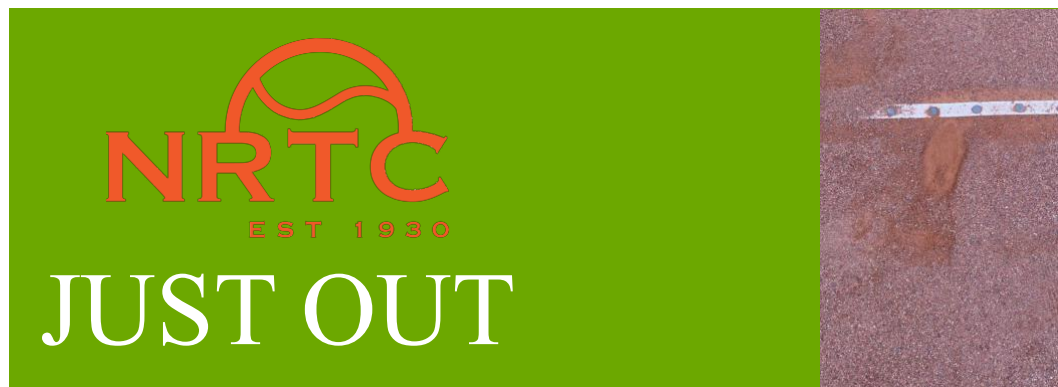


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*“What a year it’s been. The team has worked hard to ensure we were up and running as soon as we were able and juggled constantly changing rules/ regulations. Now we need your support to ensure the club succeeds”*

*Charlie Roberts –  
Club President*

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Welcome to JUST OUT Summer 2020/ 2021 Edition. We hope that you enjoy reading about what’s going on at your club. Let’s make sure that each of us help in continuing to ensure the club remains vibrant and strong for many years to come. Merry Christmas.

And for those of you wondering.....the ball in the photo is “Just Out”

## **Presidents Report**

Welcome to the Just Out. I want to start by wishing all Members and their Families a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Well, what a year it has been. This time last year we had no idea of the storm that was to descend upon the World and particularly Melbourne. I certainly did not see the Club would lose the significant income from the shutdown of Competition and Tournaments. Through all the challenges the Club faced our dedicated Committee, Coaches and Convenors worked together to keep the Club together and respond quickly to the ever-changing rules and regulations.

I would also like to acknowledge Maroondah City Council and particularly the Sport and Recreation Portfolio led by Kirstie Dench. Maroondah has been particularly supportive and proactive in getting sporting clubs like ours back on the court. In one case we had approval to recommence using the courts within 4 minutes of the paperwork being submitted.

Whilst we have not been able to play Tennis for much of the year, the Club has been busy with a re-build of Court 8. The court was bedded in by watering and rolling by Volunteers who lived within the 5-kilometre limit. I would like to thank, Noel Phillips, Sylvia James, Mark Guscott, John Whitehead and David Lovett. These volunteers, along with myself, watered and rolled the court several times a week ensuring the court would be ready for play. The court is currently ok for light play. If you do play on Court 8 please make sure any marks are bagged and well-watered before leaving the court and be aware for a few months it will play heavy.

This period also saw the electronic lock on the gates and toilet door commissioned. This enhances the security of the Club and provides the Committee the ability to lock out former members. The Committee is investigating future upgrades to the alarm system and the installation of CCTV to improve the security and safety at the Club.



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*Mark your diaries:  
Working Bee  
January 31, 2021*

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This Year also saw the retirement from the Committee of Anne and Dave Starkey. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve on the Committee with both of these people, with Dave undertaking the most difficult job on the committee that of Treasurer. Also standing down was the Membership Secretary Gillian Vinen, a thankless task at times but one handled very well by Gillian. I would like to wish all 3 former Committee members all the best for the future.

I would like to welcome to the Committee David Calder our new Treasurer and Louise Daniel the new Membership Secretary, and Mark Guscott. Mark has volunteered to do marketing of the Club. You may have seen the Merry Christmas billboard on the corner of Tortice Drive and Warrandyte Road. The committee also undertook a letterbox drop of the area surrounding the Club advertising the Club and Coaching. Hopefully both of these marketing ideas will put the Club in people's minds. We need to increase membership and you can play a role. Please make every effort to encourage friends and family to join the club.

As we head into the normal Christmas shut down, I am looking forward to competition resuming in the new Year. Eastern Region Tennis resumes competition on 16 January, with most other Competitions resuming at the end of January or Early February. I hope we can field a lot of Teams and people get to enjoy the Club and its facilities.

The Committee is holding a working bee on 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2021, to tidy the gardens, paint outdoor wooden furniture, replace unsafe stairs with concrete ones and generally spruce up the Club and its surrounds for the year ahead. Hopefully 2021 will be kinder to us all and the community thrives.

| Charlie Roberts – Club President |

## Coaches Report

### A challenging year & looking forward to 2021

Coaching services were impacted significantly throughout the past year and it was certainly a welcome development to get back to some normalcy in the final couple of months before Christmas.

It's been great to get a good number back in to coaching. It's essential for our juniors to develop with professional and consistent oversight by our staff.

There are a number of younger players who are ready to move into Saturday morning competition tennis and its pleasing to see a love for the game develop. This past week we held a pre-Christmas summer clinic and this was very well attended.

Coaching is not just for younger players. For those looking to fine tune their game or seek general improvement, it's an excellent way to accelerate overall development and fitness!

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*Pro Tip:*

We look forward to 2021 and if you have questions about our coaching services, please reach out! For now Merry Christmas!

| Noel, Sandy & Rob Phillips – Club Coaching Team |

*“Focus on hitting the  
ball earlier”*

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### Tennis Tips

After a prolonged break, coming back to tennis (or any sport) can create potential risk for injury. It's important that you stretch before playing and build stamina so that when you come to match play, your conditioned and ready to win!

One of our resident club professionals, Rob has given this key tip. “Be sure to focus on hitting the ball earlier. My biggest observation of recreational players is that they wait for the ball to drop on to their racquet. Focussing on earlier shot preparation means that you're well placed to be more aggressive in striking the ball at the top of the rise. This puts you in a stronger position to control the point!”

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## Competition News

### Saturday Seniors - Waverley

What a year. Saturday afternoon competition has been lucky as we have been able to have a Summer competition. We are very appreciative of the Waverley Comp administrators in ensuring that we could get started. A shortened season but we are on the court.

Please note the Winter season forms are attached to this copy of Just Out. If you or anyone you know wishes to play please ensure they submit an entry form by the 13<sup>th</sup> of February. If there are any queries please contact me, 0432 961 582.

There is a new method of payment, which can be found on the form. Any issues or questions please contact me. It is vital you complete the message box as instructed.

| Thelma Bomford |

### Night Tennis – Lilydale & Knox

2020 has not seen much tennis for our night competition players. Most were able to get part way through Season 1 until play was halted in March.

For most of our teams, night competition will recommence in 2021 (Lilydale & District Night Tennis Association).

We have one team entered in Knox District Night Tennis Association (Open Singles/ Doubles) and they have been fortunate to have an end year shortened 6 round social competition. One of the players remarked: “It’s been great to get back on the court and unleash the competitive spirit that’s been building up for a number of months”.

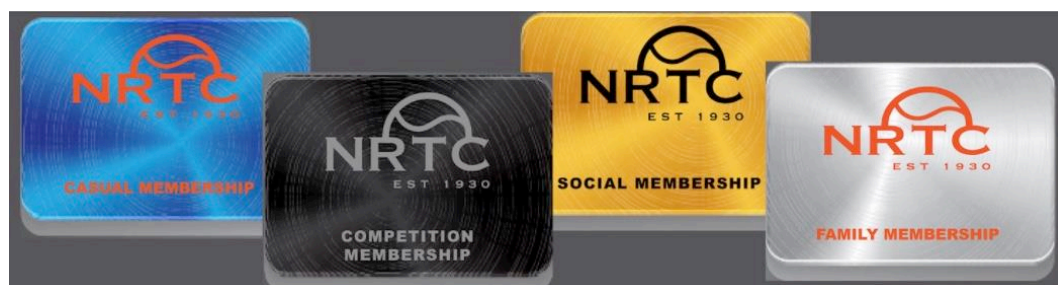
As we prepare for the 2021 season, make sure you get together with your teams and get to the club to practice!

## Membership

If you haven’t yet paid your membership renewal, there’s still time. Competition will be recommencing in early 2021 so it’s a great opportunity to get your membership up to date and hit the courts in preparation for the new year.

Our club relies on having a strong membership base and COVID19 has certainly challenged us.

We want a healthy and vibrant club and we ask that you also promote the club and tennis to friends, colleagues as a great way to stay fit and connect socially.




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*Want to join a team:*

*If interested in playing  
competition tennis, it's  
as easy as contacting a  
convenor*

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## Juniors

Ours juniors looked a very happy bunch when they finally returned to competition at the end of November. The freedom of running around with their mates was most definitely long overdue.

Currently this summer season we have 14 teams competing. It's a slight decrease from the last few seasons, but expected with all that we have experienced this year. We hope for an increase next season when everyone feels that little more comfortable returning to back to our wonderful game.

Noel and I would like to thank all our junior parents for their patience and quick responses ,whilst we frantically tried to organise teams with the ever changing COVID restrictions . We truly have a wonderful group that made life so much easier for us. So we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new year.

Oh, and parents, please don't forget our return date is January 16th slightly early than most years!

| Jaime Nicoll & Noel Phillips |

## Marketing & Facilities

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### *Summer lovin*

*During summer, please look after the courts. They need to be watered & bagged before play and after each set.*

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You've probably noticed a few new things at the club. Throughout 2020, we have sought to improve the club and have had a number of fences replaced. We've also had a complete rebuild of Court 8 and much of this work happened while we were under lockdown conditions. The playground area has been repainted and is a fantastic area for younger ones to be entertained while your at the club! New images now greet you when entering the club carpark. As you enter the club, there are a number of posters designed to create greater feel and interest in the club. We trust that you're liking the changes.

For those on social media, follow North Ringwood Tennis Club on: **Facebook** (North Ringwood Tennis Club) and **Instagram** (northringwoodtc)

As we approach the end of the year, Jellis Craig has kindly donated a real estate board where we have shared a message with the community. Big thankyou to Cory Phillips (Jellis Craig Ringwood) for making this happen!

If you own a business and want to support the club with sponsorship/ advertising, we have a number of packages available. Imagine your logo and advert on one of the show courts! Please contact the club if you're interested to learn more (nrtcinc@bigpond.net.au).

| Mark Guscott |



# NORTH RINGWOOD TENNIS CLUB

## WAVERLEY Entry form

### 2021 SENIOR MIXED WINTER SATURDAY COMPETITION

#### SEASON COMMENCES: 1<sup>st</sup> May - 2021

No Play- 12<sup>th</sup> June Queen's birthday  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July- school holidays

FINALS: Semi – 28<sup>th</sup> August  
Grand Final – 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Back up day 11<sup>th</sup> September if required

#### APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN SENIOR CONVENOR'S HANDS BY - 7.00 P.M. SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2021

#### *Please note the following conditions:*

1. Applicants **MUST BE (OR BECOME) FINANCIAL MEMBERS OF THE CLUB BEFORE SEASON COMMENCES.**
2. Applications received after the closing date **will not be considered.**
3. If you feel you cannot commit yourself to completing each match (without disrupting the team, order of play and/or rosters) because of other sports and/or work commitments, please only register as an emergency. ***Rosters will not be altered for other sports or work commitments. Playing Saturday seniors is a full season commitment.***
4. Players nominating for the coming season must be available for most of the matches.
5. Junior players are encouraged to enter the Senior Competition.
6. Any enquiries should be directed to **Senior Convenor, Thelma Bomford 0432 961 582**

#### **PLAYER FEES WILL BE \$30 PER PLAYER.**

Applicants will be placed in a team of 4 to 6, Captains will be notified prior to the new season.  
(If nominating as an emergency, no fee applies)

#### ***SENIOR ENTRY FORM***

Forwarded to Competition Secretary, North Ringwood Tennis Club, Box 2183, Ringwood Nth 3134  
**SATURDAY** PM – Rubbers- 4 doubles rubbers - Mixed

Please accept this entry on the above conditions:

NAME	PHONE	EMAIL	REG. OR EMERG	LAST GRADED Section WINTER - SUMMER

Payment **Please pay your \$30 directly into the NRTC account**  
**BSB 063885**  
**Acc 10358671**

**Please include your name and Senior Ball Fees in the message section.**  
**This is vital for the treasurer to enter your payment correctly.**

SIGNATURE.....

# PENNANT MEMBERSHIP/APPLICATION

NORTH RINGWOOD TENNIS CLUB

P.O. Box 2183, Ringwood North VIC, 3134

Enquiries: Rob Phillips Phone: 0400 828 851

## Season begins: April 2021 (To be advised)

- *Players must be financial members of NRTC.*
- *Players not a member of NRTC can join as a Pennant Member Please complete the section below.*
- *Players must be registered with Nth Ringwood Tennis Club. Any player transferring from another club should request that their previous club delete their name from its pennant registration list so as to avoid a costly transfer fee.*

*TV Registration and ball fees:*

*\$60 per player plus Pennant membership if not an NRTC member*

*Or team entry of \$300 per team plus any applicable Pennant membership.*

### APPLICANT DETAILS

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	SEX	Date Of Birth	Reg/Emerg

Please enclose payment and return to Competition Secretary to P.O. Box 2183 Ringwood North

Address: .....

Suburb: .....Postcode: .....

Email: .....

Phone: ..... Mobile: .....

TV Registration Number.....(11 DIGIT NUMBER starting with 61)

If you are aged 18years or over, by entering this competition you are agreeing to the use of your image for publication, unless you inform the Club Secretary in writing your decision to withdraw your consent.

**IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER OF NORTH RINGWOOD, please COMPLETE the table below.**

CATEGORY (PLEASE TICK)	MEMBERSHIP FEE	BALL FEES	TOTAL FEES
Pennant	\$80	\$60	

**A CHEQUE OR CREDIT CARD PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM. (NO CASH PLEASE).**  
(VISA/MASTERCARD ONLY)

To pay by Credit card: Name on Card: .....

Card Number: ...../...../...../..... Expiry Date: ...../.....

I certify I am authorised to make payments with this card.

CCV .....

Cardholder Signature ..... Date.....

### Privacy Statement

The North Ringwood Tennis Club requires this information for the purposes of providing your Club membership and your registration to Tennis Victoria. Your personal information will be forwarded to Tennis Victoria to be used in accordance with the purposes of Tennis Victoria to provide membership services. Individual members can access their personal information through Tennis Victoria and the North Ringwood Tennis Club upon reasonable notice.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 12<sup>th</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2021**