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FEBRUARY UPDATE

GBTC Demographic

Any of our active members will be aware that we have an aging membership base. While we have been aware of it for some time it appears to be one of the factors impacting on our level of support for Committee roles, volunteer activities and playing numbers. The discussion paper provided in the email with this newsletter is aimed at providing some commentary on the current situation and some possible solutions. Please take some time to read it and provide us with some feedback if you are so inclined.

Interclub Social Tennis

This well organised program will be continuing in 2022 with a day at the Sunshine Tennis Club on Sunday February 27th, RSVP to Mike Geard on M: 0400 974 056 by February 23rd for catering purposes.

Junior Tennis & Coaching

Junior coaching commences for 2022 with a free 'Come and Try' Hotshots session for 5 to 12 year olds on Saturday 12th from 9:30 to 10:15, no need to book, just turn up. Lessons will get underway from Saturday 19th from 9:00 am or Monday 21st from 3:20 pm

Our Saturday morning junior social tennis sessions will commence on Saturday February 19th from 10:30 to 12:00 noon

We will be hosting the Junior Teams event on Saturday Feb 26th, courts will be closed for this event.

Club Championships

The 2022 Club Championships are to be held on the weekend of March 18 – 20. **Entries will close on Sunday March 06th.** Sign-up sheets are in the Clubhouse or just email us with your entry. Singles, doubles and mixed events for both Open and Club players and hopefully we can get a couple of junior events up and running.

The Club Championships are our big weekend of tennis, please take the opportunity to come along and participate in an event or two, make it as good a weekend as we can.

Remembering Peter Norton

As an opportunity for members to have a chance to remember Peter and his time at our Club we will be hosting a simple morning tea at Sunday Morning Social Tennis at 10:30 am on Sunday February 20th.

We will start tennis a bit early at 9:30 am and have a short break at 10:30

Peter was always a Sunday morning regular, hope you can join us.

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Midweek Ladies Pennant

The next pennant commences on February 16th, we have 11 players participating across the Division 1 non club pennant and Club based Div 02 and 03 pennants. While our numbers are a little down good to see a slight increase in overall numbers for this pennant.

Saturday Afternoon Pennant

Tennis Tasmania are hoping to re-establish the Saturday afternoon interclub pennant during Term 01 with a three person team format offering 1 set of singles and 2 sets of doubles on a home and away basis, probably running for 6 weeks. TT has sent an email to many members directly. **Entries close at our email address at 16:00 on Friday February 18th**. Cost is \$50.00 pp. Email us if you have any queries.

Book A Court / Court 6 Access

As per our recent email to members our Book A Court implementation has gone live on January 01st. At present the gate code for Court 6 has been changed. Given the frustration caused by the closing of the gate from Courts 1 & 2 to Court 6 this will be removed. Tennis Australia is supporting a free court hire program until Feb 28, should a Book A Court user turn up please make them welcome and ensure that a court is available for them.

Clarence Open

The Clarence Open will be held on the March long weekend hosted by the Rosny Tennis Club, entries close on March 02nd, enter on-line at tournamemnts.tennis.com.au. May be some overlap onto our courts on the Saturday depending on numbers.

Thank You Note From Jan Chadwick

I would like to pass on my thanks to Claire for the lovely way she presented the clubhouse for my family Christmas function. It was very much appreciated and a great time was had. It is people like Claire that keep our club existing in such a happy way. Thank you to Geilston Bay Tennis Club

COVID 19 – Mask Mandate

Most of you will be aware that the wearing of masks inside public buildings, such as ours, was mandated some time ago.

Please remember to use your masks inside and socialize outside if you would rather not wear a mask.

We need to respect the needs of all members and not act in a manner which may see some choose not to come to tennis.

Please continue to check - in, use the sanitizer and act in a Covid safe manner.

By law we need to use the Check in Tas app, you can expect to be reminded to Check In.

