POTTERS WEEKEND IN NEW PLYMOUTH & HASTINGS; SCOTTISH SINGLES IN WELLINGTON

The New Zealand PBA programme continues this weekend with 'Potter's Weekend' in New Plymouth and Hastings as players compete to represent New Zealand at the World Indoor Singles or Pairs at Potter's Leisure Resort in Norfolk, England in January. And PBA qualifiers begin in Wellington with a Ranking singles tournament and a qualifier for the Scottish Singles.

The World Indoor Pairs qualifiers this year will revert to 2-bowl pairs as the World Bowls Tour moved back to 2-bowl rather than 3 bowls per player while New Zealand was absent during the Pandemic.

Early feature matches include former national Finals Weekend players Kristin Stampa against Bruce Mummery in the World Indoor Singles on Saturday, and PBA debutante Dean Elgar paired with Aidan Zittersteijn facing John Cottam and Ian Andrews in the World Indoor Pairs qualifiers in New Plymouth; Gavin Keighley will be trying at his fifth attempt to beat former number one Murray Glassey in the World Indoor Singles on Saturday, and partnered with Mike Le Geyt, also faces a tough first hurdle on Sunday against 2020 World Indoor Pairs NZ reps Mike Isaacson and Tony Terry in Hastings; and Wellington will see the return of chairman Richard Corry whose last PBA outing was representing Canada against 2022 top 40 player Kennie Critchlow on Sunday in the Scottish Singles qualifier.

Information including an application form, entry forms, dates and venues for the NZ PBA can be found on the worldbowlstour dot org site under PBA – New Zealand though beware on the Hastings entry forms, the last weekend has been pushed back to 26 and 27 August.

Draws:

(2022 rank) player v player [PBA Singles career head-to-head record]

Paritutu Club, New Plymouth

World Indoor Singles Qualifier

Sat 17 Jun – 1st round 8.30am: (debut)Paul Burn v (164)Steve Muller; (debut)Kim Marsters v (263)Eleni Meimaris; (263)Moana Mair v (322)Sandra Zittersteijn; (-)Wayne Hawkes v (165)Kevin Gledhill [1-0 Hawkes]; (-)Kristin Stampa v (27)Bruce Mummery [1-0 Mummery]; (debut)Dean Elgar v (-)Peter Vink; (130)Nathan Goodin v (180)Ken Mair [1-0 Goodin]; (-)John Kane v (218)Phillip Huwyler; (32)Craig De Faria v (-)Noel Bracken; (13)Aidan Zittersteijn v (81)Phil Corney [1-0 Zittersteijn].

1st round 9.15am: (-)John Roberts v (317)Rosalie Broderson; (77)Ian Andrews v (126)Bruce Hall [1-0 Andrews]; (debut)Wayne Te Huki v (161)James Bragger. 1st round 10.15am: (112)John Cottam v (154)Kelvin Francis [1-0 Francis]. 2nd round: (29)Kaylin Huwyler v (75)Kevan Sellers [1-1].

World Indoor Pairs Qualifier

Sun 18 Jun – 1st round: Bruce Colgan & Bruce Hall v Kim Marsters & Sandra Zittersteijn; Moana & Ken Mair v Rosalie Broderson & Eleni Meimaris; Nathan

Goodin & Wayne Hawkes v Noel Bracken & Peter Vink; Kelvin Francis & James Bragger v John Roberts & Craig De Faria; Gavin Scrivener & Phil Corney v Kevan Sellers & Steve Muller; Bruce Mummery & Kevin Gledhill v Paul Burn & John Kane.

1st round 9.15am: Dean Elgar & Aidan Zittersteijn v John Cottam & Ian Andrews; Kaylin & Phillip Huwyler v Kristin Stampa & Wayne Te Huki.

Heretaunga Club, Hastings

World Indoor Singles Qualifier

Sat 17 Jun – 1st round: (191)Merv Brown v (debut)Jason Tiddy; (61)Murray Glassey v (-)Gavin Keighley [4-0 Glassey]; (220)Glen Curtis v (143)Dave Porteous.

2nd round: (114)Scotty McGavin v winner Curtis or Porteous; (75)Peter Jones v (95)Brian Looker [1-0 Jones]; (118)Ian Mason v (136)Steve Love [2-1 Mason]; (266)Mark Kilmister v (-)Mike Le Geyt; (242)Fletch Christian v (33)Natarsha Grimshaw [1-0 Grimshaw]; (154)Tony Terry v (-)Iraia Pene; (35)Mike Isaacson v (-)John Kearns.

World Indoor Pairs Qualifier

Sun 18 Jun – 1st round: John Kearns & Iraia Pene v Ian Mason & Mark Kilmister. 2nd round: Fletch Christian & Jason Tiddy v winner Kearns/Pene or Mason/Kilmister; Glen Curtis & Brian Looker v Peter Jones & Scotty McGavin; Murray Glassey & Merv Brown v Steve Love & Dave Porteous; Mike Isaacson & Tony Terry v Gavin Keighley & Mike Le Geyt.

Naenae Club, Wellington

Ranking Singles

Sat 17 Jun – 1st round: (12)Clare Hendra v (debut)Richard Morpeth; (107)Scott Sinclair-Paton v (194)Leighton Wilding [1-0 Sinclair-Paton]; (105)Stacey Thomas v (-)Blake Signal; (-)Bill Brunenberg v (204)Brian McDermott; (64)Jim Swift v (186)Steve Nicoll [1-0 Nicoll]; (54)Steve Critchlow v (38)Gavin Hamlyn [1-0 Hamlyn]; (204)Sonny White v (34)Kennie Critchlow [1-0 Critchlow]; (105)Jayden Ravji v (133)Lock Chin [1-0 Chin]; (61)Ray Boffa v (debut)Rohan Teaz.

2nd round: (3)Ross Ellery v winner Boffa or Teaz; (debut)Mike Solomon v (191)Karen Ewart; (226)Mark Finlay v (debut)Lil Renata; (debut)Lily Signal v (debut)Taui White.

Scottish Singles Qualifier

Sun 18 Jun – 1st round: (debut)Taui White v (3)Ross Ellery; (105)Stacey Thomas v (debut)Lil Renata; (186)Steve Nicoll v (38)Gavin Hamlyn; (77)Mark O'Brien v (107)Scott Sinclair-Paton; (64)Jim Swift v (54)Steve Critchlow [2-0 Swift]; (194)Leighton Wilding v (debut)Richard Morpeth; (278)Steve Rickman v (12)Clare Hendra; (226)Mark Finlay v (debut)Mike Solomon; (-)Richard Corry v (34)Kennie Critchlow; (105)Jayden Ravji v (61)Ray Boffa.

2nd round: (133)Lock Chin v (debut)Rohan Teaz; (204)Brian McDermott v (191)Karen Ewart; (204)Sonny White v (-)Bill Brunenberg.

