

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

JANUARY 2007 NEWSLETTER

HAPPY HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone. We hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready to get back on the courts. This newsletter is slightly longer than the usual monthly newsletter however we know you would like to be kept up to date with the latest information.

Your new committee for 2007 is -

President:	Bill Ierace
Vice President:	Gunnar Korths
Honorary Secretary:	Jackie Bradshaw
Honorary Treasurer:	Barbara Ashley
Club Captain:	Lorenzo Modesto
Mid Week Representative:	Nancy Telesca
Committee:	Cheryl Ierace, John Watt, and Judy Smith

A big welcome to Lorenzo who is joining Committee for the first time and taking on the roll of Club Captain. Great to have you on board Lorenzo and hopefully this will be the first of many many happy years helping the Club.

Unfortunately we say farewell to two previous committee members. Firstly, Sebastian Ares who joined committee for the first time in 2006. Hopefully we didn't scare him too much and like to believe it was just the combination of full time work and study that have now taken priority. Thanks for helping out Sebastian and hopefully at a later date when you have more time we will see you back on Committee again.

We also say farewell to Alf Cocco who took over the roll of Club Captain a number of years ago and has done a really outstanding job coordinating the Club Championships and Sunday social events. As anyone who has done these jobs knows, there is a huge amount of organisation behind the scenes before these events even get up and running. Thanks so much Alf for having done such a wonderful job for us, (and to Julie for lending a 'behind the scenes' hand!)

A few important dates for everyone's calendar before your diaries get too congested – additional details are given below the table.

Court Opening	Saturday 3 rd February – 3 courts
Kids Fun Day	Sunday morning 11 th March
Jazz on the Courts	Friday 30 th March
Presidents Trophy	Sunday 22 nd April
Veterans Day	Sunday 17 th June

COURT OPENING

Courts 1, 2 and 5 will be opening on SATURDAY 3rd FEBRUARY. It is possible that court 3 will also be available but that will be determined between now and the 3rd. We will put a message on the clubhouse phone closer to the 3rd confirming court availability. Court 4 will hopefully come into use later in February.

KIDS FUN DAY

Sunday morning 11th March – we will send out specific details in regards to this in a couple of weeks.

JAZZ ON THE COURTS – FRIDAY 30th MARCH

We will be sending out a separate flyer but we wanted everyone to pencil this date in their diaries. We have organised for Rebekka Neville and her band to put on a show for us. This evening will be held at the tennis club and it is envisioned that Rebekka and her band will be set up just inside the courts near the Clubhouse and that guests will be viewing from the courts. Please bring a blanket and bare feet (or tennis shoes) as we obviously don't want to damage the courts. For those who want to dance the night away, we'll be leaving you the area between the tram shed and the courts. There will also be some seating provided here for those who don't want to lounge on the lawn. The evening will cost \$40.00 with **dinner starting around 6pm** and this is a BYOG function. The **music will start at 7.30 for 2 hours**. Rebekka and her band provide a mix of popular jazz standards with refined jazz classics resulting in an evening of sensational jazz music.

We hope you will help support this first event of the year.

NEW MEMBERS - we have decided not to run any specific open days this year to attract new members. Therefore if you have any friends or acquaintances who you think might be interested in joining it would be great if you could get them to give Jackie Bradshaw a call on 9922 4586 or alternatively Jackie will give them a call so that she can discuss the various membership options with them and organise to get them down for a hit. We would really appreciate everyones help in trying to attract new members to the club. Thanks for your help.

<p><i>FEES</i> - a reminder that fees are due by the 31st January. If you have queries in regards to your invoice (or even worse, haven't received it) could you please contact Barbara Ashley directly on 9817-0243 or email her on barbashley@gmail.com.</p>
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Have you changed your Contact Details?

It is vital we have your latest contact details so you do not miss out news items. Please let Jackie know if you have changed any of your contact details such as phone number, email address or mailing address and call her on 9922-4586 or email jaccl@pacific.net.au

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. Distribution of information is so much easier and quicker by this means - we do not bombard you.

PRESENTATION NIGHT 2006 - it probably seems like a lifetime ago, but it was only back in November when about 80 of us got together for a really great evening. A superb meal at the Bib & Tucker, wonderful company and thanks again to Nancy and her helpers for once again organising a great evening to end the year.

AROUND THE CLUBHOUSE – We can't quite compare the start of this year to last year when the renovated clubhouse greeted us all. However while everyone has been away we have had safety hand rails added to the steps at the front door and along the ramp along the side of the clubhouse. A bit of OH&S work. Thanks again to Robert Bradshaw for organising this.

A FEW MORE THINGS TO START THE YEAR

A reminder that we still have some **tennis club shirts available for sale**. Please contact Cheryl directly if you would like to purchase a shirt. We would encourage all those who play badge for the club to purchase one of the clubs shirts.

Sunday afternoon tea and set put on rosters will be sent out very shortly. Thanks in advance for your help.

Badge – we will contact those who have nominated for badge early in February to let them know team details and gradings.

Thanks to all those who responded to our request for help at our working bee even if you were not able to get there. All the clubhouse was cleaned inside and all the gardens and edges cut, cleaned and pruned. Everything definitely looks very spick and span.

Special thanks to Lani Davis, Trish Whitton, Yvonne Mack and Robert Bradshaw for all their work along with the committee members.

**Looking forward to seeing everyone very soon
and having another wonderful year at the Club.**



HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB



FEBRUARY 2007 NEWSLETTER

For those of us who have been lucky enough to fit in a game or two on the courts since they opened, they are playing beautifully and we hope more of you will be able to get down over the next couple of weeks.

We've already had some very positive feedback to our two upcoming March events so please don't forget to get those forms in. We had a very successful meeting with Anthony Aliperti and a representative from TNSW re the Kids Fun Day and it is shaping up to be a brilliant day. As the flyer states though, we can only take limited numbers so please don't be disappointed by getting your form in too late.

The flyer for our musical event has also been distributed so if you have not received this for some reason please contact us.

Dates to remember are:

Kids Fun Day – rsvp 25 th Feb.	Sunday morning 11 th March
“Swingin at the Hill” – rsvp 2 nd Mar.	Friday 30 th March
Presidents Trophy	Sunday 22 nd April
Veterans Day	Sunday 17 th June

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE – as happens at the beginning of each new year we seem to have quite a lot of movement in the membership ranks. Changes that we know of to date are as follows.

Full membership to social – Lani Davis, John Lange, Tuara Price, Dennis Mack, Jenny and Max Mawhinney.

Resignations from social membership – John Johnston, Sue and Martin Tattersall, Rob Greene, Nick Bennett, Flora Deverall, Sally Stobo.

Resignations from full or junior membership – Sarah Ashley, Guisepppe de Carlo, Matt Ward – our first Matt Ward, not the second Matt Ward.

Some of the above are currently under injury clouds, have moved, expecting their first child etc etc so when the particular circumstances change we are hoping to see them back on the courts. We would also like to say a special farewell to John Johnston who is leaving the club after many many years of membership. John not only represented the club in badge for quite a few years but also served on committee. Always a tireless worker we wish you all the best for the future and thanks for your support over the past years.

On a very positive note we already have some

new members

to welcome to the club –

Wilson Sy has joined as a new full playing member. While Anton Ghaly is joining as a new junior member. Kim McClintock (nee Sobels) is returning as a mid week member having originally been a member of the club as a junior when she grew up in Hunters Hill. On behalf of all the members we'd like to welcome each of you and hope that you have many many years of wonderful tennis with us.

We are also expecting some potential members over the next couple of weeks. Again, if you know of anyone who might be interested in joining can you please speak to Jackie Bradshaw who looks after new membership (or if she is not available one of the other committee members).

Your Contact Details. Please let Jackie know if you have changed any of your contact details - phone number, email address or mailing address. Please call Jackie on 9922-4586 or email jaccle@pacific.net.au

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A FEW MORE THINGS TO START THE YEAR

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Sunday afternoon tea and set put on rosters have been sent out to the beginning of July and are also on display in the clubhouse. Please double check so that you know when you are rostered. Thanks in advance for your help and if you have any queries please speak to Judy.

Badge – after a very successful year last year we can confirm that we now have the following teams representing the Club. Good luck to all of you.

Saturday Ladies and Men's	Thursday Ladies
Grade 2-3 Captain Lorenzo Modesto	Grade 3 Captain Cheryl Ierace
Grade 2-5 Captain John Pearce	Grade 4 Captain Ruth Dickson
Grade 2-7 Captain Tom Grozier	
Grade 2-1 Captain Diana Banjanin	



HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB MARCH 2007 NEWSLETTER

We could not have wished for a more brilliant day – the Kids Fun Day held on the 11th March was an absolutely huge success. With 60 children, 5 coaches, ball machine, miniature nets, sausage sandwiches, gelato and magnificent weather what more could you ask for. This day would not have been the wonderful success that it was without the help of a lot of people. Our first thanks go to Judy Smith for instigating the day and co ordinating with Tennis NSW and Anthony Aliperti. A very special thanks to the five coaches, Gavin Lawrence and Daniel Farrar from TNSW, Anthony Aliperti, Marianne Aliperti and Jeffrey Viskovich. Then to Bill and Cheryl for all their work behind the scenes; to our official photographers, Toni Alexander and John Pearce; to Bill and Ray for the sausage sizzling and gelato and to all the members who helped out on the court with the up and coming 2 1/2 year olds and up. A huge thank you to everyone for supporting this day.



“Swingin at the Hill” Friday 30th March.

We’ve had a great response to this event which is now full. If you are still very interested in coming and for some reason haven’t sent in your form please contact Nancy Telesca on 9719 9058 or Cheryl Ierace 9816 4739 straight away in case there has been a cancellation. Don’t forget your blankets for the courts on the evening and rain hail or shine the show will go on. See you there.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER ARE:

Presidents Trophy	Sunday 22 nd April
Veterans Day	Sunday 17 th June

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE – we have a few more changes to report since our previous newsletter.

Resignations from social membership: Wal Ashton, Sam Circosta and Greg Griffiths.

Now Greg’s resignation definitely should not go unnoticed. Greg met his wife Jan on the courts when she was 11 and he was 12. Not only have they now been married for 41 years but according to Greg his resignation comes after 53 years of membership. That’s the kind of dedication that we like! What an amazing record! Greg, thank you so much for all those years of support and we hope you continue to enjoy your tennis even though it may not be down at HH.

We have also received a resignation from Mid Week from Jean Bentley and Robyn Spies is transferring from Mid Week to Social. Shelley Manton is transferring from Full Membership to Social and we are all hoping that her hand improves very very quickly so that she can get back to the courts as soon as possible.

COACHING – don't forget to contact Anthony directly if you want to organise some coaching. Remember that Anthony coaches at some other locations as well so there is some flexibility – 0401 409 017.

VISITORS – a reminder that the same visitor may play at the club a maximum of 3 times during the year. Please make sure that you record their details in the register next to the phone and leave their \$10 fee in the envelopes provided.

For **tennis club shirts** please contact Cheryl Ierace directly on mierace@bigpond.net.au or 9816 4739.

Sunday afternoon tea and set put on rosters. *Thanks to all those who have already done such a wonderful job.* The rosters have been sent out to the end of June and are also on display in the clubhouse. Thanks in advance for your help and if you have any queries please speak to Judy.

Committee and Fees

Apparently one or two members have been wondering whether or not Committee members pay annual fees (and joining fees) as do all other members. The answer is an unequivocal YES. So if a few more of you feel like volunteering your time to help the club I'm sure we would be able to find lots of things for you to help with. Just speak to any of the current Committee.

THANKYOU TO EVERYONE FOR SUCH A WONDERFUL DAY



HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

APRIL 2007 NEWSLETTER



“Swingin at the Hill” Friday 30th March.

With approximately 60 people at our first time jazz event we are hoping to run an even bigger and better version in February 2008. This was a really great evening and special thanks to all those who contributed. With the band set up behind court 3, viewers seated in and around the torch lit courts, wonderful weather, great dancer and a couple of baby ring tailed possums who came to watch the show, what more could you ask for. An excellent evening and special thanks to all those who supported it. Hopefully we'll see a lot more of our members at this event next year.

Presidents Trophy

Congratulations to Diana Benjamin and John Young who won this event on Sunday 17th. It was great that we were able to play this, our first organised social event of the year before the deluge set in. We had a great numbers for the day topped off by a lovely afternoon tea provided by Julie and Alf. Our next Sunday social event will be -

Veterans Day	Sunday 17 th June
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We will have more details closer to the date but please put this in your calendar now. This is a mixed doubles social event and Lorenzo our Club Captain will organise the pairs when we know who is playing. It is also a great day when we ask everyone to dress in period costume – long shirt and pants for the men; long dresses for the ladies. Don't let this fancy dress (so to speak) put you off. It is how the game used to be played and adds an interesting dimension to the sets.

LAST OF OUR MEMBERSHIP UPDATES – Annette Wilson is changing from full time back to social; Marilyn Baxter is changing from midweek to social and unfortunately we have received resignations from Sophie Ashton (junior) and Robyn Blundell (midweek).

NEW MEMBERS - If you know anyone who might be interested in joining the club can you please speak to (or put the person in contact with) Jackie Bradshaw jaccl@pacificnet.com.au (or of course speak to any committee members).

***VISITORS** – a reminder that the same visitor may play at the club a maximum of 3 times during the year. Please make sure that you **record their details** in the register next to the phone and **leave their \$10 fee** in the envelopes provided.*

COACHING – following on from the success for the Kid's Day we held earlier in the year Committee has agreed with Anthony Aliperti to trial for the remainder of the year the coaching of non member juniors. Previously Anthony had only been allowed to coach the children of members. We hope to therefore encourage more children to play tennis and also become familiar with our Club in the hope that they will eventually become full playing members. If you know of someone who may be interested in this option for their children could you please pass their details to Anthony
Mobile Tel: 0401 409 017.

PLEASE USE PLASTIC GLASSES ONLY ON THE COURTS

For club shirts please contact Cheryl Ierace directly on mierace@bigpond.net.au or 9816 4739 (or speak to a Committee member).

BADGE – has now been going for about 7 weeks and we have a mixture of results for our Thursday and Saturday teams. On a very positive note, and not wanting to jinx them, the Saturday ladies team is undefeated to date.

Hopefully now that all members have a bit more tennis under their belts all results will start to improve. Good luck to everyone and most of all, enjoy the tennis.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

MAY 2007 NEWSLETTER

[VETERANS DAY SUNDAY 17th June](#) - for those who haven't played in this before, it is a **handicapped mixed doubles** event where you keep the same partner for the day. The twist to the event (in addition to our unique game scoring) is that **you need to dress in period costume**. For example, for men long pants and long sleeve shirts and for women long skirts, bustles, hats – those clothes that belong to a yester year.

We are making one change to this years event. **The prize will be awarded to the winner on the day who has dressed up.** Everyone is welcome to play, but as it is a Veterans Day event, and you are handicapped if you are in long pants or skirt, we've decided on this one change. Please put your name on the noticeboard in the clubhouse if you are going to play (and also if you aren't going to be available). If you need any ideas for the wardrobe please speak to someone on committee. It will be a great day.

Other upcoming events that will be covered in later newsletters include – the Eve Jenkins Trophy, Club Championships, Shelleys Doubles and the Monica Sheehan Trophy.

NEW MEMBER

We would like very much to welcome a new full playing member to the club, JOHN SOFIANIDIS. John has already become a great asset to the club as he has been able to help out in one of our Saturday badge teams. Great to have you on board John.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining the club can you please speak to (or put the person in contact with) Jackie Bradshaw jaccl@pacificnet.com.au (or of course speak to any committee member).

COURTS CLOSED – just a reminder that if the “CLOSED” sign is on a particular court (and two courts should always have these signs on them) then please do not use these courts unless you absolutely have to - which would be because there are a number of you sitting off waiting for a game and it is probably going to be like that for a couple of hours. If you do have to use these courts then please make sure the signs are put back in the ground when you have finished. We would really appreciate everyones help here as in the long term it preserves the courts and therefore provides a better playing surface for everyone for a longer period of time.

WEBSITE UPDATE– thanks very much to Lorenzo for reserving the following two urls for us and having our first page linked into the Tennis NSW and Discover Hunters Hill website infrastructures. Hopefully this will encourage a few more prospective members to contact us. We (make that Lorenzo) is also working on Search Engine Optimisation so that more people will find us more easily.

<http://www.huntershilllawntennis.com.au/>
and <http://www.huntershilltennisclub.com.au/>

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

MAY 2007 NEWSLETTER continued

COACHING: we mentioned in our last newsletter that Anthony Aliperti is now coaching non member juniors at the club and so far it's going exceptionally well. Anthony now only has a few coaching times available at the club which are as follows –

Tuesday	2.00 to 3.30pm
Tuesday	4.30 to 5.00pm
Thursday	2.00 to 3.30pm
Saturday	1.00 to 3.00pm
Saturday	4.30 to 5.00pm
Sunday	12.30 to 1.00pm

If you know of someone who may be interested in this for their children or you need a few pointers could you please contact Anthony directly on – 0401 409 017. Please note that Anthony does half hour lessons if you do not think you are quite up to one hour one on one.

It's dangerous - a reminder – please DO NOT TAKE GLASS onto the COURTS. We have had a couple of instances of GLASS GLASSES being broken on the court and it is not exactly the easiest thing to tidy up. There are ample plastic glasses in the cupboard in the kitchen so please use these.

VISITORS – a reminder that the same visitor may play at the club a maximum of 3 times during the year. Please make sure that you **record their details** in the register next to the phone and **leave their \$10 fee** in the envelopes provided.

There are not many left - for **club shirts** please contact Cheryl Ierace directly on mierace@bigpond.net.au or 9816 4739 (or speak to a Committee member).

GET WELL SOON - unfortunately we have to report that Dan Kelly has recently fractured his leg and is going to be out of action for a number of weeks. We also have not seen John Lange or Shelley Manton on the courts for a while both recovering from various injuries. We hope that you all improve quickly because it would be great to see you back on the courts soon.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

JUNE 2007 NEWSLETTER

NEW MEMBERS

We have 4 new full playing members who have recently joined the club so a huge welcome to **Felix Danzinger**, **Daniel Mason**, **Roger Brittain** and **Bel Brittain**. We have gone from no Brittain's to two and as far as we know Roger and Bel are unrelated. Sounds like a good time to buy a lottery ticket. It is wonderful to have all of you as members of the club and we hope that you really enjoy your tennis with us as we already have with you.

Social Tennis Events –

Shelley's Doubles is scheduled for **Sunday 9th September**. This is a handicapped Ladies and Men's Doubles event so please pencil this in your diary.

Veterans Day unfortunately was very much washed out with the torrential rain that has hit all of Sydney over the last few days. We will try and reschedule this event though.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – details should be available very shortly and will be sent out separately.

Other Items -

Congratulations to Sarah Ashley and husband Brett who have recently had their first child, Zoe. Mum and daughter are doing well and hopefully it won't be too long before we see Sarah back on the court.

Anthony's coaching of juniors is going really well and we have just managed to have this noted on the Discover HH website so hopefully those last few available spaces might soon be taken up. Contact Anthony directly for more details on 0401 409 017.

We have a few more patients on the get well list. So we are wishing speedy recoveries to both Bill Farrands and Geoff Chard.

Sunday afternoon tea and set put on rosters for the remainder of the year will be circulated shortly. Thanks to all those who have already helped out. The old adage, many hands make light work certainly applies here and your help is really appreciated.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining the club can you please speak to (or put the person in contact with) Jackie Bradshaw jacple@pacificnet.com.au (or of course speak to any committee member).

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the court as soon as the rain stops.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

JULY 2007 NEWSLETTER

Midweek Ladies - **Monica Sheehan Trophy** - 31st July.

This round robin event is scheduled for Tuesday 31st July. Can all midweek ladies please liaise with Nancy in regards to this tournament? This round robin has only been going for a couple of years so we encourage all our midweek members to join in and make it a great day.

More get well messages.

Maybe it has something to do with winter but two special get well messages to two of our clubs life members who are currently in hospital. Monica (whom the above mentioned event is in honour of) and Yvonne Mack. Hopefully you will both be out of hospital and back home very very soon.

Not a **NEW MEMBER** (quite yet).

Unfortunately Bel Brittain whom we mentioned in our last newsletter as a new member has had to postpone her membership, until next year, due to a niggling injury. This is very disappointing for everyone and in the meantime we wish her a speedy recovery.

Sunday Social Tennis Events

It is going to have to be 3rd time lucky for **Veterans Day**. Unfortunately we were washed out again on the 8th. Everyone who dressed up looked absolutely fantastic and although we did end up getting a few games of tennis towards the end of the day it was too inclement to actually start the event as scheduled. At this stage we are hoping to reschedule for later in the year.

Shelley's Doubles is scheduled for **Sunday 9th September**. This is a handicapped Ladies and Men's Doubles event so please pencil this in your diary.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS - Lorenzo now has everyone's forms and hopefully most of the draws will be up on the boards very shortly. If you have any questions please contact Lorenzo or speak to another committee member.

BADGE – well it is getting down to the nitty gritty part of the badge season and at the moment we definitely look like we will have some teams in the semi finals. SO, good luck to everyone on Thursday and Saturday as the last weeks of play approach.

Have you noticed our street signage? Unfortunately some graffiti vandalism the other week will mean the signs will need to be replaced.

Keep enjoying your tennis everyone and keep fit.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

AUGUST 2007 NEWSLETTER

Congratulations to Ruth Dickson and Nancy Telesca who were this years winners of the MONICA SHEEHAN TROPHY which was played on the 31st July. Thank you to all those midweek members who participated and made this such a great day.

Sunday Social Tennis Events

CHANGE OF DATE –our **Shelley's Doubles** tournament has had to be rescheduled from Sunday 9th to **Sunday 16th September** so please note this change in your diary. This is a handicapped Ladies and Men's Doubles event and always a great day.

Please add your name to the list on the notice board (just as you enter the clubhouse) if you will be able to play on this day. If you are unable to play on this day it would be appreciated if you could note this on the notice board as well so that we don't chase you in case we need to balance up numbers. Thanking you in advance for your help in this regard.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – it would be greatly appreciated if the majority of players who have entered all our events could start scheduling their matches sooner rather than later. At this stage we a planning on having a FINALS DAY in early October so everyone needs to get their matches played. Thanks to those who have already played some of their matches.

Veterans Day – we will advise of the rescheduled date of this event in a few weeks.

BADGE NEWS

SATURDAY RESULTS

- what a brilliant great season.

Three of our Saturday teams played in semi finals last weekend with two teams going through to the finals which will be played this Saturday.

Unfortunately John Pearce's team in grade 2-5 was defeated at Longueville 5 sets to 3 in a really tough struggle. John's team really came from behind earlier in the year and they need to be commended for such a great effort. A very big special thankyou to John for all his work as captain this year.

Lorenzo Modesto's team in 2-3 had a solid victory over Royal Sydney and play White City at home this Saturday. The winner of this 'final' then plays a 'grand final' against Chatswood who came in as 'minor premiers' but were defeated in their semi. It would be great if we could get supporters down to the club this weekend and at Chatswood the following week.

Congratulations also to our ladies Saturday team captained by Diana Banjanin. They came in as minor premiers and play Neutral Bay at Neutral Bay this Saturday in their final. All supporters welcome.

THURSDAY LADIES BADGE – there are only a couple of weeks left in this tournament so keep all your fingers and toes crossed as we are also hoping that one of our teams will reach the semi's in this competition. Keep the positive thoughts going.

SATURDAY BADGE NORTH v SOUTH

WHEN: SATURDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2007
WHERE: WHITE CITY
TIME: 12 NOON ON SINGLE COURTS

Selections for the North v South matches should be available from MGCCA by 20th August 2007.

We anticipate that a number of our Saturday players will be selected so if you think this might be you please note the date in your diary to ensure your availability. We will advise you directly as soon as we know who has been selected.

If you played Saturday badge this year and you are not familiar with the North v South competition then please speak to Judy (or your captain) for details.

2008 Australian Open

We have been advised that Events Worldwide Travel Group has been appointed an official licensed tour operator for the 2008 Australian Open. More information can be obtained on www.events.com.au or email tennis@events.com.au if you are interested in attending the Open next year.

SPRING BADGE

COMMENCES SATURDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2007

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 20th August 2007

(Please note there will be no play on Saturday September 29, 2007 which is the long weekend)

please email Lorenzo on

**lorenzo@bulletproof.net.au and cc Judy on judyksmith@ozemail.com.au
if you wish to play in this competition.**

Please nominate whether you want to play in option A or B as detailed below.

THE PRELIMINARY STRUCTURE THAT WE HAVE BEEN FORWARDED IS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. COMPRISED OF SEPARATE**
 - A) DOUBLES AND
 - B) SINGLES/DOUBLES COMPETITIONS

- 2.**
 - A) DOUBLES COMP WILL BE PLAYED FROM 1:00 – 3:00PM
 - B) SINGLES/DOUBLES PLAYED FROM 3:05PM TO 5.35PM

- 3. BOTH COMPETITIONS WILL BE PLAYED ON ONE COURT FOR ONE ROUND COMPRISED OF **6 UNISEX TEAMS OF 2 PERSONS** ONLY LIMITED TO a maximum of **3** registered PLAYERS PER TEAM**

- 4. THE FORMATS WILL BE**
 - A) DOUBLES – 3 CONSECUTIVE TIE-BREAK (5 ALL) SETS OF DOUBLES
 - B) SINGLES & DOUBLES – 4 TIE-BREAK (5 ALL) SETS PLAYED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER UNLESS AGREED OTHERWISE BY THE CAPTAINS
 - SET 1 - DOUBLES
 - SET 2 - NO.1 SINGLES
 - SET 3 - NO.2 SINGLES
 - SET 4 - DOUBLES

- 5. THE TEAMS FINISHING 1 & 2 AT THE END OF 5 ROUNDS WILL PLAY A FINALS MATCH ONLY ON THE LEADING TEAM'S HOME COURT.**

Please note that your email is for NOMINATION ONLY and the Committee reserves the right to field as many teams and of such members as are considered to be in the best interest of the Club. As we anticipate that quite a few members may be interested in the above competitions please be aware that we may not be able to accommodate everyone who nominates but we shall endeavour to do so.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB SEPTEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER ARE:

Spring Badge	Starting Saturday 22 nd September
Eve Jenkins Trophy	Starting Tuesday 25 th September
Year End Dinner & Presentation Night	Monday 26 th November
Club Championship Finals Day	See below

THE **SHELLEY'S DOUBLES** SOCIAL COMPETITION WAS HELD ON SUNDAY AND WE COULD NOT HAVE HOPED FOR A MORE PERFECT DAY. NOT ONLY GREAT TENNIS BUT A WONDERFUL AFTERNOON TEA WAS ALSO PROVIDED BY WENDY ASHTON AND ERIC SHAW. THE WINNERS WERE JULIE COCCO AND LAURIE GILMOUR (OBVIOUSLY NOT JET LAGGED); AND ALF COCCO AND ERIC SHAW. RUNNERS UP WERE DIANA BANJANIN AND ALISON COUTTS; AND JOHN SOFIANIDIS AND DAVID HALL. THANKS TO THE ORGANISERS AND ALL THOSE WHO JOINED IN TO MAKE THIS A REALLY WONDERFUL DAY.

EVE JENKINS TROPHY

CAN ALL MIDWEEK LADIES WHO PLAN ON PLAYING IN THIS EVENT PLEASE ADVISE NANCY DIRECTLY. THIS EVENT WILL BE PLAYED OVER A NUMBER OF WEEKS COMMENCING ON THE 25TH SEPTEMBER.

END OF YEAR DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT MONDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

WE ALWAYS LIKE TO GET AS MANY MEMBERS AND THEIR PARTNERS AS POSSIBLE ALONG TO OUR END OF YEAR DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT. BECAUSE OF THE GREAT SUCCESS OF LAST YEARS VENUE WE HAVE DECIDED TO HEAD BACK THERE AGAIN THIS YEAR. FOR NEW MEMBERS AND THOSE WHO WERE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND LAST YEAR WE ARE GOING TO THE BIB AND TUCKER RESTAURANT AT DRUMMOYNE. WE WILL SEND OUT A SEPARATE FLYER WITH ALL THE DETAILS VERY SHORTLY BUT PLEASE MARK THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW.

tennis club shirts

We still have some available so please contact Cheryl Ierace directly on mierace@bigpond.net.au or 9816 4739.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to two new full playing members. Firstly, to Chikka (Charles) Williams who is rejoining the club after a significant leave of absence. We note however that this absence has not effected his game and we hope that he enjoys being back on real lawn. Secondly, we would like to welcome Alison Coutts. Alison originally 'discovered' us when we had our first open day a number of years ago so it is fabulous that she has now decided to join us. It is great to have you two on board and we are all looking forward to some great games of tennis.

AUTUMN AND SPRING BADGE

Our Autumn Saturday badge ended on a very high note with both our top ladies and men's teams winning the pennants. The ladies team had a resounding victory over Neutral Bay, 6 sets to nil although it was slightly tougher than the score implies with two tie break sets. Our men's team played Chatswood in a grand final and won on games. Nothing like taking it down to the wire. Congratulations to all the members who helped these teams have such a successful year.

It should also be noted that SUSANNAH ERWIN had the best winning average, 93% of all players in her grade in our Saturday ladies team. This is a phenomenal result. CONGRATULATIONS from everyone.

The club is also very proud that 5 members were chosen to play in the NORTH v SOUTH competition at White City Tennis Club – Judy Smith, Diana Banjanin, Susannah Erwin, Mike O'Connor and Stephen Clark. This event was played on Saturday and again it was a fantastic day. Perfect weather and Norths won both the Ladies and Men's event very convincingly (which is based on total sets won on the day).

Our midweek ladies teams unfortunately did not reach the semi finals this year but definitely improved their performances from last year which is a great effort. Hopefully it will be onward and upward next year.

We have also entered 4 teams in the upcoming Spring Badge which commences on the 22nd September. This is only a 5 week competition and two new formats are being trialled one of which includes a singles competition. Good luck to everyone who is playing in these teams.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHPS

Okay everyone, we know we have had a few unfortunate wash outs and an APEC long weekend so it is now really imperative that everyone plays as many of their matches as quickly as possible. At this time we are expecting the finals to be played from the second half of October so please aim to have all prior matches played sooner rather than later.

COACHING - as you may know, Anthony has started coaching quite a few juniors at the club over the last year and this is going very successfully. Hopefully we will be able to entice some of these players to join us when they are a little older.

Don't forget to contact Anthony directly if you want some information about coaching. Remember that as Anthony coaches at some other locations as well there is some flexibility if he can't fit you in at the club – 0401 409 017.

Last but not least, congratulations to Felix on the new addition to the family. We all hope mum and baby are doing well.

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

OCTOBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER ARE:

Club Championship Finals Day	Sunday 21 st October
Melbourne Cup Day	Tuesday 6 th November
Courts Close	Sunday 11th November
Year End Dinner & Presentation Night	Monday 26 th November
Badge 2008 - planning ahead	See below & separate attachment

EVE JENKINS TROPHY

Some great tennis was played in this years Eve Jenkins Trophy and congratulations go to the eventual winners, Linda de Martin and Carole Scarselletti.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

We are planning on playing the majority of our club championship finals on Sunday 21st October. Scheduling will be dependent on who is playing in each of the finals and will be co ordinated by Lorenzo. Finalists will be advised of the timing of their matches and details will also be on the noticeboard at the club. There will be some social courts available on the day.

TROPHY RETURN

Can those members who were presented with trophies last year please now return them to the clubhouse (or directly to Lorenzo) as soon as possible so that engraving can be organised. ***PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL TROPHIES ARE RETURNED IN THE CONDITION THAT YOU RECEIVED THEM – that is, sparkling clean.***

MELBOURNE CUP DAY

Nancy is organising another great Melbourne Cup Day at the club. Please put your name on the board in the club house or advise Nancy directly. \$35.00 per head for a fantastic lunch, a great day of tennis and lots of raffles. Tennis starts at 10.30am and as usual the luncheon will still be held even if the courts are washed out.

COURTS CLOSING

The last day of play this year will be SUNDAY 11th November.

Year End Dinner & Presentation Night.
Monday 26th November at the
Bib and Tucker Restaurant at Drummoyne.

Please see separate flyer attached. As this marks the end of another wonderful season it would be really great to see as many of you and your partners at this event. As they say, eat, drink and be merry.

Nature abounds



Please be aware that our neighbours have spotted 2 red bellied black snakes on their property in the last week or so. If you should happen to see them obviously stay away from them and please phone the number that is on the notice on the front door of the clubhouse.

BADGE 2008

At this stage the format and starting dates for Autumn 2008 badge have not been finalised. However if you are interested in playing badge next year can you please complete the attached form and either leave it at the clubhouse or mail to PO Box 2, Hunters Hill 2110 to be received by the end of our playing season, Sunday 11th November.

As our club has only often just reopened by the time we have to lodge badge teams it can make it difficult and time consuming trying to finalise teams. We are hoping by getting individuals interest now that this will make the process easier.

GET WELL

Great news that John Watt is out of hospital and making continuing progress. Hard to imagine how dangerous he is going to be on the court in 2008.

Thanks

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Anthony for a great year of coaching and say how nice it is to see juniors on the courts. Hopefully in the not too distant future some of these players will become full playing members of the club. Remember that as Anthony coaches at other locations you can still organise coaching with him while our courts are closed – 0401 409 017.

Hunter's Hill Tennis Club Limited

Competition Teams for the 2008 Season

I wish to be considered for inclusion in a team to participate in the competition indicated below.

	Regular Player (\$ Fee TBA)	Reserve (\$ Fee TBA)
Saturday Men's Badge Competition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saturday Ladies' Badge Competition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thursday Ladies' Badge Competition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The **Thursday Ladies' badge season** runs from beginning March 2008 (precise date to be advised) to approximately end of September 2008. ***

The **Saturday badge season** runs from beginning March 2008 to approximately end of August 2008. ***

***** Precise dates not yet available.**

Members wanting to play in a Badge team, but who find it difficult to play REGULARLY, may nominate themselves as "RESERVE." There is no obligation on a team captain to play a reserve but it would be unusual for a reserve not to play some matches

Tennis NSW Registration No.....

Signed:

(Print Name)

Phone: (home) (business)..... Mobile

Email:

This form is for NOMINATION ONLY and the Committee reserves the right to field as many teams and of such members as are considered to be in the best interest of the Club.

Please return this form to

**Badge Co ordinator,
PO Box 2, Hunters Hill 2110**

No later than SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 2007.

Please see second page with general notes.

BADGE 2008

Hunters Hill Tennis Club Limited

Thursday Ladies commences beginning March 2008 & Saturday Men's & Ladies commences also beginning March 2008.

All badge information is (should be) available on the web – refer Tennis New South Wales home page. If you are playing badge, please ensure that you are familiar with the rules.

Teams consist of a minimum of 5 players. Each team has a captain whose contact details will be on the web.

4 members play each week. It **usually** alternates between one week at home and one week away. As a minimum you play each team in the competition twice.

Thursdays Ladies

Commences at approximately 10.30 am

Each pair plays 4 sets (tie breakers if required). **That is, 2 sets each against each of the opposing teams pairs.**

Two courts are used simultaneously.

Points are awarded for sets won and an overall win on the day. **The home team provides lunch.**

It is the responsibility of **each team member** playing to entertain / look after all members of the opposing teams at all times while they are at Hunters Hill.

It is also the responsibility of all badge players to ensure that the clubhouse is left tidy at the end of the days play.

Wet matches: depending on the decision each particular year, wet matches may or may not be played at the end of the main rounds of competition.

Each competition finishes with semi finals and final (and possibly a grand final).

SATURDAY FORMAT

Teams will be scheduled to play either at 12.00 or 2.35 and play for a maximum of two and a half hours.

Two courts will be used simultaneously (unless a club is unable to provide sufficient courts in which case one court will be used from 12.00 to 5.00pm). There is no longer a sunset rule.

Each pair plays 4 sets. That is 2 sets each against each of the opposing teams pairs. Tie breakers will now be played at 5 games all if required.

Points are awarded for sets won and an overall win on the day.

The home team provides "afternoon tea" (sandwiches, cake, drinks) at the completion of play.

It is the responsibility of **each team member** playing to entertain / look after all members of the opposing teams at all times while they are at Hunters Hill.

It is also the responsibility of all badge players to ensure that the clubhouse is left tidy at the end of the days play.

Wet matches are not played.

Each competition finishes with semi finals, final (and possibly a grand final).

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

**END OF YEAR
DINNER AND PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES**

at

BIB AND TUCKER RESTAURANT

Tel. 9719 9132

2 Hythe Street, Drummoyne

**(the restaurant is in the Drummoyne Sports Club directly behind 7-Eleven)
(Easy parking)**

on

MONDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2007

At 7 pm

Dinner \$55.00 per head

**On arrival at 7.00pm be served with champagne
Thereafter drinks are available at the bar at very reasonable prices)**

**Please hand cheque to Nancy (0418 551 955) or Cheryl (9816 4739)
alternatively mail as per cut off slip below.**

Acceptance and payment at latest Thursday 8 November, 2007.

CUT AND SEND

**DINNER AND PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES NIGHT
MONDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2007**

Please mail to

Hunters Hill Tennis Club, PO Box 2, Hunters Hill 2110

I / We

(please print)

would like to attend the presentation of trophies and dinner night.

Please find enclosed cheque for \$..... @ \$55.00 per person

Names of people attending

PLEASE ADVISE IN ADVANCE IF A VEGETARIAN MEAL IS REQUIRED

VIEW THE MENU FOR DINNER

BIB AND TUCKER RESTAURANT
2 Hythe Street, Drummoyne

MONDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2007

Arrival at 7pm

Be seated for Dinner which will be served at 7.30 pm.

ENTRE

Avocado Seafood with Salmon, Prawns and Smoked Trout
Or
Spinach and Pine Nut Crepe

MAIN COURSE

Fresh Grilled Atlantic Salmon with Soy and Ginger
Or
Grain Fed Scotch Fillet with Green Peppercorn Sauce
Or
Chicken with Asparagus with Cream in White Wine Sauce

FRESH BREAD AND VEGETABLES ARE SERVED WITH THE MAIN MEAL.

DESSERT

Pavlova with Ice Cream and Cream
Or
Crème Brulee
Or
Mixed Berry Pie with Ice Cream and Cream

TEA OR COFFEE with CHOCOLATES

PLEASE ADVISE IN ADVANCE IF A VEGETARIAN MEAL IS REQUIRED

HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

November 2007 NEWSLETTER

Another extremely successful tennis year has come to an end and there are only two more events to be held before Christmas and New Year.

Year End Dinner & Presentation Night.

Monday 26th November at the Bib and Tucker Restaurant at Drummoyne.

If you still have not sent in your form and money but would like to attend please contact Cheryl (9816 4739) or Nancy 0418 551 955 straight away as we need to confirm numbers with the restaurant. We would really appreciate all members support for the last function of the year.

Annual General Meeting Monday 10th December in the Clubhouse 7.30pm

We will send separate details in regards to the AGM in the very near future along with nominations for committee.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

As all of you know, the majority of the operations of the club are handled by the voluntary work of committee and the fact is, we need new committee members so that some of the work load can be rotated and shared. The majority of our current committee have been on committee for a number of years and some are going to step down this year so we need replacements. Please help make the club a continuing success and put your hand up. Remember, many hands make light work and we would really like the assistance of a few more hands. If you are interested and would like some more details please speak to any current committee member.

MORE NEW MEMBERS

What a great way to end the year with two new members. A special welcome to Ngaire Bell who has joined midweek and Garry Hall who has joined as a full playing member. We have already had some great games and look forward to a lot more in 2008.

Just a reminder to everyone that like all clubs we are always looking for new members. If you know anyone who you think might be interested in joining please let us know so that we can organise something early in the new year when the courts reopen.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Thanks very much to Lorenzo for organising this years club championships. It is not an easy task and with a few wet weekends it looked like we may not have been able to finish all of the matches. However where there is a will there is a way and all finals were completed before the courts closed. There were some really great matches with a number of the finals being played over three tightly contested sets. Thanks to everyone for such great tennis.

Melbourne Cup was another successful day and special thanks to Nancy and all her helpers for organising it. Great food, great tennis and even a great horse race.

SPRING BADGE RESULTS

A trifecta. As mentioned in an earlier newsletter the MGCCA was trialling 2 new systems in this 5 week spring competition. A 3 set doubles competition (SD) and a 4 set singles and doubles competition (SS). Congratulations to –

Dan Kelly and Mike O'Connor who won SS2 against Sydney University.

Lorenzo Modesto and Stephen Clarke who won SD2 against Roseville.

Felix Danziger and John Sofianidis who won SD4 against Beecroft.

BADGE 2008

Thanks to all those members who have put their badge forms in for next year. This has already been a great help and will allow us to better organise for 2008. We will hopefully know the final format for 2008 by the end of the month and will advise members accordingly. If you have any queries about badge please speak to Judy, Jackie, Lorenzo, Nancy or Cheryl.

Midweek Ladies Lunch
is scheduled for TUESDAY 4th DECEMBER. Nancy will be sending out details or alternatively contact her on the number noted above.

Thanks

Once again we would like to thank John Williamson for the fantastic job he has done looking after the courts each week. They really have been brilliant and all your work is very much appreciated.

Thanks again to Anthony for another great year of coaching and the success that he has had with juniors this year. Hopefully we will see even more kids on the court next year and hopefully in the not to distant future some will join us on Sunday afternoons.

Anthony can be contacted on 0401 409 017.

The yearly renovation of the courts has already started and they have been cored, scarified and the bare patches replanted. Lets all hope for a wonderful growing season and an early return for the 2008 season. We will advise everyone in a future news letter of the opening

date in 2008. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at Presentation Night on
Monday 26th November.