill ~ 6425 5415

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Balwyn ~ Mon 1pm ~ Marj Miller ~ 9850 2366

Bentleigh - Wednesday 1pm-4pm (during School terms) Carol Johnsen 0476 639 195

Box Hill - now called Surrey Hills (see below)

Brunswick East - New club Pub Scrabble, 2nd Thursday of the month - 4pm-8pm, Alchemy Brewing Company, 396 Lygon Street,

East Brunswick, Rob York - 0417 512 535 - tryerbrook@gmail.com

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Manjimup – Wed 1pm – Pat Parkinson – 9771 2882
Melville – Mon 10am – Rosie Anghie – 9450 6856
Nedlands – Tues 9.30am – Chris Hassell – 0428 846 325
Perth – Thurs 9.30am – Anne Stewart – 0410 346 849
Spearwood – Tues 10am –
Vera Ruddick – 0438 803 823

# Trans Tasman

Every two years, Australia and New Zealand compete in the Trans-Tasman event. In 2024, the competition will be held in New Zealand, and the format for 2024 will have 12 Aussies and 12 Kiwis, playing over 24 rounds. The lexicon is CSW19. The tournament will be held on the three days from 15 Nov in Auckland.

More details here.

# 2024 Australian Masters and State Challenge

Twenty of the top players will play the Australian Masters as a round robin in Adelaide at the Glenelg Club Stratarama Stadium on Sat 7th and Sun 8th September. At the same time, teams of three players from each of seven states or territories play the State Team Challenge as head-to-head matches.

More details here.

# 2024 World Youth

The 2024 World Youth Scrabble Championship will be held in Sri Lanka from 6th to 8th of September. Australia is entitled to send 6 young players who get free entry. However all suitable players are welcome, provided they pay an entry fee.

For more information about Youth Scrabble in the international context, including reports of the previous WYSC events please visit http://www.youthscrabble.org

# **Results Roundup**

# ACT

### 24.02.2024 February ACT

A: 1 John Hamilton; 2 Karen Richards; 3 Tim Reddan; HG John Hamilton 601; HW Karen Richards ZILAS 99

### 16.03.2024 ACT March

A: 1 John Spaan: 2 Tim Reddan; 3 Tony Hunt; HG John Spaan 587; HW John Spaan BRONZES 128

### 05.05.2024 ACT May Tornament

**OPEN: 1** Noel Barrett; **2** John Hamilton; **3** John Spaan; **HG** Ronnie Bennett 565; **HW** John Hamilton **BOUDERIE** 140

# NSW

### 18.02.2024 Wgong Round Robins

A: 1 Ryan Sutton; 2 John Holgate; 3 Tony Hunt; HG John Holgate 519; HW Ryan Sutton WRIGGLES 95

**B: 1** Kerry Constable; **2** Josh Watt; **3** Chris Ostrowski; **HG** Therese Nichols 489

**C:** 1 Sharon Sorensen; 2 Steven Savona; 3 Margaret Neal; **HG** Sharon Sorensen 483; **HW** Sharon Sorensen **EVADERS** 100

**D: 1** Vinh Nguyen; **2** Kara Eddington; **3** Pat Schuberg; **HG** Vinh Nguyen 504; **HW** Vinh Nguyen **SQUINTS** 136

**E: 1** Devorah Ullman; **2** Ann Fiddler; **3** Daniel Guilfoyle; **HG** Devorah Ullman 502; **HW** Ashley Korn **REACTED** 80

### 24.02.2024 MATCHPLAY QUALIFIER

A DIVISION: 1 Greg Pinchbeck; 2 Rod Talbot; 3 John Holgate; HG Esther Perrins 556; HW Noel Barrett FIANCEES 173

**B DIVISION:** 1 Steven Savona; **2** Asanka Dissanayake; **3** Peter Griffiths; **HG** Asanka Dissanayake 623; **HW** Margaret Berliner **WATCHES** 118

### 03.03.2024 Bomaderry

A: 1 Bob Jackman; 2 Tony Hunt; 3 Karen Richards; HG Joanne Craig 562; HW Karen Richards CLADDING 108 **B: 1** Caroline Scowcroft; **2** Natalie Tadday; **3** Julie Banister; **HG** Vincent Nguyen 525; **HW** Margaret Neal **QUINTETS** 104

**C: 1** Greg Hopson; **2** Terry Horan; **3** Sunny Wright; **HG** Greg Hopson 457; **HW** Sheila Hanbidge **SARKINGS** 104

### 16.03.2024 LAKE MACQUARIE AUTUMN

**OPEN: 1** Bob Jackman; **2** Rael Hayman; **3** Rod Talbot; **HG** Rod Talbot 581; **HW** Dorothy Fields **GAZIEST** 122

### 14.04.2024 OBERON OPEN

**OPEN: 1** Bob Jackman; **2** Rod Talbot; **3** Greg Pinchbeck; **HG** Joanne Craig 562; **HW** Joanne Craig **LOZENGES** 118

### 16.04.2024 OITOO April

**OPEN: 1** Rael Hayman; **2** Tony Hunt; **3** Therese Nichols; **HG** Kelvin Korn 584; **HW** Kelvin Korn **INFORCE** 102

#### 26.04.2024 Lansvale

**OPEN: 1** Alex Lam; **2** Jeffery Lam; **3** Tony Hunt; **HG** Cecilia Khoo 603

### 04.05.2024 Hornsby Improvers

A: 1 Josh Watt; 2 Rod Talbot; 3 Victor Tung; HG Joanne Craig 542; HW Sharon Sorensen FEEBLING 194

**B: 1** Vinh Nguyen; **2** Andrew Smith; **3** Josie Mally; **HG** Chi Wai Lo 494; **HW** Andrew Smith **BESTING** 89

# QLD

#### 10.02.2024 Townsville February

A: 1 Tim Walton; 2 Julie Brice; 3 Gail Hamilton; HG Julie Brice 497; HW Helen Hynes BORTZES 90

### 18.02.2024 February Frolic

A: 1 Cameron Farlow; 2 Sheryl Davidson; 3 Martin Waterworth; HG Cameron Farlow 530; HW Richard Birch REOILING 131

**B: 1** Ashwin Page; **2** Kerry Reimers; **3** Elize Plaganyi; **HG** Patti Ashwin 513; **HW** Jill Paterson **WHARVES** 107

### 17.03.2024 March Madness

**ALL:** 1 Cameron Farlow: 2 Arnold Appelhof: 3 Karen Richards **HG** Cameron Farlow 592; **HW** Liz Blanch **WAVERING** 110

### 21.04.2024 Townsville April

**A: 1** Julie Brice; **2** Helen Hynes; **3** Tim Walton **HG** Helen Hynes 502

### 21.04.2024 April Antickes

A: 1 Cameron Farlow; 2 Karen Richards; 3 Paul Richards; HG Cameron Farlow 570; HW Martin Waterworth ENAMORED 158

**B: 1** Olga Visser; **2** Yvette Copley; **3** Kerry Reimers **HG** Glenys Logan 500; **HW** Arnold Appelhof **STRUGGLE** 122

C: 1 Jill Paterson; 2 Ashwin Page; 3 Ruth Jones; HG Jill Paterson 504; HW Ruth Jones TRUNKED 114

# SA

#### 10.02.2024 Seaford February

A: 1 Adam Kretschmer; 2 Carmel Dodd; 3 Antony Kimber; HG Carmel Dodd 506; HW Judy Mansfield VOMITING 176

**B: 1** Dieter Jedamski; **2** Rowena Vnuk; **3** Baheej Al Kassem; **HG** Baheej Al Kassem 491; **HW** Rowena Vnuk **EQUATING** 84

#### 18.02.2024 SA February

A: 1 Jane Taylor; 2 Tracey Kneebone; 3 Susan Roberts; HG Carmel Dodd 525; HW Michael Vnuk HIPSTER 97

**B: 1** Louisa Atsas; **2** Kenn Rawlings; **3** Julie Robins; **HG** Elana Jaremyn 496; **HW** Kenn Rawlings **LAZIEST** 114

#### 09.03.2024 SA CHAMPS 2024

A: 1 Russell Honeybun; 2 Trevor Tao; 3 Jane Taylor; 698; HG Russell Honeybun 621; HW Antonios Syrigos RODDINGS 149

#### 23.03.2024 Seaford March

A: 1 Antony Kimber; 2 Carmel Dodd; 3 Jane Taylor; HG Carmel Dodd 528; HW Antony Kimber REAVING 87

**B: 1** Tim Guidera; **2** Dieter Jedamski; **3** Rowena Vnuk; **HG** Dieter Jedamski 506; **HW** Rowena Vnuk **SEXTAIN** 89

#### 13.04.2024 Saturday Sessions April

A: 1 Jane Taylor; 2 Adam Kretschmer; 3 Antony Kimber; HG Adam Kretschmer 465; HW Jane Taylor DONSIER 100

**B: 1** Fiona Braendler; **2** Karyn Crease; **3** Tracey Kneebone; **HG** Fiona Braendler 491; **HW** Fiona Braendler **FILMERS** 99

#### 21.04.2024 SA April

A: 1 Daniel Piechnick; 2 Jane Taylor; 3 Michael Vnuk; HG Jane Taylor 587; HW Adam Kretschmer **TRACKING** 102

**B: 1** Angie Pearse; **2** Fiona Braendler; **3** Baheej Al Kassem; **HG** Fiona Braendler 491; **HW** Susan Roberts **SQUEALS** 98

# TAS

#### 03.02.2024 Ulverstone Saturday

**OPEN: 1** Dianne Brumby; **2** Martin Rose; **3** Jan Hill; **HG** Martin Rose 538; **HW** Jan Hill **FLORIDER** 158

### 04.02.2024 Ulverstone Sunday

**OPEN: 1** Dianne Brumby; **2** Margaret Griggs; **3** Lynne Jarvis; **HG** Dianne Brumby 471; **HW** Mgriggs **ZESTIER** 114

#### 02.03.2024 Ross March

**OPEN: 1** Ros Wilkinson; **2** Martin Rose; **3** Margaret Bishop; **HG** David Cardwell 493; **HW** Leonie Balsley **CUSTARD** 101

#### 13.04.2024 Ross April

**OPEN:** 1 Jon Ford-King; 2 Martin Rose; 3 Jan Hill; **HG** Jan Hill 545; **HW** Bernadette Donehue **STEAMING** 98

# VIC

#### 25.02.2024 BAYSIDE OPEN 1

**BAYSIDE:** 1 David Eldar; 2 Andrew Fisher; 3 Shaun Donnelly; **HG** Naween Fernando 622; **HW** David Eldar **SCRAMJET** 107

#### 16.03.2024 Ballarat Open

**OPEN: 1** John Rider; **2** Jane Taylor; **3** Geoff Wright; **HG** Chris Scholten 561; **HW** Val Martin **SHITTED** 116

#### 22.03.2024 Friday Night Scrabble

**OPEN: 1** Justin Moyle; **2** Rob York; **3** Rob Hutchinson; **HG** Rob Hutchinson 463; **HW** John Minas **AVOIDED** 102

### 14.04.2024 APRIL EVENT

A: 1 Chris Scholten; 2 Nat Podesser; 3 Oscar Ivanovski; HG Nick Ivanovski 555; HW Shaun Donnelly RODDING 96

**B: 1** John Rider; **2** Rob York; **3** Michael Sacco; **HG** John Rider 497; **HW** Elizbath McKean **HUNTING** 87

#### 05.05.2024 SATURDAY SESSIONS 24 April

A: 1 David Eldar; 2 Edward Okulicz; 3 Trevor Halsall; HG David Eldar 589; HW David Eldar SDAYNING 117

**B: 1** Kashi Thiris; **2** Nat Podesser; **3** Lainie Mercieca; **HG** Kris Howat 493; **HW** Kris Howat **BARRENS** 100

C: 1 John Rider; 2 Angie Winkler; 3 Carol Mascitti; HG Carol Mascitti 563; HW Angie Winkler SENSING 82

**D: 1** Annette Casey; **2** Eileen Mills; **3** Fintan Conway; **HG** Eileen Mills 407; **HW** Annette Casey **DONKEYS** 84

### WA

#### 11.02.2024 February Bisection

A: 1 Russell Honeybun; 2 Geoff Shepheard; 3 Sally Martin; HG Russell Honeybun 612; HW John Salmon UNENDING 131

**B: 1** Jenny Coetzee; **2** Cori Lodder; **3** Rhonda Reynish; **HG** Henny Yates 468; **HW** Thanu Sriskantharaja **INERTIA** 78

### 10.03.2024 March Trisection

A DIVISION: 1 Max Mason; 2 Edie Mueller; 3 Susan Rayner; HG Max Mason 590; HW Susan Rayner MAZIEST 116

**B DIVISION:** 1 Cori Lodder; **2** Rhonda Reynish; **3** John Salmon; **HG** Anne Stewart 484; **HW** John Salmon **OVERMAN** 88

C DIVISION: 1 Pauline Coulter; 2 Jenny Coetzee: 3 Chris Sanders; HG Pauline Coulter 440; HW Chris Sanders SCRUFFS 90

### 27.03.2024 Platinum Wednesday

A: 1 Russell Honeybun; 2 Chris Hall; 3 Kong Chock Heng; HG Carmel Dodd 567

**B: 1** Howard Rayner; **2** Paul Richards; **3** Noel Barrett; **HG** Paul Richards 549

C: 1 Tan Zi Kang; 2 Sreepathy Iyer; 3 Tanavira Govindan; HG Tan Zi Kang 597 **D: 1** Victoria Gates; **2** Vyasa Dheva Nithyana; **3** Kerry Reimers; **HG** Victoria Gates 518

**E: 1** Margaret Neal; **2** Seshi Ramanathan; **3** Alan Mathews; **HG** Seshi Ramanathan 471

F: 1 Vinh Nguyen: 2 Elize Plaganyi; 3 Anne Hough; HG Vinh Nguyen 595

#### 28.03.2024 Platinum Thursday

A: 1 Russell Honeybun; 2 Max Mason; 3 Kong Chock Heng; HG Russell Honeybun 602; HW Tan Zi Kang CONATIVE 102

**B: 1** Karen Richards; **2** Carmel Dodd; **3** Noel Barrett; **HG** Tony Hunt 521; **HW** Noel Barrett **RELIQUE** 129

C: 1 Carol Johnsen; 2 Sunny Bhatia; 3 Josh Watt; HG Josh Watt 508; HW Benjamin Lee ZESTED 93

**DE: 1** Karrin Henderson; **2** Cori Lodder; **3** Caroline Scowcroft; **HG** Seshi Ramanathan 529; **HW** Susan Macgillivray **TAKEOVER** 149

F: 1 Anne Hough; 2 Cecilia Khoo; 3 Janet Kirk; HG Cecilia Khoo 446; HW Cecilia Khoo FASTING 95

#### 30.03.2024 National Plate

PLATE: 1 Olga Visser; 2 Judy Mansfield; 3 Margaret Neal; HG Caroline Scowcroft 587; HW Margaret Neal RETHINKS 203

#### 30.03.2024 National Championship

**CHAMP: 1** David Eldar; **2** Naween Fernando; **3** Russell Honeybun; **HG** David Eldar 644; **HW** Carmel Dodd **SQUIRREL** 203

### 21.04.2024 Joy Deans Memorial

**OPEN: 1** Russell Honeybun: **2** Sally Martin; **3** Benjamin Lee; **HG** Russell Honeybun 576; **HW** Chris Sanders **SQUEAKER** 105

#### 05.05.2024 Melville May

A: 1 Max Mason; 2 Russell Honeybun; 3 Sally Martin; HG Russell Honeybun 630; HW Max Mason **STOPOVER** 131

**B: 1** Anne Stewart; **2** Faye Williams; **3** John Salmon; **HG** Delys Carbon 495; **HW** Bettina Tonkin **POUFFIER** 98

C: 1 Carol Hudson; 2 Pauline Coulter; 3 Marge Roberts; HG Chris Sanders 428; HW Pauline Coulter MADDENS 84

# **2024 AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR SCRABBLE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sunday 25th August 2024 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA \* Must be born no earlier than 1/1/2007 \* Must be an Australian resident

VENUE: "The Space", Cabra-Vale Diggers Club, 1 Bartley St., Canley Vale, NSW Start time: Please arrive at the club no later than 9:00 am Expected finish time: 6:30 pm (including presentation ceremony)

# 7 GAMES

25 minutes per player per game, Australian draw, final round Monarch of the Monolith

**AUSTRALIAN RULES** 

CSW21 lexicon PRIZE POOL\* Overall winner \$1000 Overall 2nd place \$700 U-18 (born after 1/1/2007) winner \$700 U-12 winner (born after 1/1/2013) \$700 U-10 winner (born after 1/1/2015) \$700 U-8 winner (born after 1/1/2017) \$700

ENTRY FEE\*\*: \$25 (early bird rate, pay before June 30) (free entry for interstate players) Trophies for 1st and 2nd places in each category EVERY PLAYER RECEIVES A MEDALLION

To register: email Tony Hunt <u>abcsuphire@gmail.com</u> Enquiries to the above email address or phone/SMS: 0417470167

\* The fine print. Prize money will not be paid as a wad of cash in an envelope, but instead paid to parents to assist with accommodation/travel expenses to attend any future World Youth Scrabble Championship or Australian Junior Scrabble Championship. A player cannot win more than one prize from the Prize Pool, e.g. if the "overall winner" is in the U-18 category, then the "U-18 winner" prize goes to the next finishing player. The organisers reserve the right to change the age categories depending on the number of entries received in each category. \*\* Entry fee after June 30 is \$30

# Records 2024 so far...

High game score 662		Russell Honeybun 662 against Alan Mathews 283 at 14.01.2024 January Open		
Large game margin 420		Kelvin Korn 519 against Jerry Hou 99 at 06.01.2024 JANBOREE		
High drawn game 408		Chris Ostrowski 408 against Monica Dwyer 408 at 18.02.2024 Wgong Round Robins		
High combined score 1005		Russell Honeybun 612 against Sally Martin 393 at 11.02.2024 February Bisection		
High average score	489.8	(6 games) David Eldar at 25.02.2024 BAYSIDE OPEN 1		
High average spread	158.4	(8 games) Kelvin Korn at 06.01.2024 JANBOREE		
High losing score 489		Karen Richards 489 against Edward Okulicz 497 at 06.01.2024 JANBOREE		
Long winning streak 10		Carmel Dodd at 26.01.2024 Women's Championship and 28.01.2024 CSIM 2024		
High word 176		<b>VOMITING</b> : Judy Mansfield at 10.02.2024 Seaford February		
High opening score	0	_		
High play, not bonus	108	CL(ADD)ING: Karen Richards at Bomaderry 03.03.2024		
High play, not triple triple	114	LAZIEST: Kenn Rawlings at SA February 18.02.2024		
Long word 9		(EX)ERTIONS: Vincent Nguyen at CSIM 28.01.2024		
Many bingos 5		<b>OUTAGES; ASTONIED; DEBATERS; ADIPOSE; BLITHER:</b> John Hamilton at ACT APRIL 24.02.2024		
Many consecutive bingos 3		<b>TANTIES; TWISTIER; INFERIAE</b> : Karen Richards at Bomaderry 03.03.2024		



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# **Ratings Snapshot**

# Top 200 at 6 May 2024

	<u> </u>			
1	David Eldar	2103	68	Ray Alford
2	Edward Okulicz	1963	69	Martin Rose
3	Naween Fernando	1924	70	Jane Brown
4	Russell Honeybun	1919	71	Edie Mueller
5	Peter Kougi	1913	72	Alan Burn
6	Cameron Farlow	1905	73	Carolyn Watt
7	Trevor Halsall	1878	74	Geoff Shepheard
8	Andrew Fisher	1848	75	Alex Lam
9	Esther Perrins	1826	76	Peter Shaw
10	Rod Talbot	1774	77	Liz Blanch
11	Victor Tung	1771	78	Sheryl Davidson
12	Daniel Piechnick	1762	79	Tim Reddan
13	Ryan Sutton	1757	80	Kashi Thiris
14	Max Mason	1747	81	Jenny Brysha
		1725	82	
15	Mythili Rudra			Norma Fisher
16	Stephen Mooney Pursell	1704	83	Kate Gullan
17	John Holgate	1701	84	Chris Scholten
18			85	
	Jimmy Scarff	1691		Khen Meerding
19	Adam Kretschmer	1687	86	Alex Boiko
20	Carmel Dodd	1674	87	Adam Kauschke
21	Bob Jackman	1673	88	Therese Nichols
22	Nick Ivanovski	1673	89	Ivor Zetler
23	Wayne Jones	1660	90	Phillip Hamilton
24	Trevor Tao	1659	91	Judy Godfrey
25	Joanne Craig	1645	92	Susan Rayner
26	Oscar Ivanovski	1642	93	Asanka Dissanayake
27	John Spaan	1637	94	Kerry Constable
28	Geoff Wright	1634	95	Margaret Webb
29	Rael Hayman	1633	96	Neil McLean
30	David Vanzyl	1627	97	Justin Moyle
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31	Tony Hunt	1626	98	Roberta Tait
32	Sally Martin	1625	99	Shaun Donnelly
33	Karen Richards	1620	100	Francoise Finlayson
34	Jane Taylor	1616		Chris Ostrowski
35	Alistair Kane	1607	102	Martin Waterworth
36	Ronnie Bennett	1589	103	Helen Metaxas
37	John Hamilton	1588		Rex Shakespeare
38	Dianne Brumby	1577		Kris Howat
39	Chris Hall	1574	106	Jegatheva Jegathesan
40	Paul Richards	1556		Keri Heart
41	Rocky Sharma	1550		Steven Savona
42	lan Ting	1548	109	Benjamin Lee
43	Malcolm McAnulty	1539	110	Olga Visser
44		1536		Tracey Kneebone
	Heather Long			
45	Dianne Davis	1532	112	Glenys Logan
46	Dianne Ward	1532	113	Aaradhya Srivastava
47	Antony Kimber	1524		Yan Rui Ko
48	Nat Podesser	1523		Angie Pearse
49	Jyoti Chandna	1521	116	Sharon Sorensen
50	Howard Rayner	1518	117	Lainie Mercieca
51	Noel Barrett	1513		Richard Birch
52	Antonios Syrigos	1507	119	Arnold Appelhof
53	Helen Hynes	1504		Judy Mansfield
54	Josh Watt	1501	121	
55	Diyath Visidagamage	1500	122	Colleen Birch
56	Julie Brice	1495	123	Faye Williams
57	Graeme Lock Lee	1493		Rob York
58	Anne Zion	1483		June Valentine
59	Lois Binnie	1482	126	Barry Harridge
60	Garth van Vliet	1482		Janine Whittaker
61	Michael Vnuk	1476		Rob Hutchinson
62	Greg Pinchbeck	1474	129	John Linney
63	Jon Ford-King	1473	130	Peter Griffiths
64	Tony Miller	1466	131	
65	Tony Williams	1465		Monica Dwyer
66	Marianne Bentley	1462	133	Yvette Copley
67	Carol Johnsen			John Rider
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Top 200 at 6 May 2024			
1458	135	Caroline Polak Scowcroft	1277
1456	136	Margaret Neal	1275
1454	137	Katie Rowe	1266
1448	138	Jacqui Pearce	1266
1447	139	Karrin Henderson	1262
1443	140	Moana Nepia	1257
1435 1434	141	Louise Love	1250
1434	142 143	Noel Coulter Sandra Masel	1248 1242
1429	143		1242
1426	145	Vicki Russell	1238
1422	146	Jean Noonan	1235
1421	147	Susan MacGillivray	1233
1419	148	Anne Schick	1232
1416	149	John Barker	1231
1409	150	Kerry Reimers	1230
1407	151	Jeffery Lam	1230
1404	152	Owen Randall	1229
1398	153	Sue Gergelifi	1228
1398	154	Khwanjai Thammaping	1222
1396 1393	155	Vinh Nguyen	1218
1393	156	Victoria Gates	1215
1393	157	Rhonda Reynish	1214
1388	158	Norma Tracey	1208
1388	159	Nancy Sparling	1205 1204
1387	160 161	Alan Mathews Lynne Jarvis	1204
1386	162	Lexia Smallwood	1202
1384	163	Sylvia Galloway	1199
1383	164	Tim Walton	1196
1378	165	John Minas	1194
1373	166	Julie Robins	1191
1371	167	Yvonne Edwards	1188
1370 1365	168	Marion Miller	1187
1365	169	Rob Marotta	1185
1356	170	Sally Macallan	1185
1346	171	Natalie Tadday	1184
1346	172	Anne Stewart	1183
1345	173 174	Susan Roberts Barbara Joffe	1181 1180
1341	175	Elaine Capewell	1177
1336	176	Vincent Nguyen	1176
1335	177	Margaret Griggs	1175
1329	178	Hanne Marks	1173
1325 1325	179	John Salmon	1171
1321	180	Tony Kalayzich	1171
1320	181	Penny Wells	1171
1315	182	Josef Peeters	1170
1315	183	Mardi Healy	1170
1313	184	Karen Woodhead	1169
1308	185	Karyn Crease	1164
1306	186 187	Pam Bennett	1162
1306	187	Oliver Podesser Paula Messer	1161 1159
1299	188	Lexie Neale	1159
1297 1294	190	Heather Bernstein	1157
1294	191	Kim Grayson	1155
1292	192	Frank Csarics	1154
1287	193	Wendi Symes	1154
1286	194	Dieter Jedamski	1150
1286	195	Jayanthi Viswanathan	1150
1284	196	Margaret Bishop	1147
1281	197	Pam Thomas	1147
1281	198	Fiona Braendler	1147
1279	199	Stephen Saunders	1147
1277	200	Marie Wilson	1144

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