

Empire Table Tennis Club Inc

(Established 1934)



Eighty-sixth Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2019

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Life Members

Merv Allardyce, Maggie Dyer, John Kiley and Dick Lynn.

Board

Chair	Russell Buchanan
Convenors:	
Activities	Andrew Maguire
Building	Martin Young
Finance	Kevin Haines
Services	vacant
Commercial	(Maggie Dyer)
Membership and Communications	Maggie Dyer

Financial Reviewer Malcolm Wong

Fellow Members

Your Board presents for your consideration the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts covering the activities of the Club for the year ended 31 December 2019.

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1 OBITUARIES

Margaret Allardyce

Sadly we are reporting that another of our Life Members, Margaret passed away in October 2019. Her "career" in table tennis began early as a child growing up in Wanganui, then in Palmerston North. Coming to Wellington and Empire, Margaret's key legacy was to initiate our highly successful Midweek Club, launched 29th May 1974. Originally as a club for young mothers, it expanded to the grandmother age group and then by 1994 the gender split was more or less even. Margaret was active in the club in many ways including organising a catering service for the 1990 Nationals, being the booking agent, undertaking cleaning and serving on the committee. Everything she did was undertaken thoroughly and she was very much missed when she left the club. Her final retirement saw her move back to her home town of Wanganui.

Seu Law

Seu was a long time Hutt Valley resident and member of the Club for many years, playing competitively to begin with, notching up 121 winter interclub appearances for the club from 1987 to 1997. As Seu's health deteriorated he changed to becoming a "slightly" more social Midweek player, before stopping altogether. Mary, his widow, we are pleased to say is still coming along to the club on occasion to keep the family tradition going.

Don Phillips

Don was a member of the Club for many years and was still playing a good game when I first came along in the late 1990s. He was also the father of Kristen who as a junior represented Hutt Valley in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

Our condolences to the families and friends of Seu, Margaret and Don. Also to all of our members who have suffered a bereavement in the past year.

2 CONVENOR AND OFFICER REPORTS

2.1 CHAIR - RUSSELL BUCHANAN

Welcome to the Empire Table Tennis Club Inc's annual Report for the year ending 31 December 2019. In keeping with previous years, this report contains convenor reports regarding each board member's respective portfolio. These reports will give you information concerning the work undertaken by each board member during the past year as well as an idea of what may be in store in terms of likely new initiatives and the direction in which the Club appears to be heading.

As usual, your board has been very busy. Not only have we organised the usual raft of activities and attended to the management of the Club's affairs in order to keep the Club going, we have also continued to develop plans for the future.

I would like to extend my thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Club in some way during the past year. This includes session organisers, cleaners, coaches and others. As I said last year, no contribution is too small and every contribution is much appreciated. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the consistent hard work and contributions made by my fellow board members: Maggie Dyer, Kevin Haines, Martin Young, and Andrew Maguire, without whom the Empire Club would not be able to continue to exist.

As can be seen from the Treasurer's report, the Club has continued to be managed in a fiscally responsible manner and the Club is in a sound financial position. This has enabled the board to earmark further funds for the purpose of the Club's building fund. At the same time last year we had just over \$133,000.00 in the Club's building fund. As at 31 December 2019 there was \$139,141.00 in the Club's building fund. At the time of writing this report the building fund had grown to \$154,000.00 as a result of an internal funds transfer.

Sadly, the builder with whom the board had been in discussion regarding the production of plans and specifications and a quotation for an all-up price for the work required to design and build a new services block, has fallen seriously ill and may not now be able to undertake the work required to make the project a reality. Consequently, we may now need to enter into discussion with an alternative building provider. A decision regarding this may be announced at the Club's AGM.

Meantime, as an interim measure in order to keep the Club's existing toilet block in service and in a sanitary state, we have decided to employ the services of Initial Hygiene, an arm's length service provider. If this initiative is successful, it will enable us to carry on until such time as we are in a position to demolish the old hall and with it, the now rather dilapidated and oft criticised toilet block and kitchen. We on the board are all only too aware of the state of the old hall and like many of you, our members, we will welcome a nice new clean and easy to maintain facilities block but until that day, we need to continue to make do with what we have available. We know that many of you will be feeling frustrated that there has been no obvious sign that things are about to improve and all I can say is that, in the time we have available in which to administer the Club's affairs, we have all done our best but there is no 'quick fix' and a lot more work is required and a lot more money needs to be raised if we are going to achieve our goals. Meantime, no one is suggesting that the old block hasn't passed its 'use by' date – clearly it has but it won't replace itself and complaining about it won't get us there either. The plain hard facts are that we need more volunteers and we also need to raise more money.

Last year, in order to free up Martin Young so that he could provide some additional coaching on

Monday nights, we introduced a roster system whereby the organisation of the rounds was shared around. The idea was to try to ensure that the work organising the rounds didn't just fall to be carried out by just one or two people. As often happens in clubs like ours, there has been a small band of core volunteers who have helped out to keep the Club going. As I said last year, the more people we have available to be rostered to help organise the Monday night sessions, the easier it will be. This remains the case today and once again I find myself calling for more volunteers to help out and at almost every level within the Club. However a special thanks to John Law who now plays a key role in organising Mondays, enabling Martin to do a little coaching if there is demand or to do some building maintenance. For far too long the burden has had to be shouldered by the hard core few. Well, the simple truth is that we cannot continue to rely on the same people over and over. Some of our stalwarts are in need of a rest and we cannot continue to look to people like Merv to run things for us. Merv and others like him have made their contributions and it is now time for them to have a well-earned rest and for others among us to 'step up'.

This year the Club's AGM is being held at the Club's premises commencing at 8pm on Monday 23 March 2020. Please come along and take part. Questions and criticisms are welcome but volunteers and people with a positive contribution to make are precious and in short supply.

2.2 ACTIVITIES CONVENOR - ANDREW MAGUIRE

I wish to thank all the club members who turn out to play for Empire in the Interclub series and Club championships. As can be seen from the results later in the report, Empire continues to have great success!

Midweek practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays are still well supported. Monday evening practice is also very popular and Thursday practice has grown in attendees over the last 18 months. Sunday club is running well with the current trend of increasing numbers. Empire is being used for junior training on Thursdays. However, volunteers are always required to help run these events. Without volunteers to help out, these events can't run! Thanks to everyone who helped out in any way with running our sessions.

Empire will be holding the North Island Championships on 10-12 July. This is the second highest rated tournament held in NZ and has been years since it was last held in Wellington and the first time at Empire. The former Hutt Valley Association hosted the event in 1984 (probably at Walter Nash Stadium) and the former Wellington association in 1969, although the region has hosted two Nationals since then.

The board is finalising improvements to enable member access to our facilities outside of planned events.

The next stage in the club's development is the replacement of the original hall building. The website home page displays a 'thermometer' indicating the club's current fundraising for this big project, so that members can immediately see our progress.

2.3 BUILDING CONVENOR – REPORT BY MARTIN YOUNG

During Wellingtons rainy season our roof still has the odd minor leak especially next to tables 11 and 12 but not as much as in previous years. Care is needed when moving around these tables. Tables 15 and 16 aren't so bad with water but will still be slippery when wet. On a southerly gusterly rainy day the green chairs next to tables 13 to 14 usually get wet and with dust and fern being blown in from under

the rafters. This area under the rafters has now been blocked off and hopefully the chairs should be nice and clean to sit on during midweek's morning tea.

Also the red taraflex floor at the window end around tables 5-6 appears to be slightly slippery when wet with moisture after some rain or humid from the heat. Care needs to be taken when playing on the tables around this area.

Good to see that our lighting is good and bright, you will notice some of the fluorescent tubes are yellow and some are white. We are gradually changing the yellow tubes to white tubes whenever we can so to have white light across the whole playing area.

Equipment Report

Flipcharts for tables 1 – 12 are still showing signs of wear and tear where the hinged hole in some of the numbered flip cards appears to have come loose from the plastic ring binder. A reminder we still have to take care as we use these flipcharts carefully.

2.4 COACHING REPORT – DEPAK PATEL (CLUB COACH)

The beauty of table tennis is that it is a very simple game that can be played by anyone. However, there is a lot of complexity in it that can only be discovered by coaching and practice. Each skill requires touch, co-ordination, timing, balance, rhythm and above all, focus. It is easier to make mistakes in table tennis than to keep the ball on the table. Good technique is the basis for winning and maximising the enjoyment of playing table tennis.

Some players come to me knowing exactly what skill they want to improve on and other times players are unsure about what part of their game they want to develop. My skill is that I can quickly assess the player's coaching needs and put an action plan in place immediately. Being aware that I only have 15 minutes to help players, I encourage them to practice knowing that the skill takes a lot more time and effort to master. For those who wish to improve more quickly I recommend one-on-one private sessions. Please contact me on this number 027-6627268 if you would like to book private sessions.

In 2019, at least 33 different members took advantage of the Coaching service that the Club provides on Monday nights from February to November, which was down on the previous year. From my point of view, this night is a success as all 6 slots are filled nearly every week. The players that consistently used this service were Ian Grace, Zhenyu Liang, John Law, Jeremiah Jensen, Andrew Chan, Peter Bloor and Lisa Yue. Also, it was a great pleasure to help Lisa prepare for the World Individual Championships held in Budapest, Hungary from 21-28 April 2019. This must have been a great experience for Lisa – well done!

Coaching is a valuable service that the Club provides. I can see good improvements in the standard of play by most of the players that participated. I am available to provide the coaching service to members from 20 April 2020. I enjoy meeting members to improve their skill level and hope that I will be given the opportunity to further progress and develop their game.

2.5 COMMERCIAL CONVENOR – MAGGIE DYER

2.5.1 General and Hall Hire

Technically the Commercial Convenor role is vacant, but unofficially some activities needed to continue, and were largely actioned by me. A key part of this role is answering emails, some of which are about prospective hires. These represent a chance to introduce other people to table tennis and also provide a little income. We also have hires which occur every year for schools, and I would like to thank Kevin and Martin for their assistance with logistics for these events.

2.5.2 Fundraising

With no dedicated Commercial Convenor, there was less fundraising this year, with a trip to the movies and a successful raffle run by Midweek at their annual tournament.

Empire at the Movies

The annual movie fundraiser was to ***Sometimes always never***. Once again ticket sales were very slow and the way The Lighthouse operates now, we need to have definite numbers at least the week before meaning last minute sales are not really possible. We did fill Cinema 1, the 45 seat theatre, but would have liked to have at least moved up to the next theatre. The movie was a little quirky as one might expect with a movie starring Bill Nighy.

2.5.3 Shop Report

Once again the shop was not especially busy during club sessions and interclub. TTW events such as tournaments and school events were responsible for most of the profit. Careful shopping helped, and we managed to make a reasonable profit of \$1,944.00, very similar to 2018.

Thanks to everyone who helped look after the shop during the year, very much appreciated, especially TTW, Gabrielle and Kevin, at Interclub.

2.5.4 Apparel

The shirt supply is diminishing in some sizes from the "new" batch from 2015. Most sales are to Interclub players, but it is great to see other Club members wearing them also. They are a Club shirt not just an Interclub shirt.

2.6 MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS CONVENOR – MAGGIE DYER

2.6.1 Newsletters and Communications

The year 2019 saw five newsletters published, these are one of the means by which we communicate news, results and coming events to our membership. In addition there are short emails out highlighting results, upcoming events and general news to members. As most of this communication is electronic based we really appreciate it when members supply their email addresses. For those of you without email access, we hope that the print newsletter reaches you through other members to keep you up to date.

The website is another key communications tool and I appreciate the efforts of Andrew and Martin to keep a minimum of current information up to date. Martin with good access to printing assists by ensuring the club brochures are up to date and membership forms are available for filling out.

A key membership / communications role is also answering emails which come to our generic email info@empirett.org.nz. These are often information and membership enquiries and we often get new members through this. Word of mouth through friends is also a key source of new members for the club.

2.6.2 Membership and Subscriptions

This role is responsible for keeping membership statistics, maintaining the membership list, email database and attendance records.

Interestingly we had 146 adult members in 2019, across Midweek and Monday night club, up very slightly from 2018. However our attendance records showed a slight decline in both Clubs. While we had some very keen Junior Club members, many who played in Interclub and /or tournaments, this membership is still very low. We need to look at ways to attract new juniors to our sport.

2.7 FINANCE REPORT – KEVIN HAINES

If 2017 and 2018 were pleasing results, 2019 was even more so.

Income was up slightly (increased subscription receipts and hall and table hire) but lower expenditure was the main driver of the increased surplus. Main areas here were cleaning expenses were significantly less along with TTW affiliation fees and depreciation. Building maintenance expenses were up in 2019 and year end saw a substantial increase in the insurance bill, most of which will impact in 2020 and beyond.

Lower interest rates on Term Deposits together with decreasing returns from fund raising meant that the Building Fund only increased by just over \$6,000 during 2019. The Board is actively considering other opportunities for fund raising but this will require member support.

Financially the Club remains in good shape, although the challenges of the Building Programme will have a material impact, hopefully in the next few years. It is a problem that I'm sure most Club members look forward to!

Last year I commented on the sterling work done by several of the Club members towards the financial side of the Club. Merv, Maggie and Martin plus those who collect money on Thursdays and Sundays are precious assets of the Club along with the other Board members and recently John Law with his work on Mondays. Michael's efforts at keeping the cleaning costs down in 2019 are also appreciated.

Thanks also go to Malcolm Wong for his good work on the annual review of the accounts.

2.8 SERVICES CONVENER (VACANT)

The official business of the club, Board meetings need to be recorded. In the absence of a Services Convener, Kevin Haines and Maggie Dyer have carried much of this work. Kevin needs to be thanked for being a Minutes "Secretary" - minutes have been of a good standard and timely. Maggie has often seen that we have an agenda and took on the role of preparing this annual report, along with the contributions of other Board members and helpers. Formal correspondence has been minimal and therefore no longer a significant part of the role.

Maggie has endeavoured to see that documentation has reached our steel cupboard archive and has played a key role in organising trophies for engraving. Martin also needs to be thanked for the printing of certificates awarded to players at the end of year for championship results and other honours.

3 SESSION REPORTS

3.1 MONDAY REPORT – MARTIN YOUNG

It has been another good year for 2019 with plenty of players coming along on a Monday night plus quite a few first timers as well showing up throughout the year. A reminder that first time players are entitled to a night free of charge and our club brochure shows all the available sessions with our opening times. This brochure is also online from our website.

A round of doubles starts off the night at 7.30pm followed by successive singles and where there are more than 32 players on the night, a singles table becomes a doubles table to accommodate for the extra players. This way everybody is either playing a game of singles or doubles during every round.

Organizing games on a Monday night is a busy job at the front-desk therefore we always welcome more volunteers to help out with the scheduling which includes collecting money when players arrive, entering players name onto the laptop attendance program ready for games pairing, advising new players how games are organized on the night, getting the cold drinks, chocolate nibbles and tea trolley ready by 8.30pm, calling *times-up* to begin the next scheduled round. It is good of John Law and Ikka to volunteer their services at the front desk which means you as a player will have to bear some of the mismatches that comes up from time to time as a result of teething problems.

Each player is assigned a grade of 1 to 8 (1=good, 8=beginner) which is used as a guide so we can assign you with another player of a similar grade.

Remember if you would like a rest for the next round then just let the front desk know so they can rest you for one round and then revive you into the following round. Also remember to let the front desk know if you intend to go home early so they can rest you for the night.

Also remember to put your rubbish into the official rubbish bins not just leave them on the tables, chairs or the floor for someone else to clean up after you. Remember to push your chairs back in after the night is over rather leaving them out for someone else to trip over. Remember not to leave any clothing behind as for every week the club still ends up with a lot of lost property namely: water bottles(a lot), sweat tops, hoodies, cardigans, vest, track pants, shoes, jandals.

This summer has been quite hot, we even have a free standing fan located at the front desk to cool off. Remember there are cups in the kitchen cupboards so any player can help themselves for a drink of water.

3.2 MIDWEEK REPORT – MERV ALLARDYCE

The Midweek section of the club continues to operate on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from mid-January to mid-December. During the year under review the average attendance was 49 which included members and visitors. This was in line with the attendance of the previous year.

The current membership comprises a wide range of ages and playing standards from beginner to quite advanced. Coaching was available.

The highlight of the season was the annual Midweek Doubles Tournament which was held in September. This year the tournament was sponsored by Chaffers Wellington New World Supermarket. We are grateful to them and to Philip Yee for arranging it.

36 teams each of two players participated and we are grateful for the support of players from Manawatu, Levin, Waikanae, Kapiti, Tawa, Johnsonville, Wellington and Upper Hutt. The results are recorded later in this report.

We are also grateful to members who assisted on the day of the tournament – Colin Gray, Sommee Gee and Kevin Haines. Ken Chung was very busy with his camera.

It was our turn to host the annual fixture with Kapiti – always an enjoyable event with the 12 players from each club being inter-mixed.

A small group of players visited Shona McFarlane Retirement Village.

We had a change of venue for the Christmas luncheon and a well attended function was held at the new Naenae Bowling Centre. All credit and thanks are due to George Geris and Philip Yee who organised the event. A large number of photos were taken by Philip and Ken Chung.

Obituaries

We extend our sympathies to members who suffered a bereavement during the year.

Thanks

We lost the services of Arthur Lee who has been a very efficient organiser for a number of years. Thank you, Arthur, for your considerable contribution to the Midweek Club over several years.

To the members who help in many ways we record our thanks.

The 2019 organisers of the Midweek section were Arthur Lee (until he retired), George Geris, Norman Chan and Merv Allardyce.

We look forward with confidence to 2020.

3.3 JUNIORS REPORT – MARTIN YOUNG

Junior Club ran on Friday evenings from Friday 22 March to Friday 29 November 2019 – 33 sessions in total.

As like every other year help with parent volunteers makes a very big difference and for 2019 there were only a few helpers to the Friday night junior sessions. I would like to specially thank Jen, Spencer, Anne-Marie, Tim, Ken, Jo, Hong and Anton’s mum.

Once again we were able to offer coaching, this was offered by Tim Wilson and myself. Throughout the year we managed to utilize the club ball machine where the juniors found it interesting and challenging. A very useful training tool which we will bring out again this following year. We always like to show that we can improve the players playing ability by several factors: good consistent coaching involving correct arm/feet coordination and movement, ensure the player has a good bat with good grip and clean playing surface are 2 factors just to start with.

Junior club championships were held over 3 Friday nights which was very competitive and the last Friday night was our annual prizegiving and supper night.

3.4 THURSDAY NIGHT REPORT – MARTIN YOUNG

Somehow Thursday nights for 2019 has been quite popular which runs from 7pm to 9pm for most of the year. This is good especially not many public holidays fall on a Thursday.

The price of \$5 is really good as this is a flat rate whether member or non-member.

The grade of players ranges from 1 – 3 which means these are top level players, not just beginners, hard out players on a Thursday night of 2 solid hours of quality table tennis.

Anyone looking for a good hard out game can turn up and join in.

Alternatively, on the other half of the hall we have a few coaches who are teaching some juniors the skill of table tennis so come along also on a Thursday night if you have a junior 8-12 years old interested in playing.

The home page on our website will have all the latest opening hours.

4 STATISTICS, COMPETITIONS AND INFORMATION

4.1 TABLE TENNIS HONORARY POSITIONS HELD BY CLUB MEMBERS

Member	Honorary position
Merv Allardyce	TTNZ Life Member
John Kiley	TTNZ Life Member
Dick Lynn	TTW Life Member

4.2 INTERCLUB COMPETITIONS

4.2.1 Summer Interclub

There were two Divisions in Summer Interclub this year, with Empire taking out both divisions. Empire had a lot of players and some good results from several people, and in other cases the competition was just too tough. Some teams were combined teams - Empire members with players from other clubs. Congratulations to our winners and everyone who played in the tournament and enjoyed it.

Division 1

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Achievers	Chris Talbot John Gan	94% 83%	1st
Family	James Wang Yufeng Wang	75% 25%	2nd
Veterans	Ian Talbot (Bryan McConnochie)	81% 44%	4th
Wanderers	Harry Chen Daniel Rosner	67% 38%	5th
Technical	Depak Patel Om Thakur	81% 13%	6th
Assassins	Darrell Brown Ryan Cronin	50% 31%	7th
Misfits	Brendyn Shaw (Mat Hobbs) (Nabe Tioti) Swapneel Dias (4 games)	25% 17% 13% 100%	9th

Division 2

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Opposite	Liam Johnston Michael Onganon	92% 88%	1st
Fighters	Michael Stechman Leigh Grinlinton	88% 81%	2nd
Daleks	Josh Brown Peter Bloor Kaz Witko (4 games)	75% 50% 25%	6th
Wisdom	Henry Barclay Jeremiah Jensen John Barclay	0% 0% 0%	10th

4.2.2 Winter Interclub Awards

These are awards for the number of appearances in winter interclub competitions. Several milestones were achieved this year.

Milestone	Player
300 appearances	Ian Talbot (September 2019)
100 appearances	Paul Solt (May 2019)
100 appearances	Kaz Witko (June 2019)
50 appearances	Darrell Brown (May 2019)
50 appearances	Peter Lowe (August 2019)

4.2.3 Winter Interclub 1st Series

Premier teams were two person teams and there was a "grading round" with Pool A and Pool B to begin with. Players tended to be in club teams but this was not essential.

The results of that are:

Premier Pool A

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
UwU	James Harter (Hui-Ling Vong)	83.3% 75	2nd
Empire Enforcers	Daniel Rosner Depak Patel	62.5% 37.5%	3rd
Empire LoRyders	Darrell Brown Ryan Cronin	12.5% 12.5%	4th
Embers	Swapneel Dias Harry Chen Kevin Haines (2 games)	50% 33.3% 0%	5th

Premier Pool B

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Strikes Back	Paul Solt Andrew Maguire Zhidong Yu	0% 0% 0%	5th

Following on was a Premier One and a Premier Two competition. The results of that are as follows with Empire players / teams taking out top honours in both grades.

Premier One

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
UwU	(Hui-Ling Vong) James Harter	83.3% 66.7%	1st
Empire Enforcers	Depak Patel Daniel Rosner	100% 66.7%	1st
Empire LoRyders	Darrell Brown Ryan Cronin Tony Rutledge (2 games)	50% 0% 0%	4th
Embers	Swapneel Dias Harry Chen	66.7% 50%	5th
Empire Strikes Back	Andrew Maguire Paul Solt	16.7% 16.7%	6th

Division 1

The Enigmas finished in first place with the round robin, but were beaten in the final by the Titan Target team of young players.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Enigmas	Tony Rutledge Simon Jung Om Thakur Bruce Connolly (6 games)	94.4% 77.8% 61.9% 66.7%	1 st
Empire Emperors	Michael Stechman Michael Onganon Liam Johnston Ian Grace	77.8% 77.8%33.3% (3 games) 26.7%	3rd
Empire Elms	Kaz Witko Josh Brown Peter Bloor	28.6% 26.7% 19%	7th

Division 2

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Egrets	Pete Lowe Ian Clark Maggie Dyer Andrew Chan	66.7% 58.3% 50% 11.1%	3rd
Empire Earls	Michael McDowell Graham Sole Jeremiah Jensen Graham Clarke (3 games)	46.7% 46.7% 0% 66.7%	4th

Division Three

A junior interclub was run this year and we had one Empire team in this first round.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Echoes	Jake Turner Storm King	50% 37.5%	4th

4.2.4 Winter Interclub 2nd Series

Premier

The second series like 2018 saw Premier teams of 3 players which meant a reorganisation of the teams. The Enforcers in Premier finished a commendable 2nd in the competition, but were well beaten by Titan Terriers in the final.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Enforcers	Depak Patel Daniel Rosner Darrell Brown Ryan Cronin	83.3% 66.7% 44.4% 16.7%	2nd
Empire Entertainers	James Harter Paul Solt Martin Young Zhidong Yu (3 games)	100% 26.7% 13.3% 0%	3rd
Empire Eagles	Ian Talbot Harry Chen Andrew Maguire	53.3% 33.3% 26.7%	6th

Division 1

The Enigmas finished 1st again, fairly convincingly, but once again they were beaten in the final. This time by the Onslow Ogres.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Enigmas	Tony Rutledge Om Thakur Simon Jung	88.9% 72.2% 61.1%	1st
Empire Emperors	Liam Johnston Michael Stechman Michael Onganon Ian Grace	83.3% 75% 73.3% 40%	3rd
Empire Elms	Kaz Witko Leigh Grinlinton Peter Bloor Josh Brown	53.3% 50% 33.3% 8.3%	6th

Division 2

We could not recruit enough players for 2 teams sadly, so had 1 large team. The whole division suffered from lack of players with only 4 teams entered. The competition was relatively strong however and the clear winners were a young Titan team.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Egrets	Graham Sole Ian Clark Andrew Chan Maggie Dyer Pete Lowe (6 games)	66.7% 58.3% 50% 50% 83.3%	2nd

Division 3

This grade was a success story with several more players coming along. Teams were 2 player and Empire had 3 club teams and another entered through the TTW training group.

Team	Players	Percentage	Placing
Empire Energisers	Casey Pearson Kyle Stapelberg	70% 70%	2nd
Empire Eels	Oscar Craig Ryley Chin	50% 25%	3rd
Empire Echoes	Jake Turner Storm King Jed Leonard (2 games)	66.7% 25% 0%	4th
The Defaults	Boston Poleti Deziah Tekira	50% 50%	7th

4.2.5 November Round Robin Competition

Once again this was fairly casual with games sorted out on the night with the players who came along. Players enjoyed the more casual atmosphere and different format. Our top results were:

1st - Depak Patel - 25 points

2nd - John Gan - 24 points

3rd - Darrell Brown - 22 points

5th = - Liam Johnston and Harry Chen - 21 points each

8th= - Michael Stechman, Om Thakur and Zhidong Yu - all with 19 points

4.3 RESULTS AND TROPHIES FOR 2019

4.3.1 Midweek Tournament Results

Group	Winners	Runners up
Group 1	Maurice Pau / Charlie Talumepa (Levin)	Wai Chung / William Yang (Empire)
Group 2	Tony Rutledge / Maree Murphy (Empire)	Charles Chun / Anna Chung (Empire)
Group 3	Peter Jones / Bob Knight (Kapiti)	Kaz Witko / Peter Highsted (Tawa)
Group 4	Sonny Kamariera / Gandabhai Vallabh (Peak Players)	Heather Paul / Paki Taramoeroa (Kapiti)
Group 5	George Geris/Nancy Chan (Empire)	Margaret Norris / Tina Maarhuis (Waikanae)
Group 6	Grahame Delaney / Perry Joe (Empire)	Graham Robinson / Anna Gorman (Empire)
Group 7	Frank Dawber / Glenn Payne (Upper Hutt)	Trevor Plaisted / Anna Wong (Peak Players)

4.3.2 Club Championships - Adult Club

Award	Winner	Runner up
Wall Harding Cup Open Singles	Heath Murdoch	Harry Chen
Plate	Andrew Maguire	Michael Stechman
McPhee Cup Open Doubles	Darrell Brown and Paul Brown	Heath Murdoch and Depak Patel
Plate	Michael Stechman and Om Thakur	Peter Bloor and Josh Brown

4.3.3 Club Special Trophies

Award	Player
Ron Menchi Cup Best Club Member	Maggie Dyer
R.E. Mitchell Cup Best Sportsperson	Kheng and Uy Tang
J.R. Capstick Cup Most Improved Player	Michael Stechman
Empire Table Tennis Cup Most Outstanding Performance	Harry Chen
Alf Harding Cup Best Interclub Record (Male)	Tony Rutledge
Merle Harding Cup Best Interclub Record (Female)	Not awarded
Allardyce Family Trophy Team of the Year	Not awarded

4.3.4 Club Championships – Junior Club

Award	Winner	Runner up
BNSW Cup Under 19 boys singles	Kyle Stapelberg	Oscar Craig
Elborn Challenge Cup Under 13 boys singles	Kieran Robinson	
Grades 1-6	Kyle Stapelberg	Oscar Craig
Grades 7-12	Kieran Robinson	Aadi Kappor
Most Valuable Player	Oscar Craig	-
Most Improved Player	Kyle Stapelberg	-

4.3.5 Junior Club Attendance Awards

Junior players were awarded certificates for attending 20 or more junior club nights, as follows:

Player
Ryley Chin (29)
Casey Pearson (24)
Deziah Tekira (23)
Tony Tu (23)
Kyle Stapelberg (22)
Kyros Repia (21)
Aidan Robins (21)
Oscar Craig (20)
Nikhel Patel (18)
Samuel Bennion (17)
Kieran Robinson (16)
Aadi Kapoor (11 from 2nd August)

4.3.6 Meritorious Performances

Player	Tournament and award
Peter Bloor	TTW Autumn Open Runner-up D grade singles
Darrell Brown	NZ Masters (Wanganui) Gold over 35 men's doubles Gold open 3 person over 35 teams Gold open 2 person over 45 team TTW Veterans Winner over 50 doubles Winner over 40 consolation singles TTW Autumn Open Winner over 45 doubles Winner over 35 consolation singles North Island Open (Wanganui) Gold over 50 men's doubles Silver over 40 men's doubles
Harry Chen	TTW Veterans Winner over 50 consolation singles North Island Open (Wanganui) Silver over 40 men's doubles TTW Wellington Open Winner C grade singles
Ryan Cronin	TTW Autumn Open Winner over 25 doubles
Swapneel Dias	TTW Autumn Open Winner D grade singles
Olly Evans	TTW Autumn Open Runner-up 21 consolation singles
John Gan	TTW Veterans Runner-up over 40 doubles TTNZ Veterans (Taupo) Silver over 60 2 person team TTW Wellington Open Runner-up over 40 doubles
Leigh Grinlinton	NZ Masters (Wanganui) Gold over 45 women's singles Gold open 5 women's singles

	<p>Silver over 45 mixed doubles Gold over 55 mixed doubles</p> <p>TTW Veterans Runner-up over 50 doubles</p> <p>TTNZ Veterans (Taupo) Runner-up over 60 mixed doubles</p> <p>TTW Autumn Open Runner-up over 45 doubles Runner-up over 55 doubles</p>
James Harter	<p>TTW Autumn Open Winner open men's doubles</p> <p>Wanganui Open Winner open men's doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Winner B grade singles Runner-up B grade doubles</p> <p>Manawatu Open Runner-up open men's singles Runner-up open B grade singles Winner combined B grade doubles</p>
Liam Johnston	<p>TTW Autumn Open Runner-up over 35 consolation singles</p>
Andrew Maguire	<p>TTW Autumn Open Runner-up over 35 doubles Runner-up over 25 consolation singles Runner-up over 45 consolation singles</p> <p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Silver D grade doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Winner open men's plate singles Winner D grade doubles</p>
Mary Muir	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Bronze over 70 women's doubles Bronze over 75 women's doubles</p>
Heath Murdoch	<p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Gold over 50 mixed doubles Gold over 50 men's doubles Silver over 50 men's singles Silver over 40 men's singles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Runner-up over 40 doubles</p>

	<p>Winner over 30 doubles Runner-up over 50 doubles</p> <p>Manawatu Open Winner open B grade singles Winner over 45 combined singles Winner over 30 combined doubles Winner over 45 combined doubles</p>
Depak Patel	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Silver over 35 men's singles Bronze over 45 men's singles Gold over 35 men's doubles Gold open 3 person over 35 team Gold open 2 person over 45 team</p> <p>TTW Veterans Winner over 50 singles Winner over 50 doubles</p> <p>TTW Autumn Open Winner over 25 doubles Winner over 35 singles Winner over 35 doubles Runner-up over 45 singles Winner over 45 doubles</p> <p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Gold over 50 men's singles Gold over 40 men's singles Gold over 40 men's doubles Silver B grade doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Winner B grade doubles Runner-up over 30 doubles Winner over 40 doubles</p> <p>Manawatu Open Winner over 40 men's doubles Winner over 30 doubles Runner-up over 45 combined singles Winner over 45 combined doubles</p>
Daniel Rosner	<p>TTW Autumn Open Winner over 35 doubles</p> <p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Gold over 40 men's doubles Silver over 30 men's singles Silver B grade doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Winner B grade doubles Winner over 40 singles Winner over 40 doubles</p>

	<p>Runner-up over 30 singles Runner-up over 30 doubles</p>
Tony Rutledge	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Bronze open 2 person over 45 teams</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Runner-up C grade singles Runner-up C grade doubles Runner-up over 60 singles</p>
Paul Solt	<p>TTW Veterans Runner-up over 50 consolation singles</p> <p>TTW Autumn Open Runner-up C grade singles Winner over 55 doubles</p> <p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Silver D grade doubles</p>
Michael Stechman	<p>TTW Wellington Open Runner-up D grade singles Winner D grade doubles</p>
Chris Talbot	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Silver open 2 person over 45 teams Gold open 2 person over 55 teams</p> <p>TTNZ Veterans (Taupo) Silver over 60 2 person team</p>
Ian Talbot	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Silver open 2 person over 45 teams Gold open 2 person over 55 teams</p>
James Wang	<p>TTW Wellington Open Runner-up over 40 singles</p>
Yufeng Wang	<p>North Island Open (Wanganui) Gold under 13 boys singles Gold under 13 boys doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Runner-up under 15 singles Runner-up under 13 singles Winner under 13 doubles</p>
Martin Young	<p>TTW Wellington Open Winner D grade singles Runner-up over 60 doubles</p>

	<p>Manawatu Open Runner-up men's C grade doubles Runner-up over 60 combined doubles</p>
Zhidong Yu	<p>NZ Masters (Wanganui) Bronze over 35 men's singles Silver over 55 men's singles Gold over 55 men's doubles Gold open 3 person over 35 teams Bronze open 2 person over 45 teams</p> <p>TTW Veterans Runner-up over 40 doubles</p> <p>TTW Autumn Open Runner-up B grade singles Winner over 55 singles Winner over 55 doubles</p>
Lisa Yue	<p>Wanganui Open Runner-up open women's singles Winner open women's doubles</p> <p>TTW Wellington Open Winner women's doubles</p>

5 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

The following pages contain the accounts pages for the year.

EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

2018		Notes	2019 Actual \$	2019 Budget \$
\$			\$	\$
	INCOME			
78	Bats Profit/(Loss)		39.14	30
789	Fundraising and Donations	4	599.58	600
9,832	Hall, Table and Bat Hire		11,662.10	8,052
6,115	Interest Received	4	6,274.74	6,474
28,413	Playing Fees		28,225.03	28,960
19	Shirts Profit		47.54	50
1,994	Shop Profit		1,949.94	2,000
5,826	Subscriptions		6,308.30	5,000
238	Tournaments		609.75	0
53,304	Total Income		\$ 55,716.12	51,166
	EXPENDITURE			
3,361	Affiliation Fees		2,730.26	3,500
797	Balls		0.00	900
0	Board Expenses		0.00	200
8,358	Cleaning		4,371.20	7,900
2,280	Coaching		2,160.00	2,400
2,737	Depreciation	1	764.59	765
11,237	Insurance		11,837.54	11,000
1,248	Kitchen		1,194.93	1,300
1,951	Lease		1,950.84	2,000
328	Printing, Stationery and Postage		177.37	400
1,246	Repairs and Maintenance		1,850.26	3,200
466	Security		475.76	408
288	Social		267.75	500
451	Sundry		298.70	1,800
5,537	Utilities (Power, Telephone, Water Rates)		5,822.30	5,990
42	Website		212.23	160
0	Write offs		0.06	0
40,328	Total Expenditure		\$ 34,113.79	42,423
12,976	Surplus/(Loss) from Operations		\$ 21,602.33	8,743

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements

EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

2018		Notes	2019
\$			\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
90	Cash on Hand		90.00
24,425	Bank Account		54,196.81
1,879	Accounts Receivable	2	1,509.55
11,390	Prepayments		975.42
287	Stock on hand - Bats		391.32
180	Stock on Hand - Shop		165.06
1,504	Stock on Hand - Shirts		1,338.50
39,756	Total Current Assets		\$ 58,666.66
OTHER ASSETS			
131,399	Investments - Building Fund	5	135,932.31
59,153	Investments - Other	5	61,090.87
412,999	Property, Plant & Equipment	6	412,623.37
603,551	Total Non Current Assets		\$ 609,646.55
643,307	TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 668,313.21
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
0	Accounts Payable	3	1,422.53
0	GST Payable		1,981.86
-	Total Current Liabilities		\$ 3,404.39
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
630,330	Balance as at 1 January 2019		643,306.49
12,976	Surplus/(Loss) from Operations		21,602.33
643,306	TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		\$ 664,908.82
643,306	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS FUNDS	4	\$ 668,313.21

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements

EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Reporting Entity

These are the Financial Statements of Empire Table Tennis Club, an organisation incorporated in New Zealand under the terms of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

These Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Incorporated Societies Act 1908, the Rules of the Organisation and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in New Zealand.

Differential Reporting

In terms of the "Framework for Differential Reporting" issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants, an entity is exempt from certain financial reporting standards if it satisfies the criteria laid down in the framework; such an entity is called a qualifying entity. The organisation qualifies for differential reporting exemptions as it has no public accountability and is not large in terms of the criteria set out in the differential reporting framework. All allowable differential reporting exemptions allowed under this framework have been adopted.

Measurement System

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on a historical cost basis are followed by Empire Table Tennis Club.

These financial statements have been prepared using accounting policies and disclosures as are appropriate for this type of entity.

Information is presented in New Zealand dollars.

Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Budget Figures

The budget figures shown in the Statement of Income and Expenditure were approved by the Board at the beginning of the financial year.

Revenue Recognition

All income is recognised when earned and is reported in the financial period to which it relates.

Property, Plant and Equipment

All Property, Plant and Equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

When an item of Property, Plant and Equipment is disposed of, a gain or loss is recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure and is calculated as the difference between the sale price and the carrying value of the item.

Depreciation

Depreciation was provided on a straight line basis on the Taraflex Floor, at a rate which allocated the cost of the asset over the anticipated useful life.

Depreciation is provided on a diminishing value basis on the Tables, Barricades and Equipment.

The useful lives and associated depreciation rates of major classes have been estimated as follows:

Assets	Useful Life (Years)	Depreciation Rate (Percent)
Taraflex Floor (now fully depreciated)	10	10
Tables and Barricades	5	20
Equipment	5	20

**EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable are stated at their estimated net realisable value.
Bad Debts and other write offs are written off in the year in which they are identified.

Inventory (Stock on Hand)

All inventory is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the first in, first out (FIFO) method.

Investments

Investments are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The Financial Statements are prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

Comparatives

Comparative information is consistent with current year classifications.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
1 Depreciation:		
Includes:		
- Tables & Barricades	41.78	52
- Taraflex Floor	0.00	1,879
- Equipment	722.81	806
Total Depreciation for the year on Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>\$ 764.59</u>	<u>2,737</u>

	Actual	Previous Year
	\$	\$
2 Accounts Receivable		
Goods and Services Tax	0.00	141
Interest Accrued	1,509.55	1,738
Social	-	-
Table Fees	-	-
	<u>\$ 1,509.55</u>	<u>1,879</u>
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts	-	-
	<u><u>\$ 1,509.55</u></u>	<u><u>3,484</u></u>

	Actual	Previous Year
	\$	\$
3 Accounts Payable		
Insurance (2019 portion)	1,422.53	0
GST Payable	1,981.86	0
	<u>\$ 3,404.39</u>	<u>0</u>

	Actual	Previous Year
	\$	\$
4 Total Members Funds		
Accumulated Balance at 1 January 2019	643,306.49	630,330.28
Less Amount in Building Fund 31.12.18	133,062.11	127,322.06
Plus Surplus	21,602.33	12,976.21
Less portion of Surplus transferred to Building Fund	6,079.09	5,740.06
Accumulated Balance at 31 December 2019 less Building Fund	<u><u>\$ 525,767.62</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 510,244.38</u></u>

Building Fund

In accordance with the discussion at the 2018 AGM, Building Fund was established with two of the Term Deposits transferred to the Fund. The Board determined that all fundraising and a levy of 15% of subscriptions be transferred to the Fund, along with the interest on those two term Deposits.

	Actual	Previous Year
	\$	\$
Balance 31 December 2018	133,062.11	127,322
Interest received on Term Deposits	4,533.26	4,077
Subscriptions levy	946.25	874
Fundraising & Donations	599.58	789
	<u>\$ 139,141.20</u>	<u>\$ 133,062</u>

	Actual	Previous Year
	\$	\$
5 Investments		
ASB	103,553.06	100,152.72
Westpac	93,470.12	90,399.11
	<u><u>197,023.18</u></u>	<u><u>190,551.83</u></u>

There are two ASB investments:

\$70,872.66 at 2.70% pa with a maturity date of 1/10/2020 (2018: \$68,509.10 at 3.45% pa maturing 1/10/2019)
 \$32,680.40 at 2.85% pa with a maturity date of 28/2/2020 (2018: 31,643.62 at 3.25% pa maturing 28/2/2019)

There are two Westpac investments:

\$65,059.65 at 2.75% pa with a maturity date of 25/10/2020 (2018: \$62,889.95 at 3.45% pa maturing 25/10/2019)
 \$28,410.47 at 3.05% pa with a maturity date of 24/1/2020 (2018: \$27,509.16 at 3.25% pa maturing 24/1/2019)

EMPIRE TABLE TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

6 Property, Plant and Equipment

Assets	Actual					
	Historical Cost					
	Opening Balance \$	Additions \$	Disposals \$	Closing Balance \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Net Book Value \$
Building	409,445	-	-	409,445	-	409,445
Tables & Barricades	7,996	-	-	7,996	7,829	167
Taraflex Floor	32,162	-	-	32,162	32,162	0
Equipment	18,777	389	-	19,166	16,275	2,891
Trophies	120	-	-	120	-	120
Total	468,500	389	0	468,889	56,266	412,623

Assets	Previous Year					
	Historical Cost					
	Opening Balance \$	Additions \$	Disposals \$	Closing Balance \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Net Book Value \$
Building	409,445	-	-	409,445	-	409,445
Tables & Barricades	7,996	-	-	7,996	7,787	209
Taraflex Floor	32,162	-	-	32,162	32,162	0
Equipment	16,738	2,039	-	18,777	15,552	3,225
Trophies	120	-	-	120	-	120
Total	466,461	2,039	0	468,500	55,501	412,999

The building was valued at 2 February 2011 by Colin W. Jenkins (Registered Valuer) for insurance purposes. The valuation indicates a reinstatement estimate of \$1,242,000 and a depreciated replacement cost of \$844,000. The land is leased to Empire Table Tennis Club by the Hutt City Council.

7 Transactions with Related Parties

Empire Table Tennis Club undertakes transactions with Table Tennis Wellington and Table Tennis New Zealand. These transactions are carried out on a commercial arm's length basis and it is considered that these do not fall within the scope of related party disclosures.

Two separate Heads of Agreements exists between Empire Table Tennis Club and Table Tennis Wellington regarding the ownership and care of 6 Donic tables and 6 Andro tables.

To the Members of the Empire Table Tennis Club Incorporated

I have reviewed the financial statements of the Empire table Tennis Club Inc. as at 31 December 2019.

The Management Committee's Responsibilities

The Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements which fairly reflects the financial position of the Empire Table Tennis Club Inc. as at 31 December 2019 and the results of the operations for the 12 months ended 31 December 2019.

Reviewer's Responsibilities

It is my responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by Kevin Haines and report to you.

A review is limited primarily to enquiries of the organisation's personnel, and analytical review procedures provided to financial data, and thus provides less assurance than an audit. I have also conducted a large amount of substantive testing. I have not performed an audit, and accordingly I do not express an audit opinion.

Other than in my capacity as reviewer, I have no relationship with or interest in the Empire Table Tennis Club Inc.

Reviewer's Opinion

In my opinion, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the accompanying financial statements do not fairly represent the financial position of the Empire Table Tennis Club Inc. as at 31 December 2019 and results of its operations and cash flows for the 12 months ended 31 December 2019.

MA Wong

Malcolm Wong C A (Retired), Wellington

9/2/ 2020