

HAGLEY PARK TENNIS CLUB

December 2010

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Recently we have enjoyed some wonderful spring/tennis weather. Row 1 is playing extremely well. It is thus a pity that not more members join with us on Saturday afternoons for organized play and afternoon tea. The club is more than just tennis. The social aspect of the club is to be treasured so we may all enjoy the great facilities we have. Your committee would dearly like to see more than the twenty or so people who come on Saturday afternoons. Do come and join with us.

Each Saturday we receive one or more visitors to the club. It is pleasing to see the way members welcome these people and encourage to join. Please continue to do this as it does create a good impression of our club.

The continuing earthquakes have caused some damage at the club. The two hard courts have cracks in them which will need attention. There is no insurance for this so we are looking at other possible solutions. There is insurance for two cracks that have appeared in the volley board. These are not serious but a claim has been lodged.

We have a weed problem on rows three to five. These have been sprayed twice in recent weeks which explain in part why those rows have looked brownish. The weeds may be an ongoing problem. David, our Grounds Manager, is seeking a solution so let's hope he can get on top of it.

In 2008 the club received a silver accreditation for the management of the club. This lasts for two years. We are currently going through the process of being audited for renewal of the accreditation. This has involved our efficient secretary, Rosie, and our treasurer Dave in a great deal of extra work. As President I am very grateful for their efforts on our behalf.

We are always pleased to hear from members whether you have a grizzle, a commendation or a question. Do approach any committee member who will be pleased to listen to you.

Christmas is coming so I wish all members the very best for the festive season and look forward to more great tennis in the New Year.

Alex Sutherland, President

Junior tennis - Janine Tyler

Interclub

The season has started with 13 Junior (3 girls and 10 boys) Interclub teams entered in the competition which commenced 15th/16th/17th October. The last round before Xmas will be on the weekend 10th/11th/12th December and the first round in the New Year will be the weekend 4th/5th/6th February.

Saturday Beginner Coaching

Sessions are being held at 9am and 10am. These sessions will finish on December 11 and resume again on February 5th.

Uniforms

There are still blue club shirts available for \$20.00 from Mark Belcher. Please note that these are being subsidised by the club and we would like everyone wearing them in the New Year.

Holiday Coaching

Mark will be running clinics Dec 13-16 and Jan 24-27, 9.30am-12pm at a cost of \$7-00 per clinic. Please contact Mark at mgbtennis@xtra.co.nz ph: 335 0260 cell 027 465 9549.



Top Dog

Parents and players should ensure they let me know their views on whether Top Dog should be adopted for all 61 grades of junior interclub.

From the Coach - Mark Belcher



Holiday Tennis Program

As mentioned above I will be running a Xmas Holiday Tennis Program- December 13-16, 9:30am-12:00pm.

I will be also running a program January 24-27. This is a great way to get ready for the 2nd half of the season. Please get your enrolment to me on 0274 986 363 or 3486108. The cost is \$70.

Important Dates to Remember

The last tennis of the year on Wednesday evenings is December 22nd. Wednesday night tennis will commence again in 2011 on January 12.

Easi-tennis and adult coaching finishes on December 23rd, and recommences on Thursday January 13.

ANNUAL VETERANS' OPEN TOURNAMENT

Keep the last weekend in January free. The Annual Veterans' Open Tournament is to be held on [29/30 January 2011](#) at our Club's grass courts. Visitors say they are the best club grass courts anywhere.

- We would like to see more Club players enter for an enjoyable weekend.
- Entry forms can be obtained from the Clubrooms or the website www.hagleyparktennis.co.nz.
- Refreshments will be available throughout the weekend from the clubhouse and a BBQ will be held at the end of play each day.
- Everyone entered receives a gift, and a chance to win some great prizes in the lucrative raffle or from one of our lucky dip draws. Prizes this year include:
 - \$50 vouchers for drinks and dining at the Casino
 - One night accommodation and cooked breakfast for two at The Chateau on The Park
 - A return trip for two on the Tranz Coastal
 - A painting by Philip Trusttun
 - Plus many more.
- It's a great opportunity to mix with other local and overseas tennis players during a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Merv Cronin, Tournament Convenor

Christchurch City Council

We are very grateful to the Christchurch City Council, who, continue to provide terrific support to our club.

New Members

We welcome the following new (and recent!) members to our club and hope that you make the most of our club and facilities.

Ellie Withers, The Smith Family - Peter, Gillian, Lucy & Alistair, Ella McDonald, Lilly Marris, Rhys & Finn Marchant-Ludlow, Guy Glasson, Petra Curd-McCullough, Zara & Zoe Coberger-Taite, Joshua Barrett, Gabrielle Brackenridge, Dave Burrige, Joshua Barrett.

We have good social playing opportunities during the week and each Thursday night our resident coach, Mark Belcher runs group adult beginner and intermediate coaching training so do make the most of what's on offer. And don't forget Liz's Tuesday morning social group - any standard - come and play from 9.30!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Be a part of the action at the ITF Seniors World Teams & Individual Championships in 2011.

Are you free mornings, afternoons, or all day?

The 2011 ITF Seniors World Teams and Individual Championships will take place, for the second time, in Christchurch, New Zealand. Our city will see over 700 people grace Wilding Park's tennis courts to compete in the biggest Seniors tennis tournament in the world!

Canterbury Tennis requires volunteers, from the 18th of February to the 7th of March, to help with a variety of tennis tasks during the competition.

If you are interested in becoming involved in this prestigious event please contact either

Richard Bell or Hamish Cain at Canterbury Tennis.

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Ph: (03) 351 9685 Ph: (03) 3896484 x 804

Senior Interclub - Bryce Thomson

Interclub is progressing well to date. Both Senior Men and Women's teams are placed second at present. Division One Men are on the rise.

The two Division Three men's teams are doing well with the team number one leading, and team number two in third place. Senior Mixed 4's are in third place and on track to make the semi-finals. Division Two women are 4th equal. There has been great reliability in teams so far- keep it up.

Women's
International
Tennis

ASB Classic January 3-8, 2011



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