**NEWSLETTER 15 JANUARY 2018**

We hope that you all had a great Christmas and wish you a happy and healthy 2018 - and welcome to a great summer of tennis. We have already had some fantastic tennis with the Brisbane International, followed by many other tournaments, and now the Australian Open!

Tennis has been shown to be great way to stay fit and healthy - welcome to another year with the Palmwoods Tennis Club!

**MEMBERHIPS**

Membership renewals continue to be received. Please ensure you complete an Application Form so we can update your details with TQ. Completed forms can be: mailed to PO Box 549, Palmwoods, 4555; placed in the “mail slot” inside the Clubhouse; handed to a Committee Member; or emailed to john@longhq.com

**MONTHLY BBQ**

The Club’s end of month sausage sizzle will be held this Australia Day Weekend on Saturday, 27 January, commencing at 5.30pm. Past, present and prospective members are invited to attend. Bring your own refreshments, salads, etc and share with friends. Bread, butter, sauces and sausages will be provided. (For catering purposes, if you get the chance, could you please email john@longhq.com to indicate that you plan to attend.)

Social tennis will commence at 4.00pm. Come and have a hit – before, during or after the bbq.

**MONDAY NIGHT SUNSHINE COAST INTER-CLUB COMETITION**

Our coach, Neil Heyme, is looking at the possibility of once again entering a team in the Sunshine Coast Inter-Club Competition on Monday nights. We need a minimum of 4 men and 2 women plus a couple of reserves. Anyone interested please contact Neil on 0407 058 211

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT INTRA-CLUB COMPETITION**

Our thanks to Tim Beutel who has once again volunteered to organise the Wednesday night competition. A number of members have already indicated their interest in a new season. If you are interested in playing, or would like to know more, contact Tim at beetlehkds@hotmail.com

**SINGLES COMPETITION**

Unfortunately, the Singles Competition, which was to be deferred until early in 2018, now has to be cancelled due to our organiser, James Morris, being unavailable because of work commitments which will take him out of the area.

If there is anyone else willing to take on the role of organiser, please contact John Long at john@longhq.com

**SOCIAL TENNIS AFTERNOONS**

As you are aware we have afternoon social tennis sessions scheduled on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. While the “official” start time during summer is 4.00pm some members have been arriving earlier and some later. This has made it more difficult to organise matches due to numbers available at any one time.

While members are free to arrive and depart when they wish, the chances of having a good hit are increased when there are more players present. So, if you can, please try to arrive at 4.00pm, or slightly later if that is more convenient in this hot weather.

Don’t forget to encourage family members and friends to join our great Club.

**COACHING**

Anyone can improve their game with coaching. Give our Coach, Neil Heyme, a ring on 0407 058 211 and see what is available. Watch for more announcements on this subject in the near future.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

The Committee presently comprises seven members, four of whom have indicated that they do not intend to stand for re-election because they feel there is a need for a “changing of the guard”. The Club’s AGM is due to take place mid-March on a date to be advised. Voting for committee members will take place at the AGM.

Members are encouraged to step forward and nominate to serve on the Committee. We have a great Club and it is a chance to help keep it strong and make it even better. If you want to know more about what is involved feel free to contact a Committee Member.

***Best wishes to you all for 2018.***

***Your committee*** (Contact details at the website above.)