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Courts are opening Saturday January 31, 2004

*Three courts will be playable
and
we look forward to seeing you for the start of the season.*

New Committee for 2004:

The Annual General Meeting was held on December 17, 2003 and the new committee for 2004 is:

President:	Judy Smith
Vice President:	Gunnar Korths
Honorary Secretary:	Jackie Bradshaw
Honorary Treasurer:	Malcolm Smith
Club Captain:	Alf Cocco
Mid Week Representative:	Nancy Telesca
Committee:	Toni Alexander, Barbara Ashley, Wendy Ashton, Cheryl Ierace, John Watt and Bill Ierace.

We would like very much to welcome our new committee members and thank them for their support. We are especially delighted that Alf Cocco has filled the position of club captain which has been vacant for the last few years.

A special thanks to the 2003 committee for all their hard work last year. In particular we'd like to acknowledge Ian Priddle who has been a very active committee member for the last few years and always willing and able to help when called upon. Ian, you will be greatly missed.

President's Cocktail Party

Those of you who attended our President's Cocktail Party last year all know what a huge success this was as the opening social event in our calendar year.

Wendy Ashton has very very kindly offered the use of her home and we are thrilled to be able to ask you already to mark

Friday March 19, 2004 at 6.30pm

in your diaries.

More details will follow in the February newsletter!

Club Clothing:

The shirts ordered at the end of last year with our club logo have been delivered to Jackie and will be distributed from the clubhouse end January. Those not yet delivered will hopefully be in by this time.

Have you changed your Contact Details?

Please let Jackie know if you have changed either your phone number, email address or mailing address.

For those members who have not received this newsletter by email, ***but who do have*** an email address that they regularly access, we would really appreciate if you could contact Jackie with details. It really does make the distribution of information so so much easier and as you will know, we don't bombard you. Jackie: 9816 3051 (ah) - email: rjbradshaw@ozemail.com.au)

Spring Badge Results:

Our Thursday Spring Badge Team 1 was unfortunately defeated by White City in their final and our Thursday Team 2 unfortunately lost in their semi. It was however a great achievement for both teams to make these levels! CONGRATULATIONS.

Presentation Night

Although this already seems 'light years' away, it was a very very successful evening enjoyed by all. Once again Nancy did a marvellous job in organising this evening for which we would very much like to thank her.

Afternoon Tea Roster for Sundays: The Sunday afternoon tea roster is being drawn up and Barbara will shortly be notifying those scheduled for the first few weeks.

Sunday Set Put On Roster – a change for the better

As the Sunday afternoon tea roster is shared between all members it has now been decided that the Sunday Set Put On should also be shared between all members.

We feel it is very onerous to ask Committee and one or two other volunteers only to share this job between them for the entire playing season. Accordingly we are currently also working on this roster. Those who have never done this will be rostered with an experienced Committee member or another of the experienced volunteers, who have kindly assisted with this in the past. Committee believes this is a much fairer system and we look forward to your full cooperation.

Committee would particularly like to thank those members who very kindly offered their assistance in the past – it has been greatly appreciated.

What's been happening around the Club?

Thanks to Gunnar who has spent a huge amount of time (keeping fit) by mowing the courts during our break. We would like him to accept our many many thanks. This has been in addition to many other maintenance jobs which he has also looked after.

You will also notice our very smart new fence along court 5. Many thanks to Robert Bradshaw for organising, supervising and coordinating this. We'll be asking for painting volunteers later. We also need to thank Robert for organising and overseeing the replacement of the roof on our back shed. This job is not so visible but was well and truly needed. It seems Robert has been coerced as our 13th man. Thanks also to Dee and Roger Gribble for resurrecting our internal notice boards.

We hope you will notice a few other changes around the clubhouse. We have a very long list of improvement and maintenance jobs that we're working on slow but surely.

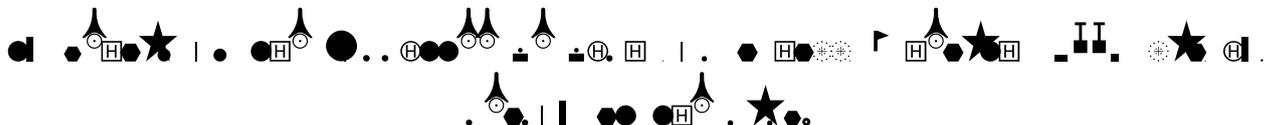
Membership:

We are very sorry that Henry & Jenny Paolini and Michael Wawn have resigned their memberships. We hope they will enjoy good health and good tennis and wish them the very best in the future.

Congratulations:

To Ben and Melanie on the birth of their daughter Makayla late last year !

*To Dix and Laurie on the occasion of their marriage last December.
We wish you both many many happy years together!*



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*By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have had our first
OPEN DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2004*

These people are carryovers from last year and those who have already contacted us this year. As most of you know, we are working very hard to encourage younger members into the club. We ask all of you this year especially to put your thinking caps on and to ring Jackie 9816 3051 (preferably in the evenings) if you have any potentials that you would like her to contact or if you need some general information yourself.

Remember: word of mouth is the best form of advertising!



What better way to remember where you were on this leap year date, than to be on the Tennis Courts at Hunters Hill! This tournament will commence at 12.30. Please follow the usual format and put your names on the board inside the club. We will not be organizing our usual dinner afterwards but if enough people are feeling like a casual bite at the end of the day, we will arrange to buy some BBQ chicken and salad or pizza to have at the club. We'll just play it by ear.

That dreaded Foot Faulting – last year quite a few people noticed and commented about members foot faulting. This is just a reminder to us all to keep that foot behind the line while we serve. If someone mentions to you that you are foot faulting, don't be offended, they're just trying to help and you should take the opportunity to try and correct your serve. We should all be aiming to play the game within the rules.

GROUNDS and SURROUNDS

Yvonne Mack has obviously been watching too much Groundforce as overnight she transformed our entrance garden with some superb new plantings. Roger Gribble has made a smart new door for under the BBQ and with a little help from Robert Bradshaw the cover for the BBQ is now fitting a bit more snugly. Thanks to you all.

Want to get rid of those cobwebs – start the year with a bit of **Coaching**

Lisa Callinan is staying on to give those who would like a few extra pointers coaching. This is really great news and we hope you take advantage of this. Please contact Lisa directly on –

Ph: 9420 3876, M: 0410 132 203 or Lmclisa8@aol.com

Those Sunday Rosters

Barbara has done a terrific job putting rosters together. If you have been rostered between now and the end of April, you will have already received your copy of the schedule. Please remember to swap with someone if you are unavailable on the day rostered, and also to advise the person with whom you were originally rostered of this change. This way we should not have any unexpected surprises.

We are very happy about the positive feedback we have had in regards to sharing the Sunday set put on between all Full Playing Members. Other than Committee members you are only likely to be doing this once a year so it should not be too onerous. Don't worry if you have not done this before. Most members are in the same position and there will always be someone at hand to help. Many hands make light work so thanks to everyone in advance for helping to make this work.

Membership Changes

Welcome back from social to full playing to Malcolm Smith, Sam Circosta and Alf Cocco. Conversely Kevin Thomson and Lyn Boland are changing from full playing to social. Kevin will be greatly missed in his badge team but we're all hoping for a big come back. We're very sad to have received Paul McCann's resignation from social but wish him well in the future. William Chapman-Smith who joined towards the end of last year, owing to year 12 commitments has unfortunately had to resign his membership, but we are assured we will see him back in the future.

Those things that hopefully just happen

You should all be aware of our new committee from our January newsletter but we thought it worthwhile if you also knew how some of the additional behind the scenes work has been allocated.

Social - Barbara Ashley , Wendy Ashton Cheryl Ierace.and Nancy Telesca

New Membership – Jackie Bradshaw with Judy as backup.

Grounds - Gunnar Korths , John Watt, Bill Ierace.

Badge – Toni Alexander with Judy as backup.

House – Cheryl Ierace with Wendy as backup.

Resale of used balls – John Watt.

Sunday Afternoon Tea and Set Put On Rosters – Barbara Ashley with Wendy as backup.

Sunday Social Tournaments Coordination–Wendy, Barbara and Cheryl with Nancy/Judy as backup.



Hunters Hill Tennis Club Cocktail Party

Dear Members and Friends,
The Club President, Ms Judy Smith, would like
to invite you to our
“Beginning of Season Cocktail Party”

**“ We are hoping to raise sufficient to cover the
cost of the new line marker and nets - everyone will benefit!”**

Venue:

The residence of Mrs Wendy Ashton
“Waiwera”, 9 Woolwich Road, Hunters Hill
Friday 19th March 2004 from 6:30pm
Cost: \$50 per head

Enjoy good food, good wine & good conversation
in a relaxed atmosphere

RSVP by 10/3/04:

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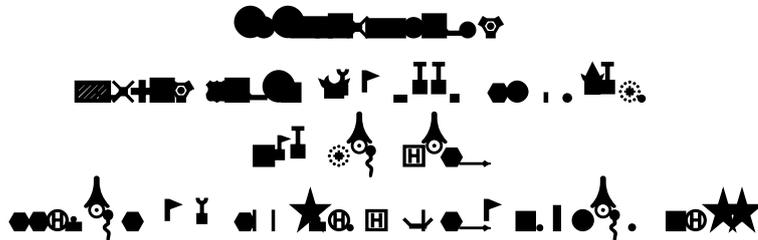
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I _____ would like to accept your invitation to
the Hunters Hill Tennis Club Cocktail Party and enclose a Cheque for payment.

Payments to:

Hunters Hill Tennis Club
PO Box 2 Hunters Hill 2110

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We are all looking forward to a wonderful evening yet again – If you have not paid your money and put this date in your diaries, please do so now!

Our social committee are working extremely hard to guarantee only the very best and we hope very much that our members, partners and friends will support this ‘one-off’ social event for the year.

Send Cheques to: PO Box 2, Hunters Hill 2110

For details phone either:

Barbara 9817 0243

Toni 9816 2255

Nancy 9816 4253

Congratulations to our Shelley’s Doubles Ladies and Men’s Tournament Winners on Sunday Feb. 29! Julie Cocco and Judy Adamo won the ladies pairs (by .01) and Malcolm Smith and Ray Melograna won the mens pairs.

Badge began on Thursday March 4 for our three Thursday Ladies teams. Denise Tracey’s team and Julie Cocco’s team were pipped at the post on games but Bev Redwin’s team was in there with a resounding win. We hope everyone has a successful year and keep up the tradition of exceptional hospitality at our club to the visiting teams. Our men’s team has their first outing on Saturday. Good Luck!

WATER RESTRICTIONS and what it means for us.

As some of you may or may not know, and without going into a lot of detail, the current water restrictions are such that we are only able to use the automatic sprinkling system on Mondays between very specific hours. All other watering has to be done by hand. This is effectively what the exemption notice on the tennis club door is allowing us do. (There were additional exemptions during maintenance and there are other exemptions when applying fertilizers and pesticides etc). Therefore we need your help to continue the process of hand watering. This job will continue to reduce as we move into the cooler months but at the moment we still need to keep the water up to the courts.

So, if you are wanting a bit more fresh air and a bit more comederie with your tennis friends, then we have the job for you! If you think you can help could you please tell Judy or email her on judyksmith@ozemail.com.au or phone her on 9817 3783.

PLEASE DON'T BE BACKWARD in COMING FORWARD for this.

A big “get well” to Kevin and Conrad who we hope to see back on the courts as soon as possible (and if not on the courts, at least for Sunday afternoon tea).

GROUNDS and SURROUNDS

We already knew, but this confirms it - John Williamson and John Watts are men of many talents. They have fixed the “Leaning Tower of Pisa” post on Court 4. Their handwork will be tested very shortly when the courts are moved. Thanks very much to both of you for this job well done.

We also have another thank you for Robert Bradshaw who organised new metal barge cappings to go with the new roof for the back shed to make doubly sure that no water gets into the storage shed. We are indebted to Ideal Roofing Pty. Ltd. who made and supplied these free of charge to the club, which was extremely generous.

Sunday Afternoon Tea Roster

Just a couple of guidelines. Remember – this is not lunch or a competition! But it is a wonderful tradition in which every full club member participates and really appreciates. Suggestions are: a couple of loaves of sandwiches, cakes / biscuits and/or cheese and biscuits. Fresh fruit, especially in the hotter months, is always a winner! And please, when agreeing between yourselves who brings what, remember a litre of milk.....

Yes, they’re definitely too young to be grandparents (but no one told their daughter). Congratulations to Janet and Rob Greene on the arrival of their first grandchild, William.

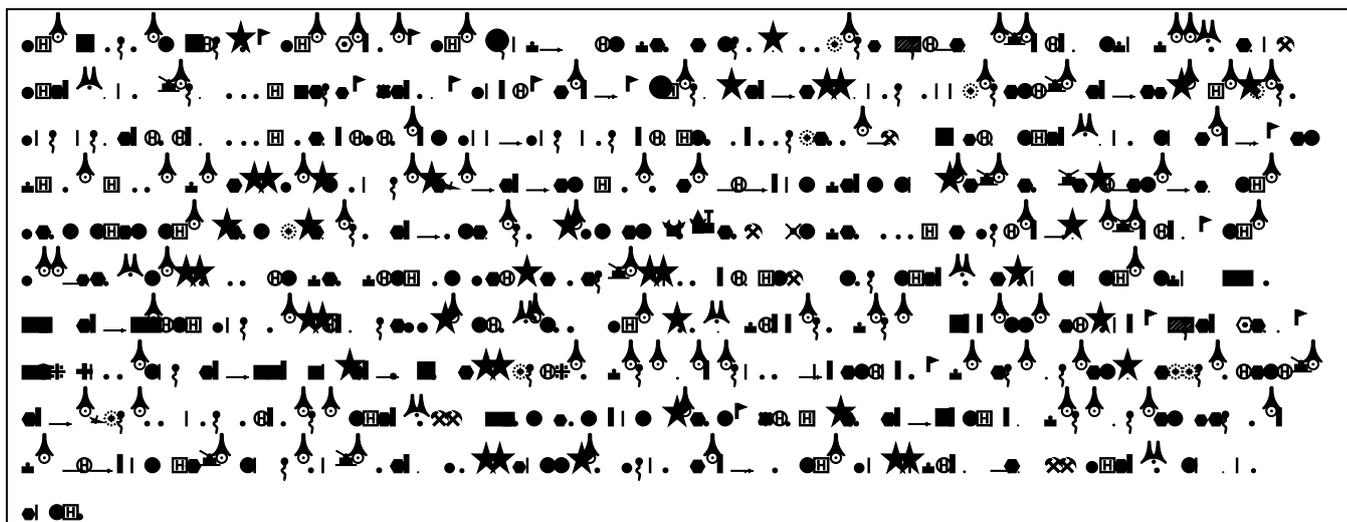
Membership Changes

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helen Lange from absentee to full playing.• Billie Jean Scoppa from absentee to midweek.• Sally Stobo full playing to midweek.• Ellen McKeown full playing to social.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kay Philip full playing to social.• Sarah Ashley full playing junior to social• Jackie Crozier full playing to social.• Lyn Boland full playing to social
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We regret to have received resignations from the following members and wish them all the best for the future: David Cripps, Tom Smythe, Roger Manning and John Harvey. Roger and John have been members of the club for more years than probably all of us wish to remember so it's always a little bit sadder when such members leave. However we expect them to stay in touch and of course drop in when they can.

Coaching - Lisa Callinan's contact details for those who are interested are -
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SATURDAY COURT AVAILABILITY

Please note that a minimum of four courts are available for social play each Saturday from 12.30 for full playing and social members. Every second Saturday the five courts are available.

Remember to take advantage of this.

GROUNDS and SURROUNDS

Doesn't the new painted fence on the eastern boundary look great! Bill Ierace and John Watt have exhibited yet another fine talent – Thanks guys

You may also have noticed that we have installed a new winder on Court 4. In the next week or two you should also see two new nets.

REMINDER ABOUT VISITORS FEES

This is an honesty based system. Any member who brings a visitor must fill in the visitors book by the phone and place \$10 per visit / per visitor in the envelope provided in the plastic folder in the same spot, completing the front of the envelope. Any one visitor can come three times per year.

Sunday Afternoon Tea and Set Rosters

are being emailed and mailed out now for the months of

May, June and July 2004.

We have had outstanding cooperation from members with these rosters – we just remind each of you to check and mark your dates and to swap with another member if you cannot be there on the rostered day, and advise changes to Barb Ashely who is doing a marvellous job with this difficult and time consuming task.

2 closed courts

Each week we are ‘tentatively’ closing two courts (which are marked accordingly). Please only use these courts if numbers are such that they are definitely required for use. If the courts are used for play, please put the closed signs back on the courts at the conclusion of play. We are trialling this rostering system to try and minimize wear and tear.

New Members

We warmly welcome four new full junior members - Hayley Ericksen, Chris Jones, Vanessa Bolzen and Sebastian Ares. It is great to have them on board and we hope they feel immediately at home at the Club and we all look forward to some great games of tennis.

And, how happy we all are to have Geoff Chard back again as a full playing member after some time out from tennis and the club. It is terrific Geoff – we are so glad to see you back.

Membership Changes

The following members have all changed from full playing to social membership for this year - John Lange Nicholas Bennett and Joe Scarcella. Of course we're all hoping that they'll return to full playing as soon as time permits.

Unfortunately we also have some members who are not rejoining - Susannah Erwin, Peter Lubke, Paul Edwards and Doug Bennie. We wish them all the best for the future.

Coaching Details

Don't forget to contact Lisa Callinan if you are after a lesson. We have a number of members (and their children) who are taking advantage of this. Lisa's contact details for those who are interested are -

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GROUNDS and SURROUNDS

Bill Ierace and John Watt have yet again exhibited their fine talents – More painting !! – this time the back shed doors and the BBQ door. Gunnar has also done a brilliant job pressure cleaning the badly stained shed bricks. As a result of all this work, the whole area at the back has taken on a new appearance. Thanks so much to you all.

Veteran's Day Sunday May 30th, 2004

**To commence at 12.45 sharp owing to shorter playing days
at present
(full playing members only)**

This is a great event where you get to dress up and really look the part. It is a mixed doubles event where you have the same partner for the entire day. For our new members, *you definitely do not have to be a veteran to play in this day, but you should preferably dress like one!!*

Over the years this has been a day with a great atmosphere. Dress suggestions: long white pants, white hats, long sleeved shirts, long dresses. Have a look at one of the photos in the clubhouse to get a few ideas.

Don't be bashful and join in the spirit of the day!

Please put your name on the clubhouse notice board if you are planning on joining us for the day or email Alf Cocco on alfcocco@bigblue.net.au

We will have a casual meal afterwards if people feel like staying back for a bite - a decision will be made on the day.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT DATE FOR THE DIARY

Wimbledon Tournament

Sunday July 4, 2004

Jodie and William Thackwell have very very kindly offered to run a Wimbledon Tournament for us on July 4. We will outline the format of this in the next newsletter - it will be accompanied by Wimbledon specialities.

Club Championships

**The first rounds of the competitions will commence the weekend of
July 10 and 11, 2004.**

**Please make sure we have your completed forms
no later than June 20**

to enable Alf to consolidate the draw and advise people accordingly.

Badge Results

Unfortunately the badge web site does not seem to have all the latest results but just a quick update with what is there. At the end of Round 8 our Thursday ladies teams were positioned as follows. In grade 2-1 our team captained by Julie Cocco was in 2nd position. In grade 2-2 our teams captained by Bev Redwin and Denise Tracey were in 5th and 6th position. Our Saturday men's team captained by Tom Grozier as at the end of Round 9 was in 3rd position. However, in the last 2 weeks they have defeated the teams that were in first and second positions. Congratulations to all those participating and great luck during the second round.

Thanks again to the captains for all their help in coordinating the teams each week.

New Members

We warmly welcome our new full playing members: Tibor Dipold, Peter Wilson, Chang Long Hoo, Daniel Kelly and Fiorella Camozzi. It is great to have them on board and we hope they feel immediately at home at the Club and we all look forward to some great games of tennis with them.

Membership Changes

Anne Bartlett has changed from midweek to social and hopefully she will find more time next year to get back onto the court more regularly.

Hunters Hill Tennis Club June 2004 Newsletter

WIMBLEDON MIXED DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY JULY 4, 2004

PLEASE BE AT THE CLUB NO LATER THAN 12.15 SO THAT WE CAN GET OFF TO AN EARLY START AS THE PLAYING HOURS ARE NOW SHORTER.

JODIE AND WILLIAM THACKWELL HAVE VERY KINDLY OFFERED TO RUN THIS DAY AND IT WILL BE HEAPS OF FUN WITH MANY WIMBLEDON SPECIALITIES INCLUDED.

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON THE BOARD IN THE CLUBHOUSE IF YOU INTEND PLAYING IN THIS EVENT.

Club Championships

We hope you have now all completed your forms and forwarded to Alf who is completing the draw.

The first rounds of the competitions will commence on July 10 and 11, 2004.

Have you noticed our two new nets to replace those that were becoming a bit tired? Many thanks to Gunnar for organizing these.

Veteran's Day Sunday May 30th, 2004

Many of our members really looked the part and we thank you all for terrific participation. Winners on the day were Sue Barlin and Ray Melograna – followed extremely closely by Alf Cocco and Yvonne Mack. Congratulations to everyone for making this such a great day. A special thank you also to Ian and Betty Priddle and David and Ellen Ward for providing a superb afternoon tea.

THE NEVER ENDING TIDY UP

Work at the club is never ending and we'd like to thank John Watt for coordinating and overseeing the pruning (primarily of the huge number of dead branches) in the 5 camphor laurel trees as you enter the clubhouse. We know our neighbours are appreciative of this as well. After much liaising with Council, the dead trees in Jeanneret Avenue have been removed and replaced with crepe myrtle and the turpentine tree near the corner of court one, thinned.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO FLORRIE TESOREIRO WHO NOT ONLY CELEBRATED A VERY IMPORTANT BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH BUT ALONG WITH ENID DUGGAN HAS JUST CELEBRATED 40 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP WITH THE CLUB. WHAT A WONDERFUL MILESTONE AND WHAT FABULOUS MEMBERS. FLORRIE JOINED AS A MIDWEEK MEMBER AND ENID AS A THURSDAY MEMBER (FOR THOSE WHO REMEMBER THIS NOW NON EXISTANT CATEGORY).

Many Many Thanks to Jodie and William who both organized and ran a wonderful Wimbledon Tournament Day for us. Those who participated know what a huge success it was and how much it was enjoyed. Superb additions to the delicious afternoon tea were cucumber sandwiches, huge strawberries and cream and PIMS!

Winners on the day were Julie Cocco and Ray Melograna

We welcome very much our new full playing member John Pearce. Everyone hopes you enjoy the tennis and atmosphere at our club. Also we welcome back from social to full playing membership Sarah Ashley and John Lange.

*Jackie still has just a few of the **new tennis club shirts** left (one only for ladies left in size 16 with sleeve!). Please contact on 9816 3051(AH) or on email if you are interested in purchasing one.*

Club Championships

Alf has now completed the draws which are up on the notice boards at the Club (and have also been emailed to those on email). We look forward to some great matches over the coming weeks and wish everyone the best of luck.

Please do not forget to write your result including the **SCORE of each set** on the draws !

As the Club Championships start - please make sure you do not do any of these – FOOT FAULTS THAT IS!!!!

As we noted in the February newsletter quite a few people have commented about members foot faulting. This is just another reminder to us all to keep that foot behind the line while we serve. If someone mentions to you that you are foot faulting, don't be offended, they're just trying to help and you should take the opportunity to try and correct your serve. We should all be aiming to play the game within the rules. Especially now the Club Championships are beginning !!

A few housing keeping reminders for everyone

***Hot Water in the kitchen
Heaters and Lights -***

Please make sure all these are turned off if you are the last to leave the Club.

Visitors fees –

Please make sure you pay them and complete the book next to the phone.

Water continuing to run in the toilets-

Not really the hot topic for our newsletter but as we think a few of you know we have been having this problem intermittently (and yes we have had plumbers look at it) so please be conscious of it and remedy it if you do hear the water running.

THANKS FOR HELPING OUT WITH ALL THE ABOVE

Badge update: As we start the home run we thought everyone would like an update. At the end of round 16 - Julie Cocco's team is in third position only one point behind Mosman so this is the challenge. Denise Tracey's team is forth and Bev Redwin's seventh (but third position is held by the BYE) so with brilliant play hopefully both teams will make the semi's. Our lone Saturday men's team is holding a good lead in second place so lets hope that they can maintain that or even better, head to number one. These are really encouraging results for everyone so cross all those fingers and toes and lets see if we can have all teams in the semi's. Wouldn't that be fantastic.

Change in Court playing days

Owing to the very dry conditions and the amount of tennis we are all playing as a result of this, we are closing the courts for play on Mondays and Wednesdays. You will all remember we have been trialling this since beginning 2003, with the proviso, that the courts would close on these days if the Grounds Committee felt necessary. As per usual, there is no tennis on Fridays. If the situation changes we will obviously let you know.

Remember, if you would like some coaching, Lisa Callinan is the one to call directly on **M: 0410 132 203** or **lisa.callinan@villeroy-boch.com.au**

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GONE

Yes, the big yellow Roller has finally found a new home - in western NSW – at the Narromine Cricket Club! Committee would like to thank Robert Bradshaw sincerely for his tireless efforts and negotiations over the last 18 months in regards to the disposal of the roller. The result has been optimum for all concerned.

Misplaced property - it seems that someone may have mistakenly picked up Mario Adamo's green HHTC vest instead of their own. Could you please all have a double check that you actually have your vest and not Mario's by mistake. If you happen to notice that yours is smaller or larger than it used to be can you please contact Mario directly on 9817 3642.

Club Championships

A lesson in how to break the drought - schedule the club championships!!!! I think we all have to agree that it was great to have the rain over the last couple of weekends even if it did interrupt everyone's tennis. Accordingly the club championships got off to a bit of a slow start but by the weekend of the 15th and 16th matches will be in full swing. Even with only a few matches now played we've had some marathon three set matches and expect more great tennis to continue.

Please do not forget to write your result including the SCORE of each set on the draws.

A big thank you to Barbara Ashley for co ordinating the rosters for Sunday afternoon tea and set put on. Not always an easy task with members off on holidays, illnesses etc. Thanks again also to all those who have done such a great job helping out this year - it's greatly appreciated.

A few weeks ago Danny who used to do the general tidy-up work around the clubhouse and courts resigned. We're so happy though that John Williamson is now going to take on this extra work along with the fantastic job that he already does cutting and marking the courts. This is great news for all of us.

Bill Ierace is obviously loving retirement with a
paintbrush !

There is no doubt that you will all now have noticed the numbering of our courts which hangs on the wire fencing. They have not been so legible for years and look absolutely fabulous. Thanks so much Bill.

Badge update: Our lone Saturday men's team did brilliantly to get to the semi finals which unfortunately they lost in rather bleak conditions to White City. This was a great effort though and congratulations to all of them and thanks especially to Tom Grozier who captained the team this year.

Our Thursday ladies teams still have another two rounds to go before their semi's start so again we're hoping that these teams can finish with a flourish.

Remember, if you would like some coaching, please call Lisa Callinan directly on **M: 0410 132 203** or lisa.callinan@villeroy-boch.com.au. Maybe just one or two pointers could make the difference in that next club championship match.

Please also keep an eye on the club house noticeboard where all our general correspondence goes. At the moment there seems to be an influx of correspondence re Veterans Tournaments, racquet stringer for sale etc.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB SEPTEMBER 2004 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY SUNDAY OCTOBER 10, 2004

Always a great tournament! Which will be followed by a meal. Please put your names on the noticeboard if participating in the tournament and also advise us for catering purposes if you are staying for dinner. This is a mixed doubles event.

MELBOURNE CUP DAY TUESDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2004

Social tennis, lunch, sweeps and raffles will all be part of the day. More details in the next newsletter.

END OF YEAR PRESENTATION NIGHT AXIS RESTAURANT, HUNTERS HILL

MONDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2004

Details to follow in next newsletter, but please mark this date in your diaries.

Eve Jenkins Tournament

The midweek ladies have started their annual tournament. Thanks again to Nancy for organizing this. We know it will be another great event.

Club Championships

Progress has been somewhat hindered due to the rainy days we have had (with the occasional avalanche of hail). Unfortunately this means some events won't be finished until at least mid or late October. However, there have been some really fabulous games of tennis and that's what it's about.

Again, thanks so much to John Lange, who has been tending our courts while John Williamson has literally been driving and driving and driving around the countryside.

We would all like to wish Tibor a very speedy and healthy recovery and hope he is very soon at home and recuperating.

Badge update: Congratulations to our Thursday Ladies teams. Team 1 captained by Julie Cocco was unfortunately beaten in the semi's by Mosman. Team 2 captained by Bev Redwin came in 6th and Team 3 captained by Denise Tracey missed the semi's by one point. This was particularly unfortunate as the last round of Thursday badge was washed out and they had beaten the team they were scheduled to play twice before. A little bit unlucky. Thanks once again to the captains for doing a great job and to everyone who played this year.

‘SO’

an organization that really needs your help.

SO - the SPECIAL OLYMPICS

This organisation was started in 1968 with the aim of enabling intellectually handicapped people to participate in sport and a new region has just opened - the Upper North Shore Sydney Region. They are wanting to get tennis up and running and the plan is to start on Monday evenings between probably 5-7pm at the Chatswood Tennis Centre on Fullers Road during the 4th school term. So, if you or a group of you are interested in helping out even for half an hour, SO needs volunteers. Whether that's trying to give someone a bit of a lesson or collecting the balls on the court you're needed.

SO works with a number of different sports in a number of different locations and are looking for volunteers in all different types of roles including drivers/escorts, marketing and public relations coordinators, event coordinators, administration, photographers etc, etc. The work is endless.

If you think you might be able to help out at the tennis at Chatswood please contact Paul Phelan – paul.phelan@ncr.com; (w) 9964 8779 or (m) 0404 810 038.

If you're in another area the Special Olympics NSW TENNIS contacts are: Greg GIBSON, (h) 9533 4643, (w) 9439 2633, (m) 0417 462 809, ggibson@hughestrueman.com.au or Ron PRINCE, Asst. Director of Tennis, (ph) 4961 2188, The Princes@bigpond.com.au

To find out more in general please go to www.specialolympics.com.au or ph 9552 6188.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

OCTOBER 2004 NEWSLETTER

MELBOURNE CUP DAY
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2004
\$25.00 per head

Tennis will commence as usual at 10.30am, to be followed by a delicious seafood lunch, sweeps and raffles. For catering purposes, please put your name on the board at the club if you are attending or advise Nancy. Lunch will go ahead, rain, hail or shine!

Vacuum Cleaner for Sale

It is not often that we advertise items for sale. However if you are in the market for a brand new vacuum cleaner we have one for sale. It is a Hoover Fold Away with fold down handle for easy storage and it is fully assembled. It comes with a 12 month warranty. These vacuum cleaners currently sell for approximately \$330.00 and we are open to all offers.

Please email Jackie on jaccl@pacific.net.au or telephone a.h. on 9816 3051 if you are interested in purchasing this great buy.

DINNER and PRESENTATION NIGHT

7pm

MONDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2004

\$50.00 per head - BYO

As announced in September, we look forward to another successful evening at Axi's Restaurant. All details, including booking slip are attached separately to this newsletter.

We hope that you can all join us for another fantastic evening.

We hope everyone has had a great year of tennis because unfortunately our last day of play will be Sunday November 7, 2004. Take advantage of the last couple of weeks while you can and have some fabulous games of tennis.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

NOVEMBER 2004 NEWSLETTER

Now that the courts have closed, many of you will have already noticed that maintenance work, as scheduled, has already begun.

We could probably count the days lost due to rain this year on one hand!! How lucky are we to have had such a successful and wonderful year on our grass, yet again.

Many many thanks to you all for your participation and helping to make 2004 another lovely year of tennis to remember.

**ANOTHER REMINDER THAT THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
IS BEING HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE ON THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 25, 2004 AT 7.30 PM.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING AS MANY OF YOU IN
ATTENDANCE AS POSSIBLE.**

PRESIDENTS TROPHY held on October 10 was a great tournament and well attended. Our thanks go to Judy and Alf for their organisation and smooth running of this tournament.

Our thanks also go to Cheryl and Wendy for organising a delicious meal at the end of play -

Winner on the day: Sue Barlin, followed very very closely by Janet Greene

Winner on the day: Ray Melograna, followed very very closely by Robert Bradshaw

On Melbourne Cup Day, despite heavy rain during the night, similar to that on the track at Flemington that day, tennis was playable at Hunters Hill. Thanks again to Nancy and her helpers for investing so much of their time to make this a fun day of tennis, to be interrupted only by a delicious seafood smorgasbord!

Vale Alan Wightley

Many who have been members of the club for some years, will have known and remember well Alan Wightley. Committee would like to thank Dick Joyce for writing the following tribute:

We are sad to report the recent loss of Alan in his 84th year. Alan was a member of this club for many years and had been employed in a management position at the Mobil Petroleum Depot at Hunters Hill.

As a player he was a member at 18 years of age in a Davis Cup Squad after an outstanding junior championship record. His chance to play overseas was lost due to the outbreak of WW 11 in 1939.

After the war as a member of Marrickville Lawn Tennis Club and Hunters Hill Tennis Club, he competed in badge and tournament tennis for some 40 years.

As a coach he taught many club members, amongst others, and was always approachable for advice. He will always be remembered for his kindly friendship and fellowship and willingness to mix and play with all generations.

To his wife of 63 years, five children, grandchildren and great grand children we extend our sympathies and we are proud to have known him.

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Another members recollections -

In Alan's last years as a member of the club he suffered very badly from arthritis in his feet - to the point that he was actually unable to do up the laces on his tennis shoes. However his medical advice was that if he stopped playing tennis everything would freeze-up, so he kept playing.

Alan's supposed handicap was really not a handicap at all! Alan always had one of the most effective serves in the Club that he continued to successfully pound down. He could place the tennis ball anywhere he liked on the court and without doubt he was the greatest successful exponent of the drop shot that any of us have ever known!

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