

To all members

Our latest update on various topics is below.

Please read the details and note the important dates for competition entries.



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Royal Park Tennis Club Inc.

NEWSLETTER- DECEMBER 2023

MERRY CHRISTMAS !!



The RPTC Management Committee and Sub-Committees wish all members, together with their families & friends, a very happy & safe festive season, plus a healthy and positive time in 2024.

A GREAT FINISH TO 2023!!

It's been a busy time recently, with competition finals, and our Festive Fun day!

On court success!! We have three happy teams celebrating Grand Final wins!!

NSNTA: C Grade 3 Ladies; ; Men's A Reserve 3

NSTA: A Reserve (Singles/Doubles)

Super congratulations to everyone involved with the teams: players, supporters and captains. Many thanks for your support and involvement - positive results despite wet weather times!

Festive Fun Day!! Some 48 members & families rolled up on Saturday 2nd December for tasty food, conversation, & refreshments despite the drizzle, The atmosphere was relaxed, with a great buzz in the air, & a mix of juniors & adults on site. Many contributed to the successful gathering - and a BIG thank you to everyone who did!!

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS & COURT AVAILABILITY

During December/January, we will be hosting several high profile events which will reduce daytime court bookings at various times. The events will feature high-class tennis matches & members are welcome to drop in to watch. The anticipated line-up includes:

17 December Fawkner Tennis Club tournament

08-12 January Rafa Nadal Junior Masters

22-24 January LGTA World Championships

Please watch the Book-A-Court schedule, & we will provide updates as up-coming commitments may change closer to the events. Your support during these times is appreciated, and it is anticipated that the events will bring financial and profile benefits to our great club.

2024 AUTUMN COMPETITIONS

Activity is well advanced for both Juniors (NSJTA) and Adult Night (NSNTA) teams, with details already submitted to the Associations for grading. We are now inviting players for: **NSTA (Open Singles/Doubles) Saturday afternoon competition. Entry closes 22 December Pennant(Winter) weekend competition: entries close 10 February 2024**

Player entry forms are now being mailed out, and both competitions offer opportunities for developing your skills and improving your UTR.

COURTS



They are our biggest asset - so they **MUST** get lots of care and attention!! The warmer weather, plus times of high winds, have started to dry out the surface! The sprinklers are on overnight, but we need your help too! Please observe the signs on the gate as you enter the court!

Make sure you water from fence to fence before play & every 30 minutes (for player safety & court protection!).

Encourage other players to do likewise!

Don't forget to Slip, Slop and Slap as well!!!

An Opportunity!!

An invitation to those interested in helping at the Australian Open (January 14-28 2024). Travellers Aid - a non profit community organisation supporting people with mobility needs, have been engaged by Tennis Australia to provide support for people living with disabilities, or experiencing other mobility challenges, who wish to attend the Australian Open.

Volunteer roles could include:

- Buggy transfer from the on-site accessible carpark to entrance
- Wheelchair assistance.

For further information, call 03 9654 2600, or look at travelersaid.org.au

CAR PARK

No doubt most members are aware that "our" off road parking area has been closed for some weeks. City of Melbourne contractors have been upgrading the space, including drainage and surface. Progress has been impressive! It looks like the work could be completed prior to Christmas!!

Cheers

Carole & Maria