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Hey everyone!! Here's the newsletter you've all been waiting for!! Unfortunately it is the last newsletter for the year, but it's a special edition by a mystery editor (see clue below). This edition is jam-packed with updates from all the exciting past events, including the Tri-Series and the Dragons Basketball Tournament. So, what are you waiting for – dig in!! (We recommend that only one person at a time should read this newsletter. To prevent injuries caused from fighting and arguing over who gets to read it first, arm yourself with a water gun – or money... that always works!!)

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## Have you seen this



## Raccoon?

## What's Been Happenin'?

### DRAGONS TRI-SERIES - SATURDAY 8 JULY

Well, this is only a perspective from a recollection that is stale by days but fresh by memory, a memory of a triumphant and surreal nite, of a place that is Lower Hutt's own version of Disneyland, a sport-topia that held disco-bowling, indoor netball, indoor soccer, and on this nite of nites, indoor humiliation...this was .....Dragons Tri-Series nite,,,oh yeah,,,,,,get some!

There were young and there were...not so young.. there were athletic and there were, okay, okay, the not so athletically inclined...alright, down right uncoordinated! Anyone who was anyone was there: Megan's team, Jeremy's team, Derek's team, Shane's team, Tony's team and Matt's team. Don't ask me to elaborate any further.

**Netball** was fun, a game of bounding and constant motion, fake here, pass there. **Indoor soccer** was a particular pleasure as it was a darn good run around in a big area, and everyone was gamboling like gamblers in gambolerville... **Bowling**...what can I say when you are in a neon lit alleyway with techno being played and disco lights everywhere, it was like ..nothing I had ever seen before..what crazed marketing mind came up with this sporting extravaganza?! It was cool, aside from watching the pins drop and avoiding the incessant shine from peoples teeth!

Okay, standings...Jeremy's team did well, along with Tony's team, however, the accumulation of the teams totals came down to a hugely close finish between Shane's, Megan's and Derek's team, with Shane's team pipping the other two at the finish by only 5 points! However, I do remember a certain boyfriend of a certain San Rio saying...'if we had put in a team, we would have won...' yeah BGA, you would have.....NOT!!!

And then there was the **supper**, which I thought was extremely impressive, and highly satisfying..cheers for the organisers of the food, it wuz fulfilling and jizzy. Many many thanks to the organisers of this nite - Al Chan, Andrew Fok, Derek Young and Derek Chin - chur bruthas and sistas, look out for next years menage-Tri-Series.

### DRAGONS MID-WINTER INDOOR TENNIS EVENT - SATURDAY 29 JULY

*Bounce, bounce, bounce. Toss. Full Swing. Connect. Fault.  
Bounce, bounce, bounce. Toss. Half Swing. Connect. Double Fault.*

**"EEE YAAAH!!!"**

(Sudden death point - Jack Ng the server)



The 32 men's and women's places were quickly filled following the success of last year's event. The US Open may have produced more spectacular skills, but where else but the Dragons Indoor Tennis Event would you see: balls bouncing between legs; complete misses; two players getting balls lodged in the "v" of their racquets; intense lobbing duels in the mixed doubles; the winning *and* losing team receiving prizes? Yep, our own unique style of tennis played in a competitive but social atmosphere, with *food!*

**Highest Points:** Team Capriati (Jenny Yee, Brent Lee, George and Philippa Ng)

**Lowest Points:** Team Sampras (Pam Chin, Kenny Young, Cheryl and Rodney Moon)

The chair umpire (Major), foot-fault judge (Andrew) and net-cord judge (Anna) would like to thank everyone for entering and adding to the fun. Thanks to Pam and Jenny for helping with the supper.

## THE INAUGURAL 3 ON 3 ROUND BALL CLASSIC - SUNDAY 23 JULY

Events: A three on three tournament, and .....the SLAM Dunk contest. Both were memorable...here's how they cooked. (It was good action). The venue Porirua. the time.... Now ..... the then and before ..... This was the first 3 on 3 tournament held by Dragons and everyone was as keen as 3 meatballs and an olive in an Italian stew. The anticipation on the small capuchin like faces of each contestant showed an eagerness to perform.

Participating teams for the Inaugural 3 on 3 Roundball Classic included: King Kum, Pok Gai, Phil's Team, Da Pigs and David's Team.

Pok Gai was looking good until the players were absolutely decimated by injury, you could blame it on their poor diet of steamed asparagus and brussel sprouts in what they thought was carbo loading, instead it was more hot air. This indeed was a team to watch, filled with talent athleticism and size...if it weren't for those darn bean sprouts they could have gone alllllllll theeeeeeee way !!!!!!! Pok Gai comprised of the thinking mans player, Mike Kwong, Apha Beta Omega Ho, and Mo-man Lee.

King Kum also had a few players, they were Ben Dover and Insert (James Chin) and Peter and Hobbie. They did well, promised much but things didn't go the way they wanted.

Phil's team held, of course, the dominator, Phil 'the pill' Wong, he was the medicine that the opposition didn't want to taste. Otherwise known as Mutombo as he patrols the paint like all 7 foot centres from Zaire, Phill would later garner the block party award; no one was allowed in this guy's house. Also on the team were Martin the 'Carton' Chin, and just like a cardboard box, he attacked the hoop with vim and vigour. People say he takes much the same form as his bigger brother Jason.....but is he as good with the woman ?? There was also Beast Brendan, the pure shooter, and Kiel the oh-so tainted three-point shooter.

Then there was David's team. The 'Hoas' cause when one of them drove or shot then the other shouted 'hoa'. Like they were trash talking or something....they met up with Da Pigs in the finals.

The round robin was a gruelling and intense competition, it would sort out the infant from the small boys, and the small boys from the somewhat bigger but only by an inch boys. It was a contest of pure guts and desire. The 5 teams involved would discover that this was a battle of attrition.....only the strong would survive..... like the wrestling battles of days gone by. The great hulk hogan and macho man savage would square off for the heavy weight championship of the world.

The oinks had a lot of quality bacon in their lineup, and despite a few ham hocks the finals revolved around an acrobatic display of heroics, outside shooting and inside puzzling: David's team were also playing with injuries but Da Pigs still prevailed. Kia Kaha e tama.

MVP of the Roundball Classic went to the ever quiet and ever left-handed Terry, who once more showed his class as the most dominating force in this event.

The wooden spoon award went to the last placed team..... who don't wish to be mentioned at this time. Hard luck Phil, the media has never been that kind.

Then, what the crowds wanted: the search for the heir apparent to Vince and Mike (Jordan, not Kwong). The participants were Terry 'windmill' Chin, Ed Peter 'peter', Mike ' Skywalker' Kwong and David the 'Defiant' Chen and Kiel the Pile.

With OOOOO and Ahhhsss coming from the crowd this event was sure to be a sure-fire success with its party atmosphere. Needless to say the crowd got its moneys worth and so did the judges for that matter. Well, Peter couldn't jump high enough, so that was him out of it, but kudos for trying.

Mike teased us with a couple of missed dunks, but had a nice cup-cradle slam for the finals. Terry 'the windmill' came up with a number of consistent crowd pleasers, a round the pound slamma jammer and his namesake - a side baseline windmill that took out the finals!

However the dunk of the day belonged to the defiant one...DC! He was fired up. He ran up and jumped up and launched himself at the hoop at a hundred miles per hour...what elevation, what pure athleticism, what creativity and imagination .... what in goodness sakes name was he thinking of?... this ain't no swimming pool!! DC Davy was vertical to the horizon, like a freestyle swimmer he ricocheted off the side of the rim and seemed to paddle in mid-air, flailing about like a demented platypus.... falling earthbound ..... like slow motion..... a boulder... a sack of potatoes.....

<bold><bigger><bigger><bigger>THUD!!!! </bigger></bigger></bigger></bold>

..... the crowd went silent ..... then it burst into a loud frenzy of laughter and giggles..... history had just been created and would forever be forged into the history books of the SLAM DUNK competition.....all that can be said about this guy is .. boy oh boy is he a showman!!

All in all a hugely successful event. Thanks to Ed, Cliff, Shane, Dev, Ants (remember him?) and Dan for running this event. Thanks to Dan for his useful ibm index quartile rankings in the standings table. We thank all our competitors for participating in this event and making it a success and we look forward to a bigger and better event next year.....

## **DRAGONS ANNUAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT - 2 & 3 SEPTEMBER**

The competition was **hot** and all ten Dragons teams played hard but fair in their respective grades. The results of the tournament were as follows:

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Finalists/Top 2 Teams</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Mens A	Dragons Matrix Vs Dragons B	Dragons Matrix
Womens A	Dragons A Vs WCS A	Dragons A
Mens B	WCS A Vs Seaward	Seaward
Mens C	Dragons C & WCS C	WCS C
Womens C	Dragons C & Dragons U21	Dragons C
Mens U18	Dragons A Vs WCS	WCS
Mixed Intermediate	Dragons Blue Vs WCS Tall Blacks	WCS Tall Blacks

This is how each of the Dragons teams saw the tournament:

### **Dragons Matrix (Mens Open)**

Do you want to know what it is, Neo? Neo swallows and nods his head? The Matrix is everywhere, it's all around us here, even in this room....unfortunately no one can be told what the Matrix is. You have to see it for yourself...remember all that I'm offering is the truth and nothing more.

The Matrix: Yeeg, Lazer, IR, Fozzie, Mega-Kabuterimon, Squirtle, Wardz, Shamus, and the Mick. Under the guidance of the side loading rocket launcher (SLRL).

In one section, Dragons B, Centre A and Seaward. In the other section, Centre B, Annum, Dragons Yellow and Dragons Matrix. The unbeaten from each section would go to the A Grade final, the others to semi-finals and then a final for the B Grade.

*Here's how it panned:*

Centre A, with two notable monoliths from the past still alive and 'kicking', Boo-radley Moon, and an assortment of young and old, such as J-hoon the undead, played Seaward, a motley collection of Palmy players that were fresh - real *fresh*. Despite a tight half, Centre as expected pulled away and took it.

The following match was, in this writer's eyes, the marquee event - Centre A vs Dragons B. Hey, I know both teams: their playaz and their players. I had a bet with a person from Centre who shall remain known only as Diddy. It was for \$10. I bet the B's would win. I was right. Diddy was wrong. Diddy now can't remember the bet. Shame on you Diddy. And what about the game itself? HARD. Physical. With the brand of bball that Centre has come to be known for. A-force gave what was dished and then some. G-force received what was dished, OuCh, Drags B victors. B vs Seaward - despite their recent bruising encounter, they, with their veteran play advanced to the A Grade final. They, despite their age, still had the passion. Kia Kaha.

The other section: First up, Annum vs the Matrix. Annum, with Ro Wong, Lolo, Tone and Sherminator. Despite a good effort from Annum, the Matrix won by a coupla points. Next, vs Dragons Yellow. Magical Marv. The Hollow Man. He only known as Kwang (or Anna's son). Pin. J. Si. It was a spirited game. All credit to Yellow, with some innovative plays but Matrix won. Final game of the section was Matrix vs Centre B. The Twinz. Steve. Goss. Premature. Vince Carter (the other one) and Hingis (the other one), Chau and Ass (the other one). And it oh so very nearly mirrored the other section, with Centre B putting on a good show that was tight to the finish. Tight as JLH. Lazer got in the face of one of the twins. Don't ask me which one. Then Lazer blocked what was to be the B's winning lay-up. Pow Chau. After Lazer's triumphant and game saving play, while the game played on with the ball in the hands of the Matrix, he stood in the same spot, his finger raised to heaven in a gesture of sheer idiocy. Nice! A win to the Matrix - but just. Matrix to the A Grade final.

*In long black coast trinity and neo push through the revolving doors. Neo is carrying a duffel bag. Trinity has a large metal suitcase. They cut across the lobby drawing nervous glances. Dark glasses. Game faces.*

Okay - A Grade Final. Respect happening before and after the game. But B-Ball happenin' in the middle. Ups and down wit' the score, with the Vets up 10-2 early on, but the Matrix coming back with a run to put themselves up. A-force and Lazer are going at it, but that's their game, and I wouldn't take it away from them. Squirtle doesn't miss a shot. The Mick rebounds ferociously, but like Premier grade, fouls out. Tiny 5 point cushion throughout the game to the Matrix, but before you know it, Egg hits what I've never seen him do ever - three pointer! 2 point game. But the same applied to Yeeg earlier in the game as well! (Yeeg had a gangster of a tourney!) Fozzie hits one free throw to put it beyond contention, and I know it's a cliché, but basketball was the winner at the end of the day. Props to the Side Loading Rocket Launcher for coaching, the Black Dogg and Gidge and Mon, Bri C, Goku and Triceratops. See you all for the sequel. Peace, I'm out.

### **Dragons B (Mens Open)**

Could this have been the A team? Yeah right - maybe 10 years ago! The team of mostly veterans (Steven Young, Roy Yee, Brian Yee, Alan Blundell, Afa Lepaio, Voldi Simi, Glendale Rangihaeata and David Choong; coach: Paul Wong She) played well in their section, in fact, too well. They beat both Seaward and WCS A to get into the A Grade final instead of the expected B Grade final. Still, they were competitive against every team despite the lack of team practices and team talks. This team just wants to play, relying heavily on experience. Next year, will this team be in A grade or C grade???

### **Dragons Yellow (Mens Open)**

Dragons Yellow, who won the C grade at Queens Birthday, found themselves in the Mens Opens grade playing a mixture of A and B grade teams. The competition was pretty tough but the team did well and still managed to have fun! Players included Jay, Louis, Marvin, Nigel, Sam, Tim, Simon, John, Holona, Mei, and Sophin.

### **Dragons C (Mens C)**

This was a team, yet again, made up of old heads (and with them, old bodies and slow reflexes!), and young, active, virile, stud-like, growing men (no Paul, this is not you, and yes Mark NK and Stephen, the former is your description). Brought together to win the C Grade cup, it faltered at the last hurdle after being impressive going down the track. But such is life. This team does have potential!

It was great to have the two South Island imports, Andrew and Richard, whom along with Matt (another import), Michael, another Michael, Paul, Mark, another Mark (the good looking SHORT one), Stephen and Don, made up a very good-spirited team. Thanks to Steven for his coaching and we are sorry we couldn't carry it through for him in the end.

### **Dragons Spikers (Mens C)**

After the dizzy heights of last year's QB tourney C Grade final, this new-look team took another step towards the ultimate in basketball - to last a whole game. Well, after two 'close' losses, we finally put it together for our last game of the tournament - we won by default!

*Highlights of our tournament were:*

Phil Chin - shot 100% from the free throw line (missed all of them) and then sprained his ankle to preserve his record

Manli Chin - shot our only 3-pointer of the tournament?!

Manda Chin - found no defence on the break so faked 3 times before shooting

Rob Lay - 100% from the 3-point line (none of them even got close)

Graham Young - never wanted to be in the starting 5

Andrew Lee - always the first to call for a sub

Geoff Wong - tried to play every position and failed in all of them

Derek Young - achieved the ultimate goal of lasting a whole game without subbing off

As our coach Wayne Smith said..... we have a few things to work on...!

### **Dragons A (Mens U18)**

This team was primed for a big tournament, and although it's only the beginning of the account, I'll tell you now...it wasn't to be. But there are several important upsides to what was the final result.

The boys are young and hungry, and have a lot more tournaments in them...so yes, oh yes they will be successful. Take heart Dragon faithful, don't look at it as a loss, but a building block.... a step in the direction of establishing a new dynasty. Another upside is that despite the final lopsided score, the team was undefeated in the round robin! Also, not taking anything away from the Centre victory, but they brought in a ringer for the final game. Fourthly, consider this: our point guard Craig 'Goku' Chin also had a big tumble the game beforehand. However, he still put in a gutsy performance - but who knows what could have happened if he was at a 100% and a certain physio had given him the special 'S-eng' treatment (those in the know know who I'm on about).

There were some great performances put in during the tournament. Aaron 'A--' Yee put on a stellar offensive performance against Centre A in the round robin, hitting a variety of trick shots in a number of positions... Ben 'Dover-Tank-Clare' Szeto was also a spectacular and consistent offensive option. Just feed into the little lefty and he would deliver by backing into the key and doing his little fade jumper. Smoooooth. Then, there was

Ben's man-friend, James 'man-kind' Chin, also known as 'Insert'. He and Ben, or 'Ben Dover and Insert' were a great one-two, in and out combo. Insert was a great board cleaner and also did a few rebounds as well.

Then there is Phil "McCracken" Wong who dominated in practices as well as the tourney. His towering defence and block were testament to his improved aggression and play. Kia Kaha Phil. Tim 'T---' Yee was also a powerful contributor. His ball handling and fast break ability were something to behold; I believe he would have made his girlfriend proud. Then there is Kwong. No other name is needed. He is Kwong. He of the heavy footed lay-up, the look down at the floor before I shoot technique. He was a superb offensive contributor and had a good showing in the final, with a notable hang in the air pivot fadeaway running jumper which swished and gave the team two points...but it wasn't necessary - there was no defender on him. Finally, there is the T-Bag - the team's mainstay. Inside out, another of the teams leftys. T-bag is the consummate professional with a sweet shot and a lay-up to end all lay-ups. Tumeke. Too much.

Dragon faithful take heart, cause we have a team of true playaz. A message from the Dragon Queen: thanks to the team for a splendid effort, better luck next year, and thanks to Alpha Ho for the foul.

### **Dragons B (Mens U18)**

The team started well in the tournament. Against Centre, the team was 18 points down in the first quarter but they fought back to be within 10 points at half time. They just never gave up; the intensity level never went down until the final whistle. Unfortunately the next two games weren't so good. We were dicked with embarrassing score lines (more so than Dragons A did in the MU18 Final :). But in the end it was a big learning curve for the team. Lets all hope and pray that we will at least win a game next year.

The team was: F--t boy (Brendan), Hobby (Jonathan), Miller (Kiel), Miah (Jeremy), Hewitt (Leighton), Marty (Martin), and Skid Marks (Edmond).

Our thanks and kisses to the coach Ed xxx. And thanks to Shane Lowe for the hard work and effort he has put in as co-coach/water boy.

### **Dragons A (Womens A)**

2 days, 3 games.....1 winner. There can be only ONE!!! Where does one begin when we talk about the heart of a champion? I suppose the best place is the beginning.... that's usually how a story begins.

This year the Dragons Womens A team took their destiny into their own hands. Continuing with their heart stopping clutch performance at Queens Birthday, they took their strong will to win and passion for the game onwards and upwards to defend a back-to-back championship in 2000, coached by the slick and scheming Devon Wong (not to mention good-looking and intelligent) who has been known to hold painstaking 3-hour training sessions - whenever the whole team turns up that is!!

Certain words come to mind when talking about the A team: Whitewash...Champion...Winners...Da Bomb.

Game one was close but no cigar..... Game two was nice but it ain't over till Natty Tong sez so!!!..... and game three.... well game three is all history!!!! Dragons by a windfall!! Not even Godzilla could get in the way of this team!!!

Its difficult to pick out any single player but just for example's sake we shall take Natalie "fade-away-top-of-the-key-money-game-winner-and series-winning shot" Tong; then it is easy to show the kind of heart that every player in this team has! Then again I've got some space and time so read on for the next 7 examples....We move on to the heart and soul of the team lone and Irene. Irene, playing on a badly sprained ankle giving it up for the team, was the vocal leader and inside presence. Working like butta with lone with sweet passes inside and short jumpers, they provided the key ingredient - defense and rebounding!!! The rest of the offence belonged to Tong and Foon Associates. Or did I forget to mention go hard or go home Gina "I fouled out when I wasn't meant to" Joe?? Hard-nosed and always 110% Gina is like an energizer battery unless she has fouled out - then she's just a flat battery. What about the youthful and exuberant Laura Ng - able to leap tall buildings with a single bound and withstand hard bumps on the court with ease!! Laura, often cheeky but never streaky, always consistent never resistant! We mustn't forget the veteran leadership and steady hand of Jenny Ngan Kee - I've seen some of her moves being copied by a certain Mark.....?? Then we had the irrepressible Melissa Letoa NZ rep and all round bomb player, and then there's Nat..... Natalie "Rakie"Foon..... nuff said..

Thanks once again guys, for allowing me the pleasure of coaching such a talented and dedicated group of individuals. This definitely tops the year out and I look forward to many more years of winning and fun in the tradition of Dragons. Perhaps not.....

Other than THREE-AND-O...BABEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE.....welcome to the millennium!

And what a Millennium it is! Womens Basketball Champions of the World - Dragons Womens A.

(No bribery or money of any sort was taken in the writing of this article.)

PS: What's a gift voucher and what do they do?

### **Dragons C (Womens C)**

Well, that's another tourney come and gone. As usual I think we were the most prepared team of the Club. Even though the composition of our team was constantly changing we managed to keep our heads above

water. Luckily enough we had: Sandra, Anna, Fara, Sep, Audrey, Issy, Lilly, Brenda and Rosanna (who needs special mention here - after all, a comeback after nearly 15 years is pretty awesome!)

So, the first game of the tourney, with some of us not having attended a single practice (won't mention any names here), missing our coach and one player, we lined up against WCS with Ed Szeto as stand-in coach. We won this game – no thanks to Sandra though, who decided to score an own goal!!! (Can we protest about that?) Unfortunately near the end of the game Lilly pulled a calf muscle and was down for the count. But still we marched on.....

Next game against Dragons U21, having lost Lilly and on top of that Anna defects to the "other side" – yeh I know, she's not 21 anymore (but try telling her that!). At least we had our coach though. After a very slow and frustrating start (eh Voldi - you know it takes talent to miss that many sooo close to the basket), we managed to pull our socks up and win. Our last game was against Manawatu, winning comfortably. WE WON, WE WON!! Many thanks to Voldi and Ed for coaching us.

### **Dragons U21 (Womens C)**

Well, didn't this team just kick ass! This time we performed with more than just "glimpses of potential" and we showed Manawatu and Centre we are "ALL THAT!" Of course we couldn't have done this without our loyal supporters (of which we have NONE!), but somehow we managed to handle the rejection....

It was coz of the whole team input which made us "ALL THAT!" Rochelle's legendary rebounding and her "sweet as" attitude, and Kim spending most of her time on the ground or jumping solo, helped contribute to our wins. We couldn't have done it without Emma's "happening" shots or Jess' "right on" layups. We wouldn't have won without Hayley's "bring it on" skills and the rest of her "neat-on" skills – lets not go there. The baby of the team was Jade who coped well under pressure and unlike the rest us, she looked like she knew what she was doing! Our most improved player was Julie (Kudos!) who played "da bomb" defence. Then there is the lovely Amanda who turned up a day late for our game (Chinese time). And who could forget Tory? Her iddy biddy frame somehow managed to take out two Manawatu chicks (you go girl!) Last but definitely not least is Justine, who did a superb *rejection* on her cousin Brenda. However, she was paid back later by a rather *uncomfortable* bear hug from the opposition.

A big long thanx goes to Aunty Anna. You were great! No words can describe you man! Thanx for your commitment and support – we really appreciate it!

Loving you lots, Rochelle, Kim, Emma, Jess, Hayley, Jade, Julie, Amanda, Tory and Justine!

*(Auntie Anna says: The whole team contributed to this great result in winning 2 out of 3 games thereby finishing second in the C Grade. Thanks girls for making a big effort to attend all practices since Queens Birthday - it certainly paid off. To the youngsters of the team - Amanda, Jade and Julie - it's daunting to play against opposition who are twice your age, but you did well and we look forward to seeing you all back next season.)*

### **Dragons Intermediates**

**Dragons Blue:** Lisa Chin, Alex Foy, Fairen Lepaio, Micah Lepaio, Byron Letoa, Matthew Ng, Kylie Ngan Kee, Jasmin Yee (Coach: Brian Yee)

The team won its initial two games comfortably against Dragons Yellow and WCS Tall Ferns showing composure on both defence and offence. In the final against WCS Tall Blacks, Dragons Blue played excellent at both ends of the court to take a small lead into half time. However the second half was a different story. A combination of average defence and some outstanding offensive play by the Tall Blacks (one player in particular) saw Dragons Blue eventually lose the final and their five-year strangle-hold on the Intermediate Cup.

**Dragons Yellow:** Michael Chin, Courtney Foon, Jared Fung, Jordan Lim, Kevin Liu, Matthew Ngan, Matthew Wong, Michael Young, Rieon Young (Coach: Jenny Ngan Kee)

Dragons Yellow played four games - against Dragons Blue, WCS Tall Blacks, WCS Tall Ferns and ACM. The team lost its first two games against Dragons Blue and WCS Tall Blacks but came back well, winning its last two games against WCS Tall Ferns and ACM. Well done to the team for a great team effort and enthusiasm displayed by all the players.

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Running a tournament is always a big job and luckily the Club has a lot of people who are willing to pitch-in and help. Firstly thanks to everyone on the Tournament Committee for doing a great job of the overall organising, especially Anna Young and Steven Young who took on a significant amount of the work. To run the tournament, we need controllers, marshalls, extra scorebench/referees, and people to set/clean up the stadium. Thanks to all these people. A special thanks to Alan Young for volunteering his services as a badge referee and Mark Young for drawing up the results grid/certificates.

Running the canteen is also a lot of work. The organisers were Paul Wong She and Roy Yee who were assisted by Gary Chin, Susan Foon, Leo Chin, Vicki Chin, Andrew Chin, and Ruby Yee. Robin Lim also made generous donations of food which is greatly appreciated by the Club. A special thanks to the ladies who volunteer to work in the canteen during both days (Mrs Shirley Young, Mrs King Yee, Mrs Jocelyn Yee, Mrs Jenny Lai, Mrs Kay Szeto, Mrs On Joe). Those of us old enough to remember canteen duty will know what a chore it is and will appreciate the long hours that these people do, even though they are not members of the Club. Also a big thanks to Susan Foon, Joss Young, Vicki Chin, Susan Ng, Jenny Ngan Kee and Karen Wong Too for arranging the supper and donating food.

Thanks also to the dance organisers and helpers; especially Megan and Dev who came out on a cold wet night just to (wo)man the door after Nat Foon did her 5 minutes work!

That's the end of the basketball season and there are no more practices until after Easter next year. Thanks to all players - it's been another great year for basketball for Dragons.

#### **Basketball Sub-Committee:**

Steven Young (Chairperson), Anna Young (Secretary), Dean Chin, Ants Joe, Ed Szeto, Clifford Wong, Devon Wong and Nat Foon.

### Dragons Tournament Dance Review

Yeeaahhhhhh,....straight from the top of my dome, as I rock, rock, rock, rock, rock the microphone!!....

The dance this year was at Zebos, also known as one of the popular student bars in Wellington. I got to Zebos at exactly 9:35pm for my duties as second in charge of security. As I exited the car park area, heading towards the doors of Zebos, I checked the noise level....hmm....not very loud,...then again, I didn't expect too many people to be at the dance yet – for one simple reason - Chinese time. I entered Zebos with the surprise of no bouncers at the door. As I made my grand entrance, I checked for talent. Hmm.....no-one really stood out. I would have to have another good look later after I'd had a few drinks. I sat down in the special security marked chair and listened to the sounds playin' in the air. It was good, it was all good baby, the soundz were rockin' and we needed some more players,....so away I went with my cellphone, hurryin' up all the lil' asians who were drinking up hard elsewhere. 10pm, the players starting arriving.....and arriving.....and arriving.....and by 11pm, the party was happenin' and the sounds were flappin'!! Overall, the night was excellent; cheap drinks all night and the music was awesome!! Spot prizes go to Roch "white pants" Soo (we definitely spotted you in those pants Roch!!) and the 2 white chicks that decided that our dance was worth the whole \$8! Yeah baby!! And a big thanks to Aunty Anna for organising everything....and making us do the dirty work!!, and to Megan and Dev for taking over my security duties as second in charge and pretending to like the music!! ;-). Also, thanks to the music coordinators (da boyz) - the DJ was a keeper - well done!!

I hope everyone enjoyed their night, and for those who didn't make it and could have.....you will never know what you missed out on.....



## **POST-TOURNAMENT DINNER - THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER**

Thirty-six players from 7 teams accompanied by 3 chaperones (Kylie, Michael and Sarah Ngan Kee) post-mortemed their tournament games at the Fortuna Restaurant, Petone. But their main reason for attending was to find out if they were a recipient of a D(Dragons) T(Tournament) B(Booby) award, who were as follows:

<i>Award</i>	<i>Awardee</i>	<i>Awarded For</i>	<i>Awarded</i>
Worst Lay-up	Sandra Young	Scoring an "own goal"!!!	"Their Basket" "My Basket" signs
Worst Throw	Mens B team	Playing badly too well	Mini basket & balls
Cleaned Up	Brian Yee	Fouled off only 1 game	Disinfectant
Most Embarrassing Injury	Craig Chin	Bruised backside	Baby fluffy pants
Sub Button Blooper	Nat Tong	Pressing the button INSIDE the control box with her 50kg thumb	Screwdrivers (to open up the control box)
30 Second Clock Clowns	Mark Young Ione Lepaio	Mucking up the resetting of "only" 2 buttons	2 buttons to practice with
Most Dangerous Rebounder	Kim Foon	Whamming/smashing/splatting opposition and own players	"The Whammer" hammer
"Top" Coach	Devon Wong	Winning 3 from 3 against 1	A lost top



As we slowly make our way towards the end of the year it is an opportune time to take stock of how the volleyball season is going and report on our successes to date. Overall, Dragons volleyball continues to go from strength to strength and this is evident from our current form in the Wednesday night interclub competition where one of our two teams is currently holding top position in the A Grade. Our second team is also doing relatively well and is hoping to finish the season close to the top of their grade as well.

In addition to the Wednesday night competition, this year we managed to send teams to compete in three Central Zone tournaments at which we performed admirably, gaining valuable match-play experience against some strong competition.

Our recent success is primarily due to our coached practice sessions which are held on Sundays between 1pm - 3.30pm at the Onslow College gym, Burma Road, Johnsonville. If you are interested in playing please don't hesitate to come along, we're always happy to welcome new talent.

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**For the first time ever in Dragons volleyball history, Dragons 1, one of Dragons weeknight volleyball teams, recently won the A Grade in the Capital City Volley competition. This was Dragons 1's first full season in the highly competitive A Grade and the result reflects the commitment and teamwork of the players.**

**Congratulations to: Manda Chin, Andrew Fok, Francis Jong, Devlin Lee-Joe, Geoff Wong and Derek Young.**



## Dragons Miniball Fun Day - Porirua Recreation Centre - 9 July 2000

### INTERMEDIATE

Three intermediate teams participated in the fun day: Dragons Blue, Dragons Yellow and WCS. Dragons Blue with a combination of skill and good team work won both their games comfortably, and although Dragons Yellow did not have a win, the team had a close game against WCS. This Team is continuing to develop well.

**Dragons Blue:** Lisa Chin, Alex Foy, Micah Lepaio, Byron Letoa, Matthew Ng, Kylie Ngan Kee, Jasmin Yee  
(Coach: Brian Yee)

**Dragons Yellow:** Michael Chin, Courtney Foon, Jared Fung, Jordan Lim, Kevin Liu, Matthew Ngan, Matthew Wong, Michael Young, Rieon Young (Coach: Jenny Ngan Kee)

### MINIBALL

The turnout at this year's Fun Day was fewer than in past years with no out-of-town teams participating; maybe the great winter weather conditions meant that the skiing would be awesome?? To keep the games "competitive" across all teams, Dragons Night Shadow and WCS Highlanders played a mini-series, while Dragons Mews, WCS Hurricanes and WCS Blues played a round robin.

#### Dragons Night Shadow

Night Shadow started off eager facing a well organised Highlanders team. Having our regular forwards absent, Jessica Lowe played a steady but lonely forward with the other "guards" hounding down the ball. The holes in our defence were spotted and exploited. Half time saw a sizeable lead to the Highlanders. With the defence re-grouped and eagerness restrained, Night Shadow played a more controlled game, reducing Highlanders lead. But time was against us and with the final whistle, the first loss of the season was incurred.

The second game started just as it had finished in the first, with Night Shadow playing a strong zone defence with a fast offence. More emphasis was made of passing the ball up court and around the key hole. Kiki Kiriau, supported by Timmy Young and Michael Foy brought the ball up while Tim Kung and Scotty Ngan looked for Jessica and Charsha Lim under the basket. This time Night Shadow led throughout the game but Highlanders put up a strong fight applying a half court press in the last 5 minutes. Night Shadow held out and finished with a satisfying win.

#### Dragons Mews

The team comprised: Lisa Zhou, Michael Lee, Stacey Kung, Hayley Yee, Yvonne Lau, Rachael Chin and Charlotte Yee. This team of predominantly girls (girl power to the fore!!!!), played beyond expectation and won both it's friendly games. Everyone played well. Our awesome zone defence won the day.

### TINIBALL

We had two teams participate in the Fun Day: they were called Chipmunks and Lollipops. The teams played 2 x 8 minute halves on a big court which they were not used to. They did well to keep up with the play. There were plenty of tired and exhausted kids after the games. The kids enjoyed the games competing against children of similar age and abilities. Well done!

The Chipmunks team consisted of Kristy Ngan, Jordan Ngan, Anthony Lowe, Michael Ngan Kee, Daniel Kai, Tony Zhou, Kayla Kirian and Shanee Kirian.

The Lollipops team consisted of Nathan Blundell, Tyler Yee, Renee Yee, Sarah Ngan Kee, Nathan Kung, Hayden Yee, Megan Fung and Nicholas Young.

Some of the children's comments after the game were as follows:

"It was good." "We lost." "Felt happy." "Great that we won." "It was fun." "It was exciting." "We won the second game." "We all had a chuppa chup." "I like shooting." "I like dribbling." "I did the rebounding." "We were tired after the game." "It's still fun even if we lost." "We got 4 points and they got 3."

Thanks, to the team dads Don Kai and Alan Blundell for organising the teams and washing team t-shirts.

Many thanks to the following people for helping during the Fun Day:

**Miniball Sub Committee:** David Foon, Stephen Ngan, Colin Foy, Billy Kung, Jenny & Mark Ngan Kee, Brian Yee, Issy Yee, Pam Yee

**Referees and Scorebench:** Edward Szeto, Chris Ng, Leo Chin, Craig Chin, Major Yee, Aaron and Tim Yee, Emma and Julie Chin, David Foon, Fara Kirian, Tory Yee, Justine Young, Leighton Tse, Hayley Ng

**Marshalls:** Mark Ngan Kee, David Foon, Colin Foy, Stephen Ngan

**First Aid:** Corrina Foy, Vicki Chin

**Kitchen, Afternoon Tea, Clean Up Helpers:** Bev Yee, Linda Young, Stephanie Young, Janetta Kung, Roy Yee, Kelvin Yee, Colin Yee, Ronnie Yee, Chris Ng, Susan Foon, Pam Chin, Corrina Foy

**Donations:** Ronny Young, Nestles, Effem Foods, Tower

**All parents who brought a plate of food for the afternoon tea.**

## **WCSCC GOODWILL GAMES - SUNDAY 13 AUGUST 2000**

### **INTERMEDIATE**

Dragons Blue played a two-game series against the WCS Tall Blacks and lost two zip. While the team played extremely well, they couldn't contain the "twin towers" in the Tall Black s. There were standout performances by Kylie and Lisa who muscled it out with the boys and more than held their own defensively. This tournament also saw the promotion of Jasmine to the Blue team as just-reward for her steady improvement during the season. Other notable performances were Matthew's steady play and influence on the team and Micah's ability to launch three pointers (with cool ease just like his Dad!).....and he is only in Standard 3!!!.

Dragons Blue: Lisa Chin, Alex Foy, Micah Lepaio, Matthew Ng, Kylie Ngan Kee, Jasmin Yee (Coach: Brian Yee),

Dragons Yellow played a round robin with WCS Tall Ferns and ACM. The team was competitive in both games, losing narrowly against the Tall Ferns but winning another close fought game against ACM.

Dragons Yellow: Michael Chin, Courtney Foon, Jared Fung, Jordan Lim, Kevin Liu, Matthew Ngan, Matthew Wong, Michael Young, Rieon Young (Coach: Jenny Ngan Kee)

### **MINIBALL**

#### **Dragons Nightshadow**

**Michael Foy, Kiki Kiriau, Tim Kung, Charshea Lim, Jessica Lowe, Scott Ngan, Jessica Yung, Tim Young**

Nightshadow played 2 games winning the first one comfortably but losing the second by 2 points. Nightshadow showed great spirit and teamwork in the second game by coming back from a 12 point deficit at half time. All were eager to play WCS Tigers again but that will have to wait until next year, in the Intemediate Section.

#### **Dragons Mews**

*Rachael Chin, Samantha Fung, Stacey Kung, Yvonne Lau, Michael Lee, Hana Wong, Charlotte Yee, Hayley Yee, Michael Yung*

Mews played 2 games in their Section winning both games. All team members played well in both games.

### **TINIBALL**

#### **Dragons Digimons**

*Bradley Chin, Kayla Kiriau, Shanee Kiriau, Anthony Lowe, Jordan Ngan, Kristi Ngan, Michael Ngan Kee, Ewan Wong*

After being on a battlefield for our first game against WCS Vengaboys, "Boom, Boom, Boom, Boom", the team was all fired up for our next game. It was time for "S Club 7, Party" - our Digimons showed great skill on court and had a fantastic second game. Well done on winning the team event in the shoot out competition and to Bradley Chin on winning a can of coke for the individual competition.

A big thank you to Ruby Yee for helping coach the team. Hope your voice is back to normal now from all that yelling!

### Dragons Pokemons

*Nathan Blundell, Megan Fung, Daniel Kai, Kwain Kiriau, Nathan Kung, Sarah Ngan Kee, Hayden Yee, Nicholas Young*

Our Pokemons team played two games against WCS Little Rascals. An excellent display of team and individual skills were shown on court - a vast improvement from the beginning of the season. Feedback from the team was: we had fun, played really well, it was easy, won both games and got all sweaty. Megan, what did you do with all the cans of cokes you won in the shoot out competition? Well done for winning so many.

Thank you very much to Alan Blundell and Hayley Ng for your dedication to the team and coaching on the day was an extra bonus. Cheers!

To all the Tiniball players, thank you all very much for an eventful season of miniball. We have enjoyed coaching you all this year and thanks to all the mums and dads for bringing you out each week. Look forward to seeing you all next season. Don't forget to come along to the Dragons Christmas Party in November.

### DRAGONS MINI OLYMPICS

On Sunday 24th September about 30 Junior Dragons competed in the "Dragons Mini Olympics" at the Nairnville Recreation Centre, Khandallah. We all had a great 2½ hours with lots of challenging and fun events such as "Tunnel Ball", "Peg in the Gumboot", "Late for Miniball", "Skip, Hop, Jump", "Pyramid" and "The Obstacle Course". It was good fun working out how a team can "win" by using the right mixture of Big Kids and Little Kids in each event. The winning team received their "Gold Medals" (a bag of "gold" (chocolate) coins) and everyone else joined in a lolly scramble. Wow it was Fun!

Thanks for coming along everyone.....especially the parents who gave the Kids great support.....and the Dragon's Intermediate/Miniball/Tiniball Subcommittee for organising the event and providing a well deserved afternoon tea for our budding Olympians.



☺ **Hi Kids!**

What a busy year we've had and it's nearly Christmas once again!

The coaches have really enjoyed looking after you this year. They have watched you all improve your ball skills and grow with confidence. Well done!

### **END OF YEAR XMAS PARTY**

☺ We hope to see you all before Christmas.

The Miniball Sub-Committee are organizing a Miniballers Xmas Party to be held at the end of November.

Remember to keep that time free and join us for some fun.

We will contact you closer to the time and let you know what we'll be doing.

You'll be hearing from us soon!

## **CHINESE FESTIVAL - SATURDAYS 23 & 30 SEPTEMBER**

As in previous years, the Dragon's Sports and Social Club again supported the Chinese Anglican Church's "Chinese Festival" (formerly called the 'Gigantic Bazaar'), by operating the English Takeaway store. The menu was simple (but very tempting) with Dragon's members preparing, cooking and selling heaps of Chips and Waffles.

From all accounts the Festival was a great success, even in spite of the poor weather on the second Saturday. This was in no small part due to the efforts and contribution from the following Dragon's members:

Leo Chin, Paul Wong She, Gary Chin and Roy Yee for arranging the Equipment and ingredients; and Leo Chin, Vicki Chin, Emma Chin, Julie Chin, Mark Ngan Kee, Jenny Ngan Kee, Chris Ng, Susan Ng, Laura Ng, Nat Tong, David Foon, Anna Young, Brendan Young, Ruby Yee, Jasman Yee, Aaron Yee, Tim Yee, Susan Foon, Joss Young and Jessica Young for showing off your cooking and selling skills.

Thank's for your help everyone!!!!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER 2000**  
Chinese Anglican Church, Glenmore street, Wellington  
Commencing at 2 pm

### **AGENDA**

Apologies

Acceptance of Minutes from the 1999 AGM

Matters Arising

Chairman's Report

Financial Report

General Business

Elections

Presentations

*Please tender your apologies to Brenda Leong:  
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**DRAGONS GOLF OPEN 2000**  
**Hutt Golf Club – Military Road – Lower Hutt**  
**Sunday 22 October 2000**

**Registration:** 10.45am

**Format:**

Affiliated Golfers	Non Affiliated Golfers
Mens Senior Division	One Division – Social
Mens Intermediate Division	(Handicaps will be based on the
Mens Junior Division	Callaway System)
Ladies Division	

Mens divisions must pick up after they have played their 6<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 3, 7<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 4 and 8<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 5.

Ladies division must pick up after they have played their 7<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 3, 8<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 4 and 9<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 5.

Social division must pick up after they have played their 7<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 3, 9<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 4 and 11<sup>th</sup> shot on a par 5.

Note: Tournament Controllers reserves the right at their discretion, to change the tournament format.

**Competition:** Stableford (All Divisions)

**Entry Fee:**

Dragons Members	\$40
Non Dragons Members	\$45

(Includes green fees and presentation dinner)  
 Places are strictly limited to 75 – first come first serve basis

**Closing Date:** Entries must be in by 13 October and accompanied with entry fee

Presentation Dinner will be held at the Esplanade Seafood Bar & Café, 79 The Esplanade, Petone, at 7pm.

The dinner is open to all friends and families of the competitors. Dinner tickets need to be purchased from the tournament controllers beforehand. Adults: \$25 Children U12: \$12 Children U5: Free

**Organisers:**

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Please post all entries with entry fees to:

**Dragons Golf Open 2000, C/- Andrew Fok, Sharpies Golf, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington**

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 Please fill in and tear off and return with entry fee.

Please make cheques payable to: Chinese Dragons Sports and Social Club Inc

DRAGONS GOLF OPEN 2000 ENTRY FORM	
Name:	
Address:	
Phone: (Wk)	(Hm)
Fax: (Wk)	(Hm)
Email: (Wk)	(Hm)
Handicap:	Social Player
Club:	

**Please fill in details as we would like to contact you with your tee-off times**

## Public Notices

### WELLINGTON CHINESE ASSOCIATION 2001 LYCHEE CHINA TOUR

This tour, being the main cultural activity of the Association for 2001, is tailor-made for the Association to suit everyone, whether you have previously been to China or not, that desires to experience the beautiful scenery in China, its depth in culture and historical values, its booming economy, shopping opportunities both in China & Hong Kong and last but not least the date of the tour is purposely set to coincide with the lychee season in Xin Tang.

Main points:

The tour will depart on Saturday, 2 June 2001 and arrive back in Auckland on Saturday 23 June 2001.

The cost of the trip is expected to be approximately NZ\$5,500.00 based on a share twin basis.

The closing date for applications is 31 January 2001.

**Further information and application form(s) can be obtain from:**

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## Whaaaaassssssuuuup?

Questions/queries that you need answered?...Comments you would like to make?...Or just for a good old chat. Here's the gang: (Don't be scared, they are more friendly and have more time than a supermarket checkout operator!!)

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### **SUB-COMMITTEE OFFICERS:**

**Basketball:**     Dean Chin, Steven Young

**Miniball:**         David Foon, Billy Kung

**Volleyball:**     Tamara Parnay, Andrew Fok

### • Calendar of Events

Date	Dragons Event
<b>Sunday 15 October</b>	Dragons Annual General Meeting & Presentations, 2pm
<b>Sunday 22 October</b>	Dragons Golf Tournament
<b>November</b>	Dragon's Kiddies Christmas Party & Prize Giving
<b>December</b>	Dragon's Adults Christmas Party

These are our current plans – if anyone has any other suggestions, please contact a Committee member.

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