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### **SBS Star win timely for Otumoetai Tennis Club**

The win couldn't have come at a better time for the Otumoetai Tennis Club after they picked up a bonus \$1000 through SBS Bank's Star prize draw this month.

The SBS Star banking package was created by SBS Bank specifically for non-profit clubs and societies and offers the chance to win one of 10 prize draws of \$1000 every month.

Otumoetai Tennis Club president Warwick Brew said having won the monthly prize draw twice before, more than two years ago, their club was extremely grateful for the continued support from the team at SBS Bank.

"Our success in winning the prize draw couldn't have come at a better time as we are just in the process of resurfacing four of our courts. For us, it's great to know that SBS Bank doesn't just talk about helping – they actually do.

"The support we get from SBS Bank is invaluable to our club and we appreciate all that they do. As a club, and in these current times, it's always a challenge to secure sponsorship and funding to assist with the running of the club and obviously the \$1000 is a most welcome bonus.

"SBS Bank's ongoing support with our banking and their sponsorship of many of our club events means that they are very much a part of our Otumoetai Tennis Club."

SBS Bank Tauranga manager Terri Gregory said ensuring a community partnership provided benefits two ways for those involved was the ideal scenario that they strove to achieve with all of their community partnerships and SBS Star customers.

"At SBS Bank, we've got a history spanning more than 142 years of working to find ever increasing ways of giving back to our customers and our communities and the creation of SBS Star really hit home with all of our hard-working, grassroot non-profit groups. It is these groups that provide so much sense of wellbeing and community spirit around us in day-to-day life.

"To see our local groups like the Otumoetai Tennis Club and many other non-profit community organisations that have shared in a total of \$24,000 here in Tauranga to date is hugely rewarding.

"There is not greater pleasure for us than to be able to ring up people like Warwick and say 'guess what? You've just won \$1000!' It's just the best thing."

SBS Star was introduced three and a half years ago and, among the many benefits, the package offers a fee-free transactional account. This month SBS Bank celebrated giving back a total of \$400,000 to worthy non-profit groups throughout the country.

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