

2014 Northern Region Max-Play Tournament

16th August, 2014

The inaugural Northern Region Max-Play Tournament was hosted by the Auckland Table Tennis Association on Saturday 16th August, 2014. The tournament was played using a system developed in Estonia and popularized at the Finnish Open. The concept was max-play for all participants.

All players:

- a) had a second life in regards to gaining medals
- b) played at least as many matches as the eventual winner
- c) ended up with a unique finishing position

The first stage draw was a simple knockout, and all players started in this draw. The gold and silver medals were awarded to the finalists in the simple knockout draw. All players who lost in the simple knockout draw were entered into the second life draw. The winner of the second life draw was placed third and received the bronze medal.

All players who lost in the second life draw, prior to the bronze medal match, played off for final positions in a progressive knockout with other players who lost at the same stage.

All players received a prize from a spot prize draw on the day.

The event was mixed gender i.e. boys and girls were combined in the same draw and entries were only be accepted from players with 300 or less rating points on the TTNZ rating list at the entry closing date.

Forty-eight entries were received for the inaugural event arising from Auckland, North Harbour, Northland, and Waitemata.

2014 Northern Region Max-Play Tournament Results Summary

Top Eight Placings

First place: Harvey Lin (Auckland)

Second place: Michael Malik (North Harbour)

Third place: Abhishek Seth (Waitemata)

Fourth place: Iris Liu (North Harbour)

Fifth place: Isaac Leung (Auckland)

Sixth place: Steven Ho (Auckland)

Seventh place: Jaiden Thammavongsa (Auckland)

Eighth place: James Tonks (Waitemata)