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Greenvale Tennis Club's Newsletter

March 2021

Welcome...

Welcome to our end of Summer edition newsletter. So much has happened since the much-anticipated return to tennis late 2020. While we are vigilant in adhering to our COVIDSafe practices, we are grateful to be back on the courts #lovetennis!

Last November we held our annual AGM where a new committee was formed with Bob Granger re-elected as President. Thanks to all elected committee members who volunteer their time to ensure the club runs smoothly; liaise with Council and all other affiliates; remain up to date with Tennis Victoria guidelines, policies, and procedures; manage court maintenance, facilities, events, and club hire; and ensure that our club continues to grow. It's a big job and requires a great deal of time and dedication so we thank all those committee members, past and present who have kept our wonderful club running throughout the years!

If you want to see the names of all our current committee members, visit our [webpage](#) and navigate to NEWS.

Please connect with us on [Facebook](#) and/or [Instagram](#) to keep up to date with all the latest Club news.



Competition

We were all excited to see the return to competition tennis with Season 1 commencing in February and 58 juniors across 10 teams competing in the NSJTA Friday night and Saturday competition.

In addition, we had the NSNTA competition commence with 11 teams consisting of ladies, men's and mixed teams competing, as well as a team of 10 ladies in the Thursday NSLTA competition.

Due to the disruption of competition last year the committee endorsed that ball fees for the adult competition this season would be waived.

To all our competition players, if you have any team photos that you would like to email us, we would love to include them in our next newsletter. Photos create a great memory of our teams and members at the club!

New Logo

This year the committee were keen to bring a fresh, new look to Greenvale Tennis Club with a new logo. We hope you agree that the new logo (with the addition of the club's establishment date in 1913) is a modern look into the future of our great club!



Maintenance & Upgrades

In mid-January we had all nine courts cleaned by Ace Court Kleen. They did a marvelous job getting rid of the moss and cleaning all the drains from leaves and debris. The courts look brand new again!

The committee has been liaising with Council about plans to upgrade the car park, the lights, and our clubhouse. Plans are underway and in the coming weeks we should see the entry to our clubhouse moved further down and the road sealed with approximately 37 car park spaces.

Our court lights are not planned to be upgraded until the 23/24 financial year however we are busily applying for grants and plan on making a submission with Council to bring this date forward. The introduction of a booking system that will operate the court lights is currently being investigated with a site survey of our club booked in.

The committee are enthusiastic about improving the facilities and providing ease of access to our members and we hope to provide you with more information in the coming weeks.



Vandalism The Club has recently had some vandalism to the fencing and courts. The Police have been notified and will be making extra patrols and we will also be taking additional steps to improve security. If you see anything suspicious, please call the Police or contact the Committee.

Club Hire

Thank you Jenny, our Social Events Coordinator, for once again opening our club up to hiring for events and functions. We have had a few bookings so far and are fine tuning some of our processes before adding this option to our website.

Members receive almost 30% discount so keep us in mind when deciding on a venue for your next function (bond applicable, and subject to availability).

Uniforms

With our new logo recently finalised, we are liaising with our uniform company to create a design for our new uniforms.

We plan on rolling out the uniforms with our junior competition in time for Season 2, with the addition of the availability of adult tops also.

Please be patient as we go through the planning process and please feel free to email your suggestions. More details soon!

Annual Open Day

On February 7th we held our annual Open Day and what a huge success!

The animal farm returned once again and our face painter, Chantelle, was very popular! The junior hot shots coaches were busy all day with the kids and Chris Guccione showed his talent with the speed serve radar. Tennis Only Tullamarine kindly donated three \$25 vouchers to giveaway and three lucky kids came out on top with our fastest serve competition to win them. Tennis Only are kindly offering all members of GTC a 10% discount for a limited time. When ordering online, enter **GUCCIO** to apply the discount.

A loud shoutout to Coles Greenvale who donated a voucher to support our day. Our Gold sponsor Meatland Greenvale supplied all the sausages for the BBQ, lucky some were able to work it off by joining our Cardio Tennis session with Andy and Evie.

With loads of balloons and prizes given away on the day and lots of smiles and laughter, it was definitely one of our best Open Days ever!



Our 2021 Sponsorship Partners

Amazing effort from our Sponsorship Coordinator, David Cooper, who has secured some fantastic sponsors for our club this year. David will be sending you more information on each Sponsor as well as some great specials that some of our partners are offering our members.

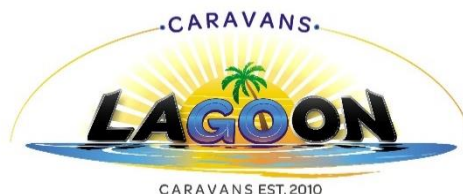
- Our Platinum Sponsor for 2021 is Elevate Chiropractic who provide an extensive range of services including chiropractic adjustments, massage and physio.
- Our three Gold sponsors for 2021 are Meatland Greenvale, Greenvale Animal Hospital and Lagoon Caravans.
- And our Silver and Bronze sponsors this year are PKV Electrical and Chemist Warehouse.

You will also notice the addition of a large digital screen inside the clubhouse which will advertise our sponsors and special offers to members. The screen was kindly donated and organised by David.

It's so important to repay our sponsors commitment where possible with ours, so please help support these fantastic local businesses who are supporting us and give them a try. You will be hard pressed to find better customer service anywhere.

We have three opportunities left so if you have a business or know somebody who might want to sponsor our Club and get involved in the community then please make contact with the Committee.

We welcome and thank all our sponsors for 2021 and look forward to a great partnership!



Upcoming Events

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday, 28th March.

Members are required to email the club to register the number of adults and kids attending – have to make sure we have enough eggs! We look forward to seeing lots of smiley faces covered in chocolate!

Following Easter, we are planning a Mother's Day afternoon (2nd May), an adult social dinner and a trivia night just to name a few.

If we have any members or families with expertise that can help with any of these events, we would be more than happy to hear from you.

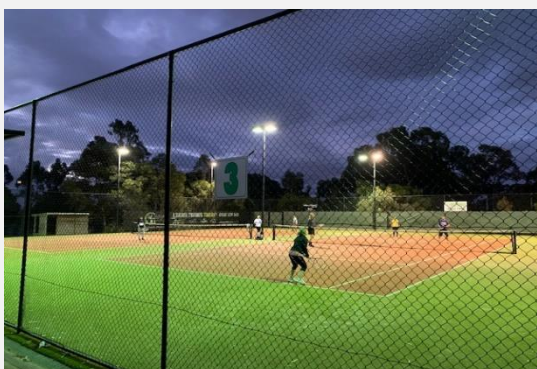
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Social Tennis is back!

Monday night socials are back! Our first night was a real success with 8 people taking part, both members and non-members. All those who attended had a great time.

We hope it will continue to grow so please come along, bring a friend or just spread the word. The program will soon be launched on our webpage so let us know via email or the website if you'd like to come out for a hit.



Thanks Rebel Sport!

Greenvale Tennis Club has been successful in applying for the Community Givebacks program with our local Rebel Sports Craigieburn store. Members must first sign up to be a Rebel Active Member (instore or online) then head into the Craigieburn store to link your account to Greenvale Tennis Club.

Not only does your Rebel Active membership give you exclusive member offers, discounts and rewards, by linking your card to *our* Club, we will earn points for every dollar spent which will go toward supporting our club.



Committee Working Bee

On Saturday 23rd January, our committee members were hard at work cleaning out the clubhouse. There was spraying the exterior for spiders and webs, weeding, cleaning out the shed, cleaning the windows, the kitchen and canteen, as well as the seating and decking...and taking down the Christmas decorations.

It was a mammoth effort, thanks to everyone who rolled their sleeves up!



Local Matters

A big thank you also to Grill'd Melbourne Airport, who encouraged us to participate in their Local Matters program which they began in 2011 as a way to give back and support the communities that have supported them.

If you're lucky enough to be at the Airport during the month of April, drop a free token in to the jar to help GTC win first place of \$300 which goes to our club. Hello new pie warmer!

