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Tullamarine Tennis Club News

April 2008

Home of the Tulla Junior Jets

President's Report

Congratulations to Keith Hawkins on becoming a Life Member at the AGM

Dear Members,

Welcome to our April Newsletter.

Firstly to those members who attended the AGM thankyou. Also a big welcome to Chris Reid and Dani DiSalvatore who have joined the committee. In this newsletter you will note there has been discussion about the maintenance around the club. The tasks are being left to too few, which is plainly unfair. The committee is committed to having more members take more responsibility around the club. Please read closely the information about the maintenance and provide your feedback to the committee. A box will be in the club for you to leave your feedback. Please do so by **3rd May**. A good start would be to have as many members as possible attend the **working bee on 4th May**.

The committee will also begin to look at improving the amount of shade available for spectators, particularly around courts 1, 2 and 3. if anyone has any ideas or suggestions please contact a committee member. We will also begin to look into low level lighting on the 'older' courts.

Please note there is a fund raising pie drive and there is an order form with this newsletter. Order forms are also available in the clubrooms.

All juniors should have a club shirt – please make sure you wear them when playing competition matches.

So please enjoy the remainder of the season and I look forward to seeing you around the club.

Marg.

FUNDRAISING

Pie Drive Order forms due back by Friday 2nd May to a committee member. Collection from the club of the pies will be on Saturday 10th May between 10am and 1pm.

To reduce the number of non members playing without a member, please make sure you lock the gate after entering the courts.

Keith Hawkins – Life Membership

Congratulations to Keith for being awarded Life Membership at the AGM. Below is the nomination submitted. The AGM meeting unanimously approved the recommendation. I would hereby nominate Keith Hawkins for Life Membership of the TTC for the following reasons:

1. Keith has served as Treasurer for 7 years and done an outstanding job. Despite not playing Keith remained on the committee for this past year to assist the new treasurer and do a 'handover' to other new committee members
2. Prior to becoming treasurer Keith was a team manager for the junior teams his sons participated in for 3 years
3. Keith has also served the club well in other areas through regular attendance at working bees and social activities.
4. Keith has also played Thursday and Wednesday competition for many years and has always been willing to assist by filling in at short notice.
5. Over the past 3 or 4 years Keith has also worked quietly behind the scenes undertaking a range of handyman tasks, such as fixing lights, repairing fences and generally keeping the place clean.
6. Without members like Keith the club would not be able to operate.
7. Whilst Keith doesn't play competition anymore, it would be remiss for the club to not recognise the years of service Keith has given to the TTC

Club Practice - Juniors

The new coach Matt Gregory continues to conduct training sessions every second Friday. They are proving to be a huge success, with some new junior members being signed up each week. The sessions mix playing tennis, fitness training and other activities. Remember the training will be held every 2nd week between 5:30 and 6:30pm. All junior teams, plus friends, brothers, sisters are welcome. Remember to improve you must practice!

New Committee

Following the AGM, the elected TTC committee is:

President - Margaret Mugavin
Vic President - Greig Morris (publicity/newsletter)
Secretary – Chris Reid
Treasurer - Sumudu Periris
Social Secretary - Dani DiSalvatore
Committee - Sarah Mugavin (fund raising/statistics)
Grant Hawkins (asst treasurer)
Carmello Tomasello (maintenance & ground management)
Donna Camilleri (property management)

Tullamarine Tennis Club

2007 Presidents Annual Report

This is my first report as President of Tullamarine Tennis Club. The club has witnessed significant changes over the last few years and has created one of the best facilities for tennis – thanks to the commitment of previous committees. It now faces the challenge of providing an environment for growth by broadening our approach to increasing membership. While no one particularly enjoys change sometimes it is thrust upon us for various reasons, this opens the door to new challenges.

The Committee has appointed a fully qualified and professional coach in Matthew Gregory. Matt comes to us with a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm. Together we are working towards a 3-5 year plan to rebuild junior levels at our club. Short term we have started training sessions enabling not only children to meet each other and bring along friends, but also parents.

Two of our juniors have expressed interest in coaching and will begin their courses in July under Matts' guidance. For the first time in years we are registered on the Tennis Victoria web site which creates more exposure.

Development plans and long term goals to improve the club have been set in place. Implementing these plans will of course take time and support from members is essential if we are to reach our potential. By

building the juniors we are creating a base from which all senior competitions will benefit, juniors are not their own entity but part of our club.

Most of our senior competitions are performing at reasonable levels. Nights are still strong but a slight dip in numbers on Tuesday and Wednesday nights has occurred. Mens competition remains quite strong. Saturdays and midweek have only one participating team entered and these areas continue to be difficult to field.

Fundraising/social activities saw our trivia night a great success thanks to Christopher Reid and Sarah Mugavin. A pie drive was run and this also achieved a good result. Again, the Christmas break up was held combining both the juniors and seniors. This was again successful but may need some fine tuning. Congratulations to all who received Improvement and Encouragement awards plus premiership pennants. Two other special awards were received that afternoon, the 'Bill Voltz Award' to Robert Barone, who initiated Friday night hits for juniors and helped with other jobs in relation to the juniors where needed and Alan Shipp received the merit award recognising his service to the club, particularly as Wednesday night co-ordinator.

Attendance at working bees and the upkeep of the club has been a constant concern for many Committees. A small band of people give their time consistently and this is appreciated. However it is getting to the stage that some system needs to be put in place to ease the burden on these few. Your feedback in this area will be sought during this meeting and the following newsletter.

Thank you to our sponsors for last year and we welcome on board another junior sponsor 'Aerosmith' split system air-conditioning. We are always looking for more sponsorship if anyone can help in this area. Our gratitude also to Fieste for supplying vouchers for social events.

Without the support of members in such roles as co-ordinators, captains and team managers this club would not operate. Thank you to all who have stepped up to the roles especially Sue Dee (MWL), Gail Riddell (SAT), Denise Lloyd (Juniors 2007), Marcia Barone (TUES), Steven Chan (2007), Carl Kringle (THURS), and Alan Shipp (WED).

Appreciation must also extend to our canteen organisers Sue Sicari and Sue Dee along with Claire Judd. Claire is always a great support when needed especially at Christmas break up.

I would also like to express the committee's thanks and appreciation to Diane Cappelli for volunteering to revamp our website. I encourage you all to look at the site as it is now very impressive and appealing.

I would like to extend my thanks to all the Committee for their support throughout the year. Keith is retiring from the committee this year and I would particularly like to thank Keith for his outstanding contribution to the club over the last twelve years. Especially his years as treasurer and his last year as support to Sumudu and Grant – he will be sorely missed.

Greig Morris has been instrumental in keeping our lines of communication happening with his monthly newsletter to members. He has been a wonderful support to me and has stepped up when needed on numerous occasions. I am extremely grateful to Anita and Greig over the last twelve months.

Another person who has provided hard work and great service as Secretary is Donna Camilleri. Donna is stepping aside a Secretary for next year, but will remain on the committee. The job of Secretary is very difficult and time consuming and Donna has done a marvellous job. Chris Reid is taking over a secretary and this is great to have the younger members taking on these important roles.

The new committee will look into additional low level lighting, shade and major repair to clubhouse floor. As Colin said last year 'We need every member to feel ownership and responsibility to contribute to making this a strong and successful club'.

My hope for the club over the next few years is that we can settle into a forward movement with club membership, building our base and promoting our wonderful facilities.

Marg



Baby Girl

Congratulations to Darko and Daniela on the arrival of their new daughter – Tiana, born Friday 4th April at 3:03am weighing 3.5kg. All are doing well.

Tennis Club Maintenance – Options/discussion paper

There has been much discussion in recent times from members to the committee and from within the committee about the maintenance around the club. It has been evident for some period of time that a small but dedicated minority is carrying the load unfairly. The matter was discussed at the AGM, where the options below were presented. The feeling from the meeting was that fees were a last option and a number of other strategies could be tried first. It was also felt that there are a number of members who have contributed over a long number of years, and it was time for a new generation to begin to carry more of the responsibility to maintain the club grounds and facilities.

Option	Advantages	Disadvantages	Questions
Status Quo	Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same few continue to do the work • Those who help may/will stop 	
Roster – men from men’s and mixed teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shares the workload • Greater sense of ownership/commitment to the club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some may still do nothing with no consequence • Those who help may/will stop 	
Roster – women from ladies and mixed teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shares the workload • Greater sense of ownership/commitment to the club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some may still do nothing with no consequence • Those who help may/will stop 	
Impose a levy with annual fee. Refund if pre-determined number of working bees are attended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share workload/ownership of the club • May give some members an obligation to attend • Financial incentive • Gives club additional financial resources for maintenance tasks or capital investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to monitor attendance • Is there a time limit at working bee to count as ‘attendance’? • Overhead associated with giving refunds • When is refund given? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How/what would families pay? • Juniors would pay – parents obligation? • Is there a risk of losing members?
Impose a levy with annual fee. Levy not paid the following year if quota of working bees attended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share workload/ownership of the club • May give some members an obligation to attend • Financial incentive • Gives club additional financial resources for maintenance tasks or capital investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to monitor attendance • Is there a time limit at working bee to count as ‘attendance’? • Overhead associated with monitoring levy year to year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How/what would families pay? • Juniors would pay – parents obligation? • Is there a risk of losing members?

Points from AGM Discussion

- the lack of juniors coming through is hurting the attendance numbers
- commitment is more difficult these days with changing work hours etc
- use a team based roster to carry out maintenance activities – it was also noted that not all members play in teams
- provide an incentive for attendance, such as vouchers from sponsors
- amend the membership form to include a statement that there is a clear expectation that working bees will be attended
- members can invite family or friends to help and be rewarded with free court hire
- the committee should obtain some quotes for a contractor to carry out maintenance tasks. This will provide further information if a levy was to be introduced
- fund a sausage sizzle as a reward for attendees
- participation by cub members promotes a spirit of community within the club and ownership of the facilities

Competition Reports

Juniors

Don't forget training:

Friday 11th April 5:30 – 6:30pm

Friday 9th May 5:30 – 6:30pm

Friday 23rd May 5:30 – 6:30pm

Bring a friend along to any of these days!!

All teams are playing well and a number of the newer players are settling into the routine of being part of a team. After 3 weeks off, all are looking forward to being back in the action. Good luck this week and for the rest of the season.

Marg and Greig

Thursday Ladies Competition

This team is winning and having a great time also. A recent weekend away of team bonding was a huge success. Thanks to all those who participated and made it such a success. A promotion will take place around the area and in schools over this first term.

'Social Hit' – Morning tea provided on these dates –

17th April

1st May

22nd May

Sue Dee

Saturday Competition

In between season at the moment, but the new season starts early May.

Gail

Night Competitions

Tuesday Night Ladies

We have 3 teams in the four, with B1 and C-2 both in strong positions with the second half of the season remaining.

Marcia

Wednesday Night Mixed

Up until Easter, Wednesday nights had been great for playing tennis, but a washout followed by the most unusual cancellation of an entire round due to strong winds and potential storm have sapped the season of some of its momentum. All mixed teams have had some success so far, with the B-3 and C1 teams currently in third place, and the B+1 and C3 teams only just outside the four. Best of luck to all teams and players for the second half of the season.

Alan

Thursday Night Men's

The B + 2 team, superbly lead by Carmello has won 6 matches in a row and are making a strong play for finals action. C 1 & C-4 are also in the finals at this point in time. D + Red are doing exceedingly well. B-3 remains completely without luck – could it be the captaincy?

All the best to all players for the rest of the season. There has been some talk of possibly changing things for supper next season – more to come there.

Carl

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Calendar of Events

Below are some key dates for the next few months. Are you willing to help with these events??
Contact any committee member if you are able to assist in any way.

Date	Activity
Now!	Fundraising – Pie Drive
April	Application forms for NSNTA Spring distributed
April	Application forms for NSJTA Season 2 2008 distributed
4 th May	Working Bee
May	Annual fee notices distributed
22 nd June	Junior Presentation
July	Annual fees due
August/September	Cookie Dough Fundraising drive
September	Working Bee
October	Trivia Night
October	Club championships
28 October	Junior teams due to Association
7 th December	Presentation night/Xmas breakup
Feb/March	Social Event TBA
March 2009	Annual General Meeting

The committee has decided to increase the visitor fee to \$10 per hour. This applies from now. If you bring a visitor, please make sure the money is paid to a committee member. If you see non members playing, please collect the money.

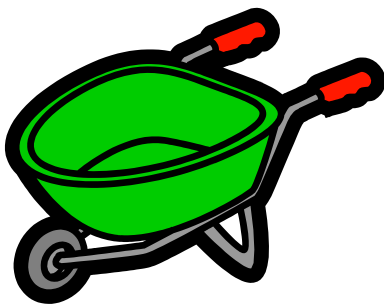
WORKING BEE

BBQ Lunch provided

Help us clean up *your* club!!

Sunday 4th May 2008

9am til Noon



What jobs??

Finish retaining wall
Cleanup loose rubbish
Weeding
Lawn mowing
Trim trees and shrubs
Whipper snipping
Clean store room



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For more information call:
Carmello Tomasello on or
Greig Morris on 9338 7718

Matthew Gregory

Tennis Coaching and Tennis Services

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Tennis Coaching Programs

Adult Programs

Private Tennis Lessons

One on one lessons designed to maximise learning through direct feedback and attention to detail.
Can be shared as a semi-private between 2/3 students.

Group Tennis Lessons

Drills, skills and games taught in a class of up to 5 students.
Learning aids such as targets, ladders and video is used to assist learning in this environment.

Hitting Lessons

Drills or match play with a focus on strategy rather than technique.

Stroke of the week

Each class will focus on 1 stroke.
There will be 5-6 drills to develop that stroke through feeding and live ball drills.

Seniors Classes

This is for seniors who want to stay active through tennis drills including tennis yoga, stroke production and structured match play.

Junior Programs

Little Tennis (Ages 3-6)

An introduction to tennis through the use of modified equipment such as mini nets, pressurised balls, and mini racquets. Emphasis on fun and games!

Beginner Clinic (Ages 7-10)

Also an introductory class that uses some modified equipment played on a full court. This class will introduce players to all strokes and scoring.

Intermediate Clinic (Ages 10-16)

This class will continue to develop strokes that are required to get to a competition level. Some video analysis and fitness will be incorporated into the learning's.

Advanced Squad (Based on ability / for serious tournament and competition players)

This is a 2 hour high intensity class for players who are either in a competition team, or play in junior tournaments. The focus of this squad is to prepare players for junior national and international tournaments through fitness, mental toughness, match play, drilling and more.

Private Lessons (All ages and ability levels)

One on one lessons designed to maximise learning through direct feedback and attention to detail. Can be shared as a semi-private between 2/3 students.

Development plans will be established and training regime's, tournament selection, fitness requirements will all be addressed, monitored and fed back to players to measure performance.

Hitting Lessons

Drills or match play with a focus on strategy rather than technique.

Other Tennis Services

Racquet Re-Stringing

Over 150 kinds of strings to choose from - Restrings from as little as \$20.00
Same day service, even home or office delivery if required.

Under Armour Performance Apparel

Cool gear and heat gear are designed to give you an advantage every time you step on the court.

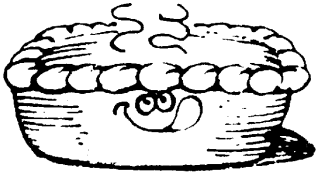
Fischer Tennis Racquets

Try one of the full range of current Fischer demo racquets at the most competitive prices in town!
Fischer is the choice of Marcos Baghdatis, Matt and all of his assistant coaches.



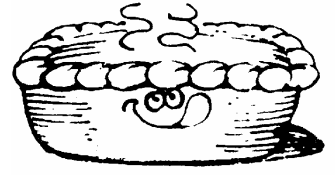
TULLAMARINE TENNIS CLUB

PIE DRIVE



We have organised with **TONY'S PIES OF ESSENDON** to conduct a Pie Drive.

Tony's Pie's will supply us with a range of their freshly baked pies, pasties, quiches and sausage rolls on **Friday 9th of May**.



All the products will be freshly baked and will be suitable to go straight into the freezer if you wish.

So order up **BIG**. Remember, the more you order the more we make. Make your choice from the list below and return your order with the correct money or cheque by **Friday, 2nd of May**

We **need** the support of everyone to make this fundraising a success.

PRODUCT PER ½ DOZEN	QTY	PRICE PER ½ DOZEN	TOTAL	PRODUCT FAMILY SIZE.	QTY	PRICE EACH	TOTAL
Chunky Steak		\$17.00		Chunky Steak		\$8.00	
Steak & Mushroom		\$18.00		Steak & Mushroom		\$9.00	
Steak & Bacon		\$18.00		Steak & Bacon		\$9.00	
Steak Tomato & Onion		\$18.00		Steak Tomato & Onion		\$9.00	
Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$18.00		Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$9.00	
Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$18.00		Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$9.00	
Pasties		\$17.00		Pasties		\$8.00	
Sausage rolls		\$10.00		Apple Pie		\$6.50	
Party Pies		\$7.00		Apricot Pie		\$6.50	
Spinach & Cheese Rolls		\$14.00		Blueberry Pie		\$6.50	
Cauliflower & Cheese Rolls		\$14.00					
Lasagna Rolls		\$14.00					
Apple Pies		\$17.00					
Apricot Pies		\$17.00					
Blueberry Pies		\$17.00					
SUB TOTALS							

TOTAL: \$.....

GROUP:.....

NAME:.....

PHONE:.....

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "TULLAMARINE TENNIS CLUB".

TULLAMARINE TENNIS CLUB INC

PRESIDENT:
Marg Mugavin
9379-4979

Clubroom Phone No: 9330 1404

SECRETARY:
Donna Camilleri
9436-5527

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Dated: ___/___/___

I / We hereby apply for Membership of the Tullamarine **Tennis Club Inc** in the category indicated below:
(Please circle where applicable)

SINGLE...COUPLE...PENSIONER...FAMILY...JUNIOR...Full Time STUDENT

If this application is accepted I/We, hereby agree to abide by the Rules and Constitution of the Club.

Family includes Parents/Guardians and Juniors/Full Time Students within the same household only.

SENIORS SURNAME	FIRST NAME	SIGNATURE
1.		
2.		

JUNIORS (16 years and under) / FULL-TIME STUDENTS applying for Membership:

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH
3.		/ /
4.		/ /
5.		/ /
6.		/ /

Address :		Telephone:	(H)	(W)
			(M Person 1)	(M Person 2)
		Post Code:		(M Other – who?)

Email Address for newsletter delivery:	
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Complete the above application for Membership and forward to a Committee Member or post to:

Tullamarine Tennis Club Inc., PO Box 383, Tullamarine, 3043.

Your application will be submitted at the next Committee Meeting and if accepted, the Treasurer, Sumudu Peiris,
(5 Chester Street Greenvale, Telephone No: 9333 4246) will forward an account for fees due.

THE APPROPRIATE JOINING FEE MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION.

The **2007 - 2008 FEES** are as follows:

<u>MEMBERSHIP TYPE</u>	<u>JOINING FEE</u>	<u>ANNUAL CLUB FEE</u> <small>(PAID FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS ONLY)</small>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>5 YEAR "CONTINUOUS MEMBER" FEE</u>
Family #	\$40	\$240	\$280	\$200
Husband & Wife	\$40	\$180	\$220	\$150
Senior	\$40	\$115	\$155	\$90
Junior/Student F/T	\$20	\$75	\$95	\$60

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Moved By : _____	Signature : _____
Seconded By : _____	Signature : _____
Application Approved On : ___/___/___	
Notification of Acceptance sent on : ___/___/___	
Joining Fee Paid on : ___/___/___	Receipt No: _____
Balance Paid on : ___/___/___	Receipt No: _____

Competition Nomination Form (please complete now)

When accepted as a new member of Tullamarine Tennis Club Inc, I/we wish to apply for team play in the in the following competitions. All competitions are doubles play except for the A & B grades in the junior competition where singles is also played. I/we understand that we may be listed as emergency players for any season in progress and will be added to team selection for the next season.

Please tick selections and note any previous playing experience in "Previous Grade" e.g. Mens C Grade 2002.

Select	Competition	Member's Name	Previous Grade
<input type="checkbox"/>	Juniors Saturday Morning - 8:30am	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed Saturday Afternoon - 1pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mens Saturday Afternoon - 1pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pennant Sunday Afternoon	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ladies Tuesday Nights - 7pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed Wednesday Nights - 7pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ladies Thursday Daytime - 11am	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mens Thursday Nights - 7pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

If insufficient space above then please add other family members to the table below ... put name in left column and tick competition(s) they would like to play

Other Family Members	Juniors Saturday	Seniors Saturday	Mens Saturday	Pennant Sunday	Tuesday Nights Ladies	Wed. Nights Mixed	Thursday Daytime Ladies	Thursday Nights Mens	Previous Grades Played

Practice & Social Tennis:

Monday nights under lights ... members and prospective members welcome from 7pm to 9pm – first come, first served basis - priority will be given to adult members and court sharing may be required.

Friday evening ... juniors hit-up 5:30pm – 6:30pm. Coaching will be available . Junior members and prospective junior members welcome. Priority will be given to junior members. Doubles play, time allocations & court sharing may be required.