

But the heavy match schedule took its toll on him as he fought out the final against Gray in hot humid weather. Still to lose 1-6, 4-6 was a creditable effort for Hetaraka.

In the men's doubles final he partnered Warren Sinel but again lost to Gray and Glen Motu, this time 9-2.

The third title to Gray came with the mixed doubles when he partnered Miss Stewart to beat Richard Tamaho and Arona Ngatai, 9-2 in the final.

The 18 years and under titles went to Warren Sinel and Janine Te Pania in the singles while Mark Henderson and Rees Tapsell (boys) and Germaine Sonderegger and Miss Te Pania (girls) were the doubles winners.

Without doubt one of the most successful of Maori tournaments, those present had no hesitation in voting Auckland and Stanley St the venue again for the 1983 championships.

Organisation and catering was first class. Mrs Evelyn Pai and her team made even those on a diet foresake their good intentions with the sight of well buttered freshly baked scones.

To cater for the early starts, the administrative team camped at Stanley St and made the tennis headquarters into a substitute Marae.

Little wonder then, Auckland has been asked to host the event again.

By Eddie Kwok

Lyden, 9-7. Final: *Gray and Stewart bt *Tamaho and Ngatai, 9-2.

18 years and under boys singles, semi-finals: W. Sinel bt S. Hopo, 9-4; S. Thompson bt M. Henderson, 9-2. Final: Sinel bt Thompson, 6-2, 6-2.

18 years and under boys doubles, final: M. Henderson and R. Tapsell bt I. Te Rito and R. Kanara, 2-6, 7-6, 7-5.

18 years and under girls singles, final: J. Te Pania bt G. Sonderegger, 6-3, 7-6.

18 years and under girls doubles, final: G. and S. Sonderegger bt A. Mataira and K. Corbett, 6-3, 6-1.

16 years and under boys singles, quarter-finals: W. Hamiora bt R. Moran 9-7; D. Sarich bt W. Mackey, 9-8; J. Thompson bt I. Kautai, 9-4; A. Hetariki bt A. Wetere, 9-6. Semi-finals: Hamiora bt Sarich, 9-3; Thompson bt Hetariki, 9-8. Final: Hamiora bt Thompson, 6-1, 6-0.

16 years and under girls singles, quarter-finals: S. Sonderegger bt C. Anderson, 9-0; S. Hamiora bt V. Burkhardt, 9-8; J. Tepania bt G. Pihema, 9-0; J. Wilkinson bt S. Walker, 9-7. Semi-finals: Sonderegger bt Hamiora, 9-5; Tepania bt Wilkinson, 9-3. Final: Sonderegger bt Tepania, 6-4, 6-4.

16 years and under boys doubles, semi-finals: I.A. Wetere and A. Hetariki bt W. Hamiora and W. Mackey, 9-5; P. Harris and J. Thompson bt M. Aitken and D. Billington, 9-3. Final: Wetere

Retara (Russell) Family Reunion Hui Held in Temuka

Over the last few days of 1982 about 200 members of the Retara family met at Temuka Rugby Football Clubrooms and grounds, which were designated a marae for the first family reunion (hui) of the descendants of John Lyons Russell a British whaler and his Ngaitahu Maori wife, Te Hore Koriana (nee Edmonds), who lived at Otakou Pa on the Otago Peninsula.

Organised by Eru and Kitty Retara of Temuka, the hui attracted relations from as far away as Australia.

Kaumataua, Mr Riki Ellison Q.M.C. of Taumutu, a direct descendant of Rangatira Taiaroa of Otakou Pa, and an invited guest was given the honour of master of ceremonies for the four days of the hui.

Wednesday was spent filling out family whakapapa (family tree) on placards provided on a display notice-board and group discussions on various topics:- Ngaitahu/Ngatimamoe tribal archive, land rights, Maori culture and television, Maori language marae etiquette, land incorporations, land trusts, Maori trustee, Maori land court, Mawhera Incorporation, Commission of Inquiry into Maori Reserved Land, Maori Bills and Acts of Parliament etc.

and Hetariki bt Harris and Thompson, 4-6, 7-6, 6-3.

16 years and under girls doubles, semi-finals: V. Burkhardt and R. Hemara bt T. Tetai and M. O'Brien, 9-2; S. Hamiora and S. Walker bt K. Moncur and J. Wilkinson, 9-0. Final: Burkhardt and Hemara bt Hamiora and Walker, 7-6, 6-3.

14 years and under boys singles, semi-finals: K. Thompson bt B. Te Pania, 9-2; S. Collier bt J. Taipori, 9-2. Final: Thompson bt Collier, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4.

14 years and under girls singles, semi-finals: S. Sonderegger bt K. Lane, 9-2; L. O'Connor bt R. Romera, 9-2. Final: Sonderegger bt O'Connor, 6-1, 6-1.

14 years and under boys doubles, final: Collier and N. Walker bt C. Donaldson and I. Kautai, 6-4, 6-3.

14 years and under girls doubles, final: O'Connor and C. Witeri bt C. Pirini and S. Walker, 6-1, 6-4.

12 years and under boys singles, final: K. Thompson bt G. Brown, 6-2, 6-1.

12 years and under girls singles, final: L. Powhare bt L. Walker, 6-3, 6-4.

12 years and under boys doubles, final: Thompson and E. Tipene bt T. Tipene and B. Te Pania, 6-3, 6-3.

12 years and under girls doubles, final: C. Patrick and L. Walker bt A. Latimer and L. Powhare, 6-2, 6-3.

and the viewing of family photo albums, booklets and the written history of different Retara families.

Lectures by family members George Te Au and Douglas Huria related their titi (mutton-bird) island experiences.

Hemi Retara of Orahura on the Routini coast was requested to speak on Pounamu and the Arahura river, the only privately owned river in the world.

Thursday saw the reading of the whakapapa completed, its blessing, a call for its preservation and photo-stating so that copies can be supplied to those who wished to purchase such.

Titi island 'Take' relating to Taukihepa Island was raised and resolved by the appointment of six representative members of the extended Retara family to attend the Bluff Titi Island Committee meetings and to assert Retara family rights as to an agreed 'titi manu' area on Taukihepa Island.

Friday was an open day for friends to attend and meet the family. However the family managed to conclude its business during the day by approving for the next family hui to be held in Te Ika a Maui, possibly on the Takapau Plain in two years time. A small monetary levy per year on each working person to be paid before the end of each financial year to help in fund raising towards travelling cost for the next hui was approved by the family. Subcommittee representatives covering certain areas to collect levies and attend meetings were appointed.

Mrs Khyla Camp of Port Chalmers was appointed to research Te Hora Koriana Retara whakapapa. Hemi Retara offered to research whaler John Lyons Russell whakapapa.

A Maori song was composed and adopted as the Retara family song.

A call was strongly made for individual or collectively Retara family iwi to undertake the writing of Maori history of their area, titi island songs etc. instead of giving information to other book writers.

Traditional Maori fare throughout the hui comprised — titi, pipi, tuna etc.

Acrom Video Enterprises of Melbourne, Australia, of which Tangi Retara is a director, videod proceedings of the hui, which will be copy-written and any proceeds from screenings will go into the travelling fund. Screenings of the video tape were viewed by the family on Wednesday evening and Thursday. A copy of the video tape will be lodged in the Ngaitahu archives at the Canterbury University.

Farewell speeches and prayers for a safe return home concluded what was termed by the family as a most enjoyable and successful hui.