

Glenhuntly Tennis Club September 2018 Newsletter

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1. Next Sunday – Junior Tournament plus Open Day

Next Sunday 7 October we're having a free Junior Tournament at our Courts from 9am to 2pm. Attached is a poster about the tournament. Registration is 9am for a 9.30 start.

Remember next Sunday is the start of **daylight saving**, so you'll have to put your clocks forward one hour.

This tournament is part of our **Glenhuntly Tennis Club Open Day 12-4pm**.

There'll be a **sausage sizzle** about 12, **free coaching with Phil Mattei** from 12pm, junior tournament finals 1-2pm and **organised social tennis** from 2pm.

A poster about the Open Day is also attached.

Please come along and bring friends, neighbours and family for a free fun day.

2. Increasing Club Membership

As you know, we're working on expanding our membership, upgrading facilities and increasing tennis. Our Club Membership is rising. Our target is to gain another 40 members by the end of June next year.

Our new badged Club Caps will be available in about four weeks. These would usually retail for \$30-40. We'll provide them to you via our website, team captains and coaching at \$10 for members and \$25 for non-members.

Our Club has also added extra opportunities for people in accredited coaching at our courts to become Members of our Club. We now require people in coaching to be a Member of our Club in one of three ways:

- **Join our Club as new Club members and receive a fee discount of 20%; or**
- **Be a Coaching Court Member** - for a fee of \$20 per year a person receiving accredited coaching (and any member of their family) may be registered as a Coaching Court Member and play on the courts (if available) during the hour before or after the coaching lesson; or
- **Otherwise be registered as a Coaching Affiliate Member** without fee so our Club can communicate about Club activities.

To join, go to our website at <https://my.tennis.com.au/onlinemembership/662965> , select the Member category and fill in the contact details. If applicable, pay then (preferably by credit card or otherwise by EFT/cash/cheque).

3. Opportunities for Tennis

Adult Competition teams start the Summer 2018-19 season next Saturday 6 October. The Junior teams are part way through their July-December season.

All are welcome to our organised social tennis now being played on Sundays 10am-12; Sundays 2-6pm; Mondays from about 5.30pm; and Tuesdays 7.30-9.30pm.

4. Our Big Project for new Court surfaces, fences and automated entry & lights

Our Club is planning a **three-stage major project** for our facilities:

- The first stage is to resurface our courts next year with artificial grass, plus new fencing and automated entry and lights.
- The later second stage would be two new multi-purpose sports courts west of our courts to be managed jointly with Glen Eira College and available for wide community use.
- The later third stage would be modern joint new clubhouse facilities used throughout the week with other sports and community clubs, including flexible meeting spaces.

We've had very supportive meetings with Glen Eira College and Tennis Victoria and we'll meet the new Caulfield Racecourse Reserve Trust this week. Next is to talk to Glen Eira Council, whose help we need to make the project work. We expect a substantial grant next year from the Victorian Government's Community Sports Facilities annual grant program.

5. Dates in Advance

Put 16 December 2018 in your diary for our Club end-of-year barbecue.

And let Barry Farrell know (0403 054 491 farrellb@bigpond.net.au) of any juniors to join teams for the Jan-June 2019 season.

Our Club will be part of a Feb 2019 Tennis Victoria/Glen Eira Council tennis promotion week.

We've been working hard to advance our Club's relationship with Glen Eira College – and to get more of their students into tennis. Over four weeks this term 150 Year 8 students from GEC came to our courts. In an introduction to tennis in four one-hour sessions each, they learnt about volleys, forehands, backhands, footwork and serving – and had a lot of fun. The school has emailed: *"Thank you so much! I have only heard amazing feedback from staff and students and this is all solely credited to you and your team so really thank you so much."* We're giving a free follow-up clinic for interested students during our Open Day next Sunday.

6. Club Committee

Our Committee for 2018-19 is Steve Cramond (Secretary), Barry Farrell (V-Pres), Loretta Garvey, Tony Harding, Graham Ihlein (Pres), Sally Jandric, Michelle Lee (V-Pres), Julia Malinovsky, Yael Rodger, Ron Slamowicz, Michael Stagg (V-Pres) and Phil Mattei (Coach).

Some larger roles allocated so far include:

Major Club Facilities Project led by Graham Ihlein

Membership led by Ron Slamowicz and Julia Malinovsky

Juniors led by Barry Farrell and Phil Mattei

Adult Teams led by Loretta Garvey

Maintenance led by Ray Yates, Sally Jandric and Phil Mattei

Social Media led by Tony Harding and Julia Malinovsky

Administration led by Steve Cramond