

Dear table tennis community,

Reminder, the Auckland table tennis stadium cannot reopen under the Alert Level 3 range of measures. However, we are able to conduct stadium maintenance and upgrades. Our major project during this time is full replacement of the lighting in the Auckland table tennis stadium with LED fittings. We have completed installation of two test courts, revised the lighting plan, and are now full steam ahead!

We are incredibly grateful to Pub Charity Limited, Four Winds Foundation, Milestone Foundation, and Albert-Eden Local Board for granting funds towards the cost of full replacement of the lighting in the Auckland table tennis stadium – especially at this time.

We plan on re-opening the Auckland table tennis stadium once New Zealand moves to Alert Level 2. We do not know the exact date that New Zealand will move to Alert Level 2. Like everyone, we are eagerly awaiting the outcome of the New Zealand Government Cabinet review of the Alert Level on 11 May 2020.

We have developed Auckland Table Tennis Association COVID-19 Level Guidelines to inform the table tennis community how we are responding. Please find a link to the Guidelines below:

<http://www.tabletennis.net.nz/media/2816/atta-covid-19-level-guidelines-26042020b.pdf>

Important reminder, during Alert Level 2 only stadium keyholder members can access the Auckland table tennis stadium (“the facility”) from 9.00a.m. – 9.00p.m. daily. Please refer to the Guidelines for the full range of measures.

The ATTA Stay Home Table Tennis Challenge has reached its conclusion. Dinyar Irani released a Best of Table Tennis at Home compilation comprised of videos submitted by the table tennis community completing the Challenges. Click on the link below to view the compilation video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wO2WDcl99os>

Dinyar also released a Prize Winners announcement video where you can find out who won the free annual stadium keyholder membership at the Auckland table tennis stadium, Andro Super Core Cell Carbon OFF blade, free entry into the 2020 Auckland Open, 3-star balls, and more! Click on the link below to find out which members of the table tennis community won prizes:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nSr8FLBvJJo>

We hope you enjoyed the ATTA Stay Home Table Tennis Challenge, and enjoyed Dinyar’s positivity and ingenuity! If you missed the entry deadline it would still be great to see you take part in the Challenges. Film yourself completing as many challenges as possible, and upload to social media

#aucklandtabletennis #stayhometabletennis. We will cheer you on 😊

Your emotional and mental wellbeing is important. It is normal to feel anxious or stressed about COVID-19. However, there are lots of things you can do to feel better. Click the link below for more information on how to look after your mental wellbeing:

<https://covid19.govt.nz/individuals-and-households/health-and-wellbeing/looking-after-your-mental-wellbeing/>

I look forward to catching up with you in person once the current situation passes. Stay active, stay safe.

Regards,

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