



Jerrabomberra

Tennis Club

# TOP SPIN NEWSLETTER

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## President Update

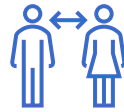
Dear Members and future Members, welcome to our first newsletter for 2022.

We continue to look forward to overcoming the pandemic - and we hope that everyone stays safe and well.



Firstly, I'd like to shout out congratulations to Gary Knox as our 'Club Member of the Year 2021'. As our Club Captain, Gary works all year to ensure everyone who nominates gets to play in a competitive tennis team or championship. This is a demanding role - and as we know grading (and being graded) is not always easy. Gary is an active social and competition player, active volunteer and is our Club Captain.

And next a massive congratulations to Belinda Ross who was awarded Lifetime Family Membership (at the AGBM) for her more than 10 years of service on the JTC Board/Committee. Belinda has served in several roles, plays social and competitive tennis, is an active volunteer and is always available to remediate a problem to do with media, messages, memberships, email, procurements and of course our ongoing finances and funding.



The club's Board continues to monitor the Covid-19 situation. Our highest priority remains people's safety - including players, coaches, volunteers and the broader community. We recommend your continued adherence to the health guidance, which will help us to keep the club open, and available for continued community access.

Some of the measures implemented have included:

- Avoiding touching surfaces e.g. gate keypad
- Sanitising hands - on entry and exit to the club
- Staying a safe distance apart - not touching each other
- Scanning the NSW Services barcode
- And wearing masks indoors.

With the easing of restrictions, we have:

- Re-opened access to the club rooms
- Re-opened all of the toilet facilities.



*"What a great morning of [social] tennis..."*

## President Update – continued:

Social tennis is continuing three times a week – with very good turnouts on Sundays and Wednesday mornings. We recommend you join the “Messenger” group to find out who else is attending – and avoid turning up if no others are attending.

This year we will look to hold our championships and tournaments again with the Noel Murray Junior Championship planned for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of May and the Club Championship in October. Also, please look out for an Adult-Child tournament invitation in early April.

The Tennis League is back up and running and we have many teams competing in the Summer and next Autumn competitions.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the courts, Peter Terwee.

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For JTC news, events, bookings and memberships please visit us at <https://play.tennis.com.au/JerrabomberraTennisClub>

## Secretary Update

With the easing of Covid restrictions, we are seeing more players turning up for a game and enjoying the JTC facilities. Thank you to everyone for following the COVID safe rules and helping us to keep a safe environment for everyone to enjoy.



I would like to thank the Board members for their ongoing support and running of the club. Despite COVID, the Board has managed to achieve many things, including: renegotiation our club house loan, acquitting our lighting grant, installing synthetic turf, painting the container, installing a rear gate, keeping the facilities clean, neat and tidy, putting up solar lighting, purchase of a new air conditioner, organising competition teams, and working with QPRC council to remediate some facilities maintenance issues.

The club is in need of a **Membership/Media Officer** and a **Social Officer**. We have been advertising for some time now and would love to hear from any members who may be interested in nominating for one of these roles. [*we need you!*] In addition, there are several Board members that intend to retire or relocate in the near future, and we would like to have replacements for them. We encourage you to please consider taking up a role on the Board and supporting the club. We pride ourselves on our values, and would welcome your new ideas, people from diverse backgrounds, and will work to not take up too much of your time.

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## CLUB REMINDERS

Social tennis is held on Wednesday mornings from 9:00am, Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm, and Sunday mornings from 8am. All standards welcome including beginners. Please come along and practice your shots.



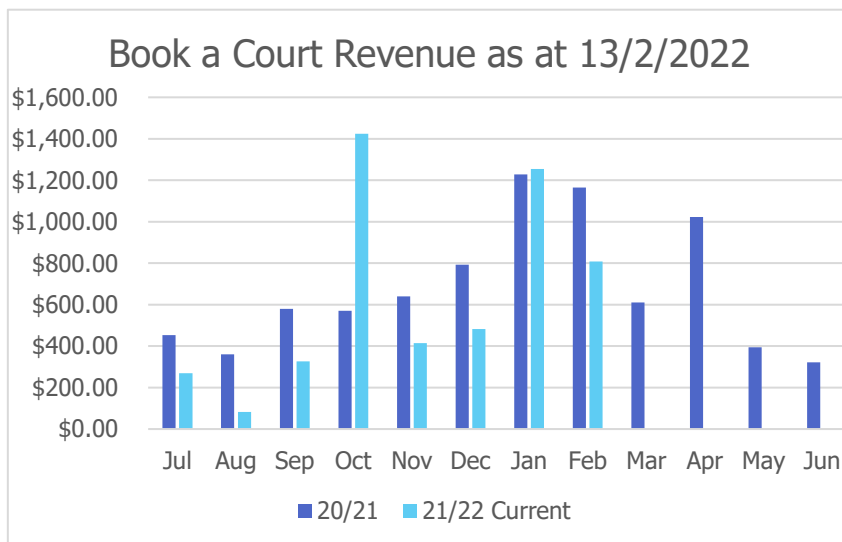
Please remember that it is important that members keep their email address up to date with the club. This will ensure notices and links from the membership/book a court system are sent to the correct email address. You can update your email address by managing your profile under [play.tennis](https://play.tennis.com.au) or contacting our Membership Officer at: [membership@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au](mailto:membership@jerrabomberratennisclub.com.au)



# Treasurer Update



The Club is currently sitting in a good financial position. The Club has committed costs of \$25,565 (which includes the QPRC Loan).



The Club continues to generate income from the Book a Court system. Refer graph below showing comparison to last year. Keeping in mind the ups and downs of the pandemic.

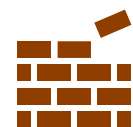
The Club is currently in the process of installing a Reverse Cycle Air Conditioner, which will be invaluable when the Club is holding future events, e.g., Noel Murray Junior Championships, Adult/Child Friday Fun night, Trivia nights, just to name a few.

We currently have 260 active members. In order to increase our membership numbers, we have membership specials. Our **6 month memberships** have been released with reductions on our full year pricing. Join now for: Family \$170, Single \$120 or a Student/Senior \$75. This represents great value considering the facilities available. Join up and book the courts for free during the day and only pay light fees for night-time use. We look forward to hearing from you and joining us for social and competition tennis. Go to: [Join Now](#). As we are coming out of the pandemic, we look forward to growing our membership and the Club's activities.

Happy Tennis, Belinda Ross

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# Facilities Update



Hi all to fellow JTC members and guests. Welcome to 2022! Volunteers continue to maintain the club, courts and facilities. We seek to keep our membership costs as low as possible by having volunteers undertake maintenance where this is reasonable to do so. If you can please consider helping out at our Working Bees (next one on at 10:30am 20th February) – even an hour helps us ensure our facilities are kept operational, safe, neat and tidy.

At the Working Bee we will be pressure cleaning the hard courts, cleaning out the container, building shelving for the container, painting, repairing fences, and cleaning up the club house (inside and outside) and providing a free BBQ for the volunteers.



Mark Lindbeck

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# Club Captain Update



Jerrabomberra Tennis Club has a proud history of playing competitive tennis in the ACT region. For adults, there are three formats of tennis. On Mondays, the format allows for both males and females playing in unisex teams and consists of one set of singles and two sets of doubles each night. Thursdays is mixed doubles night, two sets of doubles with a partner of the same gender and two sets of mixed doubles. Saturday is more singles focused with two sets of singles and one set of doubles.

The inside wall of the club house is full on plaques celebrating our successes. Each plaque signifies a winning season and plaques date back to turn of the century.



Jerrabomberra has teams playing in all formats during the summer league, with 8 teams consisting of 31 players. With only a few weeks remaining, there are number of teams in contention. The Division 3 Monday team of Andrew Warnes, Tony McCosker, John Talbot and Sam Page are currently sitting second. A win on Monday will see them in the final. The Division 7 Monday team of Gary Knox, Jeremy Taylor, John Tucker, Peter Terwee and Shane McLeod are undefeated this season and look certain to play in the final on 28 February.



Autumn league is just around corner which include junior league played on a Sunday. Teams have been created to ensure players of similar standard play together and grading is underway. In adult tennis, Jerrabomberra will have 6 Monday teams, 4 Thursday teams and 1 Saturday team with 46 players across all formats - the most participants in some time, perhaps ever. Courts with state-of-the-art LED lighting will be booked and balls supplied to Team Captains in the coming weeks.

Jerrabomberra will have 3 junior teams with 10 participants. Each junior is given a Jerrabomberra Tennis Club polo shirt and cap for participating.

Gary Knox

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## Membership Update



The JTC Board is pleased to advise that renewing and new members have been steadily joining the club over the past year. Covid has obviously been a big disruption to our operations however as we are becoming used to living with Covid we are working on ensuring the facilities are once again available.

As the year has progressed, we have discounted the joining fees each quarter. The next reduction in fees will be in late March - when people can join up for the last few months of the year. We encourage everyone to renew again in June for the 2022\_2023 membership year. Please help keep our club financial and take advantage of the benefits of being a member – including competition tennis, insurance coverage, free social tennis participation (excludes lights fees) and free book-a-court hire (excludes lights fees).

You can access the Play Tennis system (and membership packages) here at:

<https://play.tennis.com.au/JerrabomberraTennisClub>.

It is requested that you register and login to ensure that your profile data is up to date and correct.

Vacant (*we would welcome your nomination for this role – remember our club is run by community minded volunteers*)

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## Coach Update



What a fantastic summer of tennis we have already experienced! Activity around the club has increased nicely off the back of our home-grown grand slam champions. I remind all members to book their courts early to avoid disappointment – as many afternoons we are seeing that nearly every court is in use!



Now is also the time to invest in that fresh restring. Summer conditions mean a faster style of play, so your old loose strings may well be contributing to those unforced error rates.

David Horsfall (Mob) 0405 495 648

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### Coaching - Save the Dates:

School Holiday Tennis Clinic – 11- 14 April 2022

Adult child tournament planned for Friday 1 April 2022

Noel Murray Junior Championship planned for 7 and 8 May 2022

Further details available from our

**TopFun Tennis Academy** Facebook page

[david@topfuntennis.com.au](mailto:david@topfuntennis.com.au) for all your stringing needs

# Jackson Roberts Update

Jackson competed in the Secondary Boys Tennis Trials at Bomaderry/Nowra last Wednesday. Jackson was undefeated and won his group which means he will be able to compete at the State level. He then played in the elimination play offs. He won his first elimination but lost in the quarter final to the South Coast U15 Champion. Jackson won 6 out of 7 matches and goes to State in March. He can play in the U15's for 4 more years because he is only 11 years old at this time.

Other results:

- 4<sup>th</sup> in U14 singles Lyneham 28.01.22
- 3<sup>rd</sup> in U14 doubles Lyneham 28.01.22
- Runner up U14 singles Castle Hill 24.01.22
- Reached the Quarter Finals of U12 singles Wollongong – lost in the 3<sup>rd</sup> set super tie break
- Winner U12 doubles Nepean Penrith 09.01.22
- Winner U12 doubles Wagga 11.12.21
- ACT State Junior Championships - Jackson won his 5 matches and made it to the final undefeated, but the final was called off due to the thunderstorm rolling through Canberra at the time.

Jackson is playing in the Woden Junior Open next weekend - in the Open singles & doubles. Then during the week, he plays at Parramatta in the secondary schools U15 State Championships between the 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> March. Every weekend after that he is on the road travelling to tournaments.

Jackson's mum Nat is a very busy lady. Nat is on the road with Jackson constantly getting him to and from his tournaments, matches and various forms of coaching. So, a big thankyou to Nat for helping Jackson achieve so much all ready.

This is a photo of Jackson with his trophy from Wagga U12 Doubles win. (We all think it's a very impressive trophy!)

Jackson is participating in the next ACT Tennis League adult competition, so you might get to see him playing at the JTC courts or maybe even play against him - and see his talents firsthand. The club and our coach are supporting Jackson where we can and we all wish Jackson every success into the future.





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Dear JTC Members and Guests

You can now order club branded clothing with our wonderful bright JTC logo embroidered on each item.

We are not planning on making any profits on the clothing so have minimised the pricing at:

Item	Pricing
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