

KDTC: Birie Place, Kaleen



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# KALEEN AND DISTRICT TENNIS CLUB

## Member Newsletter

### SPRING 2019



Kaleen clubhouse graffiti. Artist unknown.

*The KDTC newsletter updates members on club development, on-court and related activities. Member contributions are welcome.*

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[Tennis tops list of sports for increasing life expectancy.](#)  
- Mayo Clinic Proceedings, Dec 2018

#### Highlights ...

- ❖ Junior Club Player of the Year...
- ❖ End-of-year tennis social tennis & BBQ - 7 December
- ❖ Club fundraiser raffle - help us help you
- ❖ Help celebrate our cultural diversity (Summer 2020)

## Fundraiser raffle - we need you



⇒ to support your club

- 1st prize** Wilson racquet - to value of \$300 - you select, Get Set Tennis
- 2nd prize** Head racquet & bag - donated by Head
- 3rd prize** 4 cans of Slazenger tennis balls
- 4th prize** Various items donated by TACT

Tickets are available from pennant captains and committee members. Please support your club's fundraiser raffle by buying a ticket/s and if you are able to sell a book of 10 tickets even better! - please contact Cheryl on 0408 419752.

## President's report

Dear members

I would like to thank all committee members, coaches and members for their continued support of KDTC.

My work commitments over the past year have made it difficult for me to devote the time I would like to KDTC business and development. On behalf of us all, I would like to thank Peter & Cheryl who continue to do the heavy lifting for our club and explore club development opportunities. Your support and input is much appreciated. Thank you again, and I hope to be more of an assistance in the coming twelve months.



We have had successes this year and we have **some exciting events on the social calendar**. We have had also had our challenges.

### Our highlights ...



### 2019 Tennis ACT Awards:

I was delighted to attend the Awards night this month, with Graham Smith and our coaches, to celebrate the achievements of our local and broader tennis community.

**Junior Club Player of the year** award went to **Annika Wise** of KDTC.

← **Congratulations Annika!** Well done on your wonderful award and successes in 2019, and thanks for your support and contribution to our club.

We look forward to seeing Annika's continued development in her tennis game over the coming years and wish her all the best as she juggles her tennis and Year 12 exams and assessment over the coming months.

**Coaching Excellence Club nominee** - Get Set Tennis Coaching Team was one of four nominees for Coaching

Excellence - Club. Well done and congratulations to our coaches on their 2019 nomination, and congratulations to Frank Calabria of Forrest Tennis Club for taking the award.

I would like to thank Nelson and the Get Set Coaching team for their input to our club coaching program and successes. A particular highlight for me was seeing 120 plus juniors at KDTC supporting the [NK Foundation](#). And there are many others, such as the one-on-one coaching, school visitation program and cardio programs.

There are some changes on the coaching front. [Get Set Tennis](#) will continue its strong performance at KDTC with some changes. Reza has partnered with Nelson and is now head coach. Nelson and his partner have moved to Queensland to pursue new opportunities in the sunshine State. Thank you Nelson for your contribution to our club. We wish you both the best and we look forward to our continued partnership with Get Set Tennis lead by Reza, ably assisted by Matt and Buster.

### **Club end-of-year social tennis and spit roast**

This event provides the opportunity for members to get together and celebrate another successful year at KDTC. Please support the event, and our fundraiser raffle which will be drawn on the day. And look out for some more social activity in Summer 2020 with an event to celebrate our club's cultural diversity.

### **Automated court booking system**

KDTC is exploring the potential of an automated court booking system. To manage this process effectively we want to understand our member court use patterns. Social players are encouraged to provide feedback to the committee about preferred social playing times so we have a better idea of how any automated system can best serve all our members. Contact [kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com).

And lastly, our challenges. It is disappointing that we continue to have ongoing issues with our lighting. This has been a difficult time for our club and I appreciate the inconvenience this has caused our pennant and coaching teams. The situation with the lights is a complex one and we have now sought the assistance of Tennis ACT to help navigate our way forward. We will keep you posted on any developments.

I hope to see you for the our end of year social tennis and spit roast on 7 December, and our fundraiser raffle draw which will be drawn on the day.

I look forward to supporting KDTC for the coming twelve months.

*Stuart Crocker*

## **Treasurer's report**

Dear members

KDTC has had its highs and lows over the past financial year.

At the Club's AGM on 21 August, I reported a financial loss for the 2018-19 financial year of over \$4,000. We initially budgeted for a year of consolidation, following on from 2017-18 when we experienced a \$29,000 loss due to court resurfacing and consequential problems with our lighting system. Unfortunately, the lighting issues, have proved unexpectedly difficult to resolve despite further significant expenditure (around \$15,000) and remain a work in progress.



On a more positive note I was **pleased to report a 17% increase in our membership revenue over the last year** to over \$15,000, reflecting the Club's ability to both retain members as well as attract new ones. Our other main source of income, our ongoing partnership with our coaches from Get Set Tennis, was also maintained during the year.

On the back of this, costs of maintaining the Club continue to escalate. For example, the Club now needs to find, among other demands, \$300 for electricity, \$350 for rates, \$220 for insurance, and \$200 for lease payments every month. Given these financial pressures, your Committee reluctantly acknowledges that membership fees will need to increase. An increase to \$150 per adult and \$290 per family has been approved with effect from the 2020-21 financial year.

A copy of the Club's financial statements for 2018-19 is attached for your information. Hope to see you on the court soon.

*Peter Corkran*  
Treasurer

# Your club needs you!

**Tennis clubs like ours can't exist without willing and enthusiastic members** who are prepared to share the load with all the little jobs that make a great community club that works for all its members. **What skills can you bring?** We need your energy, your skills and your ideas to help make our club the best it can be. Perhaps think about standing for a position on the committee next year, or respond to calls for voluntary help when they go out. If you are able to help in any way - eg fundraising, grant application writing, social events, electrical, gardening and maintenance (roster), web skills etc, etc, we'd love to hear from you. Email: [kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com) if you can help.

## Coach's report



Hello Kaleen Tennis enthusiasts

I am happy to report a very productive winter of tennis and to advise you of some changes in coaching arrangements.

**GST is proud to report** that Kaleen has **seven junior pennant teams competing this spring** and also has entered **one [Green Ball league team](#)**, being piloted by Tennis ACT. We wish them fun and success on the courts.

On the coaching front, Nelson and I have gone into partnership. Nelson has moved to the Gold Coast with his partner for fun times and further opportunities in the sunshine State and here in Canberra we hope to continue the positive fun and enthusiastic tennis culture that Nelson has built over the years. So far so good, with a productive winter season.

So good in fact that the Get Set Team has been nominated for Coaching Excellence in the ACT for the second year in a row thanks to amazing contributions from Christian "Busta" Parker and Matt Cox as well as all our junior staff who continue bring the energy and fun to the courts.

There are great things in the pipeline for Get Set Tennis for the future, with potential pro shop options for all members including restrings and racquets, as well as tennis attire and shoes. This is a work in progress so more information to come soon.

Thanks to everyone at KDTC for helping making the club special, a big thanks to the committee for supporting our mission and we look forward to seeing you all on the courts soon.

Happy tennis  
Reza Tompsett, Get Set Tennis Manager  
0437-540-087



Keep up with *Get Set Tennis* coaching and tournament news on [Facebook](#).

### Racquets by Reza

Contact coach Reza Tompsett for a quality restringing service.  
Reza can also advise you on the right racquet choice.  
Mob. 0437540087

### Payment of visitor fees is super easy with internet banking:

Kaleen & District Tennis Club: BSB 062 913, Account no: 0090 2374.

## Membership news

Dear members

**KDTC warmly welcomes** the following new members to our Club:

Aripirala, Ven	Kolanu, Rao
Arkhipenko, Ian	Kollipara, Srinivas
Daniel-Marsh, Dylan	Radonjic Dusan
Edla, Jaya	Rao Varansi, Srinvasa
Hubba, Hubba	Shillington, Dan
Indrakanti, Sarath	Vuppalapati, Pavithran

### Membership renewals

Thank you to those members who promptly renewed their memberships. At the end of the last financial year, KDTC membership sat at 168. Of this number, 41 are yet to renew. Second reminder renewal notices have been emailed to overdue members and access key cards temporarily deactivated for these memberships.

### Club Rules

KDTC club rules are presently under review, with a new court booking system being considered. In the meantime, members are reminded of the guidelines for 'Social Play'.

### Social Play: how it works

1. Members who are waiting should advise all court occupiers.
2. If the courts are in use by members and other members are waiting to play, those members playing are expected to play eight games only, eg. 4-4 8-0 5-3
3. If the courts are fully occupied and members are waiting to play, in general, doubles should be played.
4. On completion of set, all players must vacate the court so that the next set may commence.

### Visitor playing fees: \$5.00 per adult

Members are responsible for ensuring that fees are collected from visitors accompanying them and are either deposited into the club's bank account - KDTC BSB 062 913 Acc. No. 0090 2374 or by prior arrangement with the club's booking court hire representative - Peter Corkran 6241 6542 or Anne Towill 0423 053 615. Your phone banking 'App' provides a relatively simple way for ease of payment. Your cooperation is appreciated. This rule along with the club's banking details are displayed in the club house window. A penalty may apply to members who do not abide by this rule.

Thanks  
Cheryl Reid

## Tennis Australia news and events

can be found on the [Tennis Australia website](#) . Also find local tournaments and events updates.

## KDTC Committee elections

All serving committee members were re-elected unopposed at the AGM in August:



### Elected members

President .....	Stuart Crocker
Vice President.....	Graham Smith
Treasurer.....	Peter Corkran
Secretary.....	Chakra Ravinuthala

### General members

Cheryl Reid, Lachlan Taylor, Anne Towill

In addition to these elected positions, there are many others who regularly contribute to the running of your club - eg coordination of mid-week social tennis (Barbara Brown) and volunteers who jump in and help with maintenance when needed (see *Maintenance Report*). Thank you all for your valued contribution.

## Pennants

**Winter pennant** has wound up for another year with three Kaleen teams braving the cold to come out and participate in the Monday Night Mixed Pennant. Whilst these teams were all unlucky to miss finals this season, **all players are to be congratulated for their efforts.**



**Spring Pennant is underway** and as expected the allure of warmer weather led to the usual spike in interest with an impressive eight teams entering Monday/Tues Night Mixed pennant and two teams in Thursday Night Mixed pennant.

We wish all teams good luck for the season!

If you would like more information on pennant opportunities please contact Lachlan Taylor at [lach.tash79@gmail.com](mailto:lach.tash79@gmail.com)

*Lachlan Taylor*

### Interested in playing pennant for our Club?

Keep an eye out on the club noticeboard for Spring, Autumn and Winter pennants. Info about pennant competitions in Canberra is available on the Tennis ACT website:

<http://www.tennis.com.au/act/competitions/pennant/adult>



## Summer social tennis and spit roast - join us!



**Date:** Saturday 7 December

**Time:** 3 pm (tennis) followed by spit roast

Members and families are invited to come and celebrate another successful tennis year. Join us for social tennis day and spit roast. Tennis format will be a round robin event followed by a spit roast.

Cost: \$10 per adult member, children free

Spit roast and salad will be provided

BYO drinks and something to share ?

RSVP - Friday 29 November

### We'd like your feedback

#### Does current court availability work for you?

In the near future KDTC may move towards an automated booking system for our courts. To ensure any new system serves our club well we are interested to know if current court access is working for our members. If you have comments, please send an email with subject 'member feedback' to [kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com). Thank you.

## Court talk

<p><b>coaching</b></p>	<p><b>KDTC offers tennis coaching for all skill levels</b> and ages with new classes starting up on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings, spots available now. Contact head coach Reza Tompsett for more information about group and individual coaching options:  <a href="http://www.getsettennis.com.au/">http://www.getsettennis.com.au/</a></p> 
<p><b>cardio</b></p>	<p><b>Get Set Tennis Cardio sessions:</b>  Monday and Tuesday evenings, Kaleen. \$160 per 9 week term.</p> 
<p><b>junior round robin</b></p>	<p><b>Friday hotshots round robin competition</b>  Fridays during school terms. Sessions runs from 4 - 6 pm. Cost \$5 members (\$7 for non-members). Contact coach Reza for more information: 0437-540-087 or <a href="mailto:reza@getsettennis.com.au">reza@getsettennis.com.au</a></p>
<p><b>pennants</b></p>	<p><b>Adult pennants</b>  Contact Graham Smith for more details on pennants <a href="mailto:bgsmith@grapevine.net.au">bgsmith@grapevine.net.au</a>  Information on adult pennant events in Canberra is available on the Tennis ACT website: <a href="http://www.tennis.com.au/act/competitions/pennant/adult">http://www.tennis.com.au/act/competitions/pennant/adult</a></p>
<p><b>social tennis</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday mornings mixed</b> - 9.00 - 11:00 am Spring, 8.30am Summer; Members and non-members welcome. Enquiries to Barbara, mob 0422 131 156.  <b>Wednesday morning</b> (men's) – 9.00 am onwards  Enquiries to Peter Corkran on 62416542  <b>Wednesday night mixed</b> - 7:30 - 9:00 pm: Enquiries to Lachlan 0422289570  <b>Sunday afternoons</b> - The courts are available for informal social play.   <i>Social tennis non-member participation fee: \$5</i></p>
<p><b>court use</b></p>	<p>See updated Court use table at the end of this newsletter.</p>
<p><b>club contacts</b></p>	<p>Pennant <b>Mon/Tue Night Unisex singles/doubles</b> - Lachlan 0422289570  Pennant - <b>Thu Night Mixed Doubles</b> - Graham <a href="mailto:bgsmith@grapevine.net.au">bgsmith@grapevine.net.au</a>  <b>Coach and junior pennant:</b> Reza 0437540087   <b>Tuesday Social</b> - Barbara 0422 131 156  <b>Wednesday night mixed social</b> - Lachlan 0422289570  <b>Court hire</b> - Peter Corkran 62416542, Anne Towill 62414726</p>



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## Social tennis

Both pennants and social tennis opportunities are available at KDTC.

### Wednesday morning men's

This fast-paced men's group plays on Wednesday mornings. Contact the club for more details:  
[kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com)

### Wednesday evening

Wednesday night social tennis continues to attract a good level of interest - even through the colder months. The flexible and casual format of doubles and singles play under lights from **7.30pm every Wednesday night** appeals to the time poor and those who work during the day but want to get a bit of exercise in and sharpen their tennis skills through the week. We have varying skills levels and continue to be a great entree into pennant play, or simply just a regular social hit for up to two hours every week. Cost is \$4 for KDTC members (covers lights and balls). If you would like to come along and give it a try, or be put on our weekly reminder mailing list, please contact Lachlan Taylor at [lach.tash79@gmail.com](mailto:lach.tash79@gmail.com).

All are welcome.

### Tuesday Morning Mixed



Spring has sprung and the mild temps and blue skies make for perfect playing conditions.

And even if the skies are grey it's perfect! It's the company and the tennis that make our day.

**Join us** on Tuesdays for a doubles rotation providing a mix of play and partners.

Spring starting time is 9.00am (8.30am during summer months). Come on down to our friendly-competitive Tuesday group where the focus is fitness and fun.

Our Tuesday games are followed by a cuppa and a chat. Playing fee is \$5 for non-members, no fee for members. There is a small charge for tea/coffee and biscuits for members.

Enquiries to Barbara on 0422 131 156.



## Maintenance report



**Security cameras** will soon be installed on the clubhouse, with accompanying signage. Meanwhile, please remember to lock the clubhouse and gate when leaving the courts.

### Caring for your courts

No food, drink, chairs, toys, cans or bottles are allowed on the court or surrounds (as stated in the Club

Rules). Any rubbish - includes ball tins and lids - is to be removed from courts after play.

### ... and your clubhouse

Look around and do your bit to keep your clubhouse and surrounds clean and tidy. If you see a job that needs doing, jump in and do it. This applies the bathrooms and kitchen area. We are all volunteers with the shared aim of creating a great club and clean and tidy environment for the benefit of us all.



Members are encouraged to **empty bins into trash pack if smelly or full** and replace with new garbage bags which are in the cupboard. We have recently installed a second bin for recycled bottles and cans. Please note, there is **no pick-up service for recycled waste** and we ask that members take a bag of recycling home to their own yellow lid bins when they can. Please, **NO FOOD SCRAPS** in recycling bin.

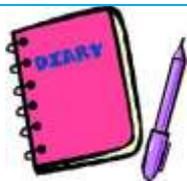
### Lawn mowing roster

We had a great response to our lawn mowing roster last year which meant a light load for all volunteers. If you are able to help again, or for the first time, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Peter Corkran on 6241 6542 or send an email to kaleentennisclub@gmail.com

**Thanks** to the following club members for their recent help



- *Darren Wise* for removing red backs from under the wooden court seats and cleaning of rubbish bins
- *Wayne O'Connell*, who is making a display shelf for clubhouse
- *Alan Reid* for removing weeds around the courts
- *Cheryl Reid* for doing a Spring-clean vacuum of clubhouse and restocking of cleaning products



### dates for your diary

- **Saturday 7 December** - end of year social tennis and spit roast
- **Raffle draw 7 December** - return raffle ticket books to Cheryl (0408 419 752) or Anne (0423053615) by Wednesday 4 December.
- **Summer 2020** - a social day to celebrate our cultural diversity. Stay tuned for details.

## kdtc court use as @ September 2019

Coaching and pennant court use is shown in the grid below. All other timeslots are available for member social tennis. Due to the seasonal nature of pennants, there will also be court availability day and night for social tennis between pennant seasons.

KDTC COURT USE calendar					
	Mornings		Afternoons		Evenings
	7:00- 9:00 am	9:00 am-12:30pm	12:30 - 3:30pm	3:30 - 7:15pm	7:00 - 11:00pm
MONDAY				COACHING 3.30 - 7.15pm: 3 cts	7.30pm PENNANT 4 cts
TUESDAY		7:00 - 9:00 COACHING (1 ct)  9.00-11.00 am SOCIAL TENNIS (2-4 courts).		COACHING 3.30 - 7.15 pm: 3 cts  CARDIO 6.00-7.00 pm 1 ct	7.30pm PENNANT 4 cts
WEDNESDAY		7:00 - 9:00 COACHING (1 ct)		COACHING 3.30 - 7.15 pm: 3 cts  CARDIO 6.00 -7.00 pm 1 ct	SOCIAL TENNIS 7.30 - 9.00 pm All welcome.

THURSDAY				COACHING 3.30 - 7.15pm: 3 cts	7.30pm PENNANT 4 cts
FRIDAY		COACHING 8.00am -9.45am 1 ct		COACHING 3.30 pm - 7.15pm:3 cts	
SATURDAY		COACHING 8.15am -12.00 midday 3 courts			
SUNDAY		JUNIOR PENNANT 8.30 – 11.00 am: 2-4 courts 11.00 - 1.00 pm: 2 courts (During School term's only)	1 ct may be in use for coaching in the afternoons.	1 ct may be in use for coaching in the afternoons.	

All 4 courts will be in use during school holiday coaching programs. Contact Reza @ GetSetTennis for details on tennis camp scheduling dates:  
reza@getsettennis.com.au

Court hire fees: Adult/child visitors playing with members \$5/\$1 per session  
**Visitors fees can be paid to BSB 062 913, Acc: 0090 2374** (please use your name as reference)  
 Night hire with lights (members only - \$12 p/h)  
 Day court hire for non-members \$20 p/h

### **KDTC Committee**

President: Stuart Crocker  
 Vice President: Graham Smith  
 Treasurer: Peter Corkran

Secretary: Chakradhar Ravinuthala  
 General members: Anne Towill, Cheryl Reid, Lachlan Taylor  
 Contact KDTC: kaleentennisclub@gmail.com

### **Contributing to the KDTC newsletter**

This newsletter has been prepared by the Kaleen and District Tennis Club Committee. Member contributions to newsletters are invited (next edition Autumn 2020). If you would like to contribute, please email your brief content piece to the club email address [kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com) or contact the editor [anne.towill@gmail.com](mailto:anne.towill@gmail.com). Photos are especially welcome. If you have snapped any action or team shots send them in to the club email, or post them to our [Facebook](#) page.

KDTC Meeting minutes are available on request to interested members. If you would like a club-related issue raised at the next committee meeting please contact Chakra Ravinuthala via the club email address ([kaleentennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:kaleentennisclub@gmail.com)) and request that the matter be added to the next agenda.

*KDTC is doing its bit to help look after our planet. Newsletters and membership renewals will be sent by email to the Kaleen membership list through 'My Tennis'. Limited paper copies are available at the clubhouse.  
 Be green and read from the screen.*