

Rating News 2018 Period 1

The latest ratings show Ben Hague in first place both on the standard and rapid lists. Anthony Ker and Russell Dive hold second and third on the standard list, and third and second on the rapid list.

On the standard list, Quentin Johnson is the biggest mover, up five places to 30th. Highest new entry is Arthur Pomeroy in 48th. Mike Steadman moved up thirteen places to 4th on the rapid list but the biggest climber was Kirill Polishchuk, up twenty-one places to 15th. Highest new entry at 26th is Nick Cummings.

No change in the women's standard ratings with Layla Timergazi ahead of Sherry Li and Helen Milligan. Vyanla Punslan is at the top of the women's rapid ratings ahead of Layla Timergazi and Helen Milligan.

There are no changes in top three on the senior and veteran standard rating lists. The top three seniors are Anthony Ker, Russell Dive and Bruce Watson and the top three veterans are Paul Garbett, Ewen Green and Ben Thomas. Russell Dive and Anthony Ker are unchanged on the senior rapid list ahead of Mike Steadman who climbs five places to 3rd. Paul Garbett and Ewen Green also head the veteran rapid list with Tony Carpenter, a new entry in 3rd.

James Jack moves up one place to 3rd on the junior rapid list behind Hans Gao and Alphaeus Ang. On the standard list there is no change with Alphaeus Ang ahead of Hans Gao and Daniel Gong.

Top Open Standard

1 (unc)	8070AM Hague, Ben	AC	2495
2 (unc)	3383SM Ker, Anthony F	WE	2472
3 (unc)	3459SM Dive, Russell J	WE	2453
4 (unc)	4989AM Kulashko, Alexei	AC	2434
5 (+ 1)	5083AM Croad, Nicholas	WE	2422
6 (- 1)	3206SM Watson, Bruce R	AC	2414
7 (unc)	3830AM Wastney, Scott	WE	2396
8 (unc)	8002JM Ang, Alphaeus Wei Ern	WT	2361
9 (+ 1)	3002VM Garbett, Paul A	NS	2335
10 (- 1)	3314SM McLaren, Leonard J	HP	2324
11 (+ 1)	3088SM Smith, Robert W	MC	2318
12 (+ 1)	3255SM Noble, Mark F	MK	2310
13 (+ 1)	7004JM Gao, Hans	AC	2308
14 (- 3)	3696SM Lukey, Stephen G	CA	2299
15 (unc)	7934JM Gong, Daniel Hanwen	HP	2290
16 (+ 4)	3201SM Steadman, Michael V R	AC	2274
17 (- 1)	3507SM Hart, Ralph	NS	2269
18 (- 1)	5620AM Thornton, Giovanni A	NS	2264
19 (- 1)	3482SM Spain, Graeme A	GA	2252
	(- 1) 3987AM McNabb, Matthew D	CA	2252
21 (- 1)	3007VM Green, Ewen M	HP	2250
	(- 1) 8570AM Russell, M K Athula		2250
23 (unc)	7931JM Zhang, Leo	AC	2238
24 (unc)	8833AM Polishchuk, Kirill	MM	2223
25 (unc)	8636AM Cilia Vincenti, David	CA	2208
26 (+ 1)	7853JM Fan, Allen Chi Zhou	AC	2205
27 (- 1)	3386SM Wheeler, Bruce	AC	2203
28 (unc)	3148SM Dowden, R Anthony	OT	2198
29 (+ 1)	5599VM Thomas, Ben	UH	2171
30 (+ 5)	3632AM Johnson, Quentin J F	OT	2164
31 (+ 3)	3394SM Nijman, Brian	WE	2155
32 (+ 1)	8789SM Morrell, Gordon	AC	2149
33 (- 4)	7486JM James, Jack	MK	2147
34 (- 3)	7039AM Duneas, John	AC	2143
35 (+ 1)	5816AM McCrone, Jeffrey	NS	2141
36 (+ 2)	5645AM Browne, Jeremy A	HA	2130
37 (+ 3)	7032UM Qi, Chao	CA	2121
38 (- 1)	8095JF Timergazi, Layla	WE	2119
39 (unc)	7299AM Rains, Edward	CA	2117
40 (+ 1)	4740AM Macdonald, Paul	AC	2116
41 (+ 1)	3089SM Bennett, Hilton P	HA	2115
42 (+ 1)	9110TF Li, Shenyue (Sherry)		2112
43 (-11)	4451AM Nyberg, Michael	WE	2109
44 (+ 3)	4300AM Burns, Christopher J	PN	2099
	(+ 1) 4830SM Perry, Roger L	WE	2099
46 (+ 2)	8167AM Kumar, Vinod	AC	2097
47 (+ 3)	5104SM Krstev, Antonio	NS	2095
48 (new)	3013VM Pomeroy, Arthur J	WE	2093
49 (new)	5713AM Stone, Andrew	WE	2087
	(new) 4124SM Lim, Benjamin U	HP	2087

Top Open Rapid

1 (+ 1)	8070AM Hague, Ben	AC	2408
2 (+ 1)	3459SM Dive, Russell J	WE	2401
3 (+ 1)	3383SM Ker, Anthony F	WE	2369
4 (+13)	3201SM Steadman, Michael V R	AC	2351
5 (unc)	3830AM Wastney, Scott	WE	2350
6 (unc)	4989AM Kulashko, Alexei	AC	2336
7 (unc)	5083AM Croad, Nicholas	WE	2312
8 (unc)	7004JM Gao, Hans	AC	2290
9 (unc)	3255SM Noble, Mark F	MK	2286
10 (unc)	3002VM Garbett, Paul A	NS	2283
11 (unc)	3206SM Watson, Bruce R	AC	2269
12 (unc)	8824TM Capel, Evan T		2267
13 (unc)	3088SM Smith, Robert W	MC	2253
14 (unc)	3696SM Lukey, Stephen G	CA	2248
15 (+21)	8833AM Polishchuk, Kirill	MM	2243
16 (+ 4)	3507SM Hart, Ralph	NS	2231
17 (- 1)	8002JM Ang, Alphaeus Wei Ern	WT	2226
18 (+ 1)	7311AM Pinic, Noel	MM	2218
19 (+ 3)	7486JM James, Jack	MK	2211
20 (- 2)	7934JM Gong, Daniel Hanwen	HP	2196
21 (unc)	3007VM Green, Ewen M	HP	2182
22 (+ 1)	5620AM Thornton, Giovanni A	NS	2157
23 (+ 3)	7853JM Fan, Allen Chi Zhou	AC	2144
24 (unc)	3025VM Carpenter, Anthony L	NS	2140
25 (+ 5)	5816AM McCrone, Jeffrey	NS	2137
26 (new)	4617UM Cummings, Nick	CA	2125
27 (- 2)	9220AM Fulo, Nunilon III	MM	2122
28 (- 1)	7299AM Rains, Edward	CA	2119
29 (unc)	3394SM Nijman, Brian	WE	2115
30 (- 2)	7459AM Knowles, Jeremy	UH	2105
31 (unc)	5776AM Krstev, Mario	NS	2098
32 (unc)	4300AM Burns, Christopher J	PN	2095
33 (+ 4)	7039AM Duneas, John	AC	2092
34 (- 1)	3386SM Wheeler, Bruce	AC	2084
35 (+ 4)	3987AM McNabb, Matthew D	CA	2049
36 (new)	6629AM Huang, Alex	WT	2036
37 (+ 3)	5104SM Krstev, Antonio	NS	2034
38 (+ 6)	8994JF Punslan, Vyanla M	NS	2033
39 (+ 2)	6349SM Sellen, Ian	WE	2021
40 (+ 9)	8095JF Timergazi, Layla	WE	2014
	(+10) 8102AM Nicholls, Leighton	OT	2014
42 (+ 4)	7931JM Zhang, Leo	AC	2008
43 (- 8)	7963AM Runcan, Daniel-Ioan	AC	2007
44 (new)	6468SF Milligan, Helen	NS	2006
45 (+ 3)	3632AM Johnson, Quentin J F	OT	2003
	(unc) 3665SM Goodhue, Nathan	AC	2003
47 (unc)	3037VM Gibbons, Robert E	PT	1995
48 (new)	3648SM McDonald, John A	PN	1991
49 (new)	4451AM Nyberg, Michael	WE	1986
	(new) 8167AM Kumar, Vinod	AC	1986

Standard Rated Tournaments

In **period 1**, the **open** tournaments are: New Zealand Open incorporating the 125th New Zealand Championship, New Zealand Major Open, New Zealand Junior Open, Palmy Knights Open and Auckland Anniversary. The **club** tournaments are: Howick-Pakuranga Booth Shield, Mount Maunganui Invitational, Wellington Championships (A –D) and Otago’s Richard Sutton Trophy.

Rapid Rated Tournaments

In **period 1**, the **open** tournaments are: New Zealand Championship, Auckland Junior (November and December 2016, February 2017), Papatoetoe Open (A - C, Junior), Bay of Plenty (A, B, Junior) and Manawatu Rapid. The **club** tournaments are: North Shore Championship leg 3, Mount Maunganui Championship and Canterbury’s Arie Nijman Trophy.