

## WELLINGTON FINALS DAY TAKING SHAPE

'Potter's Weekend' at the Naenae club in Wellington resulted in four semifinalists in the World Indoor Singles qualifier, and two finalist pairs in the World Indoor Pairs qualifier, making it through to Wellington's local finals day on August 12.

Wellington will face Wairarapa in both the singles semifinals with Sonny White to play Gavin Hamlyn, and Mark Finlay up against Garry Muriwai. Hamlyn is defending his NZ Finals Weekend spot from last year winning the 2022 Wellington World Indoor Singles qualifier but will need to be wary of White who tipped over Bay of Plenty's Dave Jones, and Bowls Wellington General Manager Blake Signal on his way to the semifinals. Muriwai is the most experienced of the quartet having played in the 2003 World Indoor Singles at Potter's Leisure Resort in Norfolk, England but will also need caution against Finlay who upset another former traveller to the UK in Ray Boffa.

Signal had better fortune in the World Indoor Pairs qualifier playing with daughter Lily. They had to fight back from a set down twice during the day. They will be up against NZ PBA Chairman Richard Corry and his top 50 ranked clubmate Ian McLeod who also overcame a one set deficit in their semifinal before swapping lead and skip positions to turn the match around.

The next venue to play their 'Potter's Weekend' will be the Hopes Stadium in Dunedin on July 21-23.

Information including an application form, entry forms, dates and venues for the NZ PBA can be found on the [worldbowlstour.org](http://worldbowlstour.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.

Results:

### **Naenae, Wellington**

World Indoor Singles:

1<sup>st</sup> round: Blake Signal bt Karen Ewart 11-5, 8-3; Steve Critchlow bt Bill Brunenberg 10-5, 1-12, 2-1; Jim Swift bt Scott Sinclair-Paton 8-6, 11-1; Ross Ellery bt Stacey Thomas 5-4, 10-2.

2<sup>nd</sup> round: B.Signal bt S.Critchlow 9-5, 10-3; Swift bt Ellery 8-6, 3-11, 2-0; Dave Jones bt Lock Chin 7-4, 8-7; Sonny White bt Francie Jasionowicz 15-5, 7-5; Leighton Wilding bt Rohan Teaz 9-3, 9-10, 2-0; Jayden Ravji bt Steve Nicholl 8-5, 10-0; Gavin Hamlyn bt Greg Oldridge 9-6, 14-4; Clare Hendra bt Mark O'Brien 9-4, 3-8, 2-1; Laurie Guy bt Rozanna Muriwai 3-8, 10-8, 2-1; Gill Oliver; bt Ian McLeod by default; Ray Martin bt Kenzie Critchlow 7-5, 9-7; Garry Muriwai bt Richard Corry 8-6, 2-12, 2-1; Ray Boffa bt Lily Signal 10-1, 11-4; Mike Solomon bt Tai White 15-0, 10-2; Allan Heald bt Lil Renata by default; Mark Finlay bt Henry Jasionowicz 12-3, 7-5.

3<sup>rd</sup> round: B.Signal bt Swift 14-1, 6-6; S.White bt Jones 5-5, 10-7; Wilding bt Ravji 6-6, 6-5; Hamlyn bt Hendra 9-3, 7-8, 2-0; Oliver bt Guy 9-4, 1-10, 2-1; G.Muriwai bt Martin 7-5, 5-14, 2-1; Boffa bt Solomon 11-9, 5-7, 2-0; Finlay bt Heald 11-5, 12-8.

Quarterfinals: S.White bt B.Signal 5-8, 11-2, 2-1; Hamlyn bt Wilding 10-5, 8-6;

G.Muriwai bt Oliver 10-5, 7-3; Finlay bt Boffa 8-5, 7-2.  
Semifinals: Sonny White (Wellington) v Gavin Hamlyn (Wairarapa); Garry Muriwai (Wairarapa) v Mark Finlay (Wellington) to be played Aug 12.

World Indoor Pairs:

1<sup>st</sup> round: Lily & Blake Signal bt Rohan Teaz & Richard Morpeth 8-10, 7-4, 2-1; Stacey Thomas & Scott Sinclair-Paton bt Ross Ellery & Ray Martin 11-2, 7-5; Lock Chin & Peter Small bt Henry & Francie Jasionowicz 12-3, 10-1; Greg Oldridge & Dave Jones bt Steve & Kennie Critchlow 10-4, 11-2.

2<sup>nd</sup> round: L. & B.Signal bt Thomas & Sinclair-Paton 7-5, 7-6; Chin & Small bt Oldridge & Jones 9-6, 10-6; Mark O'Brien & Janelle Frew bt Jim Swift & Allan Heald 11-1, 9-0; Steve Rickman & Leighton Wilding bt Karen Ewart & Gill Oliver 12-6, 7-4; Gavin Hamlyn & Bill Brunenberg bt Ray Boffa & Brian McDermott 9-3, 9-2; Wayne Coleman & Laurie Guy bt Mike Solomon & Jayden Ravji 5-14, 11-5, 2-1; Richard Corry & Ian McLeod bt Craig Merrilees & Clare Hendra 9-4, 7-6; Tai & Sonny White bt Rozanna & Garry Muriwai 2-11, 13-2, 2-0.

Quarterfinals: L. & B.Signal bt Chin & Small 11-1, 10-1; Rickman & Wilding bt O'Brien & Frew 7-3, 4-11, 2-0; Coleman & Guy bt Hamlyn & Brunenberg 10-2, 9-1; Corry & McLeod bt T. & S.White 12-0, 8-4.

Semifinals: L. & B.Signal bt Rickman & Wilding 5-11, 10-1, 2-0; Corry & McLeod bt Coleman & Guy 4-10, 9-3, 2-1.

Final: Lily & Blake Signal (Wellington) v Richard Corry & Ian McLeod (Wellington) to be played Aug 12.

