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Legana Tennis Club

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Veterans Championships

The annual veterans championships were played over the weekend of 20-21st of February in warm conditions. The veterans championships are open to anyone over the age of 40 at the time of championships who is a financial member of the club. These championships are always hotly contested. The format is only doubles. This year a round robin was used for the men's and women's. this change proved quite successful with the "Roos" Andrew Faulkner And Andrew Michilietto winning the men's final from David Scott and John Gilpin. The women's doubles was taken out by the "young ones" Di Aurik and Judy McIntosh defeating "experienced veterans" Ros Burr and Beth Faulkner. The format for mixed doubles due to the imbalance of men and women players was sudden death elimination. Di and Beth managed to make it through to the final again. Di teamed with Jeff Walker and Beth with Craig Boyce. Having lost the ladies final Beth was determined not to lose another final. Beth somehow made this happen. With her team managing to win a tiebreaker.

Thanks to the tournament Committee for another enjoyable tournament.

Club Championships

This year due to Easter the doubles were played on the weekend of March 20-21st and singles 2nd-3rd April

In the men's doubles David Scott and John Gilpin were able to go one better than they did in the vets and take out the title from Craig Boyce and Robbie Widdowson in three sets.

The ladies doubles went to Celeste Whiteley & Judy McIntosh who defeated Liz Webb and Ros Burr. After a tiebreaker in the first set they took it out in two.

In the mixed doubles David Scott and Di Aurik proved to strong for Craig Boyce and Liz Webb in three tight sets

The singles turned out to be a repeat of both finalists and results of last year with Celeste defeating Di again and young gun Ronan Naidoo taking the title again from Don Aurik. Ronan also won the junior boys. Unfortunately due to a lack of numbers the junior girls were not contested this year.

Thanks to everyone who completed in the championships this year and remember it's not about winning but participating. Once again the tournament committee did a great job in organising this fun and much anticipated event.



2016 ladies singles finalists Celeste Whiteley and Di Aurik

Ladies Midweek

“The Midweek Ladies’ Pennant Team had a very successful season. The team ended the season second on the ladder 1/2 point behind arch rival Beaconsfield. With the scores always close when they played. We beat them 5 sets to 1 in the semi-finals and then they turned the tables in the Grand Final. Hopefully we can go one better next year. If you are interested in playing in the ladies midweek pennant please contact Ros Burr on 0417413560



The ladies midweek team on grand final day (L to R) Carol Hardman, Julie Donahoo, Dorothy Miller and Roslyn Burr.

Interclub B grade Pennant

Once again the interclub pennant was hailed by all that played a success. Legana, Riverside and Trevallyn each fielding two teams. This pennant is not gender or age specific with players ranging from 12 year olds to 80 year olds and everything in between. Legana's two teams had mixed results. The games between the two teams were always tightly contested with the result coming down to games won with both teams winning 3 sets on the two occasions they played each other. Legana 2 missed out on the finals after finishing in fifth spot on the ladder. Legana 1 snuck into third place to earn a spot in the semi final against Riverside. We managed to get our first win for the year against Riverside for the right to play Trevallyn in the final. The final was a very tight contest. After six sets the scores were all tied up 3 sets each and equal on games. No grand final replay in this league!! The rules state that in the event of scores being equal at the end of play in a grand final a sudden

death tiebreaker be played by the players contesting the last set. The fairytale wasn't to be with Trevallyn winning the decider.

If you are interested in playing inter club tennis on a Monday (B grade) or Wednesday (A & C grade) contact Craig Boyce 0447501209 or Tony Phillips 0412315880

Thursday Intraclub Pennant

The 2016 summer pennant has been run and won. The final was played on Thursday 28/4/16. The final is played by the two top teams. With a week to go before the finals the top of the ladder was very tight with The Wimbledon and Australian teams on 36 points followed closely by Spanish on 35. The washout of the final round meant the Spanish wouldn't get the chance to improve their position on the ladder. The final played between Judy McIntosh's Wimbledon and Di Aurik's Australian teams when looking at the final scores may of looked a bit one sided at 4 sets to love. This wasn't the case with sets being 6/4 6/4 6/5 6/4 they were all great sets of tennis. Congratulations to Judy, Tony Phillips, Jeff Walker and Liz Webb and better luck next roster to Di, Nigel McKinlay, Vis Naidoo and Bianca Hannah.

If you are interested in playing in the next pennant which will start in October Contact David Webb 0419 318 534 or Di Aurik 0417 531 360

Positions Vacant

At our April committee meeting Chris Austen advised us that after fourteen years as treasurer he would be standing down at this years AGM in July. Chris has done a fantastic job as treasurer and I would like to thank him for the time that he has given to the tennis club over the fourteen years. Chris has offered to assist the new treasurer settle into the role. So if you have experience with bookkeeping and time to put into this important role please talk to Craig 0447501209 or Tony 0412 315 880

Awards dinner

The club's annual awards dinner was held at the Legana Tavern on Thursday fifth of November. It was great to see almost 50 members attend for a dinner and presentation of prizes to the finalists in the Veterans, Club and Thursday night pennants. Thanks to the tournament committee of Di Aurik, David Webb, Vis Naidoo and Jeff Walker who organise all the Clubs tennis events including drawing and seeding teams, scheduling play and shopping for prizes



"Workman like performance"
Men's doubles champs.
David Scott and John Gilpin.



" Wimbledon Champions".
Not a bad title to have



" Future of the club"
Kieren and Daniel



2016 men' singles finalists Ronan Naidoo and Don Aurik