

BANK OF QUEENSLAND MASTERS BEACH VOLLEYBALL

The Bank of Queensland Masters beach volleyball tournament, held at the CitiBeach Townsville courts, over the weekend of 2-3 August was a raging success. All matches were in a format with age groups using the combined ages of the team players. Seventy competitors played in Men's and Ladies pairs divisions on Saturday and then returned on Sunday to do battle in Mixed 3-a-side divisions.

It was generally agreed that this is now a destination event on the Queensland beach volleyball circuit, and it actually engaged more participants than are expected at the Pan-Pacific Masters to be held on the Gold Coast in November.

Competitors came from Darwin, and Cairns to Brisbane, and were unanimous in their praise for the innovative format, the venue, and the organisation put into the event by CitiBeach Volleyball and a committee of volunteers led by Judy Townson and Kylie Meyer. The most noticeable feature of the event, besides the high quality volleyball and close competition, was the camaraderie and goodwill that only the "oldies" can generate.

Cairns teams were prominent on the winners podium and the standout performer was Leonie McDonald from Cairns. Her teams didn't lose a game over the weekend, as she won the Ladies pairs Over 80 division with Caroline Pendlebury from Darwin, and then she carried Townsville's Casey Goudswaard and Mike Hill to victory in the Mixed 3-a-side Over 130 grade.

RESULTS SUMMARY

LADIES PAIRS - 60 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Gail Laurence & Annette Rogers	Tvl
Runnerup	Mel Cowling & Sarah Thomas	Cns

LADIES PAIRS - 70 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Catherine Byrnes & Rita Kipfer	Cns
Runnerup	Natasha Chaplin & Sandy Mar	Tvl/Cns

LADIES PAIRS - 80 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Leonie McDonald & Caroline Pendlebury	Cns/Darwin
Runnerup	Judy Townson & Kylie Meyer	Tvl

LADIES PAIRS - 90 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Tamara Durant & Jacqui Munro	Tvl
Runnerup	Glenda Laurence & Wendy Maynard	Tvl

MEN'S PAIRS - 70 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Carl Sawers & Joel Groberg	Cns
Runnerup	Errol Boundy & Luke McDonald	Cns

MEN'S PAIRS - 90 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Dan Goodman & Mike Matheson	Rok/Tvl
Runnerup	Val Waszkiewicz & Anders Thornblad	Tvl

MEN'S PAIRS - 100 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Dick Moody & Leigh Gray	Tvl
Runnerup	Steve Oliver & Tony Wheldon	Tvl

MIXED 3-A-SIDE 100 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Luke McDonald, Errol Boundy, Sandy Mar	Cns
Runnerup	Gail Laurence, Jamie Tregear, Mike Matheson	Tvl

MIXED PAIRS - 120 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Rita Kipfer, Joel Groberg, Chris Hodgeman	Cns
Runnerup	Val Waszkiewicz, Anders Thornblad, Natasha Chaplin	Tvl

MIXED PAIRS - 130 YEARS PLUS

Winner	Casey Goudswaard, Mike Hill, Leonie McDonald	Tvl/Tvl/Cns
Runnerup	Gary Kirchofer, John Rogojkin, Caz Pendlebury	Bne/Tvl/Darwin