

SUNSHINE TENNIS CLUB

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Hi everyone, included in this months issue are the following items:

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Michael Geard

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraising

The Club will be running the fundraising sausage sizzle at Bunnings Mornington this Friday 23 August from 8am until late in the afternoon.

Volunteers have been fantastic and we have a full team spending 2 hours each at the barby either selling, cooking or eating !!

Get out of the house and come along and say hello and buy a pig in a blanket for only \$2.50. **Fine weather guaranteed.**

REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP'S

Hey Sunshine Members, Matthew Scott from Tennis Tasmania has contacted me about the upcoming Regional Championships to be played over the weekend of the 21st/22nd September. Matthew is looking for Sunshine players to join the field of competition.

Details of the Championship are below.

Competition Details

- To be held on Sat 21st & Sun 22nd of September
- Every club in the South Region is able to participate
- 3 League Titles up for grabs- Pro League (grade 2.5 to 4), Semi-Pro (Grade 4.5 to 7) and Weekend Warriors (7.5 up and social)
- Player entry fee is \$5 per round paid to the club captain
- Players represent the club they associate with through membership, play or coaching

Club Details

- Each participating club will nominate a club captain who is the first point of call for players (in our case me, Max Crowe!!)
- Recruit players
- Note: Clubs can nominate a maximum of 2 teams per league (4 players per team)
- Number of rounds will be dependent on the number of teams that enter

Match Format

- Each player will play 3 Doubles Matches (1 Set TB at 6-6) per round

Playing Order (Eg.)

Geilston Bay V Rosny
Rubber 1 Player 1 & 2 V Player 1 & 2
Rubber 2 Player 3 & 4 V Player 3 & 4
Rubber 3 Player 1 & 3 V Player 1 & 3
Rubber 4 Player 2 & 4 V Player 2 & 4
Rubber 5 Player 1 & 4 V Player 1 & 4
Rubber 6 Player 2 & 3 V Player 2 & 3

Ties

- Determined by the number of sets followed by games (if required)
- 3 points (Win), 2 points (Draw), 1 point (Loss), 3 points (WOF), 1 point (LOF), 2 points (Incomplete)
- Pool Standings will be determined by premiership points; followed by matches, sets, games (if required)

Venue Details

- Played at various clubs around Hobart with all playoffs held at the Domain

Competition Administration

- Tennis TAS will set up all draws and distribute to all team captains
- Team Captains must verify all scorecards and send off to Matthew Scott to publish post-match
- Scores and players can view these results via match center

Competition Key Dates

Nomination Opening Monday 12th August

Team Deadline Monday 9th September

Communication of draws and schedule to club captains

Monday 16th September

Round One/Two/Three Saturday 21st September

Playoff Finals Sunday 22nd September

Please let me know ASAP if you're interested - on the following phone- 0438 447 259 or email- maxwellcrowe21@gmail.com

This is a great initiative from Tennis Tasmania (Matthew Scott) and is for ONE WEEKEND ONLY so phone me now to be one of the lucky 24 Sunshine players. If you want to enter a team, also let me know but naturally they have to be in the same range for each league.

Here is a chance for you to try your luck against players in similar grade from other clubs without entering a long term comp.

"GET THE SUNSHINE SPIRIT"

Thanks

Maxwell Crowe

TENNIS COURT USAGE/MAINTENANCE

We have an unfamiliar problem - sometimes we have more people wanting to play than there is courts available. It would be great if we could expand and build more courts but unfortunately that is not a solution when we are land locked.

The club's policy on priority court usage is that the coaching team of Dickson Tennis always has one court for their use, then comes organised social groups/competitions like AYC, then private social use.

This means the maximum number of courts a social group can have is five courts but the coaches try to organise their coaching sessions around the social groups.

To remind members, as I haven't printed it for a long time, our allowable tennis times are Monday to Friday 7 am to 11 pm, Saturday 8 am to 11 pm and Sunday 9 am to 11 pm.

Naturally any early morning weekend or late night tennis we encourage members to use the courts closer to the hitting wall and away from Howrah Road.

Unlike some other clubs we do not have a formal court booking system where you can go online and book a court, more often than not it is a matter of turning up and seeing if a court is available.

We have an XL sheet which we believe covers a lot of regular use by coaches and social groups below but would like you to advise us if you have a particular time you regularly turn up to play and the number of courts you use, so we can mark it on the sheet. (eg a family group wishing to play at 9am Sunday).

I know this will be dependant on the weather and is the reason why we have not had a booking system in the past. It is much better to just get the tennis urge and go to the club.

If someone would like to arrange a regular social group on a weekend where families and individuals can participate and act as a co-ordinator, let me know and we will spread the word - it is very hard to play tennis by yourself and we would like as many members as possible to be able to play at some time during the week. Same goes for juniors who would like to play with another junior on the weekend.

Most of the social groups in operation have a casual turn up and pay one or two dollars towards the cost of balls.

Any spare balls left on top of the hot water cylinder are purchased by the coaches for their coaching use so don't just throw the old balls out as David and Kat can use all the balls available. Payment is left in the suggestion box.

We are working on a court booking system more formal that does not involve paying a third party for making bookings and will keep you informed as things develop.

The two further courts, possibly court 2 and 5 will be resurfaced in

We ask care be taken around the nets as they are expensive to replace and we have quite a few with the stitching coming undone at the bottom of the net. If you can do a bit of sewing and have the time to do a bit of stitching please let one of the committee know.

Mike Geard

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AGM PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2018 - 2019

Hello to all Sunshine Tennis Club members.

This is my first report as President of the tennis club and I would like to thank everyone for having supported me in this role throughout the past year.

The Club's hard working Committee of Michael Geard (Vice President), Debbie Easter (Treasurer), David Evans (Secretary), Lenice Beard, Harry Crowe, Max Crowe (AYC Co-ordinator), John Gericke (Maintenance Officer), Toni Hawkes (Membership Officer), Marilyn Marshall and Raelene Sproule, have volunteered their time, skill and expertise above and beyond the call of duty.

I encourage all members to consider serving on the Committee as fresh ideas and input are vital to the growth and future success of the Club.

Special thanks on behalf of the Club are due to Michael Geard, past President over three years from 2015-2016. Michael brought boundless energy to his role and can be justly proud of his many achievements in the interests of the Club during his term of office. He has continued to serve on the Committee as Vice President and is also editor and distributor of the ENews.

My thanks also go to David Evans, who took on the role of Secretary and has been a tower of strength to me, the Committee, the Treasurer, Friday mixed social tennis group and our Maintenance Officer during the year.

The work involved in managing membership applications, welcoming new members and activating court access is a very significant role. Toni Hawkes has performed this work with good cheer and great efficiency throughout the year, supported initially by Michael Geard and David Evans.

Sunshine Tennis Club has ended 2018-2019 in a very healthy operational and financial position, even though there were significant cost challenges to be addressed during the year. The major project completed was the re-surfacing of two of the Club's six artificial grass courts.

Project work was undertaken by Synthetic Grass Solutions Tasmania (Greg McShane) to the highest professional standards. Financing of the court re-surfacing project was part funded through a Major Grant awarded to the Club in early 2018 through the Department of Communities, Sports and Recreation Tasmania.

Many thanks are extended to the co-ordinators of the various organised tennis groups including: Celia Wedd and Lyn Rose (Monday morning ladies group), Belinda Kendall-White, Bev Fitze and Toni Hawkes (Tuesday morning ladies group), Brian May (Tuesday morning mixed social group), Edith Carr (50+ ladies group), Janet Eaton (60+ ladies group), Lenice Beard (mid week ladies inter-club pennants), Marilyn Marshall (Wednesday evening intra-club competition), Mike Palmer (the very popular Thursday morning social group), Sean Kelly (Friday morning mixed social group), John Beard (Sunday morning social group).

Max Crowe has done a great job throughout the year in recruiting players and organising teams to represent the Club in the AYC pennants competition.

My sincere thanks also go to John Foale and Steve Levis, our co-ordinators with responsibility for refreshment supplies offered for sale at the Clubrooms. Their efficient management of beverage and snack supplies and banking of sales proceeds have been exemplary.

The Entertainment Book is a profitable fundraising opportunity for the Club and my thanks are due to Alanna Rolph who this year volunteered as co-ordinator with responsibility for sales and distribution of the Entertainment Books.

Thanks to Kristina Casimaty who has also been a loyal and cheerful volunteer in catering at the Club's social events, always providing delicious treats.

Special recognition and thanks are due to our very busy and dedicated coaching team at **Dickson Tennis (David Dickson and Katherine Kelly)**. David and Katherine are now into the third year of their association with the Sunshine Tennis Club and we very much hope for a successful and mutually beneficial relationship with over the longer term. All of the junior players and parents very much appreciate the caring and professional services provided by Dickson Tennis. Playing tips and training routines provided to the Club's senior members during adult coaching sessions have also been of great value.

David and Katherine offered their services in support of the Club's Open Day and at the Clarence Lions Club "Run the Beaches" event at Bellerive Beach.

Our coaches hosted Special Olympics sessions at Sunshine, as well as regular match play sessions for juniors on Friday evenings throughout the year.

Club members John Foale and Ross MacKenzie have assisted at the Friday evening sessions, manning the BBQ to feed the hungry players and parents.

Katherine is nominated as Tournament Director for the Junior Development Series tournament to be held on 9 June 2019 at the Sunshine Tennis Club.

Many other volunteers have greatly assisted the Club throughout the year, notably Richard Easter (with support from Debbie Easter) who drafted and submitted the most recent application to the 2018-2019 Major Grant Program. Sunshine Tennis Club's submission to the Department of Communities, Sport and Recreation for part funding to re-surface two additional courts has been successful.

The Club greatly appreciates the efforts of Hon Jacquie Petrusma MP, Minister for Sport and Recreation, for her support of our application for grant funding. Letters in support of the Club's submission were also kindly provided by Tracy Sparks, Property Officer, Clarence City Council, and Simonne Allwright, Club Development Co-ordinator, Tennis Tasmania.

Sunshine Tennis Club is supported by great list of loyal sponsors and on behalf of the Committee and all members I sincerely thank each and all of them for their ongoing financial and in-kind assistance.

Current sponsors are:

Caltex Howrah (Barb and Gerry Dilger), Charlotte Peterswald (Harry Coomer), Conrad Design (Graphic Design and Web Creative), Eastern Shore Doctors. Eye Spy Signage, Tim Pain Podiatry. NILS Network of Tasmania Inc are thanked for their generous sponsorship over the past three years.

Of course our Club would struggle to survive and prosper without the involvement and active participation of its dedicated members. The 2018-2019 Committee has worked hard to ensure that all members have every opportunity to enjoy social and competition tennis and the first class facilities on offer at Sunshine Tennis Club.

Wishing you good times in tennis throughout 2019-2020.

Sean Kelly
President 2018-2019

Below- Court Maintenance - Leigh Sargent looks like he is playing in the snow in this recent pic! The courts had Soda Ash spread over them to kill off mould and hopefully any weeds.



DICKSON TENNIS nominated for Coach of the YEAR.

Don't forget David Dickson and Kat Kelly making up the team of Dickson Tennis have been nominated for Coach of the Year.

If you would like to support David and Kat and attend the awards night in Launceston on Saturday 31st August , let me know. \$70 per head or 18 years of age and under tickets \$35.

Mike Geard

TAS TENNIS AWARDS DINNER

The Tasmanian Tennis Awards recognise outstanding performances, achievements and local contributions to the sport.

The 2019 awards will be presented as part of a weekend-long celebration at the Country Club Tasmania in Launceston on Saturday 31 August with special guest Australian legend **Neale Fraser**.

Full details can be viewed on the Tennis Tasmania website at <https://www.tennis.com.au/tas/news-and-events/events/tennis-tasmania-awards>

This will show you what will be happening on the weekend. You do not have to attend any other event if you just want to attend the Awards ceremony at 5.30pm

Awards will be presented for the following:

Coaching Excellence

Excellence in Officiating

Junior Athlete of the Year – Male and Female

Most Outstanding AR Tournament

Most Outstanding Athlete with a disability

Most Outstanding Club

Most Outstanding Professional Tournament

Most Outstanding School

Most Outstanding Tennis Senior 35+ and

Volunteer Achievement

TASMANIAN TENNIS AWARDS 2019

The annual Tasmanian Tennis Awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of players, clubs, coaches, schools and volunteers who contribute to and enhance the tennis community in Tasmania.

Tennis Tasmania is excited to host the 2019 awards weekend at Country Club Tasmania in Launceston on Saturday 31 August. This celebratory weekend begins with Tennis Tasmania's Annual General Meeting at 11am, followed by a coaches and club workshop. The day concludes with an awards presentation evening from 5.30pm.

Please join us for the biggest weekend on the Tasmanian tennis community's calendar.

DETAILS:

DATE: Saturday 31 August 2019 at 5.30pm

VENUE: AGM and forums: Macquarie Room, Country Club Tasmania
Awards presentation evening: Tonic Bar, Country Club Tasmania. See full weekend schedule on website

INDIVIDUAL TICKET BOOKINGS

Individual ticket \$70 each, 18 and under ticket \$35 each
Bruce Cup team member (FOC)

TICKETS: To book tickets to the awards night phone Tennis Tasmania on (03) 6108 8200
RSVP: Di Mason - call (03) 6108 8200, email dmason@tennis.com.au or fill in form under tickets heading on website and return.

NOTE: the awards night will commence sharply at 5.30pm and conclude at 8.30pm where patrons will have the option to stay on and enjoy live music by Just Dance or head down to the Watergarden Bar and enjoy music from the 50s-80s by The Rocking Rollers

ACCOMMODATION: Tennis Tasmania have secured accommodation at Country Club Tasmania. Please phone 1800 635 344 to book and quote Tennis Tasmania to receive a discounted rate.

Country Club Resort Deluxe Rooms \$169/night (normally \$189)

Country Club Villas

1 bedroom \$119/night (normally \$134)

2 bedrooms \$154/night (normally \$269)

3 bedrooms \$175/night (normally \$323)

Entertainment Books

The clubs thanks go to **Alanna Rolph** for all her hard work in securing sales of nearly 50 Entertainment Books which must be a record for the club.

Remember it is not too late to order a book - just ring Alanna on 0438 395 494 or Email drarolph@gmail.com.

Books cost \$70 a copy.

Dickson Tennis



For all your coaching requirements please contact Kat or David on 0412 817 427.

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Just a reminder to support our valuable sponsors listed below, they are an important part of our club so let them know their support is worthwhile.

If any member would like to become a sponsor or knows of any business who would, contact Sean Kelly on 0448 329 771 who will arrange the requirements.



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Buy, Sell and Found

If you have any tennis items of interest to other members, feel free to email
sunshinetennis.tasmania@gmail.com with short description of the item.

Used Tennis Balls (can of FOUR) -good for the dog \$2.00 a can. Ph 0400 974
056 or deposit funds in the Suggestion Box in the Clubroom.

11 Howrah Road, Howrah, Tas 7018, or PO Box 377, Rosny Park Tas 7018

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