

# **HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB JANUARY 2006 NEWSLETTER**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR** to everyone. We hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and are all keen to head back to the courts after a refreshing break.

**Firstly, our committee for 2006 is as follows -**

<b>President:</b>	<b>Bill Ierace</b>
<b>Vice President:</b>	<b>Gunnar Korths</b>
<b>Honorary Secretary:</b>	<b>Jackie Bradshaw</b>
<b>Honorary Treasurer:</b>	<b>Barbara Ashley</b>
<b>Club Captain:</b>	<b>Alf Cocco</b>
<b>Mid Week Representative:</b>	<b>Nancy Telesca</b>
<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Cheryl Ierace, John Watt, Sebastian Ares and Judy Smith</b>

With our new committee we say farewell to Wendy Ashton and David Ward and offer a big welcome to Sebastian who joins committee for the first time. It is great to have a relatively new and younger member of the club offer his assistance. It is also very exciting to have a new President, Bill Ierace. With Bill at the helm and such a great lot of workers on committee it is going to be another wonderful year.

*The news that you have been waiting for:  
**Our Courts will be opening on Saturday,  
4<sup>th</sup> February, 2006***

**While most of you have been sitting back relaxing, there has been a hive of activity at the clubhouse over the last two months – a total refurbishment. You are all going to get a huge surprise when you see the clubhouse and we think you will be swept away by all the work that has been done. In this regard we cannot say thank you enough to ROBERT BRADSHAW who has not only coordinated and overseen all the work, but has also spent hour upon hour upon hour at the club fixing up all those items that you intend to fix but never quite get around to. There is no doubt that we would not have the high class**

**premises that we now have if it had not been for all Robert's work.**

*In order to christen our NEW CLUBHOUSE we are planning on having a meal after tennis on SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup>. We will probably be organising a Thai or Italian takeaway so we hope you will be able to join us.*

### **Have you changed your Contact Details?**

Please let Jackie know if you have changed either your phone number, email address or mailing address. Phone 9922 4586 or email jacle@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. It really does make the distribution of information so so much easier and as you will know, we do not bombard you. Jackie's email address is jacle@pacific.net.au

It is time for another

**COCKTAIL PARTY - 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2006.**

Barbara and Kevin Ashely have very kindly offered their home for this function and it is going to be a fabulous night. Please put this date in your diary now and we will send you more details in a week or two.

***Badge Forms – if you did not receive the badge form that was sent out a number of weeks ago can you please phone Judy as a matter of urgency – 9817 3783 (AH).***

### Changes of Membership

It is with a lot of sadness that we say farewell to **Kevin Thompson** who has decided, as he put it, "to hang up his tennis shoes". Kevin joined the club back on the 13<sup>th</sup> July 1976 and started playing badge for us the following year. He has always been a great member of the club and it was always very pleasurable to share the court with him. Likewise, unfortunately we also say farewell to **Perry and Rosemary Manus** who joined just before Kevin on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 1976. Both Perry and Rosemary played on Saturday afternoons and Perry's very distinctive, infectious laugh will surely be missed. We also say farewell to another of our regular Saturday afternoon players, **Keith Harrison**. Again a special thankyou to Keith for all the help and support that

he has given the club over the last few years. To the four of you, thanks for having been such wonderful club members, all the best and please remember to drop in when you have a chance. We definitely hope to see you at the Cocktail Party.

It is great to welcome back **Chris Jones** after his sojourn in the UK last year and unfortunately to bid farewell to **William Thackwell** who has now resigned from the club on his return to the UK last year. **Jodie Thackwell** is going to maintain a social membership which hopefully means she is planning a return trip in the near future. **David Bleakley** is changing from full membership to social and will hopefully make it to the courts at least a couple of times this year.

**Annette Wilson** is returning to midweek membership after a year out last year as a social member. **Ken Ryan** is changing from full membership to social membership. This is a huge loss as Ken has always been such an incredible helper when he has been at tennis. Maybe when his social calendar reduces slightly we might be able to entice him back to more weekend play. Other changes include resignations from two of our junior members, Kerstin Voigt and Hayely Erickson and hopefully only a temporary change from midweek to social for Flora Deverall.

## ***FEES***

Just a reminder that fees are due by the end of the month. We have had a couple of issues with funds being sent electronically but no name being given as the reference. If you are paying electronically could you please make sure that you include your name as the reference. If you are unable to do this could you please send Barb Ashley a quick email to advise her of the payment. If you have queries in regards to your invoice (or even worse, haven't received it) could you please contact Barb directly on 9817 0243 or barbashley@gmail.com.

*Coaching* – just letting everyone know that Lisa Callinan is going to continue coaching at the club. It's a great time of year just starting back to iron out some of the cobwebs so please do try and take advantage of this opportunity.

OPEN DAY – please note that we are hoping to have an open day for prospective members on SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining the club could you please let Jackie know so that we can organise to have them down either on the 25<sup>th</sup> or some other suitable time.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

<b>Courts Opening</b>	<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Clubhouse Christening evening meal</b>	<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>

<b>Open Day – please contact Jackie</b>	<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Cocktail Party</b>	<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>

***Have a great year on the courts everyone.***

# Hunters Hill Tennis Club February 2006 Newsletter

Dates for the DIARY

EVENT	DATE	Contact
OPEN DAY – do you know anyone who is interested in joining?	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Jackie Bradshaw
Cocktail Party – support the club and bring some friends	Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Speak to anyone on committee
Presidents Trophy	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Alf Cocco and Sebastian Ares
Veterans Day	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Alf Cocco and Sebastian Ares

## **OPEN DAY SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> February**

At this stage the response to our Open Day has not been as great as we would have liked but there is still a little while to go and the flyers have only just been distributed in the last week. Further, we are still expecting more press coverage - we hope you saw the two articles in the TWT last week. Of course if you do know anyone who may be interested in joining then could you please ask them to contact Jackie on 0412 220 810 or email her on [jaccle@pacific.net.au](mailto:jaccle@pacific.net.au)

## ***Cocktail Party 18th MARCH 2006***

By now all of you should have received your invitations and we would very much appreciate if you could send in your acceptances and payments early to allow our organisers as much time as possible. Also as this is to be our major fundraiser for the year please invite your friends and also a reminder that we will be having a raffle on the night. It is going to be a fantastic evening with great food and drink and the more people the merrier. There are spare invitations in the clubhouse or alternatively email Jackie if you need some extras.

## WHO's doing WHAT

As you all know, we elected a new committee towards the end of 2005 and some of the various tasks involved in running the club have been allocated as follows -

New membership -	Jackie Bradshaw
Badge -	Judy Smith, Bill and Cheryl Ierace, Nancy Telesca and Sebastian Ares
Tennis ball purchase and resale -	Bill Ierace and John Watt
Grounds -	Gunnar Korths, John Watt and Bill Ierace
House -	Cheryl Ierace
Newsletter -	Judy Smith
Social -	all the committee
Weekend afternoon tea and set put on roster -	Judy Smith
Weekend social tournaments -	Alf Cocco and Sebastian Ares

## **BADGE UPDATE**

Our badge teams for 2006 have now all been graded and it's wonderful to see some members nominating for teams for the first time. Our teams are as follows -

Saturday Men's - grade 2-5 captained by Sebastian Ares and 2-6 captained by John Pearce.  
Saturday Ladies - grade 1-3 captained by Diana Banjanin. This is the first time we have had a ladies Saturday team for a couple of years so its great to be out there representing HH again.

As those involved in Saturday badge know, the MGCCA is trialling a new system this year for the first time whereby in the majority of cases two courts will be allocated per team and your team will be scheduled to play at either 12.00 or 2.35pm for 2.5 hours only. When the draws are available we will advise members of how many courts on Saturdays will be available and at what time.

Thursday Ladies - Division 2 captained by Julie Cocco, Division 3 by Pat Goldsmith and Division 4 captained by Ruth Dickson.

Can all badge players please make sure that they are familiar with the rules and the timetable when it is available. All details should (eventually) be on the Tennis New South Wales website.

Have a great competition and enjoy the matches.

**COACHING** - Unfortunately having advised us in January that she was going to continue coaching at the Club, Lisa Callinan has now just advised us that she will no longer be available which is very unfortunate for us. In the event that we do refill this position we will advise you further.

## **Membership Changes**

Since our last newsletter we have had a number of additional changes in membership. We have received resignations from the following full playing members; Dick Joyce and Jorge Sardurni. We have received resignations from social membership from Ellen McKeown, Ian Pryde and Chang Long Hoo and from midweek from Wendy Robertson. Other membership changes include Billie Jean Scoppa, Florrie Tesoreiro and Nola McCann changing from midweek to social and Joe Scoppa and Lyall Pryde changing from full playing to social.

In regards to new membership we would very much like to welcome Mike O'Connor, Saskia Philips and Sarah Ashley. Mike used to play for Sydney University so it is great that he has now joined with us. Saskia is currently living up north and was introduced by Tim Sheehan. She plans to use the courts on visits to Sydney and maybe if she undertakes study down here in the future. Sarah is rejoining after time overseas and interstate. We hope that you all have a wonderful season with the club.

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA CHANGE

To try and alleviate some of the problems associated with the Sunday afternoon tea roster we are going to trial this year a system whereby once a month no one is rostered. We are doing this for a number of reasons and although we appreciate that this is one of the many events that make our club special it just seems to be becoming more complicated than we would like. We anticipate that the roster will be out in the next week or two and on the Sundays when we don't have anyone rostered we would request that anyone making tea or coffee or using any other kitchen utensil please ensure that they are cleaned and returned to the appropriate cupboard. Please do not leave items for others to clean up after you.

### **MORE SHIRTS ON ORDER**

We have also just placed an order for new club shirts and we'd like to thank Cheryl for all the work she has done in researching this. It hasn't been an easy task at all. We don't expect delivery for a number of weeks but if you are interested in reserving one of these shirts could you please email Cheryl on [mierace@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mierace@bigpond.net.au) or catch her when she is at the club.

### A FEW REMINDERS

#### **VISITORS**

A reminder that a visitor may play at the club **a maximum of 3 times a year**. Please write the visitors details in the visitor's book next to the phone and complete one of the envelopes that are also next to the phone leaving the envelope and \$10 in the tin provided.

#### **DRESS REGULATIONS**

Our dress requirements are white, predominantly white or pastel clothing (excluding the clubs uniform). Men are also required to wear a collared shirt. Please also ensure that you have soled shoes suitable for play on lawn courts. For those who are about to start playing badge you will need to make yourself familiar with the dress requirements of the other clubs that you will be visiting.

## **LAST BUT BY NO MEANS LEAST – WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED**

On behalf of all the Committee we would very much like to thank all those who have been so so positive about the clubhouse renovations. As all who have seen it will know, it was a huge task carried out in a very short period of time and it has been wonderful that it has been overwhelmingly received. It is not often that we pat ourselves on our backs but this time we truly believe it is well deserved. For those who have not yet been able to get down to the Club House, below is an outline of some of the work that has been undertaken between our closing in 2005 and our reopening in 2006.

New ceilings throughout; new lighting and fans throughout; totally re-carpeted; new kitchen fridge; new toilets, tiling and wash basins with storage cupboards under each of the basins, new mirrors, shower fittings and curtains for both the men and ladies bathrooms; clubhouse fully repainted inside and out; hot water service relocated from the ladies change room to the back of the clubhouse; new tiling around shower hobs plus removal of all old paint stains; all outside lights (including lamp with new glazing panes) repaired and repainted; the bell polished, buffed and new hand crafted cedar wooden handle attached; new picture railing system installed and new objects hung and old items rearranged; new telephone, kitchen benches regouted and windows removed, cleaned and refitted; sliding door in kitchen permanently removed; handles of clubhouse windows repaired; new tops for all our tables; new electrical wiring and switchboard labelling; new emergency exit light; major sections of the garden area revamped; new HHTC sign at front of the BBQ primarily to prevent leaves and dirt blowing into the hotplate area that was previously exposed; BBQ cover repainted; and the list *does* in fact go on!

The above is just an overview of what has been undertaken and as mentioned in our last newsletter none of this work could have been done and certainly not in the limited timeframe or to the standard that we have achieved without the absolute dedication and commitment of Robert Bradshaw. However it is also appropriate to acknowledge the huge amount of work that Jackie Bradshaw did particularly in chasing down carpet samples, paint colours, picture hanging options, fridge options, general cleaning, scraping, polishing etc. Last but not least all the following should also be recognised for all the huge number of hours they put in - Cheryl and Bill Ierace, Barbara Ashley, John Watt, Gunnar Korths, Yvonne Mack, Nancy Telesca and Judy Smith. An incredible team effort.



# HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

## MARCH 2006 NEWSLETTER

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*THANK YOU*

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for the wonderful support of you and your friends at our cocktail party held last week. These functions just keep getting bigger and better and they would not be so successful and such wonderful events without all your support.

Our first thanks of course need to go to our fabulous hosts, Barbara and Kevin Ashley, who so generously opened their magnificent home for this function. With ample space for our 110 plus guests, everyone was able to take advantage of the beautiful evening whether they were inside or out. Of course to host a function such as this, we had numerous helpers and we would like to acknowledge firstly all those who helped with the food preparation - as usual, it was outstanding - Barbara Ashley, Nancy Telesca, Judy Smith, Robyn Brown, Jackie Bradshaw, Ruth Dickson, Cleo Smith, Shelley Manton, Bill and Cheryl Ierace, Julie and Alf Cocco, Linda de Martin and Yvonne Mack. The food and drinks just kept on coming with the help of Sam Vielie, Victoria Chapman-Smith, Simon Cocco and Victoria Jenkyn who all did an outstanding job.

We would also like to specially acknowledge those who donated so generously to our most successful raffle yet - Barb and Kevin Ashley for accommodation at the Russell Hotel, Ben Johnson for a copy of the current Entertainment Book as well as a voucher for the new Entertainment Book about to be released, Nancy Telesca for the great hampers that she put together and The Woolwich Pier and Bardelli's for their meal vouchers. Thanks so much to each of you.

Thanks also to Annette Wilson for our name labels, Toni Alexander our new in resident photographer (and

for others taking photos on the night we would really like to see them) and Judy Smith, John Pearce and Kay Philip for exemplary raffle ticket selling skills !!!

Unexpected entertainment for the evening was provided by Geoff Chard, who not only dazzled with singing prowess but also his dancing steps. It was a truly fantastic evening and thank you to everyone who made it such a wonderful occasion.

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET**

**Presidents Trophy SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL** - the end of daylight saving. If you haven't already put your name on the clubhouse board could you please do so or let Sebastian or Alf know that you will or will not be there.

**Veterans Day June 4th** - start planning what you will be wearing now. We will include more details in our next newsletter.

**A HUGE WELCOME to our new members -**

**Mike Fazzolare, Roshan Menon, David Hall and Ed Dutton** who are all joining as full playing members. We know we're going to have some great tennis with them so please make them very welcome.

**We also welcome back Vanessa Bolzan** who is rejoining as a full playing junior after a years absence and **Sophie Ashton** who has changed from social membership back to full playing junior.

**Unfortunately we have to say farewell (hopefully only temporarily) to Libby and Ken Cox.** We really hope you will both return to full fitness to enable you to rejoin next year.

HAVE YOU NOTICED ?? - beautiful new lines. Yes, we have purchased a new battery operated line marker and the crispness of those lines is something to behold. Thanks as always to John Williamson for the fabulous job he always does cutting and marking the courts (and also to his recent helpers John Lange and John Watt).

A special thank you to Mario Adamo who kindly organized the servicing and refilling of our oxygen cylinder and wall brackets. We're hoping that we never have to use it but it's better to be safe than sorry. We are currently looking for an appropriate place to mount this for easy access.

One of the last projects of the clubhouse renovation has just been finished. The installation of a storage cupboard in the ladies changeroom (where the hot water system used to be) and an appropriate box to cover the switchboard also in the ladies changeroom. Thanks again to Robert Bradshaw for coordinating and overseeing all this work.

**KEEP ON ENJOYING YOUR TENNIS**

# HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

## APRIL 2006 NEWSLETTER

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Midweek Ladies BBQ -Tuesday May 2 at \$10 per head. If rained out this will take place the following week. Please contact Nancy if you have any questions.

VETERANS DAY SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June 2006 – mixed doubles event. More details to follow closer to the date.

Congratulations to Julie Cocco and Lorenzo Modesto who were our Presidents Trophy winners. This was an absolutely fantastic day with some great matches and special thanks need to go to the organisers, Alf Cocco and Bill Ierace. Thanks to everyone who participated for making this such a wonderfully successful day.

### *MEMBERSHIP DETAILS*

Just trying to keep everyone up to date with membership changes - please note that Enid Duggan has changed from midweek to social, and Sandy and Les Csenderits have changed from full playing to midweek and social members respectively.

A number of members have decided not to continue their membership at the moment. These are Anne Bartlett, Peter Lubke, James Shaw and Linda and Chris Perini.

### **A REAL HONOUR**

Many members will be aware of the huge contribution Ken Ryan has made to the Lions Club over the years. This has recently been recognised and Ken has won a Lions Club International award, one of the highest you can be awarded. The award is called the "Melvin Jones Fellowship Foundation Award" for Dedicated Humanitarian Services and Ken is now enrolled as a Fellow of the Foundation named after the Lions Club Founder. For those of us who know Ken, we doubt there could be a more worthy recipient.

**We all congratulate Ken on this very deserved award!**

## **What to wear on the courts.**

**A reminder to everyone that our dress rules require clothing to be either white, predominantly white, pastel or our club uniform. Further, mens' shirts are required to have a collar.**

**Please also make sure your shoes are suitable for lawn courts**

A huge THANK YOU to Cheryl for all the work that she has put in over the last number of months trying to source new shirts for us and particularly for all the time she has spent liaising with the various vendors. All the hard work has paid off and at last some of the new shirts have arrived and they are really smart. If you have not already collected your shirt from Cheryl and you are interested in buying one could you please contact her directly on 9816 4739 or alternatively have a chat to her at the club.

### ***WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE EXTRA TIME ON THE COURTS WITH YOUR CHILDREN ???***

At our last committee meeting it was decided to trial the following for the remainder of 2006 -

Member Parents may play on the courts with their child/children DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ONLY on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons after 2pm subject to court availability.

The cost is \$10.00 per child per visit and as with any visitor to the club you will be required to complete the details in the visitor's book and leave the appropriate money in the envelopes provided with your child / childrens name on it.

If the court is required by another member, you will be able to finish a half hour set and rotate the use of the court in half hour blocks as we do on Sundays.

The Parent Member is only allowed to play with their child and they are responsible for supervising their child / children at all times.

We hope that you will be able to take advantage of this and if you have any further questions please speak to someone on committee.

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A special 'quick' get well to Frank Palmer who was in the wars a week or so ago and accordingly won't be on the courts for a little while. Wishing you a speedy recovery Frank.

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A special thank you to Ray Melograna and his wife for the very handy repair work that they did for us on court 4's net. If they are not careful, there may be a bit more work heading their way.
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## WE HAVE A NEW COACH

Anthony Aliperti is our new resident coach and on behalf of everyone I'd really like to welcome him on board. Please contact Anthony directly to organise lessons at the club either for yourself or your immediate family. We really encourage everyone to take advantage of this great opportunity to improve their game.

Anthony's contact details are – 0401 409 017 or 9555 4646. There are also some business cards available in the clubhouse.

### Lesson costs

\$45 per hour for members or \$55 per hour for immediate family members.

\$25 per half hour for members or \$30 per half hour for immediate family members.

## ENJOY

# HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

## MAY 2006 NEWSLETTER

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### **Veterans Day Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June - our next social event**

This is a MIXED DOUBLES tournament and you keep the same partner for the day.

The beauty of this day is that you are free to dress up in period dress AND play tennis. The men for example may wear a long sleeved white shirt with that accompanying pair of old cricket pants that you have stored away in the wardrobe. The ladies for example can wear a few more frills and laces on a long skirt or three quarter length dress! It's worthwhile if you make the effort to dress up and take part in this day. It certainly stops a few cars on Woolwich Road and it makes you appreciate how restrictive some of the older style clothes were.

1. If you have already put your name on the notice board to play in this event (have dinner) could you please double check if your name is still there. We seem to have had a few gremlins that cleared some prior details.
2. If you are unavailable on the 4th June could you please also note this in the appropriate column on the notice board. We need to make sure we have equal numbers of men and ladies so it saves a last minute phone call if we already know you are not available.
3. We will organise dinner at the clubhouse depending on how many people are interested. Again if you'd like to stay for dinner please add your name to the notice board.

**IF you have any questions in regard to the above please speak to Sebastian or Alf (or anyone else who is on committee) – make the effort – it's worth it.**

**A BIG WELCOME BACK** to Susannah Erwin who has recently rejoined the club after a few years outback (literally). It is fabulous to have you back Susannah and we all look forward to many many more games together.

**NETS** – a big thankyou to all those who so kindly put up and take down the nets at the beginning and end of each day. Just a little reminder for you to make sure that each net is actually being put up on the correct court and that it is returned to its correct hanger in the shed.

PS: don't feel shy about helping out here. All members are welcome to help put up and take down the nets. The old adage of many hands makes light work is definitely apt.

In an earlier newsletter we thanked Mario for organising a service on the clubs oxygen cylinder. Cross fingers that we never ever have to use it, but just in case, it is now hanging on the wall in the men's change room, behind the door. This way it should be out of harms way and easily accessible if ever required.

**Anthony Aliperti, our new COACH** has started and has been doing a great job so please do not hesitate to contact him directly if you need some coaching. Anthony's coaching times at the club are as follows –

Tuesday from 2:30pm  
Thursday from 2:30pm  
Saturday from 11am  
Sunday from 11am - 1pm

Anthony is also coaching at different locations at different times so if none of the above suit you, it would still be worthwhile having a chat with him. His contact number is **0401 409 017**. Some of Anthony's business cards are in the clubhouse also.

**Badge Update** – well, this is a great story and a not so great story. Firstly, on an incredibly positive note our Thursday Ladies No. 1 team has only just last week suffered their first loss. This is unbelievable as historically our teams get off to a slow start and pick up in the later stages of the competition. We all hope they can go on to a resounding victory in this competition. Our No. 2 team has definitely picked up from a slow start and are currently in 4<sup>th</sup> position. Again a fabulous result to date. Unfortunately for our Thursday Ladies No. 3 team and our Ladies Saturday team are each running in last position. Both these teams are new to the competition this year and are definitely finding the going tougher than expected. However, at least they are in there giving it a shot and will surely take their revenge next year!!!

Our Men's 2-5 team is currently in first place and certainly look as though they have a great chance of winning this competition. Onwards and upwards. Our 2-6 team is currently in 6<sup>th</sup> position (by half a point). With a couple of good wins they still have a chance of making the semis so start crossing all fingers and toes.

Once again a special thankyou to the Badge Captains for coordinating the players each week. Sometimes this is an incredibly tough job so thanks for your perseverance.

A LITTLE BIT MORE .....fencing

We now have a lovely new fence between the kitchen and the tram shed. This has immensely improved the look of this area, as the previous fence was missing about half its palings and those that were still there weren't all attached. We plan to have this painted in a couple of weeks once the timber has had time to settle and that will be the completion of the replacement of all our paling fences – a great job well done. Yvonne is already planning the new plants for this area which will be the final touch to the grand improvement of this area. Once again a huge thankyou to Yvonne for all the work she does in the garden at the Club.





# HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB

## JUNE 2006 NEWSLETTER

Well, most of us had thought we had finished the club renovation but there was one thing we hadn't planned on. The hot water system in the kitchen that decided to spring a leak a few weeks ago. So, we would like to take this opportunity to especially thank **Denise Tracey** for not only spending hours and hours tracking down the best valued replacement for us but for then nominating **her husband Bill** to instal it. Bill had an able apprentice in toe, Bill Ierace who is becoming a real handyman. Thanks so much to all of you for giving your time to help the Club.

IT WAS A FABULOUS VETERANS DAY held on the 4<sup>th</sup> June and thanks not only to the organisers but also to all those who really set the theme for the day by dressing up. Everyone who made the effort to dress appropriately looked absolutely fantastic with special commendation going to Tibor Dipold and Lorenzo Modesto! We certainly had the attention of those going past on Woolwich Road. Really, everyone in his or her long pants and long skirts just looked brilliant. After a great day of tennis we then enjoyed a sumptuous meal at the HHH. And congratulations to the days winners – Judy Smith and Ray Melograna.

### *UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE DIARY*

Club Championships	Details will be circulated shortly.
Monica Sheehan Trophy	<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b> Midweek Ladies Round Robin
Shelley's Doubles (ladies & men's social doubles event)	<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b> - more details to follow closer to the date but please pencil in your diary.
Eve Jenkins Trophy	Ladies Midweek – details to follow shortly

### Need a few pointers that will win that important last point?

**Then how about giving our new coach Anthony Aliperti a call to organise lessons at the club either for yourself or your immediate family.**

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There are also some business cards available in the clubhouse.

#### Lesson costs

**\$45/hour for members or \$55/hour for immediate family members.  
\$25/half hour for members or \$30/half hour for immediate family members.**

This is really great value for a lesson so everyone is encouraged to try and take advantage of this opportunity. As Anthony coaches at other venues he may also be able to fit you in there so give him a call when you have a chance.

## **SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA and SET PUT ON ROSTERS**

These rosters for the remainder of the year have recently been emailed out. Thank you to everyone who has already done his or her part and helped out each weekend.

If there is anyone out there who would not mind sharing set put on or afternoon tea one more time on another Sunday could you please let Judy know as we have a few blanks to fill in to get us through the rest of the year.

### **What to wear on the courts.**

**A reminder to everyone that our dress rules require clothing to be either white, predominantly white, pastel or our club uniform.**

**Further, mens' shirts are required to have a collar.**

**If you are inviting visitors or potential members down to play please also make them aware of these dress requirements.**

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**Please see Cheryl if you would like to purchase one of our new shirts.**

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**SATURDAY BADGE - MEN's 2-5 TEAM CONGRATULATIONS,  
CONGRATULATIONS and many more CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to our Men's 2-5 team captained by Sebastian which has come in as minor premiers. At the time of writing we're not 100% sure where the semi final will be played but we should know very soon. So, it would be great if you could put in an appearance to support the team. They are definitely looking like the ultimate winners of this grade so lets give them all the support that we can.

Unfortunately our men's 2-6 team and our ladies 1-3 team haven't fared so well and will have to wait until next year to take on the challenge again. *A special thankyou to John Pearce and Diana Banjanin who captained these teams and*

*both put in a huge effort coordinating players each week. Thanks very much for all the work – you both did a brilliant job.*

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# HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB JULY 2006 NEWSLETTER

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE DIARY

Club Championships	<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b> is the starting date
Monica Sheehan Trophy	<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b> Midweek Ladies Round Robin
Spring Badge	<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August</b> details below
Shelley's Doubles (ladies & men's social doubles event)	<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b> more details to follow closer to the date but please pencil in your diary.
Eve Jenkins Trophy	Ladies Midweek details to follow shortly

### SATURDAY SPRING BADGE

MGCCA who organise the Badge competitions will be running a Saturday spring badge tournament.

**WHEN** Commencing 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST  
Rounds conclude 4<sup>th</sup> November, followed by semi's and final (as our courts will potentially be closed around this time we will have to work something out at the time).

**ENTRIES** to be returned by **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**. Separate form attached.

### STRUCTURE

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TEAMS OF 4 PLAYERS  
6 TEAMS PER GRADE, PLAY 2 ROUNDS (10 MATCHES)  
4 PLAYERS PER TEAM, EACH PAIR PLAYS 2 TIE-BREAK SETS  
AGAINST BOTH PAIRS FROM THE OPPOSING TEAM.

MATCHES PLAYED ON DUAL COURTS SIMULTANEOUSLY FROM 1PM TO 4PM  
Cost to be confirmed – it should not be significantly different to the Autumn badge cost.  
If you have nominated to play in the Club Championships please make sure that you are going to be available to meet those commitments.

Saturday Autumn Badge – as I think most of you know our Men's HH1 team reached the final of their competition. However they had a hard fought match at Longueville which they unfortunately lost. Thankfully, as they came in as minor premiers they have a right of challenge. This rematch will be played at Hunters Hill. So if you can get along to watch the match and give them some support it would be very much appreciated.

### **TENNIS COACHING at the courts with Anthony Aliperti.**

Please contact Anthony directly to organise coaching – it is well worth it.

His contact number is **0401 409 017**.

Some of Anthony's business cards are in the clubhouse so please help yourself.

**Membership** – a big welcome to **Annette Wilson** who is transferring from midweek across to full playing. Those full time jobs really aren't conducive to Tuesday and Thursday play so it is great that Annette's making the change and that finally she will be able to get back on the court after quite an absence.

We would also very much like to welcome **Tuara Price** to the club as a new full playing member. A number of you will have already meet and had some great games with Tuara. Hopefully now we will see a lot more of her at the club and have many more enjoyable sets.

Club Championships – we have had a really fabulous response to the Club Championships, particularly in the men's open singles and the mixed doubles. There are definitely going to be some long hard fought matches so good luck to everyone. The draws should be circulated in the next week and we look forward to everyone's co-operation in ensuring the smooth running of all the events. (Some of the draws are already up on the noticeboard at the club).

#### LOST and BROKEN PROPERTY

We have a number of items that have been left at the club and are yet to be claimed. These include a men's shirt with a Vancouver 2010 Olympic logo, hand towels, a white tennis skirt with blue trim and a mans knitted cream jumper. They will be donated to charity very shortly if not claimed.

Also we have previously mentioned that if you accidentally break something or find something that is broken, could you please advise someone on the committee so that it can be repaired as soon as possible.

#### **MEMORABILIA**

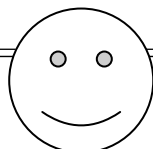
Hugh Goddard, a past member of the club has recently given us some photos of club members dating to approximately 1910. We are currently in the process of having copies made and are sure that in the not too distant future we will have these hanging on the wall in the clubhouse. This really was déjà vu our Veterans Day. If anyone else knows of anyone who may have other such similar photo's or any other memorabilia relating to the club, can they please talk to Judy – it would be a great shame to loose this history.

(As a bit of background, Hugh's mother was a Barker (as in the Barker Lloyd Trophy) and the photo's include Mr Jeanneret, as in Jeanneret Street which borders the current grounds).

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Last but not least, a big thankyou to Julie and Alf for helping to sort out and restock our first aid kit.



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## AUGUST 2006

A lot has been going on and there are still a few more items that you will need to add to your diary.

Presentation Night	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b> at the Bib & Tucker at Drummoyne. More details to follow but please put this in your diary. It is always a great night and the more the merrier.
Eve Jenkins Trophy	Mid week ladies - date to be advised
Shelleys Doubles (Ladies and Mens social doubles)	<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b> this is fast approaching so please add your name to the board inside the clubhouse if you are going to be playing on the day.
Club Championships	On going

### GREAT BADGE NEWS

Firstly, congratulations to our Saturday No.1 Men's Badge team which won the Grand Final!. Thankfully the team came in as minor premiers as they played Longueville in the final at Longueville and lost, but as minor premiers had a right of challenge at home. So, in the grand final they snuck over the line. Four sets all but the team had 2 extra games. It was a really exciting match and thanks to Sebastian who captained them during the year.

*On the Thursday Ladies front, they are just about to finish their competition and the fabulous news here is that the Ladies No. 1 team are into the final against Roseville which is being played at home this Thursday. All supporters welcome. Roseville came in as minor premiers so our team has to win this and then front up again the following week at Roseville.*

There are always winners and losers and unfortunately our Ladies No. 2 team captained by Pat Goldsmith missed out on the semi finals by 2 points. So near and yet so far! This was a really fabulous effort as we fought hard to get this team into this grade and this result certainly justified them being there. Thanks very much to Pat who captained the team for the first time.

As some of you may remember our No. 3 team was comprised of all first time badge players and there is no doubt that they initially found the going pretty tough. However as the year progressed they certainly improved but not enough to reach the semi's. Hopefully however they will be back next year and continue to show the improvement they have made this year. Thank you very very much to Ruth Dickson who captained this team. Not easy the first time round but very much appreciated.

### **All these wonderful competitions!!**

Congratulations to the midweek lady winners of The Monica Sheehan Trophy

**Carole Scarselletti and Deborah Kingston.**

## Spring Badge

We have one team, which will be playing in the Spring Badge competition – our illustrious winners from Saturday. This time Lorenzo is taking on the captaining role so good luck you guys.

### NORTH v SOUTH SELECTIONS

At the conclusion of the Saturday Autumn badge competition there is a really interesting event whereby the clubs which compete are roughly divided into those north and south of the harbour. The MGCCA committee then selects the best players in the various grades for North and South to play against one another. The selection is based on the percentage of sets that have been played and won over the year by each individual.

This year Mike O'Connor and Chris Jones were selected as players with Sebastian Ares, Lorenzo Modesto and Ed Dutton as reserves to play in this tournament representing grades 2-5 and 2-6. This is quite some feat so congratulations to each of you for doing well enough to be selected. Mike and Chris played in the tournament at Royal Sydney on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> with the other North selections. Another successful day with the North side taking a great victory

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

It seems that every year when we schedule these events it starts to rain! Quite uncanny really. So, the really important thing now is for everyone who is competing in these events to **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE organise your matches.** We have requested that everyone try and play their doubles matches first but if this isn't possible then please play your singles matches. We really don't want these events to go on forever and ever so please try and be flexible and play as many matches as soon as you can. Thank you very much for your help. Remember, names and phone numbers of members can be obtained from the master sheet pinned on the noticeboard inside the clubhouse.

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#### A REMINDER

With all the rain that we had (that stopped the start of the club championships) we had a couple of weekends when the courts were not playable. If it has been raining where you live or you think it may have been raining at HH, then please phone the clubhouse on 9816 2504 to check the recorded message as to whether or not the courts are playable. We endeavour to have the message on the answering machine by 11am at the latest on the weekends.

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#### *Our resident gardener*

*Our thanks again to Yvonne Mack who having purchased new plants for the area outside the kitchen a few weeks back has now planted them all following the painting of the fence. Yvonne and Bill have now also finished covering this area with mulch which has been a huge improvement to the area. Once the plants take over, this is really going to look beautiful. Thanks for all the hard work.*

# HHTC NEWLSETTER SEPTEMBER 2006

## ANOTHER WIN

Congratulations to our Thursday No. 1 Ladies team who this Thursday (14<sup>th</sup> September) won their GRAND FINAL against Roseville at Roseville. An absolutely brilliant team effort from everyone. Six sets to two –

A special thankyou to Julie Cocco their captain for all the work she has done this year. Hopefully this made all those organising phone calls worthwhile!

## DIARY DATES

Shelleys Doubles	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> September – THIS SUNDAY - please let Alf or Sebastian know if you're playing if you haven't already written your name on the board. Ladies doubles and men's doubles social event.
Eve Jenkins Trophy	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September – please speak to Nancy for details.
Melbourne Cup	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November – tennis as usual with lunch at 12.00 (If tennis play is washed out the lunch will still go ahead. Contact Nancy for details).
Presentation Night	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November at the Bib & Tucker. Separate flyer attached/enclosed.

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – Court 1 usage on SUNDAYS

Well, the weather has not really been favouring us here. Can everyone please make a huge effort to organise all their matches as soon as possible or we will end up running out of time and that won't be good.

In an effort to help get all our matches played as quickly as possible Committee has decided that **from Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September Court No. 1 will be put aside for club championship DOUBLES Matches.** There will be a form on the notice board for you to list your match and reserve the time slot for Court No. 1. Obviously if you can play your match mid week on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons, on Saturday, or Sunday mornings this is preferable so please try those options first.





## **GROUNDNS**

A special thankyou to John Lange and his able assistant Tuara for helping out while John Williamson has been away. You've both done a fantastic job. Thanks so much.

Tennis New South Wales Registrations.

If you have not received your registration package from Tennis New South Wales could you please let Barb Ashley know so that we can follow it up.

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## **LOST (and would like to be found)**

Someone accidentally took Judy's tracksuit top on the Sunday before Fathers Day, leaving their own at the club. Could you please double check that you have your tracksuit top and not that belonging to Judy. Thanks.

**Last day of play in 2006:  
Sunday November 12, 2006**

**Commencement of Court Maintenance  
Monday November 13, 2006**

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## **TENNIS COACHING**

**Anthony Aliperti, our Coach** - please do not hesitate to contact Anthony directly if you need some coaching. Coaching times at the club are as follows –

Tuesday from 2:30pm  
Thursday from 2:30pm  
Saturday from 11am  
Sunday from 11am - 1pm

Anthony is also coaching at different locations at different times so if none of the above suit you, it would still be worthwhile having a chat with him. His contact number is **0401 409 017**.



## HUNTERS HILL TENNIS CLUB OCTOBER 2006 NEWSLETTER

### PRESENTATION NIGHT – MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2006 BIB and TUCKER Restaurant 7PM.

Everyone should have already received their invitation to the above and now all we are waiting on is your acceptance and payment. **It would really be greatly appreciated if you could send in your payment as soon as possible.** It makes the organisers lives a lot easier if they don't have to chase you down. We really hope that you can make this event which we know will be a really loving evening

### MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

Once again Nancy and helpers are organising a wonderful seafood lunch for \$35.00 per head and BYO. Please add your name to the notice board at the tennis club if you are planning on attending. As mentioned in the last newsletter if this day should be washed out, the lunch will still go ahead.

*RAFFLE TICKETS* – if you were not going to be able to make either of the above events then maybe you would like to support the club by buying a raffle ticket. Please see Nancy or Bill for your advance purchase.

What is new, shiny and a very sleek black?

OUR NEW NET POSTS of course. Especially made to order for the club and guaranteed to outlast all of us.

As some of you will have been aware we have been having problems over the last few years with the net posts leaning in towards each other and more recently parts falling off. Hopefully we will not have any of these problems with our new purchases. Gunnar has been busy making new sleeves that the posts slip into to ensure they remain upright.

So, please, please, please, DO NOT –

- use the posts to do your stretching exercises on or
- tighten the nets so tightly as to pull the posts towards one another.

Before the season ends, on behalf of all the members we'd like to take this opportunity to give a **special thank you** to John Williamson for the really fantastic job that he does each week cutting and marking the courts. You do a wonderful job John and it is very much appreciated.

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**SPRING BADGE**

our one and only men's team captained by Lorenzo is blitzing the opposition and we are all hoping they are on the way to another win. Keep the great work up.

**EVE JENKINS and SHELLEYS DOUBLES**

*Congratulations to Sandy Csenderits and Carole Scarcelletti on their win in the Eve Jenkins tournament and to Julie Cocco and Toni Alexander and Alf Cocco and David Hall for their win in the Shelleys Doubles. Two great days enjoyed by all those who participated.*

It might be getting close to the end of our season but it is never too late for a lesson. Although we seem to have been keeping Anthony pretty busy if you would like a few pointers please give him a call.

Anthony Aliperti.

Contact details are – 0401 409 017 or 9555 4646.  
There are also some business cards available in the clubhouse.

Lesson costs  
\$45/hour for members or \$55/hour for immediate family members.  
\$25/half hour for members or \$30/half hour for immediate family members.

DON'T FORGET – **the last day for play** for the 2006 season is SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER. SO, after that we will see you at Presentation Night on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

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# NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2006 NEWSLETTER

### PRESENTATION NIGHT

A HUGE thankyou to all those responsible for organising Presentation Night last week – coordinating with the restaurant, setting up the room, organising prizes and raffles, champagne at the door - what more could one ask for!!! It was a really enjoyable evening with great company and a very fitting way to end our year. Thank you to all those who attended and made this such a great evening.



Winners are grinners!!!!!!



Some of the crowd.

### ANNUAL COURT MAINTENANCE

For those who have been past the courts in the last week you will have noticed that the annual maintenance has started. Coring, scarifying, planting and the ever reliable hessian covers. Touch wood – so far so good. We were able to start after the cold snap and gale force winds and now we just need heat, humidity and water.

## NOVEMBER DECEMBER 2006 NEWSLETTER (cont.)

### MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

Another very successful tennis day with a sumptuous lunch was organised for Melbourne Cup Day. Thanks of course to Nancy and all her workers .....

### ANOTHER HIGH NOTE

Congratulations to our only Saturday spring badge team, ably captained by Lorenzo. This team had a multitude of players fill in over the course of the competition and they came out resounding winners, undefeated all the way through. As our courts had closed prior to the conclusion of the competition, the final was played against Longueville at Longueville. So, even without the home court advantage the team were victorious. Thanks to all those who played over the course of the competition with Lorenzo, Mike, Stephen and Alf playing the final match.

### 2007 BADGE FORMS

*In order to finalise our teams for next year without a mad rush, we will be sending out badge forms for 2007 very shortly. If you would like to play badge next year please make sure that we have the returned badge form by the date specified.*

Annual General Meeting - the notice for our AGM will be sent out in the next couple of days so please note the 18<sup>th</sup> December in your diaries.

GET WELL - hi Kay, wishing you a speedy recovery and hopefully we will see you back on the court in the New Year.

CONGRATULATIONS to Roshan who has just announced his engagement to Geeta with their marriage planned for 2007. Wishing you all the best for the future and hoping that you will still have time for some tennis.



Well, it is a bit sad that our tennis season has come to another end but it has been a great year, thanks to all the members.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and looking forward to seeing everyone back on the court in 2007.