

# Jerrabomberra



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## PRESIDENT UPDATE – John Talbot

I am the new President of the club and have been a Jerra resident since 1996. For those of you who don't know me I have been on the committee since the club's inception. Previously I have been President of the club for 10 years, took a break from the committee for two years and came back as the Vice president.

### Club priorities:

- Development of a Maintenance plan for the Council to ensure our facilities remain at a high standard.
- Development of a 5-year plan into the future to remain a viable and competitive club.

I have been very pleased with positive comments our members have made regarding the coaching service that **Craig Barnard** provides. As one of Craig's students I have enjoyed his lessons and his insights into tactically looking at your game and how to improve in both a doubles and singles environment. Another initiative of Craig's was the upscaling of the Noel Murray tournament into a proper ATR event. It's great to have Craig at the club. I would encourage members to come and watch the junior tournament next year, help with tasks associated with the tournament such as the BBQ.

**Four** times a year we will be running a Maintenance morning where we look at cleaning up and repairing small things at the club. These are coordinated by our facilities officer **Mark**. Keep an eye out for these mornings and come help, meet people and enjoy a coffee or sausage sandwich afterwards.

I would also encourage members to join our social tennis when they can, for those who can't commit to something on a regular basis, it's a good way of keeping fit and meeting people. For those who want something regular and are willing to travel round Canberra could I suggest you explore with one of our committee members competition tennis.

**Best wishes to all member for the festive season. Merry Christmas**



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# BOARD UPDATES

## Message from the outgoing club President - Peter Terwee

It is my great pleasure to announce that the JTC Club Person of the Year has been awarded to **Sharon Gilbert**. Sharon has been increasing her presence in the club over the past couple of years. Sharon is a regular Social Tennis player, has played in Tennis ACT competitions and competes in internal club competitions. Sharon has also been a regular volunteer at working bees and more recently she has led the planning and running of the BBQ for the highly successful Noel Murray Championship. And most recently Sharon has been elected to the JTC Board as our Media and Social Officer. I congratulate Sharon on her award and wish her all the best for the future.

Finally, I have stepped down from the role of JTC President due to my family's move to Tasmania. I'd like to take the opportunity to thank the other Board members for their contributions over the past 5 years, the previous coach David Horsfall and the new coach Craig Barnard for their support, and all members for their volunteer efforts and participation in our wonderful club.

## Thank you Peter, Angie and Kiara 😊

On behalf of JTC Board we wish Peter, Angie and Kiara a happy and safe move to Tasmania and thank them all for the incredible work they have done in contributing to the successful running of the JTC. A big thank you!

## Vice President - Gary Knox

I am the new Vice President of the Club. I look forward to working with members and being part of making the JTC club successful in 2024.

### Re access to our Tennis Club.

JTC is lucky to have one of the best clubhouses in the region. The clubhouse is owned by the **council** and while it would be great to grant access to all members, this would put the facilities at risk of vandalism if accidentally left open. However, all league team captains, junior supervisors, coaches and committee members are granted access allowing a generous number to access the facilities. Access is being updated to reflect recent changes in the committee and team captains. Note, the toilets are available to all members and book a court players between 7am and 8pm everyday.



*Sharon Gilbert*



# BOARD UPDATES

## Membership Officer – John Tucker

The change of membership types detailed in the May 2023 newsletter are live. This means that any new or renewed memberships will be available for a period (6 or 12 months) starting from the date of purchase. All active memberships were migrated to the 'Date of Purchase' packages for the start of the financial year 2023-2024.

In the future, members will receive email reminders that their membership is due for renewal. For families, this reminder will only be sent to the main contact person.

### The current classes of membership are:

- **Family:** Two adults and their dependent children living in same household.
- **Adult Single:** Membership for one person who is not eligible for another type of memberships
- **Junior:** For individual players under 16 years of age
- **Pensioner:** For individual members who are recipients of government pensions. This does not include Senior card holders.
- **Student:** An individual of over 16 years of age and undertaking full time study.

### Current prices are:

Type	12 Months	6 Months
Adult - Single	\$205	\$120
Family	\$310	\$175
Junior	\$105	\$70
Pensioner	\$105	\$70
Student	\$105	\$70

As always please ensure that your contact details (especially email) remain up to date. You can do this through the **play.tennis.com.au site**.

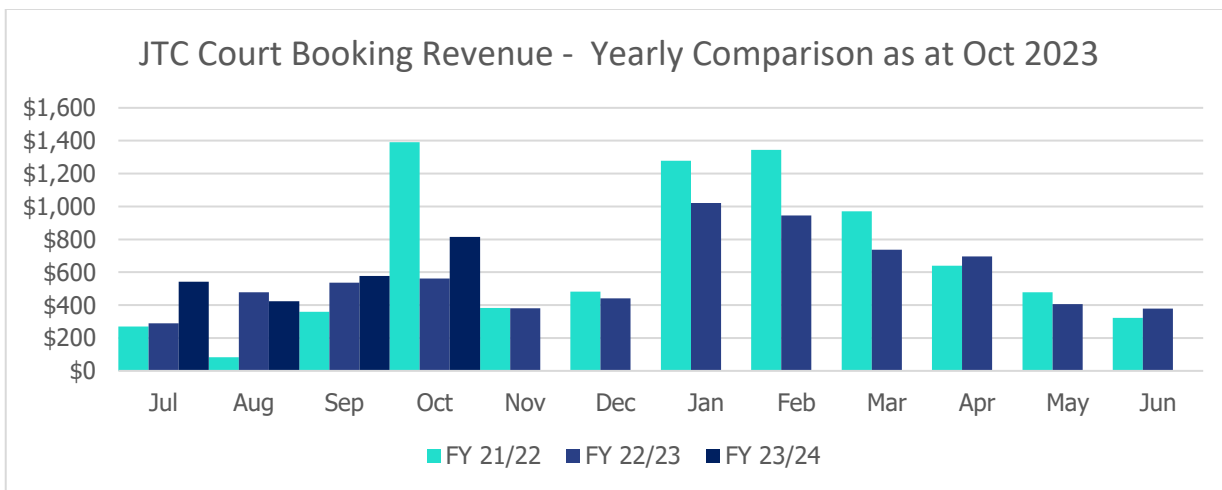
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## Treasurer update – Belinda Ross

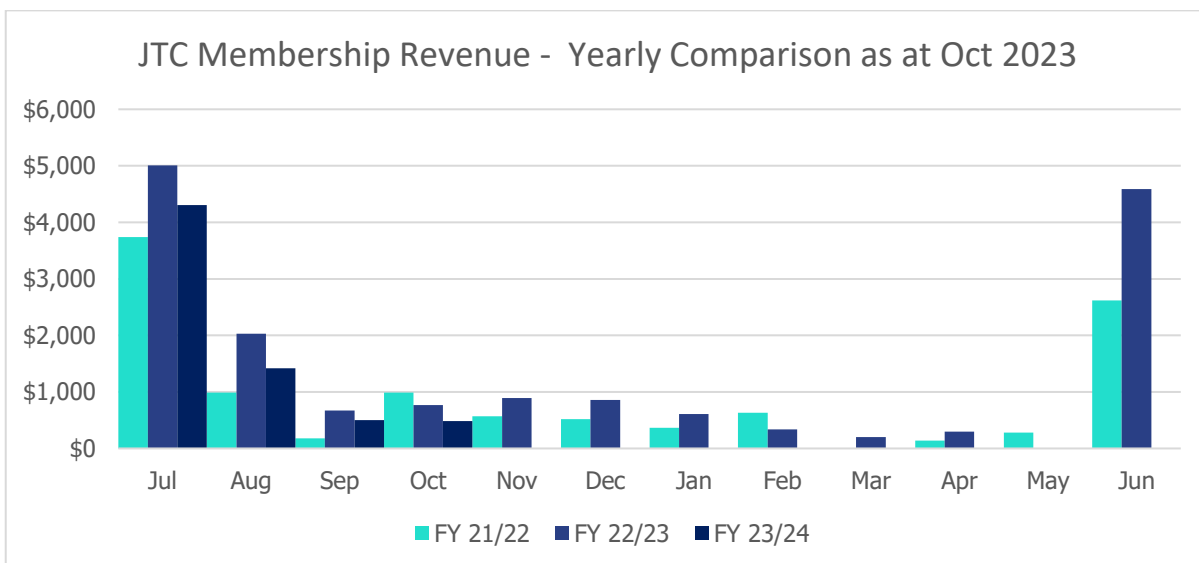
The Club is currently sitting in a good financial position with the current bank balance as at 15/12/2023 of \$87,545. The Club has committed costs of approximately \$10,666 (QPR Loan Payment due Dec 2023) leaving a Net balance of \$76,879.

The **Noel Murray Cup (Junior Tournament)** was held in October 2023 and the Club received \$2,709 in income (Entries & BBQ Sales) and expensed \$1,855 leaving a profit of \$854.

The Club continues to generate additional income from the Book a Court system. Refer graph below showing monthly comparison to last financial year to 31 October 2023.



The following graph is a monthly comparison as at 31 October 2023 for membership income received. This shows that we receive membership throughout the year at various times.



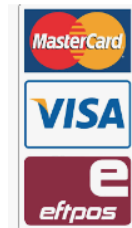
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We have received \$6,714 in memberships for the current financial year to 31 Oct 2023. (as per stripe reports)

Never too late to [Renew Now](#) or [Join Now](#)

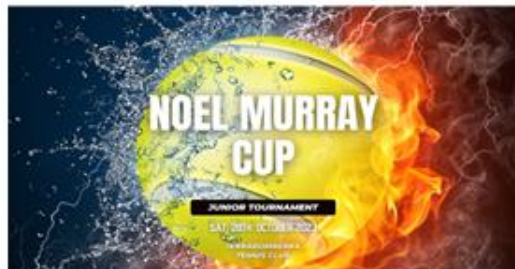


Club House has EFTPOS Facilities. So, if you happen to turn up to play tennis or require refreshments, and you have forgotten your cash, you can now use the EFTPOS machine that is in the hallway of the clubhouse. Instructions are also in the cupboard.



**E: [treasurer@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au](mailto:treasurer@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au)**

## Jerrabomberra Tennis Club



### Income

Entries Received	\$1,620.00
BBQ & Refreshment Sales	
EFTPOS on the day	\$729.20
BBQ & Refreshment Sales	
Cash on the day	\$359.35
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,708.55</b>

### Expenses

BBQ & Refreshment Supplies	\$524.05
Tournament Director Fees	\$660.00
Tournament Officials	\$320.00
Tennis Balls	\$135.50
Medals	\$215.62
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,855.17</b>
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$853.38</b>

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## Facilities update – Mark Lindbeck

Thank you to the volunteers for their time and effort this year to make this complex what it is for people to enjoy. Particularly **Colin** who always puts in a lot of effort at working bees – thank you.

### Recent works include:

- replacement of tennis nets
- moss removal from courts

I am looking forward to working with the great 2024 JTC committee and members. We had a great Xmas party by all members who were present.

Peter, Kiara, and Ang (previous Board members) have done a fantastic job and will be missed. Hope their greener pastures are a great success.

Looking forward to making Jerra club a great place for people to play and enjoy the awesome facilities with friends and family.

## Sponsorship Officer – Tony McCosker

The Jerrabomberra Tennis club could not prosper without the support from our Sponsors. Thank you to **Harvey Norman Flooring** (Tony McCosker), **Matrix Physio** (Dan Fasch), **Belle Property Real estate** (Dan McAlpine & Aaron Papahatzis) and our Newest Sponsor this year **Springview Finance** (Scott Toynton)

Your generous sponsorship has played a crucial role in the club's success, allowing us to maintain our facilities, organise events like the Noel Murry Tennis Tournament, and provide valuable resources to our members. Your commitment to our club has strengthened the local tennis community.

Once again, we extend our sincere appreciation for your partnership and look forward to your continued support. Thank you for being a significant part of our tennis club journey.

## Club Captain – Pauline Downes

I thought this might be a good chance to let you know what my goals are to improve in the club for our members.

I am looking forward to working with our Coach, **Craig Barnard**, to provide a place for people learning tennis to step into Social Tennis and those improving their games in his competitive play lessons to gain their confidence in joining a Pennant Team. I am also keen to get a new internal competition occurring during quieter periods from pennant for those who would like to play social tennis in a bit more competitive environment called 'Doubles Ladder'.

We are always trying to evolve to meet the needs of our many members. If you would like to provide feedback on something that is missing or needs amending let me know by sending an email to [clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au). Of course, we cannot always meet the needs of every individual as sometimes the needs of others might mean you miss out this time, but if we don't know that there is a demand by many members for something or having a specific issue, we can't even look into it. You can also talk directly with me – I am at the courts most days.

## 2024 Board Members

### **JTC Board members for 2024 are:**

Board members for are:

- President – John Talbot - [president@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:president@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Vice President – Gary Knox - [vicepresident@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:vicepresident@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Treasurer – Belinda Ross - [treasurer@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:treasurer@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Secretary – Vacant
- Junior Officer – Vacant
- Membership - John Tucker - [membership@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:membership@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Social/Media Officer - Sharon Gilbert - [news@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:news@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Club Captain – Pauline Downes - [clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Coach – Craig Barnard - [info@jerrateniscoaching.com.au](mailto:info@jerrateniscoaching.com.au)
- Facilities Officer – Mark Lindbeck - [facilities@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:facilities@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Sponsorship Officer – Tony McCosker - [sponsorship@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:sponsorship@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)
- Member Protection Officer - vacant

Please contact our President if you are interested in joining our JTC

Board: [president@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:president@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)

# Join us for Social Tennis

Jerrabomberra Tennis Club includes Social Tennis in your membership (its free to play). Thanks to our process of recycling the pennant balls for social tennis we only charge a small fee ***if we need to use lights*** at night. We currently offer social tennis 3 times a week to suit a variety of people's needs. They are:

- Wednesdays: from 8am to 10.30am
- Fridays: from 5pm to 8pm
- Sundays: from 8am to 11am



You can also hire the courts for free for use by members and an additional fee if nonmembers playing or using lights.

On Wednesday mornings we have all ages from 30 to 81, and she is running around giving us a hard time and that is ok because she's Pauline's lovely mum and we all have a great time laughing with each other. A mix of genders, shift workers, working from home and retirees.

Friday afternoons, also a huge mix and sometimes a little supper and refreshments afterwards.

Sundays is the biggest day and now starting a little earlier to try to beat the heat.

Social tennis has been slowly growing and we would like to take the opportunity to thanks the lovely **Chris Geue** and our social coordinator **Colin Evans** (our ideas man) who are an invaluable in helping with running our social tennis.

**Come and join us for a hit and to meet new people.**



# Tennis Coaching

## JTC Coach - Craig Barnard

Book a class:

<https://www.jerratenniscoaching.com.au/>

*Adult and Kids coaching available.*



Jerra Tennis Coaching has finished its first year at the club and would like to thank all the players who spent time with us on court. It was a year of many highlights, but nothing can ever beat working with players who constantly turn up looking to test themselves, learn and improve. For us, this is the most rewarding and consistently motivating part of what we do.

Playing tennis means more than learning technique - the benefits are profound. Tennis has a unique ability to improve coordination, strength, balance, aerobic fitness and mental strength. And, despite being one of the more challenging sports, it remains one of the most enjoyable.

In 2023, we reintroduced beginner adult classes, competitive player training and tested out a range of other ideas - all designed to support different player needs. In 2024, we will again look to introduce new options for our players. Some of the new services we will be adding in 2024 include **ball machine access, both during and outside of lessons, and video-supported learning and development tracking.**

In 2023, we delivered more than 1,200 hours of coaching for players between the ages of 3 and 73. We are certain that it is never too early or too late to learn tennis. In fact, studies have shown that regular tennis players have significantly longer life expectancy than regular participants in other sports, and almost 10 years longer than inactive people.

There has never been a better reason to play more tennis.

Get out there - learn, test, fail and get all the benefits that come with playing tennis.

See you all in 2024.

# EVENTS

## **Jerrabomberra Doubles Ladder Tournament Monday 18 Dec and Jan / Feb 2024**

We trialled our Jerra Doubles Ladder Tournament on Monday 18 Dec with great success.

- Group 1 results saw Andrew Warnes come in first with Abbey and Lindon taking 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and Jeremy in 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Group 2 was a much closer affair for first place with 3 people winning 2 sets. Nick O'Brien took out 1<sup>st</sup> place with Chris Geue and Gary close behind and Brett Gorman in 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Group 3 saw Pauline on top with Sharon and Pam in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Sylvia taking out 4<sup>th</sup> place but she won her first set in her first tournament; well done.

If you are keen to play, contact **Pauline** for details and to register. All feedback welcome. Starts Wednesday 3 January 2024 (this is TBC).

**Cost is \$5 per night/week E:** [clubcaptain@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au](mailto:clubcaptain@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au)

## **Spring Pennant**

### **They Didn't Give Up Even When the Odds Were Against Them**



## **Congratulations**

The Jerrabomberra Team captained by Gail Cram finished 2<sup>nd</sup> on the ladder in Div 3 Thursday Night Spring Comp. This meant a final was held at Melba's home courts who were Number 1. While playing the finals, it rained heavily to stop the game. Our women were down 1-4 and the men were down 2-3. The next day they continued their game winning the first set in the ladies in a tight tiebreaker 7-6 and the men won in another close match 6-4. A picture says 1000 words,

so you can see by the happy faces of Shane, Liz, John and Gail, they went to Melba again and conquered, winning 6-2. Congrats guys!

## JTC Noel Murray Junior Cup



On Saturday 18 October, 60 juniors from around the region took part in the 2023 JTC Noel Murray Memorial Junior Championships held at the Jerrabomberra Tennis Club. The annual event started in 2008 and this was the first year it was opened up to non-members. There was a great turnout of parents and club members and it proved to be a great opportunity to showcase our wonderful facilities. Thanks to **Craig** for running the event so smoothly.

Well done to winners in the Noel Murray junior championships.

- U10 Girls – 1st Eliza Devcic; 2nd Ksenia Arutynava
- U10 Boys – 1st Martin Belgun; 2nd Tommy Hayes
- U12 Girls – 1st Sanvi Shikhar; 2nd Lisette Wollin
- U12 Boys – 1st Zaydan Awan Rahman; 2nd Will Nelson
- U14 Boys – 1st Maxim Davies; 2nd Lin Dai
- U18 Unisex 1-2.5 UTR – 1st Vidhi Kaushik; 2nd Lucas Cusack
- U18 Unisex 2.5+ UTR – 1st Jackson Roberts (perpetual trophy winner) 2nd Gabrielle Yeung (perpetual trophy runner up)

This was **Jackson Robert's** 3rd Under 18s title in a row winning in 2021 and 2022 as well.

Here are some photos of the day.







# EVENTS

## End of Year Christmas Party – 2023

Thank you to all the members (over 20) that joined this year's Jerrabomberra Tennis Club's Christmas Party.

We had lots of fun, activities and yummy food and beverages.

Congratulations to those who won the activities.





## Summer League ACT Pennant

In January JTC will be participating in the Summer League which just a short comp of 7 weeks. We tend to need lots of reserves as people are enjoying the break. We have entered 4 teams on Mon/Tue unisex comp, Div1, 4, 5 and 8. Two teams on Thursday Mixed comp and one on Saturday unisex.

**If you are interested playing as a reserve let Pauline know.**

**Email: [clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au](mailto:clubcaptain@jerrabomberratenisclub.com.au)**

# TENNIS ETIQUETTE

Tennis Etiquette tips that will ensure members have an enjoyable time at the courts

## **WAIT YOUR TURN**

Don't barge your way onto court until your allotted booking time. Make sure you have a booking by checking the book-a-court website. When your turn comes, let the people before you to finish the game they are playing before taking over the court.

## **DECISIONS, DECISIONS**

To decide who will serve first, toss a coin or spin a racquet. The person who wins the toss may choose to serve, receive, pick which end of the court they would like or even make their opponent choose.

## **SERVE THE RIGHT WAY**

Before you serve, make sure your opponent is ready to receive. While the rules say you should take no more than 20 seconds between points, you don't want to win a point by serving at your opponent's back.

## **NO RETURN NECESSARY**

If your opponent serves a first-serve fault, don't hit a return back unless the call was so close that you had no option but to hit the ball.

## **WALK WITH CARE**

Don't walk behind another court during a point, across someone else's court while they're in the middle of a game or interrupt a point on another court to retrieve a ball.

**BE CAREFUL OF KARMA** Make line calls clearly and promptly and give your opponent the benefit of the doubt if you're unsure. Tennis karma is a powerful force and no one wants to give an opponent short shrift only to find themselves deep into a third-set tiebreak with the tennis gods frowning down on them!

## **IN OR OUT?**

While it's rude to question your opponent's line calls, if you really think you are being diddled ask once, firmly: "are you sure?" then move on.

## **SCORING MADE EASY**

If you are serving, call the score out loudly and clearly. It will help to minimise disagreements.

## **GOT TWO?**

Make sure the server always has two balls at their end of the court. When you are feeding balls up the court, hit or roll them gently within reach of the server, don't delay play by spraying them around.

## **A TIME AND A PLACE**

Be respectful of your opponent. While it's fine to celebrate your successes it's not polite to pump your fists, hiss "yes" or highfive spectators when your opponent makes an error.

## **DO THE RIGHT THING**

Apologise if you win a lucky point or if you accidentally hit your opponent with a ball.

## FOCUS ON YOUR MATCH

Keep your attention on the court – don't chat to spectators, interrupt a game to answer your mobile phone, file your nails at the change of ends or do anything else that might distract your opponent or delay play.

## LEAVE THE TANTRUMS TO THE LITTLE KIDS

Don't have a tantrum if things aren't going your way.

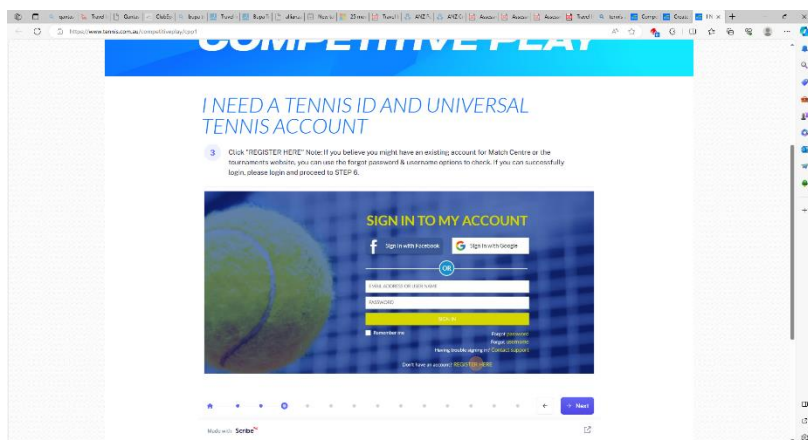
## CONGRATULATIONS

Touch rackets lightly and congratulate your opponent at the end of the match.

# New to Pennant or need a competitive player profile?

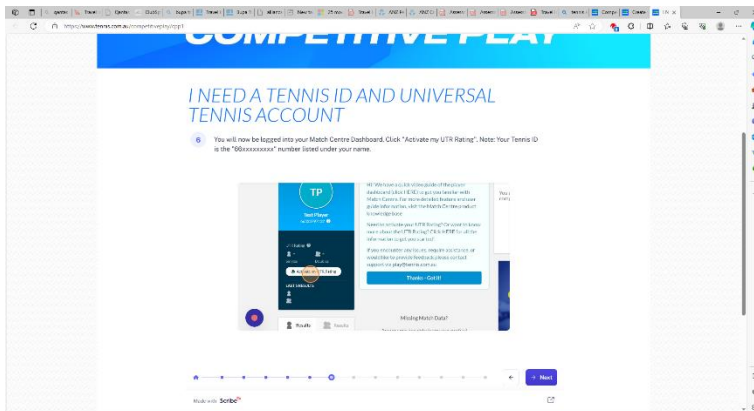
Tennis Australia has introduced a new UTR system and from this summer comp you must activate your competitive player profile before you can be added to a pennant team. See screen shots below to assist anyone who hasn't logged into match centre before to see if they are registered and ready to play pennant.

1. Log into <http://matchcentre.tennis.com.au>

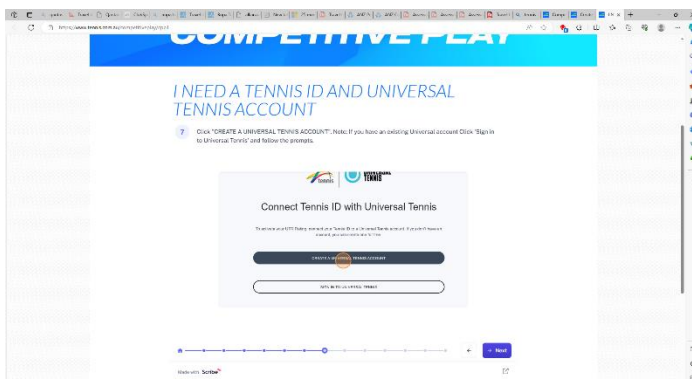




- If you have know your email you can log in or if you are not sure type it in to see if your email already exists. In that case you may need to get your password reset? Once in, check if there is the message below 'Activate my UTR Rating' or if you have ratings.



- If this message appears click on 'Activate my UTR Rating' The following screen should be display.



- You should select Create a Universal Tennis Account and follow the prompts until you reach the end when it displays your UTR. If you haven't played for over 12 months it may not be able to generate a UTR but it will link so you can be added to a team for pennant.

# JTC CLOTHING



**“Order your JTC clothing now and help build our club spirit.”**

Item	Pricing
Caps (White or Navy)	\$20.00
Ladies Hoodie	\$60.00
Ladies Polo	\$35.00
Mens Hoodie	\$50.00
Mens Polo	\$35.00
Kids Hoodie	\$45.00
Kids Polo	\$30.00
SIZES: XS S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL 5XL	

Clothing will include JTC logo.

Email your orders to:  
[news@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au](mailto:news@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au).

Note: Please be prepared to transfer your funds to our JTC bank account:

Bendigo Bank cheque account  
Jerrabomberra Tennis Club inc.  
BSB: 633 000  
A/C: 146705959

Also please keep in mind this service is provided by volunteers so we may not meet Amazon levels of service - but we will do our best.

Enjoy your new shirts, caps and hoodies!



# Bottles & Cans Only

**Donations from home will be accepted!**

Proceeds from **Return & Earn** will raise funds for  
the JTC Club Facilities & Events

Thank you!

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Jerrabomberra Tennis Club would like to acknowledge and thank our sponsors for their on-going support of the club.

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- Matrix Physiotherapy and Sports Clinic: <https://matrixphysio.com.au/>

Wishing you all a safe, healthy and enjoyable holiday seasons.

See you in 2024.

