

Glenorchy City Tennis Club Inc.



August 2021 Newsletter

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President's report

Your Committee has been busy in discussions with Tennis Tasmania to secure a **Club Coach-Operator**. We have a potential candidate in view, and are hopeful of further news before the year is out.

The next **AYC pennant** tennis is fast approaching, with matches beginning in mid-September. Potential players please talk to any committee person and/or put your name on the notice board. If you are aware of anyone who may be interested in joining a team this season, please encourage them to put their name up asap as the more players we get involved, the better tennis we can enjoy.

The annual **AYC championships** will also be played in early September, prior to the pennant beginning, so please consider taking part in this warm up event. More details to follow.

Friday end of month BBQ Tennis has recommenced, with the first round being held last Friday night July 29th. We had 3 courts full of keen participants, and a couple of spectators. The overall winner was Tom Brereton, with runner up Wendy Cannell. Thanks also to Tony Fitz and Julie for timekeeping, BBQ and club room assistance.

Cheers
Gary

Dates for your diaries

GCTC committee meeting – August 18th, 6.00pm

30+ Social Tennis – Sunday Aug 8th, Rosny TC

Club championships – Entries close Aug 30th, matches start on Sept. 5th

AYC Championships – 8/9th Sept. Entries close on 3rd Sept.

AYC pennant commences – 13th Sept.

Club Championships

In 2021 we welcome the return of the Club championships, which have not been held for a couple of years for various reasons.

Events to be offered will depend on the number of entries, but it is hoped to have mens' and womens' singles, doubles and mixed doubles handicap events.

Full details are included **on page 3 in this newsletter**, and will also be posted on our Club noticeboard.

Entries should be sent to Michael Stokes, Club Captain by 30th August.

30+ social tennis

The next 30+ social tennis day is to be held at Rosny Park Tennis Club on Sunday August 8th. Entry is open to any club member aged 30 and over. The format is mixed doubles, usually played in three rounds over the course of the day, with lunch provided.

It's a fun, social day out, and a chance to meet players from other clubs around Hobart. See the poster on our Facebook page, or contact the organisers for more details.

AYC championships

This is a doubles event played each year prior to the AYC pennant. You don't need to play in an AYC team to participate in this. Find a partner if you can, and put your entry in soon. Entry is free.

Events are held for Men's, Ladies and Mixed doubles. Men's and ladies events will be played on Wednesday the 8th September at different venues, with the mixed on Thursday 9th September. Entries close on September 3rd, and should go to ayctas@gmail.com.

2021-22 memberships

Thank you to all those of you who have recently renewed your memberships.

If you have joined the club recently (since March 2021), your membership will last for a full 12 months, and an automated reminder will be sent to you when it's due for renewal.

This year we may also consider if members want to have a pay by month direct debit option. Let us know if that would suit you.

Fees for this year were determined at the July AGM as below:

Adult: \$150
 Family: \$300
 Student: \$80
 Junior: \$40

Fees can be paid by bank transfer, our bank details below:

Glenorchy City Tennis Club
 BSB: 06 7101
 Account no: 2803 7343

Payment by cash or cheque can be made to any committee member in person, or posted to PO BOX 213 Glenorchy 7010.

Cardio tennis and coaching

Cardio programs have resumed again following the school holiday break. Sessions are available on Tuesday mornings from 10.00 to 11.00am, and Wednesdays from 5.30- 6.30pm.

Coach and Play sessions have commenced. This is an adult group coaching session that involves tips for the coaching focus of that session. Session 2 will focus on "Vengeful Volleys!"

Private coaching sessions are also available.

See our website to register for these programs.

<https://play.tennis.com.au/glenorchycitytennisclub/coaching>

Social Tennis

Regular social tennis sessions are still operating:

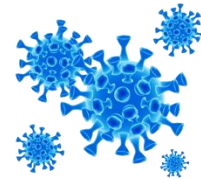
- Tuesdays: from 10.00 – 11.00am
- Wednesdays from 6.30pm (after cardio)
- Saturdays from 9.00am

Fees are charged for new balls and use of the lights.

For casual hitters outside of these times, remember to book your court online to avoid disappointment. Our courts are getting busier!

During the winter months (June, July, August) we are offering a discount of 30% off court hire, which includes lights when required. Members will still have free court hire during daylight hours.

COVID update



All visitors to the Club, please remember to scan the Check in Tas QR code when you arrive at the Club. And please use the hand sanitiser, we have plenty!

Despite the fact that Tassie has been lucky so far in avoiding the coronavirus, there are still limits on what we can do at the Club.

So even though we as a Committee would love to be able to hire out the Club rooms to private functions again, and to hold another Mega quiz night like the last one, we still have capacity limits on our indoor and outdoor space. Public health guidelines dictate that we can only have **25 people** in the main club room. That is one for every 2 sq metres. I would be happy if anyone wants to challenge my maths on this one!

Club Championships: details

1. Format - singles championship

The basic format will be to divide the field into pools of roughly equal strength and play a round robin within each pool in which each player plays every other player. The winners of each pool and in some cases, the players who came second would advance into semifinals and finals. If there was interest, those eliminated at the pool stage could be given the option of playing in a handicap singles event.

The size of the pools will depend upon the number of players; for example 8 players would lead to 2 pools of four while 15 players would lead to 3 pools of five.

Dates and time

The club singles championship will be held over 2 Saturdays in early September, Saturday 4 and Saturday 11, the round robin being on the first Saturday and the finals the following Saturday. Play will commence at 9am. If the number of entries and pool sizes warrant it, we will play some pool matches on Friday 3, starting at 7pm.

Match length

Pool matches will be first to 9 with a tie break at 8 all.

Semi finals and final

The exact format will depend upon the number of pools. For example, if we have only 2 pools, the top 2 players in each pool would go through, with the winner of Pool A playing second in Pool B and vice versa. The winners of those 2 matches will play in the final. If we have four pools, the top player in each pool will go through. If there are 3 pools, the fourth player will be the player who won the most games of those who came second in the pools.

Women's champion

If there are too few women entries to hold a separate women's event, the women will play in the round robin with the men. Where there is a clear difference between the first and second woman, for example one woman makes the semi-finals or wins more matches in the round robin than any other woman, that woman will be club women's champion.

If it is not clear cut, for example the first and second women win the same number of pool matches but one wins more games than the other, there will be a play off for club champion. The play off should be over 3 sets.

Women will be allowed to play in the finals of the club championship on the same basis as men if they win or come second in their pools. If a woman wins the event, she will become club champion and the men's champion will be the runner up in the final.

2. Doubles championship

The doubles championship will be a handicap event, open to men's, women's and mixed pairs. It will be a round robin, each pair playing every other pair. If there are enough competitors, it will be divided into pools, the winners of the pools playing off in the finals.

Length of matches

Matches will be first to 31 points, with each team being given a handicap determined by player AYC rankings or by the committee. The final will be best of 3 31 point sets.

Date

Saturday 18 September

Entries

To enter, please contact the Club Captain, Michael Stokes. Entries close Monday 30 August.

Text: 0438978747

Email: mdstokes1950@gmail.com

The draw

The draw will be posted on the club facebook page and emailed to participants.

Entry fees

\$5 per event, payable on the day.

Michael Stokes
Club Captain