



President's Annual Report

15 August 2024

I am pleased to present my President's Report to the 2024 AGM covering our achievements in the 2024 year.

Some of our key achievements include:

- Membership has grown to 206 members, which is up from 184 at this time last year. (68 Adults, 79 Juniors, 11 Life Members, 12 Seniors, 21 Concession and 15 half year)
- Securing a Tennis Australia grant to help maintain our infrastructure, which helped greatly with our court maintenance program on the Tiger Turf (\$2424 towards total cost \$3,327)
- Donation Partnership with the Container Deposit Scheme Vic West, so far receiving over \$400 since we began back in October and ongoing.
- Refurbishment of the Ladies toilets, with reparation work on-going.
- \$3,000 contribution from our sponsors, Drysdale Clinic, Tennis Warehouse, Janet Atkins (Buxton RE), Mortimers Petroleum, Jetty Road Milk bar and Clifton Springs Golf Club (t.b.c)
- Lions Club grant \$1,000, being used to coach 3 girls
- Grants not secured include The Barwon Water Infrastructure Grant and COGG Seniors Grant
- Annual Plexi-cushion cleaning by our members Dante and Rafael Nicholls, saving \$800 from our professional quote.
- A very successful working bee and BBQ was held, with great participation and effort by all who volunteered their time.
- Once again, **Jill and Neal** have spent many hours in the garden, with feedback coming from all visiting clubs of how wonderful it is to come to Clifton Springs to play. Many thanks to Jill & Neil.
- Security upgrades to the club, with new alarm sensors, hi-vis window track blocks, and soon to upgrade the storeroom doors/locks. Alarm system reinstated. Thank you Anton.
- Tennis for Teens program continued for the Winter Season thanks to a great effort from Vicky and Christine.
- Change Our Game grant now fully complete with great success, Thank you Vicky

- Our mixed team competed in and won their section at the state Tournament of Championships in Melbourne. Congratulation Nicole and team!
- **Junior Co-ordinator** – An opportunity exists to help your Juniors play tennis at Clifton Springs, with the retirement from the role by Nicole Nicholls. Ideally, we need a parent to run with it into the next year. We will put together an outline of the role. Nicole is happy to offer advice. Your club offers free junior membership. It's time for someone to step up and help in return.

I would like to thank the executive committee Jackie Fletcher and Beverley Draper for their constant and tireless day to day effort in the running of the club. I would also like to thank the extended committee Vicky Winship, Nicole Nicholls, Matt Meier, Damian Pruscino and Anton Kilm Czak for their support and hard work throughout the year. A great effort for a mostly new Committee. Thank you to our club coach, Mark Hagerbols for his help providing an encouraging and welcoming place to learn and play tennis.

It makes the role of President a lot more pleasant when working with such a committed team.

A special mention goes out to Carol Scott, who has tirelessly supported not just the juniors, but the club as a whole for many years and is retiring from her role. We thank you for your kindness and support. (FLOWERS)

Thankyou also to our social tennis co-ordinators, Paul and Jill, for running the show and providing a fun place to come try tennis and meet some like-minded people. Nicely Done!

Lastly, I'd like to thank the members for their contribution. Any small thing you can do for your club helps greatly.

I look forward to being a part of the club once again in the coming year.

Thankyou.

Jay Middleton

President

PS –

Life members – Jill McGuiness, Joan Roberts

Club Person of the Year – Christine Smith

Junior Co-ordinator Retiring – Nicole Nicholls

FEES:

Along with the power bills and council rental of the facilities rising, some major challenges exist.

- **Synthetic Grass (1&2)** – annual maintenance cost \$3,327 (2024). Whilst our club is currently in a strong financial position, it should be noted that we are falling further behind the goal of maintaining our facility as it currently stands. An indicative replacement cost for just the 2 synthetic grass courts is \$139K. With another 3-5 years life span (estimate by Sportzng court groomers), we have a way to go, needing to raise AT LEAST \$14k per year JUST FOR THE 2 COURTS! Added to this, Tennis Australia no longer supports this surface, meaning no financial assistance from them for future replacement.
- **Plexi-cushion (3&4)** – annual maintenance cost \$600. These courts will also need a “top up” resurfacing in the same time frame as the synthetic turf replacement (estimated between \$20-\$30,000). Tennis Australia currently support this surface, and a grant to help may be possible.

The members need to consider carefully whether it is a reasonably proposition to continue to support expensive Synthetic turf maintenance and replacement in the future. The price and structure of membership WILL have to change to support this goal.



Treasurer's Report for the August 2024 AGM

Attached is the report of payments and receipts for the financial year ended 31st July 2024.

Receipts

- Our receipts for the year were **\$33,583.41**
- Without grants the receipts were \$28,807 which is \$3,717.53 higher than last year
- Night tennis receipts remain our strongest source of income, and seniors comp and social tennis receipts have all increased
- Total sponsorship of \$2000 was received from Drysdale Clinic, Mortimer's, Tennis Warehouse and Janet Atkins of Buxton Real Estate. Clifton Springs Golf Club is a work in progress. We also receive ongoing support from the milk bar. Unfortunately we have not been able to secure further support from Bendigo Bank but are grateful for past support
- Tennis 4 Teens net receipts are low but is supported by unspent funding held over from previous years
- Junior income has also dropped as team numbers were lower last year.

Expenses

- Our operating expenses were **\$26,208.01** which is almost double last year's
- Another significant increase in our CoGG court hire and clubroom fees, court grooming costs, a higher spend on tennis balls and an increase in

electricity bills due to overnight security lighting as well as more general price increases account for this

- Our low non–operating expenses of **\$1,931.87** reflect a quiet year in terms of infrastructure activity

Overall position

The Club had a net profit for the year of **\$5,443.53**

A complete list of all income and expenditure items is available if any member wishes to review the details.

At the end of the 2023/24 financial year the Club held \$98,176.39 in a term deposit @ 4% and \$25,040.03 in the current account: a total of **\$123,216.42**. This is an increase of approx 7.5% on last year's position. Our strong financial position will help us to maintain our facilities in excellent condition going forward.

Beverley Draper
Treasurer

Jay Middleton
President



JUNIOR TENNIS REPORT 2023/2024

I'm pleased to report that we currently have 79 junior members at the Club with many participating in the Tennis Geelong Saturday Junior Competitions throughout the year, including the Orange Ball (beginner) competition. Clifton Springs' teams that have participated in the TG Saturday Junior Competitions during 2023/2024 are as follows:

2023 Winter Season (5 teams):

<u>Section:</u>	<u>Ladder position at end of season:</u>
Girls 3	6th
Boys 2 Blue	8th
Boys 2 White	2nd (Premiers)
Boys 8	5th
Green Ball 2	3rd

2023/2024 Summer Season (5 teams):

<u>Section:</u>	<u>Ladder position at end of season:</u>
Girls 4	6th
Girls 5	3rd (Semi-finalists)
Boys 1	5th
Boys 8	6th
Green Ball 1	7th

2024 Winter Season (4 teams) - finals yet to played:

<u>Section:</u>	<u>Ladder position as of 10/08/24</u>
Girls 3 Blue	2nd
Girls 3 White	4th
Boys 8	1st
Orange Ball	4th (No ladder or finals in this section)

All three of our eligible junior teams are playing in the 2024 Winter Season finals which is a great result for the Club.

Our Junior Club Championships and Hotshot Day took place on Saturday, May 19, 2024. The day began with the ANZ Hotshots Clinic for beginners and a round-robin for orange ball players, and wrapped up with the Club Championships for 17&U and 12&U boys and girls. Everyone had a great time, and I want to extend a special thanks to Mark, the committee, and all the members who helped things run smoothly.

Results of the CS Hot Shots Clinic & Junior Club Championships 2024:

17&U Boys:

Winner - Raphael Nicholls

Runner Up - Dante Nicholls

17&U Girls:

Winner - Annabelle Cairncross

Runner Up - Charlotte Carlson

12&U Boys:

Winner - Remy Cairncross

Runner Up - Tobias De Wit

12&U Girls:

Winner - Miranda Carlson

Runner Up - No runner up due to only one entrant for this section

Orange Ball:

Winner - Chloe Richardson

Runner Up - Jeeva Rose Tinij

We continued with the Tennis 4 Teens program on Friday evenings with a good turn-out of teens and pre-teens each week. Thank you to Vicky, Chris and parent helpers for running this program.

As I step down in my role as junior coordinator for Clifton Springs Tennis Club I would like to take the opportunity to thank our committee members, volunteers, coach, and families for all their help and support in keeping the Club running smoothly. I also appreciate the junior team managers for organising their teams each week and keeping everyone updated on match details. And one final thank you to Carol for the much-appreciated Saturday morning BBQ she ran up until her retirement in July this year!

I'm proud to be part of the Clifton Springs Tennis Club and grateful for the enthusiasm and sportsmanship from our juniors and their families. I wish them all the best of luck for 2024/2025!

Nicole Nicholls
Junior Coordinator



August 2024



AGM Meeting 15/08/2024

Senior Saturday Winter Comp 2024

We had 5 teams for winter this season which is good.

None of the teams made finals. The teams were:

- Section 1 open men's (singles and doubles) they finished 7th on the ladder
- Section 2 men's and they finished 6th
- We had two section 1 mixed team
- Jay's team finished 8th
- Nicole's team finished 5th. they only just missed out on the top 4 for finals
- Section 3 mixed finished 5th on the ladder and also just missed out on top 4 for finals
- Nicole's team won the 2023/2024 section 2 mixed and also went on to win the league championship in section 9. A great achievement for the team and the Club

Matt Meier

Senior Coordinator



Mid-week Ladies Report for 2024 AGM

We had 3 teams competing in the winter season 2023 which ended in November. Our teams were in sections 3, 5 and 6. Section 3 was fifth, section 5 was sixth and section 6 was fifth so none of us made it into finals.

For the summer season 2024 we had 4 mid-week ladies teams in sections 3, two in section 5 and 7. Our section 3 team were 5th on the ladder after the home and away. The blue team in section 5 was third on that ladder but was knocked out in the first week of finals with the yellow team finishing sixth. Our section 6 finished fifth and just missed out on finals. It was an enjoyable season for all of us.

The current winter season 2024 has just commenced and we have 4 teams playing with finals in November.

We have been happy to recommence the provision of lunch after our home matches and we continue to eat outside when the weather allows. We look forward to continuing to play good tennis and enjoy the competition.

As midweek representative for the club I would like to thank all our players, particularly the team captains, for their hard work, commitment and respect – you have made my job an easy one again this year.



Tennis 4 teens Report for 2024 AGM

Our club has been running the Tennis Victoria program, Tennis 4 teens, since May 2021. The aim of the program is to engage teens in the game of tennis by running sessions that are fun and engaging.

In the past 12 months we have run 38 sessions with an average attendance of 6 teens per session. We have made good use of our local fish and chip shop for food after the sessions.

We were fortunate to receive a grant from Tennis Vic to assist with running these sessions, this has primarily been used for providing food and end of year barbeque celebrations.

I would like to thank Christine Smith for regularly assisting me in running the sessions and also Anton KlimZack and the Carlson family for their support. Also thanks to Marvin Barker who assisted with the group until December 2023.

Vicky Winship

Coordinator Tennis 4 teens



Coaches Report AGM 2024

To All Members and Co- Committee Members

Please except My Apologies, for Today's meeting as I am coaching at this time. Tennis Coaching has been quite over the last 12 Months, Numbers are down but we have 35 juniors doing the Coaching Program with me. Club has provided grants for girls to continue with the Tennis Program, at the moment we have 3 girls who will start competition thanks to the good work by CSTC committee.

Adult participating has grown steadily, Coaching and Cardio Tennis at this time, we have 25 Ladies and Gentlemen participating, on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

With the warmer weather returning hopefully we will see higher participation.

This Summer the club will enter 12 new Juniors to play Junior Comp for

Clifton Springs TC

In May this year the Committee and myself conducted a Junior Club Championships and ANZ Hotshot clinic, which was a huge success, due to all the hard work from all the Volunteers and Committee members, all the Children seem to have a great time.

I will be promoting my services in the coming weeks and hopefully we can grow our Membership at all levels.

Thank you

Kind Regards

Mark Hagebols



Annual Subscriptions – AGM 15 August 2024

(1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025)

Membership Fees	2024/25
Full (Adult) Membership	\$105
Pensioner A person for whom a government pension is their sole source of income	\$83
Student A full-time student 18 years and over and up to the age of 21 years	\$83
Junior Under the age of 18 years at the commencement of the financial year	Free
Senior Open to people 75 years or over	Free
Half Year Membership An adult who joins after 1 April 2025	\$52.5
Half year Concession A pensioner or student who join after 1 April 2025	\$41.5
Other Fees	
Monday Social & Saturday Social Tennis fee	\$2 per player, per match \$5 for non-members
In-club night tennis competition fee	\$8 per player, per match \$10 for non-members
Tennis Geelong Senior & Mid-week competition fee	\$7 per person, per match (or \$28 per match per team)
Tennis Geelong Junior competition fee (Green ball)	\$40 per season (New Junior Competition players will receive a free club T-shirt)
Tennis Geelong Junior competition fee (Orange ball)	\$20 per season
Lights on courts 1-4	\$15 per hour, per court
Tennis4 Teens	\$3 per person, per session