

APRIL 2009



Congratulations to all those who represented the Club during the recent interclub season. We a winning team in the junior grades (see item below). In the senior grades we had some strong performances but unfortunately no grade winners. Our senior women's team again played well but missed out on winning the second round by only two points, in spite of beating the eventual winners in an earlier round.

A special mention should be made of Michael Saunders who, for the second year running, won the Canterbury Under 16 Junior title.

A big thank you to those members who turned up to help with the two working bees we ran last month. We were very fortunate to get the last of the work done on the second day just minutes before some very heavy rain.

The club champs matches have almost been completed. To date we have had Nigel Roy and Andrew Bishop as winners in the Men's Doubles, and Christine Yap and Paddy Holder taking out the final of the mixed doubles in a closely fought super tiebreak.

The days are getting shorter and we are very fortunate to have the use of lights during the evenings. This is a luxury that many clubs don't have. We will continue to have organised social play during the winter so it's a good time to iron out any kinks in your play prior to the start of the new season in September.

So come down and make use of that membership, and avoid the winter blues.

David Corlett
President

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Junior tennis

Inter Club Tennis

Hagley Park Tennis Club has had another great junior interclub season with 16 boys and girls team taking part.

Congratulations to the Boys 10 Div 1 Friday team for winning the division. Well done to Nathan Kennedy, Scott Harris, Alex Cohen and Moss Jackson (Qassi Gaba filling in for the finals). The Boys 12 Div 1 Saturday team also made it to the finals, but unfortunately lost in the finals. Nevertheless it was a good effort – well done to Hamish Leighton, Jonathan Chang, Paul Lee, Eric Lee and Brian Lee.

All the other teams did really well – most teams were placed in the middle of the table or higher. I have noticed an improvement in all players, especially those playing inter club for the first time. Thank you for putting in the commitment and great effort in your play.

I would also like to thank all the parents for their support, especially the team captain for giving up their time in coordinating the teams each week and supervising play. The season would not have flowed as smoothly without your support. Thanks.

I look forward to seeing all the players back next season, all tuned up for another great season.

Junior Club Champs

Please mark this date in your calendar – **Sunday May 3 2009. 9am to 2pm.**

We will be holding our annual Club Champs this year on Sunday 3 May. The matches will start at 9am and we hope to finish play by 1pm, followed by prize giving and a BBQ. There are amazing prizes to be won. So if you have not already done so, please put down your names for the junior club champs. There is a sheet in the club room. Alternatively, please contact me to register on 355 1475 or email me on rcjeffs@xtra.co.nz.

I look forward to seeing everyone on May 3.

Christine Yap
Junior Administrator

Volunteers Required for Hagley Park Veteran's Tournament 2010

John Robertson and David Fifield are stepping down after several years of running this successful and popular event. This means year we are keen to find a couple of volunteers to help organise the event. If you are interested please contact John or David who will let you know what's involved.

Resurfacing of Row 2 Courts

The club has been successful in obtaining \$20,000 for the resurfacing of our two hard courts and two of the all weather courts. We still need to secure some additional funding to make this happen, but all going to plan this work will occur early next season. Thank you to Rosie Lau, our hard working Club Secretary, for putting in a lot of work on the successful funding application.

Tennis coaching



Junior Interclub team coaching

This has recommenced for term 1.

Beginner Coaching

If you know anyone who would like to learn how to play tennis Easi-Tennis is a course for beginners which runs for 6 weeks with 1.5 hour sessions and costs \$69.

Don't forget that you can also join Mark's group lessons on Thursday night at 7pm. The cost is \$10 per person.

Social tennis

This continues on Wednesday evening at 6pm. We encourage players of all standards to join in.

If you have any questions about coaching you can contact Mark on either **3486108** or **0274986363**.

