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Tullamarine Tennis Club News

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President's Report

Dear members and friends,
Welcome to the June 2005 newsletter of the Tullamarine Tennis Club.

The night and mid-week season finals have just completed with nine Tullamarine teams competing in finals and two night grand final wins. Congratulations to all of our teams for offering such strong competition despite the challenges with so many relocated games during the first half of the season. This is a strong result for Tullamarine and bodes well for further success in the second season of 2005 on our new courts.

The Saturday morning NSJTA finals start this week with 4 teams representing Tullamarine in finals – best wishes for every success during the finals. Please note that presentation day for juniors will be **Sunday 19 June at the club commencing at 10:30am**, please mark this date and time in your diary – further details later in this newsletter.

Team selection for next season is proceeding however we are looking for more men to play mixed night tennis on Wednesday nights... If you would like to join the teams and bolster our numbers on a weekly player or emergency basis, please contact Alan Shipp or Colin Akers as soon as possible. We can feed new players into teams even after the season has started – all new and experienced players will be most welcome.

Starting dates for the Spring 2005 night season 9 August Tues Ladies, 11 Aug Thus Men's and 17 Aug for Wed Mixed.

Everyone will now have received their membership renewal notices – please forward your payments to Keith Hawkins as soon as possible to avoid loss of continuous membership and also to help replenish our club funds that are under serious pressure with our works programs finally getting close to completion. **Please ensure that you pay your membership renewal in full before 30 June 2005 so that you remain a financial member of the club.**

Many members have been asking when will our new lights be operational – the good news is that the electrical contractor handed them over to us last Saturday morning and they are fully functional and ready for our next season. Photos of the new lit courts are further down in this newsletter. The addition of another 12, 1000 Watt lamps around courts 1 and 2 give us six lit courts for the first time at our club. For those that are interested this takes us to 32,000 Watts of light when all lights are on – the equivalent of more than 530 household light globes. It is worthwhile turning the lights off as soon as possible when play is finished as our annual electricity bill is likely to nearly double. Light levels from the new lights will drop over the first hundred hours of usage as the lights 'burn in'. We will be reviewing our original lighting array to ensure we get the maximum playable light out of the old fittings – some realignment may be required.

Now that the lights are operational, we are working with the council to accelerate completion of the balance of the works program with several outstanding tasks including fencing works, concrete repairs, concrete court edging on courts 1&2 and drainage works. Fence repairs around the perimeter of the club were carried out last week. The club is yet to complete erection of retaining walls where a laneway for vehicular access as be excavated along the eastern side of court 1. If you are able to help here please contact Carmelo Tomasello.

We are looking at methods to try to reduce mud hazards around the courts and will start work on those now as winter really arrives. Please use every effort to not walk mud onto the courts as this contaminates the sand and allows mould to start growing in the carpet.

Monday nights are still proving popular and these will continue even during the break between night seasons to give our adult members a chance to practice. We are hoping to get Sunday morning practice sessions running again for junior members in the next season – more information in the next newsletter.

See you at the club.

Colin

Social Tennis – still goes on in between seasons!!

- **Monday** nights under lights ... anyone any time just come and have a hit from 7.00 pm
- **Tuesday** Morning Seniors ... over 45 y.o. come along and have a friendly hit with like minded seniors having a hit to keep fit and have some fun



Junior Tennis

- Club championships to be held between 19th and 26th June. Entry forms in this newsletter.
- New Tulla Talk page focussing on the juniors of the club, including player profile and a tennis tip from club coach – Danny Roebly.



Lights

We have lights on courts 1 and 2. It has been a long, hard road, but the pictures prove it. Also, still lots of work to be done around the club – have you helped yet? Picture worth a thousand words – see later!

Section 1 Thursday Ladies – a difficult job very well done!!

Sometimes in life it is the little things that go unnoticed. I would like to mention that although the ladder doesn't show it, the Section 1 team this season did a fantastic job in bringing themselves and this club enormous respect. Although the girls were not expecting to go into Section 1 this season, that is where they were put and even scored a huge upset win. Congratulations and well done!!!!

It is with great sadness to see this team disband and not continue next season. To the girls: You should all be very proud of yourselves and your efforts and I wish you all the very best in the different directions you are heading off to.

Many thanks to: Katrina Paton; Margot Hanley; Di Honey; Elza Stakic; Melanie Evans; Kerryn Richter

Tennis Grand Final Men's Report A Reserve 2

The scene was set for a classic grand final. Sunbury who finished on top and Tullamarine who finished 3rd. Both teams had come from comfortable semi final wins. The match was to be held at Parkville despite protests from both teams to have game moved to another location.

The first set between Lindon and Danny (robes) Roeby was a classic serving set with no one dropping serve but as Sunbury won the toss they come out with a 6-5 win.

On the other court Michael (thommo) Thompson and Simon (bull) Adams were down 5-2 and match point down when all of a sudden they fired up and ended up taking the set 6-5 in a monumental effort. So all square.

Second round of sets once again tennis was high standard. Simon and Lindon went down in a close fought set 6-4, while Michael in his second comeback for the night with Danny came back from 5-3 down to take the set 6-5. 4 sets down and one game down.

Lindon and Michael went out and were down 4-1 very early. Danny and Simon were 3-0 and a chance for 4-0. As it turned out Lindon and Michael went down 6-3 and Danny and Simon won 6-3 giving Sunbury a win by one game.

The tennis was played in the best spirit I have seen on a court for a long time. The tennis was a great standard and the jokes flying around afterwards were of a better standard. Congratulations to our boys on a great season and look forward to the next season again hopefully against Sunbury.
Danny

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATES

A reminder to send your email address to our club secretary Kerryn Richter at her email address: ttc@therichterhouse.com or Greig Morris at f846126@bigpond.net.au.

Do you have a Business - Want to Advertise???

If you own your business or have a hobby and would like to advertise, then maybe the TTC Newsletter is the place! For only \$10.00 an issue or \$100 for 12 issues, we will prominently place your details in the newsletter. That means an immediate audience of over 200 people. Please contact Greig if you would like to take up this offer.



Tennis Trivia

As of 2003, who was the youngest ever men's singles champion of the Australian Open?

- Rod Laver
- Ken Rosewall
- Mats Wilander
- Andre Aaassi

As of 2003, who was the youngest ever women's singles champion of the Australian Open?

- Chris Evert
- Tracy Austin
- Margaret Smith Court
- Martina Hingis

COMPETITION REPORTS

For final N.S.N.T.A. ladders, refer to <http://nsnta.alphalink.com.au/>

Tuesday Ladies Report

Well, it's the end of another season. We have had successful season with three teams finishing in the four and one team, B Reserve, just missing out. C Special 2 lost in the first final to the top team (bad luck girls) and **C Grade and C Reserve went on to both win Grand Finals**. Congratulations to the Captains, Marcia, Jenny and their team mates, well done.

A good night was had by all at the night out last Tuesday at 'Bodrum' Restaurant. Thanks to all ladies who attended, as it was a record crowd. It was a night to farewell some – Di Honey and Ellen (traveling for six months) and to introduce some new players joining us for the first time next season. There was lots of laughter, drinking and NOISE!

I would like to thank all captains, Pam Lloyd, Sue Sicari, Ellen Wright, Anita Morris, Marcia Barone, and Jenny Ship for once again being a great support all season. Well done to everyone, see you all next season, which begins on Tuesday 9th of August. Captains will notify all players as the date draws closer.
Marg Mugavin

Wednesday Mixed Report

Although the season was not littered with success stories, 14 rounds with only a few sets washed out did a lot to make it a most rewarding season. The B Grade1 team captained by Dawn Zimsen made it through to the grand final, but went down by 7 games in a tightly fought contest. The C Special3 team was convincingly defeated in the semi final and the C Reserve1 team missed out on the finals after losing in the last round by only 1 game. The other 3 teams had mixed success and finished well outside the four. Thank you to all the captains for their hard work and I hope all players enjoyed a season of competitive tennis in the best of weather. For the coming spring season there is a shortage of men, so if you are willing to be an emergency please let me know on 93380150.

Alan Shipp

Midweek Ladies Report

Another great season had by all. Section 1 performed fantastically encountering extremely stiff competition every week, but unfortunately were unable to make finals. Section 5 finished just out of the finals race, like the top section facing stiff competition each week, while Sections 10 and 11 will both be participating in finals this week after having great seasons finishing on top of their sections. Thanks to all for a wonderful season and look forward to seeing most of you again next season.

Donna Camilleri

Thursday Men's Report

Despite not winning any flags this season, it was a fairly successful season for the Tullamarine Men's teams. Four of the seven teams (A-2, B+2, C1 and C-1) represented the club during the finals with B-3 very unlucky not to make the finals. The C Grade 1 and C Reserve 1 teams were unfortunately knocked out in the first week of finals, with A Reserve 2 and B Special 2 winning their way through to another grand final appearance.

A reserve 2 competed in an extremely hard fought and well contested match but fell one game short on the night. For further details of this match please see the article written by Danny Roebby.

B Special 2 went into their final with a couple of players suffering from illness. Tony Sicari failed his fitness test which bought Bill Paton into the line up. Harley Cross who has also been suffering from a virus of late was also underdone for this big game. The team which consisted of Jason Stakic, Stephan Chan, Harley Cross and Bill Paton got off to a bad start and were down by 5 games after the first 2 sets. They re-grouped in the second two sets and pulled back the 5 game deficit. It was all square going into the last two sets but unfortunately the boys ran out of steam and went down by a few games.

I would like to thank all of my captains for their assistance this season in making my job so much easier. Their support is always greatly appreciated. Thursday night comp is continuing to grow, with a number of new players already registering for next season I expect the club will be fielding 8 teams next season which is a fantastic effort.

Simon Adams

Saturday Afternoon Report

Winter 2005 season again sees us with 2 teams. To date 5 matches have been played. B Reserve 1 are currently on top of the ladder winning all matches. C Grade 1 are currently positioned mid field having 2 wins, 2 losses and a bye.

Welcome to those new players in this team and we hope you enjoyed the Saturday competition. Best of luck to all players for a happy, enjoyable and competitive season.

Michelle Palmer

Junior Report

The home and away season has finished and it looks like 4 of the 5 teams will be playing in finals. Best wishes extended to all of those participating. **The presentation day is Sunday 19th June 10:30am** at the clubrooms. We encourage you to bring a friend to have a hit on the new courts. Parent and all other club members are welcome – bring your gear for a hit. See the application form in this newsletter re the junior club championships.

Angela Bouzikas

Tullamarine Tennis Club 2005 Calendar – the next few months

Date	Event
June	
Mon, 6	Committee Meeting 7:30pm
Sat, 11	Junior Autumn Season Finals conclude
Sun 19	Junior Presentation Day
Sun 19	Junior club championships commence
Fri, 24	End of Term 2
Mon, 27	Cut-off for July newsletter (incl NSTA Appl to Play)
Thur, 30	LAST DAY FOR 2005 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
July	
Sat, 2	Saturday NSTA Application to Play Season 2
Mon, 4	Committee Meeting 7:30pm
Mon, 11	Term 3 commences
Thur, 14	Casino Night
Mon, 25	Cut-off for August newsletter
Sat, 30	Fund-raising drive distribution commences - 4 week prog.
August	
Mon, 1	Committee Meeting 7:30pm
Sat, 6	Saturday NSTA Application to Play Season 2 - DUE
Tue 9	Night Ladies commences
Thu 11	Night Men's commences
Wed 17	Night Mixed commences
Sat, 27	Fund-raising drive returns DUE BY THIS WEEK
Mon, 29	Cut-off for September newsletter
September	
Mon, 5	Committee Meeting 7:30pm (incl Play Tennis Day Planning)
Fri, 16	End of Term 3
Mon, 26	Cut-off for October newsletter

Trivia Answers

Men's Ken Rosewall Women's Martina Hingis

2005 TULLAMARINE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

- TO BE HELD BETWEEN JUNE 19 AND JUNE 26
- MOST MATCHES HELD ON THE SUNDAY
- WEEKDAY MATCHES TO BE PLAYED IF NEEDED
- ALL MATCHES FIRST TO 8 GAMES (NO TIE BREAKS)
- SINGLES FINALS BEST OF 3 SETS
- TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS DECISION IS FINAL
- ENTRIES DUE IN BY THURSDAY 2ND JUNE
- SEND ENTRIES TO 15 LEARMONTH STREET TULLAMARINE

2005 JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS APPLICATION FORM

NAME:	
JUNIOR GRADE :	
EVENTS:	PARTNERS NAME:
BOYS SINGLES:	
BOYS DOUBLES:	
GIRLS SINGLES:	
GIRLS DOUBLES:	
MIXED DOUBLES:	

CURRENT BOYS CHAMPION : FABIO DILIZIA
CURRENT GIRLS CHAMPION : JENNIFER BOUZIKAS

The Tulla Talk

JUNIOR CO ORDINATOR: ANGELA BOUZIKAS 9338 8143

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JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

TO BE HELD JUNE 19 AND JUNE 26

FORMS IN NEXT NEWSLETTER

PLAYER PROFILE

NAME: LIVIO SIKORA

AGE: 13

TEAM: B GRADE 1

YEAR : 8

RACKET : HEAD SERIES 2

YEARS PLAYING: 7 (5 YEARS AT GLENROY)

FAVORITE PLAYERS: ROGER FEDERER AND
SERENA WILLIAMS

BEST TENNIS MOMENT: WINNING A SINGLES
TOURNAMENT

FAVE FOOD: CHIPS

WORST FOOD: VEGETABLES

FOOTBALL TEAM : CARLTON

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GRIPS AND ACCESSORIES ALSO

SEE DANNY FOR ABOVE ITEMS

JUNIOR FINALS

JUNIOR FINALS ARE FAST APPROACHING. IF
YOUR TEAM DID NOT MAKE FINALS THEN STILL
BE A PART OF THE FINALS ACTION AND COME
AND SUPPORT THE TEAMS THAT DID MAKE IT.

ALSO THE TEAMS THAT DID NOT MAKE FINALS
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU MAY BE
REQUIRED TO UMPIRE ONE WEEK OF FINALS.
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU DO TURNUP IF
REQUIRED BECAUSE IT IS PART OF THE TEAM
DUTY AND IM SURE IF YOU WERE PLAYING
FINALS YOU WOULD WANT UMPIRES THERE TO
GIVE YOU THE BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE.

THIS IS THE FIRST EDITION OF THE TULLA
NEWS. IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGESTIONSOR
SUBMISSIONS PLEASE EMAIL:

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TENNIS TIP: SERVING

**IF YOU THROW A BAD BALL TOSS, LET IT
BOUNCE AND START AGAIN**

BAD BALL TOSS MEANS BAD SERVING



New courts, lights, but still work to be done.



Juniors practicing hard for the upcoming finals campaign.

