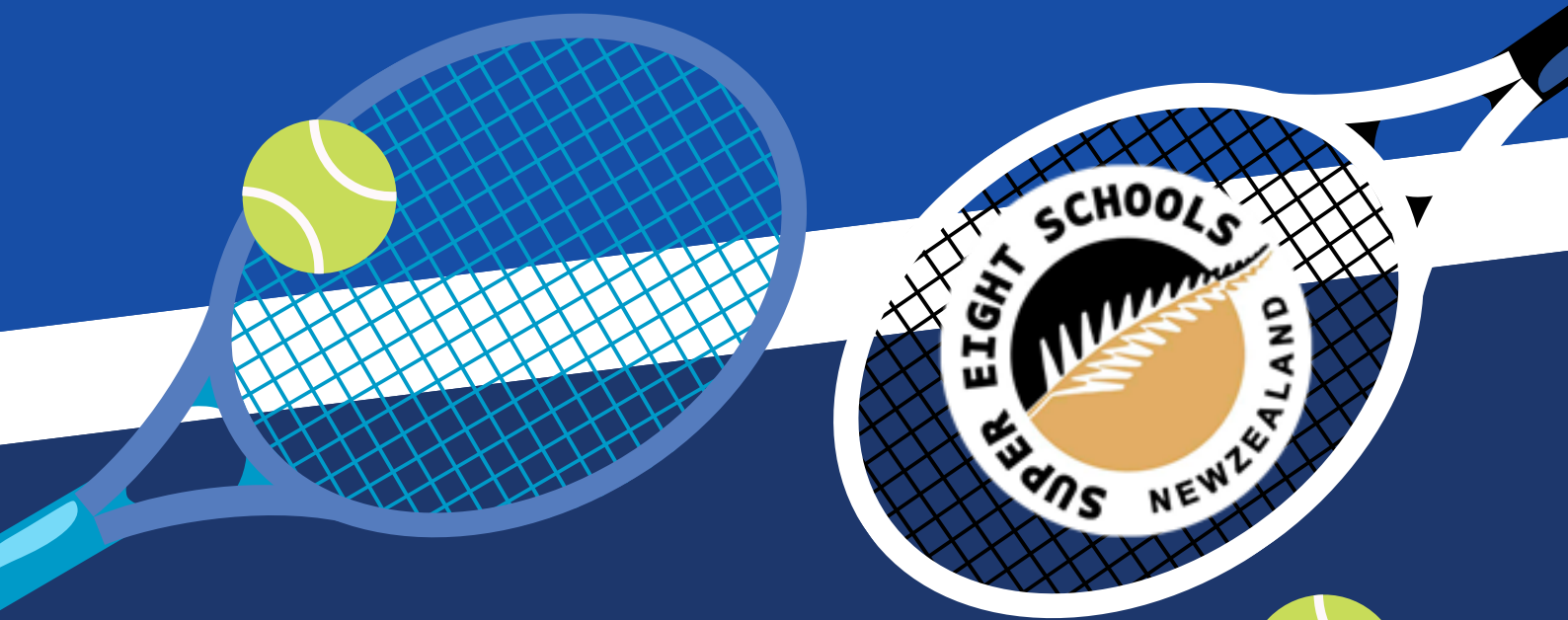


'Competing and co-operating for the benefit of young men'

NEW ZEALAND SUPER EIGHT SCHOOLS TENNIS



16-18 February 2026

Palmerston North Boys' High School





N.Z SUPER EIGHT SCHOOLS TENNIS

BACKGROUND

Formed in 1997, the New Zealand Super Eight Schools incorporates the eight boys' high schools from their respective provincial cities of the central North Island.

The first competitions were sponsored by Canterbury Clothing Company of NZ and commenced in 1998 involving rugby and cricket. Since that time the New Zealand Super Eight Schools concept has grown to include not only 10 sports competitions but also a cultural festival and professional development programmes for senior management staff and curriculum teachers.

The schools individually and collectively reflect a traditional ethos of education, which relates to their long histories as cornerstones of education in their regions. Old boys have a prominence across New Zealand's society as: University academics and educators, senior business managers, professionals and entrepreneurs, civic leaders and politicians, and as sport and cultural icons.

Today the New Zealand Super Eight Schools are synonymous with excellence in education, innovation in management and outstanding performance on stage and the sports field. The management of the schools' group is rotated on an annual basis and school leaders meet twice a year to establish priorities, discuss initiatives and set guidelines for the ensuing year.

NZ SUPER EIGHT TENNIS PAST WINNERS

1999 Tauranga Boys' College	2016 Palmerston North Boys' High School
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2001 Tauranga Boys' College	2018 Hamilton Boys' High School
2002 Palmerston North Boys' High School	2019 Hamilton Boys' High School
2003 Tauranga Boys' College	2020 Hamilton Boys' High School
2004 Hamilton Boys' High School	2021 New Plymouth Boys' High School
2005 Tauranga Boys' College	2022 Tauranga Boys' College
2006 Palmerston North Boys' High School	2023 Tauranga Boys' College
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2015 Palmerston North Boys' High School	



PNBHS WELCOME



Welcome to Palmerston North Boys' High School and the 2026 Super Eight tennis tournament.

Tennis has given us some of the greatest rivalries in sport: Borg vs McEnroe, Federer vs Nadal, Navratilova vs Evert, Becker vs Lendl, Williams vs Williams, and each year the four major tournaments that make up the Grand Slam attract huge interest. New Zealand's own Chris Lewis had a nation enthralled in his run to the 1983 Wimbledon final, the most famous tournament of them all, where he met, and was defeated by the temperamental but talented John McEnroe.

The friendly rivalries that exist in the Super Eight Schools organisation may not be as well-known globally, but each Super Eight tournament gives us the opportunity to renew these rivalries as well strengthen the bond we have as a group of schools. The relationships between the Super Eight Schools are special and the competition is, year in, year out, intense. It is a competition that enables many young men to test themselves at the very highest level of school sport.

This year's Super Eight Tennis Tournament is no different, and it will give all those competing the chance to gauge their ability and development against a number of strong teams.

Tradition, spirit, sportsmanship, camaraderie, and strong competition are synonymous with tournaments like this one and schools like ours. Enjoy the opportunity, accept the challenges you will face.

I wish all teams well and look forward to the high-quality tennis that we will no doubt see throughout the tournament. Good luck!

D. M. Bovey
Rector



TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

TOURNAMENT STAFF:

Mr Sam Henderson | 027 325 2967

Mr Johann Botha (Sports Co-ordinator) | 027 564 8779

TOURNAMENT VENUES:

Vautier Park, Puriri Terrace, Roslyn, Palmerston North 4414

MANAGERS MEETING:

Where - Vautier Park, Club House

When - 8:00am | Monday 16/02/2026

TOURNAMENT BBQ:

Where - Palmerston North Boys' High School, 263 Featherston St Palmerston North 4410

When - 6.00pm-7.00pm | Monday 16/02/2026

PRIZE GIVING:

Will take place at the venue directly after the final at Vautier Park

MEDICAL FACILITIES:

City Doctors | 22 Victoria Avenue PN | 06 355 3300

P3Physiotherapy | 16 Taonui Street, Palmerston North Central, Palmerston North 4410 | 06 323 7873

Claire Maxwell

Lead Physio for: Pure Physiotherapy + Pilates (P3)

021 170 5935 | 06 323 7873

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FIRST AID:

Each team will be required to provide their own first aid kit and ice packs
In the event of an emergency dial 111

RACQUET STRING SERVICES:

Jono Spring 027 624 7878



TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Team Composition:

Each team will consist of four players. A substitute may also be used but must play in the number four position. Seeding's and the draw will be completed by the host school and are based on configure rankings for the top 4 players in each team.

2. The Format

- a. Four singles and two doubles matches to be played.
- b. Singles matches are to be the best of three tie-breaker sets.
- c. A 12 point tie-breaker shall be played at 6-6 in each set.
- d. The I.T.F short deuce rule shall be in effect in doubles only, with a super tie break third set. (This states that one determining point shall be played in each game when deuce is reached).
- e. Singles players must play in ranked order, that is, if the reserve is used, the reserve goes into the No 4 seed and other players must stay in their ranked order. For example, if the No 2 player is injured, the No 3 players moves to No. 2 and No 4 players moves to No 3.
- f. If a player is injured during a match, the match is defaulted but any sets completed could be counted for determining a winner or count back of sets.
- g. The No.1 doubles combination must contain the highest ranked singles player who is playing doubles.
- h. Any one of the five named players (on the original team sheet) may represent the school in this competition).

3. Order of play

- a. b. All singles are to be played before the doubles. Unless otherwise agreed by team captains, number three and four singles will be played first.

4. The winner of the tie shall be:

- a. The winner of the majority of the matches, for example 4-2.
- b. If the matches are tied, the winner of the majority of sets, for example 7-6.
- c. If the matches and sets are tied, the winner of the majority of games, for example 56-54.
- d. If the matches, sets and games are tied, one doubles super tie-breaker will be played with the winner of the tie-breaker being the winner of the tie.

5. Points:

- a. 1 point awarded for each match won.
- b. 2 bonus points for the winner of the tie.

6. Winners: The winner of the tournament shall be:

- a. The team with the most points.
- b. If 2 teams are on equal points, the winner of the tie between the 2 teams.
- c. If 3 or more teams are on equal points, it goes to total matches won minus total matches lost, followed by sets won minus sets lost, followed by games won minus games lost.



SELF UMPIRING CODE

New Zealand Tennis has adopted the following policy for self-umpiring of national events:

Matches shall not be umpired and players shall call their own lines. Every player has the right to appeal to the referee who will observe play and may appoint an umpire if necessary. Singles finals and other feature matches should have an umpire who (unless the person is a qualified umpire), will call the score and adjudicate on disputes but the players will continue to call all lines.

ON-COURT RULES FOR MATCHES PLAYED WITHOUT UMPIRES

- All calls on your side of the net are your responsibility (i.e. you cannot ask an opponent for a let because you do not agree with their call). If you have any doubt as to whether a ball is out or good. You should not play a let.
- Any 'out' call must be made instantaneously (i.e. made before either an opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise, the ball continues in play. The call should be made both verbally and by using the hand signal.
- Do not enlist the aid of spectators, including parents, in making line calls.
- If you call a ball out then realize it was good, you should correct your call.
- To avoid controversy over the score, the Service should announce the set score (e.g. 5-4) before starting a game and the game score (e.g. thirty-forty) prior to serving each point. Game scores should also be recorded on each end change.
- If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was agreement and resume play from that point.
- Foot faults are not allowed. If an opponent persists on foot faulting after being warned not to do so the Referee should be informed.
- Do not stall, sulk, complain or practice gamesmanship.
- If a dispute cannot be settled then the player should put his/her racquet down on the court and go and get the referee or tournament manager.

One of three things will happen:

- a. The official will stay and observe, and if satisfied there is no problem do nothing;
- b. The official will stay and observe, and if necessary, warn an offending player;
- c. The official will appoint a chair umpire.

FAIR PLAY SUMMARY

- Enjoy yourself; you may not win every time.
- Play within the rules
- Work at achieving your personal best
- Respect the referee and umpires
- Respect your opponents and their supports
- Be a gracious winner or dignified loser



TEAMS AND SEEDINGS

2026 SUPER EIGHT TEAMS AND SEEDINGS

HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 1	1	Spencer Weyburne	WKCBS1W	s4	2455	13
	2	Jordan Causer	WKCBJ3C	s6	1900	12
	3	Taane Young	WKCBTY	S8	1475	10
	4	Jasper Tait	WKSPJ1T	s9	1090	9
	5	Ryan Coombe	WKBCR1C	s9	1015	12

TAURANGA COLLEGE

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 2	1	Cullen McCashin				
	2	Fletcher Percy				
	3	Hugh Blair				
	4	Fabian Hornung				
	5	Gabe Robinson				

NAPIER BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 3	1	Harry Nicoll				
	2	Caleb Hutchinson				
	3	Mayank Giri				
	4	David Campos Arnoldi				
	5	Arthur Brown				



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NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 4	1	Luke Barrett				10
	2	Lucas Erb				11
	3	Jae Lallu				13
	4	Hadley Erb				9
	5	Maxmillian Posner				13

ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 5	1					
	2					
	3					
	4					
	5					

PALMERSTON NORTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

	Ranking	Player	Code	Grade	Points	Year
Seed 6	1	Lennox Kirk				12
	2	Zi Xian Wang				13
	3	Nathan Gloyn				12
	4	Johnny McKinnon				11



PROGRAMME

TEAM MANAGERS AND CONTACTS

Palmerston North Boys' High School | Sam Henderson 027 325 2967

Hamilton Boys' High School | Simon Devitt 021 360 128

Tauranga Boys' College | Wayne Merritt 021 0224 0598

Napier Boys High School | Greg Kettle

New Plymouth Boys' High School | Nick Creary

Rotorua Boys' High School | TBC

ROUND ROBIN POOL PLAY

ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	ROUND 4	ROUND 5
1 vs 4	1 vs 5	1 vs 6	1 vs 3	1 vs 2
2 vs 6	2 vs 4	2 vs 3	2 vs 5	3 vs 4
3 vs 5	3 vs 6	4 vs 5	4 vs 6	5 vs 6

MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2026

Round One } 8.30am

Hamilton BHS (1) v New Plymouth BHS (4)

Tauranga BC (2) v Palmerston North BHS (6)

Napier BHS (3) vs Rotorua BHS (5)

Round Two } 12.30pm

Hamilton BHS (1) v Rotorua BHS (5)

Tauranga BC (2) v New Plymouth BHS (4)

Napier BHS (3) vs Palmerston North BHS (6)



PROGRAMME & RESULTS

TUESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2026

Round Three } 8.30am

Hamilton BHS (1) v Palmerston North BHS (6)

Tauranga BC (2) v Napier BHS (3)

New Plymouth BHS (4) vs Rotorua BHS (5)

Round Four } 12.30pm

Hamilton BHS (1) v Napier BHS (3)

Tauranga BC (2) v Rotorua BHS (5)

New Plymouth BHS (4) vs Palmerston North BHS (6)

WEDNESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2026

Round Five } 8.30am

Hamilton BHS (1) v Tauranga BC (2)

Napier BHS (3) v New Plymouth BHS (4)

Rotorua BHS (5) vs Palmerston North BHS (6)

	Hamilton	Tauranga	Napier	New Plym	Rotorua	Palm Nth	Total
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Tauranga BC							
Napier BHS							
New Plymouth BHS							
Rotorua BHS							
Palmerston North BHS							



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