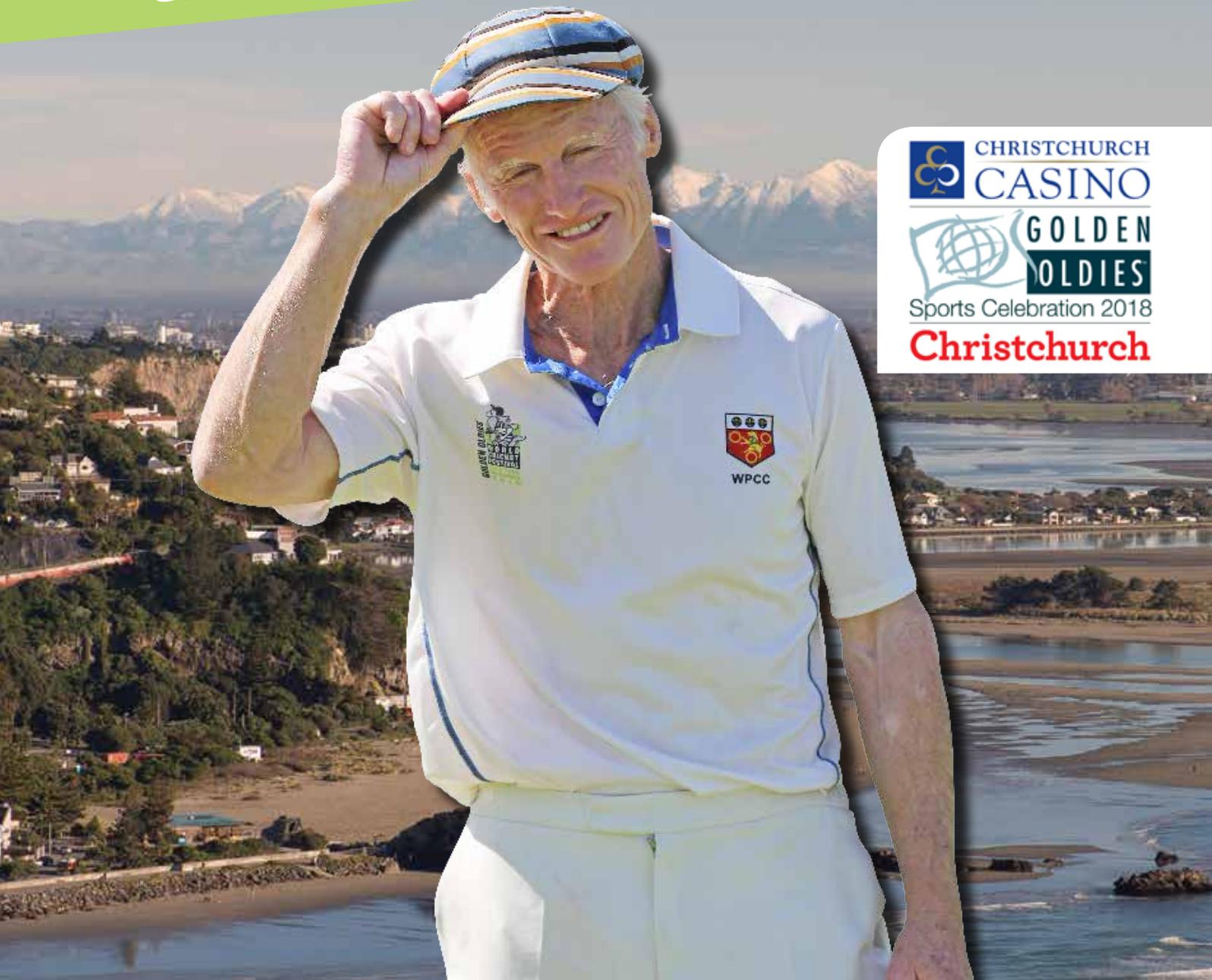




# The World's Biggest Cricket Festival

A week long celebration of Cricket built on Fun, Friendship and Fraternity

Christchurch • New Zealand • 1 - 8 April 2018



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# Cricket

## 1st - 8th April 2018

**Make History and join us at the 18th Golden Oldies World Cricket Festival in Christchurch from the 1st to the 8th April, 2018.**

2018 will be the first time that all Golden Oldies Sports Festivals will be held in one city during the same month. Over the course of April 2018 like-minded sporting enthusiasts aged 35 years and over will congregate in Christchurch to participate in Cricket, Basketball, Football, Golf, Hockey, Lawn Bowls, Netball, Rugby, Softball and Squash. Golden Oldies Cricket is open to men and women of all abilities who wish to enjoy the game in the spirit of Fun, Friendship and Fraternity. Experience the passion and great celebration of Cricket at the 2018 Christchurch Golden Oldies World Cricket Festival!

## Ambassador: Rod Latham

Rod Latham is one of the most well-known sportsmen in Christchurch. He is one of a select group of players to have played first-class cricket and rugby for the province. But it is in cricket that he made his greatest mark, playing four Tests and scoring a Test century while also playing 33 One-Day Internationals, most notably as an opening batsman in the 1992 World Cup.

Latham played 101 first-class matches for Canterbury in domestic cricket and he ranks fourth on the all-time Canterbury run scoring list with 5919 runs at an average of 37.22, including eight centuries. His career spanned from 1980-81 until 1994-95.

His highest score for the side was 237 not out against Northern Districts at Rotorua in 1990-91. It is interesting that of the top five scores by Canterbury batsmen, three are by Latham's. Rod has one and his son Tom features twice on the list.

"Cricket in Canterbury is strong, with 10 senior clubs based in Christchurch city, while there are a lot of country clubs and some of those grounds will provide a great environment. The country experience could be very special. Clubs have been very supportive of each other under the circumstances and cricket has been helping people talk about their needs and there has been a lot of working together."

"I played a long time for Canterbury and the game is ingrained in me.

Red and black are the colours and I'm very proud to have worn the colours. Cricket is still a big part of my life," Latham said.



Christchurch is a city in transformation and the Christchurch Casino Golden Oldies Sports Celebration 2018 will be a great opportunity to be part of a revival of spirit in this proud sporting city. Christchurch, the main centre of the Canterbury region, has a proud sporting history with many top quality performers and teams reaching international success across a variety of sports. In each of those sports making up the Celebration, Cantabrians are very familiar with the highest levels of their games. That would be enough on its

own to make the occasion memorable. It is the largest city in New Zealand's South Island and is often referred to as the 'Garden City' due to its stunning parks, gardens and tree lined streets. Christchurch and the surrounding Canterbury region is a hive of activity where within just two hours of the international airport you could be bungee jumping, rafting, skiing, hot air ballooning, whale watching or sampling fine wine at the regions world class wineries.

# Programme

## Sunday 1st of April

Teams will arrive in Christchurch, settle into their selected Festival accommodation and enjoy their first afternoon in Christchurch. Late afternoon teams will transfer to the city centre for the Parade of Nations that will head to Hagley Park and then transfer to the Welcome Party. Visiting and local teams, officials and supporters will meet, mix and mingle and enjoy a three-hour session of substantial finger foods, an open bar and entertainment.

## Monday 2nd of April

Morning transfer to a range of local cricket clubs and Hagley Park for the first round of games. Official umpires will be appointed and a light lunch will be provided between innings followed by hospitality at clubs and at Hagley Park. The evening will be free to enjoy the restaurants and bars in Christchurch.

## Tuesday 3rd of April

A day at leisure and a chance to take an optional excursion or to spend some time at the Christchurch Casino.

## Wednesday 4th of April

Teams will again transfer to local clubs and to Hagley Park for the second round of games with arrangements as for Monday's play. Post-match hospitality will be a feature of the days' cricket.

## Thursday 5th of April

The popular Picnic Day will see teams transferred to an exciting venue for an enjoyable day of great Canterbury food and beverages in addition to local entertainment and some interesting and memorable activities. At the conclusion of a great day out in wonderful Canterbury, teams will be transferred back to their accommodation and the chance to enjoy an evening at one of Christchurch's many excellent restaurants or bars including the Entertainment HQ at the Christchurch Casino.

## Friday 6th of April

Teams will transfer to local clubs and Hagley Park for their final round of games with arrangements the same as the previous two playing days. Evening at leisure to enjoy local club hospitality and to again explore and enjoy the local restaurants and bars and maybe even a flutter at the Christchurch Casino.

## Saturday 7th of April

A day at leisure to relax and enjoy Christchurch, do some last minute shopping and prepare for an early evening transfer to the Finale Dinner and Awards evening. A wonderful end to the week featuring a three course served meal, an open bar for beer, wine and juices, presentation of Festival Awards and some very special entertainment. Four to five hours of Fun, Friendship and Fraternity at the end of a great week in a fabulous city.

## Sunday 8th of April

Unfortunately all good things must come to an end. Teams depart for home or further travel.



# Festival Accommodation Options:

All properties selected for the Celebration Month have been inspected and fully briefed on the requirements for Festival participants, officials, and their partners, families and supporters.

Brief descriptions are supplied and we will endeavour to attend to any special requests. Space in all the properties is pre-booked at Golden Oldies rates and it will be a matter of first in, first booked. If your accommodation request is not available we will arrange to make your booking at an equivalent property advising you accordingly. It will pay to make your accommodation requests early.

**Prices, deposit requirements, terms and conditions and cancellation policies are all on the Cricket page on our website- [www.christchurchgoldenoldies.com](http://www.christchurchgoldenoldies.com)**

## **CATEGORY A: (4.5 to 5 star)**

**The George Hotel**, 50 Park Terrace, is a luxury, boutique, award-winning hotel situated across the road from the Avon River and overlooking Hagley Park. 15 minutes stroll from the city centre and the Christchurch Casino. Two award winning restaurants and regularly judged New Zealand's leading boutique hotel in World Travel Awards.

**Rydges Latimer Hotel**, 30 Latimer Square, is an excellent, relaxed hotel with modern rooms featuring free Wi-Fi, TV, minibar, and tea and coffee-making facilities. It will be the Headquarters Hotel for the Festivals. A 10-minute walk from the city and the Christchurch Casino. The hotel has a relaxed spacious bar and restaurant and has a fully equipped gymnasium and an inviting sauna.

**Heritage Christchurch Hotel**, 28-30 Cathedral Square, is located in a charming old Government Department Building converted into a superb apartment style hotel. The various accommodation options offer self-contained apartments with full kitchen facilities, dishwasher, microwave and oven, open plan dining and lounge downstairs. Bedroom, bathroom and laundry are upstairs. Free Wi-Fi, excellent restaurant, lap pool, spa pool, sauna and gymnasium on site. Situated in the city centre and handy to restaurants, bars, shopping and Christchurch Casino.

**Chateau on the Park Hotel**, 189 Deans Ave, Riccarton, is an iconic upscale luxurious hotel set in 5 acres of gardens, walking distance to the Hagley Park facilities and a slightly longer walk through the park and the Botanical Gardens to the Christchurch Casino. The hotel features an outdoor swimming pool, comfortable bars and restaurants, a gymnasium, coffee and tea facilities and a convenient guest laundry.

## **CATEGORY B: (3.5 to 4 star)**

**The Pavilions Hotel**, 42 Papanui Rd, Merivale, is a unique, fun property very handy to the city and good restaurants and an excellent option. Family owned and operated, the Pavilions has a very hospitable bar and excellent restaurant. Rooms feature tea and coffee making facilities, laundry facilities, free Wi-Fi and TV. A friendly, comfortable hotel ideally situated.

**Hotel 115**, 115 Worcester St, is a trendy, centrally located boutique hotel with a Christchurch Tram Line in the lobby. Unique rooms of different shapes and sizes feature complimentary Wi-Fi, tea and coffee making facilities, TV and an extensive mini-bar. Hotel charge back facilities at local cafes and restaurants and very handy to the city centre and Christchurch Casino. Easy access to the iconic Christchurch Tram Services and easy to move around the city.

**Sudima Hotel**, corner of Memorial Ave & Orchard Rd, Christchurch. Ideally located just five minutes' walk from Christchurch International and Domestic Airport, Sudima Christchurch Airport is the perfect stepping stone to the stunning South Island. The hotel offers complimentary on demand shuttle transfers to and from the airport as well as onsite parking. Boasting a brand new tower, facade and lobby, with an in house restaurant and bar, you won't need to leave the hotel before you travel further afield.

## **CATEGORY C: (3 to 3.5 star)**

**Heartland Cotswold Hotel**, 88-96 Papanui Rd, Merivale, is a two-storied distinctive Tudor style property situated conveniently close to the city centre, Hagley Park and Christchurch Casino. A short stroll to the trendy boutique Merivale Mall and shopping precinct that is home to some excellent restaurants and bars. Rooms include free Wi-Fi, tea/coffee making facilities and Sky TV. The hotel features the popular Tudor Restaurant and Bar.

**Quality Hotel, Elms** 456 Papanui Rd, is a relaxed hotel approximately 5 kilometres from the city, in the thriving suburb of Papanui. Close to the South Island's largest mall and walking distance to a range of restaurants and bars. Renovated rooms feature free Wi-Fi, tea and coffee making facilities and Cable TV. The hotel features the Sapporo Gold Restaurant and Bar and is known for its hospitality and service.

**Best Western Camelot Motor Lodge**, 28 Papanui Rd, Merivale, is a comfortable motel style property walking distance from the city centre, Hagley Park and Christchurch Casino. All units include full cooking facilities, free Wi-Fi, TV and tea and coffee making facilities. The property has a full guest laundry,

swimming pool, spa pool and free shuttle to and from the Casino. It is next door to the Pavilions Hotel and has charge back facilities from their bar and restaurant.

**Breakfree on Cashel**, 165 Cashel St, is a new urban trendy hotel situated in the city centre, approximately 15 minutes stroll from the Christchurch Casino. Close to city restaurants, bars and shopping, the rooms feature free Wi-Fi, tea and coffee making facilities and TV. Other amenities include an exercise room and a relaxed bar and restaurant serving Western cuisine.

**West Fitzroy Apartments**, located in a quiet corner of the city and only minutes walk to key city attractions such as Cathedral Square, Hagley Park, Botanic Gardens, Art Centre, Art Gallery, not to mention the many wonderful new shops, restaurants and cafes that Christchurch now has to offer. Fully self-contained, self-catering apartments all have full laundry and kitchen facilities, free Wi-Fi, balconies or courtyards and free secure car parking with lift access to all floors. There is a private gym on-site for guest use.

## **MOTELS, MOTOR INNS and HOLIDAY CAMPS:**

**All Stars Inn on Bealey**, 263 Bealey Ave, Edgware, is located only 15 minutes from the city centre. All Stars offers a range of accommodation from motel units through to comfortable, well-appointed dormitory style rooms. Motel rooms include free Wi-Fi, tea and coffee making facilities, smart televisions and modern furnishing. The property is neighboured by the Speights Ale House Pub and there is a restaurant on the facilities. A modern, comfortable, well located option with laundry and BBQ facilities available.

**Christchurch Top 10 Holiday Park**, 39 Meadow St, Papanui is an excellent complex 5 minutes walk from Northlands Shopping Centre, supermarkets, restaurants, bars and cinema and 5km to city centre. The Top 10 offers a range of excellent accommodation options including studio, one and two bedroom fully serviced motel units through to units and cabins with shared kitchen, toilet and bathroom facilities. Motel units have full kitchens, Sky TV and modern comfortable furnishings.

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