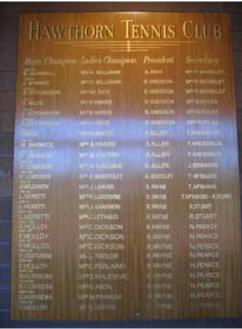


Hawthorn Tennis Club Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT 2011 - 2012







Robert Payne has decided to step down from the office of President, Hawthorn Tennis Club, after serving the Club in this capacity since 1988. Add in earlier roles going back to 1978 as member of Committee, Social Secretary and a Vice President, Robert has now officially served the Club for some 29 years. This stands amongst the top few in terms of longevity of service to the Club over its 107 years of history.

Robert joined the Club way back in 1968 as a young teenager. He followed in the footsteps of father Joe (Life Member, 1986) and brother David, both competition players for Hawthorn, while mother Pearl also was a stalwart around the Club. Perhaps then it was inevitable that the youngest member of the family would give so much of his time and energy to the Club, not only on Committee but also as a very hard-hitting Pennant player. Selection duties and representation at the Council of Tennis Victoria stemming from these roles also were undertaken with gusto.

On top of all this, there has been a constant involvement in all aspects of the Club's social life, maintenance of the courts and facilities, Clubhouse refurbishment after disasters such as the 2004 floods, encouragement to potential new members and major roles in Club milestones such as the year celebrating our Centenary in 2005.

Taken in conjunction with an exuberant (occasionally even loud?) and highly congenial personality, his intelligence and a willingness to undertake sheer hard work, the Club has indeed been fortunate that he has been at the helm for this long period.

Dedications to the Club's interests, sheer hard work and his personal attributes have all contributed enormously to the Club's health and good standing. They were the basis for a much-deserved Life Membership of the Club awarded at the 2005 Annual General Meeting.

Robert has served as Club President for 24 years – a Club record unlikely to ever be broken. Thank you, Robert, for being our President and so much else in this time.

Hawthorn Tennis Club Inc

107th Annual Report

2011 - 2012

Leadership in Transition

A New Club Neighbour

ADDRESSING CHANGE IN OUR 2ND CENTURY



President Robert Payne, with Pat Crabb, at the 'Back to Hawthorn' culmination of the Club's Centenary celebrations, on 2 April 2006

Clubhouse and Courts as seen from the Hawthorn Community Precinct at the Precinct's preview on 15 September 2012



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Australia is considered to be a multinational country, as is our humble tennis club. With many different nationalities playing across every grade and socially, there is no better example than the composition of our Grade 2 Pennant side:

1.	Max Palumbo	Italy
2.	Aniket Ghaskadvi	India
3.	Rod Hill	New Zealand
4.	David Marshall	Australia
5	Eric De Romas	Australia of Filipino backgroup

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The Hawthorn Tennis Club is known for encouraging people from diverse backgrounds to come along and join: I find it very pleasing that they all seem to have a very enjoyable time together. Tennis in Australia also is unbelievably cheap, which allows all manner of its people to enjoy the game. It seems to be borne out at the Club.

In terms of competition this year, one standout result during the year belonged to Andrew Simpson. I congratulate him on having to play somewhat above his grade one day for the Grade 2 team and he succeeded in being part of the winning doubles set that propelled the team into the finals and the Section victory.

Other key achievements from the recent Pennant season have been the recognition of Aniket Ghaskadvi and David Sartori as the best performed players in Pennant Grade 2 and Seniors Grade 4 respectively and the naming of the Seniors Grade 4 team as the winners of the coveted Kevin Howard trophy for the best team in Seniors Tennis. Each of these is a triumph.

All of you members will make this Club even better by helping those who have been elected to do things around the Club. Anyone who believes they can assist in any way should offer this help by speaking to a Committee member who appears friendly.

Robert Payne





A multination club in action: Rod Hill (r) outlasted Aniket Ghaskadvi and goes onto the Club Shield

SECRETARY'S REPORT

An interesting year for the Club, as some significant achievements almost across the spectrum of its activities took place in the face of the evolution next door of the Hawthorn Community Precinct. Concurrently, thought was directed to managing change in the Club's leadership, a vital consideration for the long-term health of any viable organisation.

Only time will tell if the Club has successfully addressed these two challenges, but the early signs are, at the least, promising.

Achievements are outlined through this report in their various sections, but it is impossible to ignore the real highlights of some very good results across all forms of interclub competition during the year and a continued increase in our membership.

Three premierships from four teams in Bayside Summer competition was a fantastic result. To then back this up with a Tennis Victoria Pennant in the Seniors competition provided the proverbial icing on the cake. More teams making Pennant finals, along with several flags and finalist teams in the Junior and Night competitions, meant that the Club had a comprehensive impact on the respective competitions. Perhaps just as pleasing was that virtually no team this year found itself to be not competitive in its section.

Membership grew once again: at 244, the second highest this millennium! And the Club's second highest in its own second century! Hyperbole aside, this is a very good result and a tribute to the works of Coach Kelly Bisinella, the Club's Membership Officer, Peter Robinson, and Committee recognition of the importance of bringing families into the Club.

The Hawthorn Community Precinct Project is nearing completion. The Club gave up a 1.5 metre strip of land at the back of its Courts 4-7 to Boroondara Council in return for work on the Club's fences. A road and car parking facilities will be established prior to the Precinct being open for business. Council has supported the Club to ensure there is no disadvantage and it is hoped that the eventual outcome will be satisfactory to both parties. Some final issues are under negotiation. There have been disruptions to Club operations during all the work undertaken on site and members are thanked for their tolerance in this time.

Leadership and the need for refreshment have been flagged in recent years at the Club's Annual General Meeting. The coming AGM will see the first results of the Executive's consideration of this during the past year when our very long-serving President, Robert Payne, retires from office. Robert's contribution to the Club is detailed elsewhere in the Report. Vice President John Clowes, in that office since 1999, also plans to stand down after some 18 years on Committee. I wish to remark his unfailing contributions, support and goodwill both to the Club and to me as Secretary throughout that time.

These two changes in Executive provide a real opportunity to review the Club's nature and operations with fresh eyes. I hope that the new Executive will undertake this task as a matter of priority – even if it concludes, as I suspect it will, that the Club continues to be both in pretty good shape in itself and in its standing as a community member.

Neil Pearce

SELECTION AND COMPETITION David Sartori

This year, through a concerted effort from the Selection Committee to strengthen teams, the Club experienced resurgence in competition performances, with some very pleasing results.

Bayside Region Summer Competition saw four teams entered - three Mixed and one Men's Rubbers teams - with three of these teams reaching and winning their respective Grand Finals. Our top team, the Mixed Rubbers Section A team, comprising Aniket Ghaskadvi, Rod Hill, Max Palumbo, Micah Jones, Tiffany Gourley and captained by Nadine Maloney, produced a dominant performance throughout the season culminating in a convincing 4-0 victory in the Grand Final. Our Mixed Section 3 team also finished off a great season by knocking off the top team in the Grand Final. Sue Chambers captained the team, which also comprised David Neyland, Peter Scott, Anthony Wing, Cath Mukhtar and Lynda Kerr. Finally, our Men's Section 6 Singles/Doubles team also completed a terrific season winning their Grand Final in dominant fashion, 5 rubbers to 1. The team was made up of Nick Kotros, Raul Hormazabal, Jeremy Tompkins, Kia Kashi and captained by Alex Kotros.

Winter season was equally impressive, with finals performances from several teams and a Tennis Victoria Pennant! The six teams in Winter were two in Bayside (a Mixed Rubbers and a Men's Singles/Doubles) and four in Tennis Victoria Pennant (two Men's and two Seniors). Bayside Section 1 Mixed team performed well to reach the finals and finish the season third, while our Men's Singles/Doubles team just missed out on the finals by a matter of percentage.

Tennis Victoria teams saw both Men's Grade 2 and Seniors Grade 4 teams finish top of the ladder and claim their sectional finals. While the Grade 2 Men were not able to continue their winning form into the main finals draw, the Seniors Grade 4 side could continue and claim a much prized pennant for the Club. David Marshall captained the Men's Grade 2 team and it comprised Max Palumbo, Aniket Ghaskadvi, Rod Hill, Eric De Romas and Adam De Romas. The (Pennant winning!) Seniors Grade 4 team comprised John Delpratt, Les Schwarz, Shahram Raissi, Mark Petty and Andrew Satyendra, captained by David Sartori. Our teams of Men Grade 11 and Seniors Grade 5 missed the finals by the barest of margins.

The Selection Committee wishes to acknowledge the continued efforts of all players, and particularly captains, for their continued assistance in the organisation of players and teams each week. The Committee also wishes to remind captains and team members to contact them for any difficulties in fielding teams or any other assistance required.

The Club through the Selection Committee is strongly focused on continually encouraging competition play and participation of all players willing to extend themselves and represent the Club in all forms of competition. Judging by the above results, the Club continues to show a strong competitive presence in the various competitions involved.







CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Andrew Simpson

A very successful Club Championships this year culminated in one of the best Mens Singles finals ever, between a past champion in Aniket Ghaskadvi and relative new boy, Rod Hill. Over the course of a very tight 3-set match, winners flowing from both racquets with ease and some great rallies, victory ultimately went to Rod in a score line of 7-5, 6-7, 7-5.

The Mens Doubles final was played under lights. A very tight first set went to the Mens Singles finalists, but their power hitting then proved too much for David Sartori and Mark Thompson in the second set. The final set of a Graded Mixed Doubles semi final also transferred to the lights, maybe helping Linda Kerr and Andrew Simpson to a very hard fought 7-5 decider, but they subsequently proved no match for defending champions in this event, John Delpratt and Dedrie Green.

Thanks to all participants in the various events and come back next year.



MOD: Thompson, Hill, Sartori and Ghaskadvi



'S' for Seniors: Semmens, Samuels, Simpson and Schwarz

Club Championships, 2012:

Mens Open Singles	Winners R Hill	def.	Runners-Up A Ghaskadvi	7-5 6-7 7-5
Womens Open Singles		In Prog	ress	
Mens Open Doubles	R Hill/A Ghaskadvi	def.	D Sartori/M Thompson	6-4 6-2
Mixed Open Doubles	R Hill/T Gourley	def.	A Ghaskadvi/NMaloney	7-6 6-7 6-4
Presidents Cup	A Roberts	def.	S Charan Esapathi	6-5 5-6 6-0
Seniors Doubles	L Schwarz/A Simpson	def.	D Samuels/J Semmens	6-3 6-1
Mens Graded Doubles	L Schwarz/A Simpson	def.	D Neyland/P Scott	6-3 6-3
Mixed Graded Doubles	J Delpratt/D Green	def.	L Kerr/A Simpson	6-2 6-1

Thanks go to all players in these various events for their participation. This includes the Club Handicap Championships, now under way.

MEMBERSHIP

Peter Robinson

Category	11-12	10-11	09-10	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05
Full Paying	154	129	137	147	121	141	145	137
Mid Week	15	18	22	22	26	40	24	15
Junior	57	49	37	40	38	48	40	33
Life	12	12	12	12	12	10	10	9
Honorary	2	4	2	2	2	5	4	4
Social	4	4	5	3	3	2	2	2
Visitor	0	0	3	0	0	3	2	1
TOTAL	244	216	218	226	202	249	227	201

Membership numbers have increased by 13% this year. This is a result of referrals from our coach, Kelly Bisinella, together with marketing activities at the Glenferrie Road Festival. Several new members have come from Swinburne University. Existing student members have recommended the Club to fellow students. Our President, Robert Payne, was also very successful in recruiting new members for our competition teams.

Eighteen membership enquiries were made via our website and converted to five memberships - a slight improvement on last year. Other requests via our website were in relation to court hire and tennis lessons.



The Club worked with Tennis Victoria and Boroondara Council to showcase tennis and provide aspiring players with a fun hit in the middle of Glenferrie Road on a wonderfully sunny morning



Our Club is fortunate in that members for the most part are very active and cover very broad spectrums of age and standard of play. We welcome new members at all levels and in all categories but are particularly keen to gain more Junior and Mid Week members.

All members are encouraged to actively promote our club with the aim of increasing membership. And a very warm welcome to all the new members joining this year:

AbdulhakimAlmutarrid, Sultan Alshalan, Michael Banh, Kellie Barker, Grady Baxter, Arpan Bhuta, Cathy Bibby, Nirman Choksi, Cherry Chu, David Clegg, Caroline Cull, Anthony Day, Jane Day, Matilda Day, William Day, Adam De Romas, Eric De Romas, Mike Ericson, Byron Gelagin, Angelique Gleeson, Brigette Gleeson, Natalie Gleeson, Paul Gleeson, Sarah Gleeson, Kai Hakashi, Chris Harrison, Som Hart, Michael Heeps, Samuel Heeps, John Hendi, Mark Hindi, Adam Ho, Han Ho, Lauren Ho, Anh Hoang, Ivetta Kapitan, Bobby Le, Viet Le, Mark Lee, Nathapol Liveerakorn, Geraldine Morris, Misi Na, Michael Nguyen, Natthaphong Nichaphong, Duc Phan, David Saunders, Michael Saunders, Russell Saunders, Dianne Semmens, Jackson Semmens, John Semmens, Marissa Sgro, Meit Shah, Ji Shao, Lydia Skabar, Ronnie Snell, Lynda Talintyre, Lingamurthy Tolahunase, Pranav Tolahunase, Sheetal Tolahunase, Jeremy Tompkins, Daniel Villalobos, Thanh Vu Duy, Ella Walsh, Greg Welch, Peter Wreford, James Wright, Alexander Xing, Catherine Xing and Gavin Xing.

WATER

David Neyland

In prior years the Club has been able to demonstrate fantastic results from our water conservation efforts. This year we could not assess water-harvesting results, because the tank usage meter was removed during work for the Hawthorn Community Precinct Project. Hopefully, the meter will be reinstated and measurements recommenced. In addition, Club usage of mains water also could not be determined accurately, because its mains system has been used by Council to supply water to the adjoining Childcare centre in this period.

The new water collection system has two of its three tanks operational. The third is replaced by an underground tank in the childcare playground and should become operational as the Precinct gets under way. Council guarantee that the Club would continue to have the same amount of water available as under the former water management system.

A number of issues persist in terms of a full return to the Club's water harvesting and saving measures. These include tank overflows into the car park, level of water pressure and the use of tanks to feed cisterns. It is hoped that Council will rectify these outstanding matters soon.

FINANCES

David Neyland

The current year has seen a surplus of just over \$10,000. The result is a direct consequence of the lack of large expenses that the Club has incurred for many years, such as fences last year and water management costs in prior years. These expenses have in the last few months spiked and the result for 2012-13 will be significantly reduced.

The Treasurer is very sad that Wilma Anderson has retired from her informal role as Assistant Treasurer, managing cash receipts and payments. Wilma has undertaken this for some fifteen years and it has been greatly appreciated by successive Treasurers. The role is very time consuming, given that responsibilities entail many functions such as management of the Club's membership database.

The Club will struggle to replace Wilma: in the interim, committee members have agreed to bank cash that is received. As one means of reducing the demands on our volunteers, a strong preference is that all members use internet transfers in making payments to the Club.

HAWTHORN TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2012

		<u>NOTES</u>	<u>2011/12</u>	2010/11	
			\$	\$	
Bank Balance at beginning of year			30,026	33,022	
CASH RECEI	PTS				
SUBSCRIPTIONS:					
	Annual (includes \$2931 for 2012/1	3 subs)	29,418	24,803	
	Joining fees		2,650	1,410	
	Late payment fees	_	240	190	
			32,308	26,403	
OTHER:	Night fees		5,227	5,723	
	Team fees		2,904	3,244	
	Social functions & activities		1,309	703	
	Courts & clubhouse hire		345	1,345	
	Investments (ANZ Bank) interest		1,151	1,049	
	Club championships & handicap e	vents	(40)	445	
	Misc		85	162	
			43,289	39,074	
CASH PAYME	ENTS				
	Clubhouse & administration	3	11,282	11,332	
	Courts & surrounds	4	6,189	14,841	
	Competition & social tennis	5	9,606	8,523	
	Water management system	6	2,285	3,973	
	Electricity Local council rent		2,147 1,398	2,003 1,398	
	Local oddinii rent	_	32,907	42,070	
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SURPLUS			10,382	(2,996)	
Bank Balance at end of year		2	40,408	30,026	

Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICY

The accounts have been prepared on a cash basis recording only transactions processed through the bank account. Exception to this is unpresented cheques where these have been adjusted. Net balances are shown where appropriate.

2. BANK BALANCES

Cash at bank	8,067	4,458
At call deposit	31,315	25,164
Cash on hand	1,026	404
	40,408	30,026

		2011/12	2010/11
3.	CLUBHOUSE AND ADMINISTRATION		
	Cleaning	4,600	4,230
	Insurance	2,419	2,196
	Gas	561	1,069
	Printing & stationery	1,133	993
	Telephone	848	898
	Clubhouse consumables & miscellaneous	386	864
	Shed for coaching equipment		526
	Postage	507	314
	Honour board & shields updates& door signage	220	110
	General maintenance clubhouse	565	90
	Consumer Affairs	43	42
		11,282	11,332
4.	COURTS AND SURROUNDS		
	Richards - court top dress/ new lines	2,282	2,843
	General maintenance courts & surrounds	1,716	2,524
	Courts misc costs	957	39
	(\$957 includes 3 locks \$225,entrance & mat signs \$495)		
	Gardener	854	1,380
	Drag mats	380	380
	Night tennis globes		645
	Fences		7,030
		6,189	14,841
5.	COMPETITION AND SOCIAL TENNIS		
	Tennis Victoria affiliation (18% of annual subs)	5,555	4,154
	Balls	2,773	2,986
	Bayside/ ERTA/ BDNTA team entry fees	520	535
	Tennis Victoria pennant team entry fees	380	475
	Fines (Pennant \$150 in 2010/11)	209	224
	Trophies	169	149
		9,606	8,523
6.	WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM		
	Court treatment - Magnesium Chloride		3,833
	Water usage & rates	139	140
	Sprinkler repairs - council damaged	2,146	
		2,285	3,973
DAVID NEYLAND Honorary Treasurer		<u> </u>	<u> </u>

This statement of Cash Receipts and Payments agrees with the Club records.

ANDREW ROBERTS Honorary Auditor

MID-WEEK TENNIS

Wilma Anderson

Tennis on Wednesday morning at the Club sees two, three, even four courts in use by the Wednesday Group, a major change from the situation just a few years ago when it sometimes struggled to fill one court. New members and moves into retirement or semi-retirement have been the drivers of this change, along with the rather simple fact that everyone enjoys their "Wednesday family". The splendid Christmas lunch just happens to be a bonus!

The Friday Group has struggled a bit with injuries, ill health and something of a preoccupation with overseas travel, but is expected to be in full swing again as the warmer months arrive.

The Club Coach's aim to restore Mid-Week competition at the Club is very welcome, as the Club had a long record of participation in interclub competition from 1939 to 2003 and considerable success. It would be wonderful to see our good courts and facilities back in use on a regular basis for competition on weekdays.

Parking continues to be permitted between the Club and the MCC Bowling Club on an unlimited basis, provided that the Club membership card is displayed on the dashboard. We are grateful to Boroondara Council for the privilege and have indicated that we shall not pursue Council for exemptions where Club members have failed to display and been fined.



Take a splendid setting in the Clubhouse and add one Wednesday Christmas Lunch - sheer pleasure



NIGHT TENNIS

Peter Scott

Hawthorn continued its high level of participation in the Monday Night competition of Blackburn & District, with three teams entered in each of the two seasons.

The year has seen consistently good results, as every team played in least one final during the year, and teams produced three premierships between them. Section 2 Team won two flags -back-to-back premiers and thus a great achievement. Members were Shahram Raissi, Peter Scott, Trent Thomson, Kris Wheat and Peter Herd. On top of that, one of the Section 4 teams won the premiership in the Autumn season. Members of this rather big team were Scott Aitken, Gabriella Bornstein, Mark Leeton, Justin McNamara, Ali Mousavi, Ian Robertson, Daniel Seno and Diana Seno. Well done to everyone who played in our teams during the year.

A great benefit of this competition is the opportunity to enjoy not only the tennis but also its social aspect. The new Spring season is now under way and the Club encourages members to participate now and through the year.

Thanks are extended to all members who filled in for teams at the last moment as well as to all team members for their dedication and their contributions to the smooth operation of the two seasons.

WORKS AND MAINTENANCE

Robert Payne

The Club has endured many difficulties over the past year, mostly due to the building work associated with the adjoining Hawthorn Community Precinct Project.

While the Club has attempted to resolve the various issues, many are yet to be finalised. However, there is confidence that it will all be lovely when the Project reaches its end.

The Club has decided to again apply magnesium chloride to the courts for the coming Summer. This will be worthwhile, even though the sprayer system has been reinstated to allow for both tank and mains operation. In the near future, our water system will be connected to the underground tank within the Precinct and will collect water from the rooves of its buildings.

A new garden will be completed soon, to provide a shaded area for the enjoyment of members. Thanks go to Andrew Simpson for his assistance with this project.

Bert continues to do a great deal of the maintenance work around the Club, even if a little more slowly. Nevertheless, it would be greatly appreciated if all members can contribute to Club finances by both bagging and watering courts before, during and after the completion of play. Seeing courts blowing away to Frankston is not pleasing.

If any member is able to assist in any way with works and maintenance, please contact Bert.

SOCIAL

Janet Wainwright

The last function for 2011, the Christmas party on Sunday 4 December, was nothing short of an absolute ripsnorter! Once again, we were lucky enough to have the resources of resident ubercool DJ Der Buch, Duncan Buchanan, who provided not only an array of Christmas carols but an imposing midget size Father Christmas who lit up the room admirably. Furthermore, the Father Christmas suit which Mike Crabb graciously donned, (again, thanks Duncan), proved to be a huge hit with the multitude of kids who attended. Mike did a sterling job in keeping all the kiddy winks in line when they each had a turn at bashing the piñata to get at all the lollies inside. An excellent turn out, made even better by some of our newer family members attending with their children.





While newer members desperately wanted Father Christmas to come over, Mother Christmas (aka Wilma Anderson) was at work on the raffle



This year's movie night held in mid March was, again, well received. "Silent Movie" was enjoyed by most who attended the night; the dog especially won a few hearts with his engaging and cheeky manner. The pizza and wine back at the Club after the movie went down a treat too.

I think all would agree that the social highlight for the year was the live screening of the Wimbledon women's final on Saturday 7 July. A hot hearty winter soup, cucumber sandwiches and strawberries and cream fed the masses, whilst Pimms and lemonade wetted their whistles. All who attended also thoroughly enjoyed a collection of old HTC movies starring many familiar faces. Well done to those who braved the cold to stay up until after 2am to watch Serena Williams claim victory in what was a fantastic display of gutsy 3 set tennis. Duncan Buchanan did a magnificent and professional job in bringing his projector to the Club and setting up a top class "larger than life" screen for us to all revel in each nail biting shot.

We look forward our next social function for 2012, another movie night on 1 December, a Saturday, when the new James Bond film, "Skyfall" will be shown at the Balwyn Palace Cinema. Stay tuned for more information....

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Social Sub-Committee team, Elaine Cooper, John Clowes, Andrew Simpson, Cath Mukhtar, Nemeer Mukhtar and our silent member who is always happy to lend a hand where he can in the audiovisual stakes, Duncan Buchanan. Without the support of the "gang", none of these functions would be possible or be the great success they have been. We look forward to bringing Club members a range of fun and interesting functions in 2013. Any suggestions from members would be greatly appreciated.





Max Palumbo, Janet Wainwright and Elaine Cooper may have been involved in the raffle, but there's no mistaking who was the real star of the night





Then again, Andrew Simpson was a bit of a star – with Dedrie Green and Mike Crabb (left) and John Pettitt (right)

COACHING

Kelly Bisinella

The coaching program has continued to be successful over the past 12 months under the dedicated staff made up of Max Palumbo, Enrico Slomp and Aniket Ghaskadvi. They have consistently supported the coaching program and nurtured the pupils and ladies in tennis and their loyalty and devotion has been commendable and much appreciated. There is excellent rapport with both children and parents and they have been the subject of constant positive feedback from all concerned.

Coaching has been conducted from Monday to Friday after school and in the evening, including private lessons, groups and squads, with additional private lessons on Saturday and Sunday mornings. High Performance squads also are being offered now, on two evenings each week.

Statistical growth of coaching at the Club has been significant over the past twelve months, with an increase of over 100 percent in coaching numbers. This percentage includes group classes, squads, ladies, adult coaching and private lessons.

The Ladies coaching program continued on four mornings per week as well as a ladies group on Tuesday evening. Tennis Victoria again granted the Club the opportunity to host the 'Mum's in Tennis 5 week program' during Term 4, 2011 and this will happen again in 2012. The five-week program commencing in mid October should be a great success, with the introduction of more ladies and families to the Club. A further initiative will be a coaching program for four-year-old children; also offering a child minding service to ensure all ladies can participate in the program.

Coaching for children continued to follow a structured program according to their age. The program for those five to seven years emphasises learning basic skills, fun and movement, while the older children focus on correct technique, stroke combination and running drills. Squads continued to be extremely popular amongst the juniors who play competition (juniors and seniors). The emphasis is on consistency and game building, while ensuring correct etiquette during both coaching and competition.

Advertising at the local schools was a great success, but word of mouth is appearing to be the best form of advertising now. Many clients have spoken about the Club's well-structured and organised program and this in response is drawing in clientele. Nevertheless, a pamphlet distribution to five local primary schools and letterbox drop of 3,000 pamphlets to surrounding homes has been organised during September 2012.

McDonald's Hawthorn and Prince were generous sponsors throughout the year in providing encouragement and incentives to children in the coaching program and their support is much appreciated.

For the future, plans are to continue building the coaching/membership base, ensuring more players are joining for junior and senior competitions and the potential to form some Mid Week ladies teams.

Unfortunately, Max Palumbo has had to go back to Italy for a period of time. Most importantly to get 'Married' to Anna! He has loved his time coaching in Hawthorn and has formed very strong relationships with all clients – children, ladies and parents. Aniket Ghaskadvi, sadly, has also moved on but no doubt the Club will continue to see his big forehand out on court in competition!

JUNIOR TENNIS

Kelly Bisinella

During the 2011-12 Summer season, the Club was represented by four teams playing in the Eastern Region Sunday morning competition. Teams and players were:

BSD 1 - Matthew Mukhtar, James Macleod, Matthew Taylor and Anthony Luppino

BSD 4 – Kyle Wheatley, Julian Rickard, Max Ford and Zephyr Howson

BSD 10 - Andrew Taylor, Adam Ho, Harry Gill and Ronnie Snell

JOSD 1 - Lochy Meggs, Gabriel Dartnell, Lauren Ho, Marissa Sgro and Byron Gelagin

Congratulations to BSD 1 for competing in the Grand Final. This was a fantastic effort, with the runners up flag being obtained. Thank you to the other three teams for competing during the summer season: all teams displayed great attitude throughout!

During the 2012 Winter season, the Club was represented by three teams in the Eastern Region Sunday morning competition, two Boys teams and one Girls team. They all competed in the singles/doubles format. Many new players joined the Club from coaching classes to become members of a team. This season was extremely successful, with all teams making the semi finals! Photos of Winter teams appear below. Congratulations to all the players:

BSD 1 – Matthew Mukhtar, James Macleod, Matthew Taylor and Anthony Luppino

BSD 7 - Max Ford, Lochy Meggs, Jackson Semmens, Byron Gelagin and David Saunders

GSD 3 – Marissa Sgro, Sasha Howell, Ella Walsh and Lydia Skabar

Our BSD 7 team went through to the Grand Final and put in a fantastic effort: after a well-fought morning of tennis they took the runners up flag home. Congratulations to all players and the nervous parents who were watching.

In the coming Summer season for Eastern Region Sunday competition, the Club will be represented by four teams. There are three Boys teams and one Girls team, again in the singles/doubles format. There are new competitors joining, as well as players who come back in summer to play, so this is exciting for the Club's growth. Good luck to them all for the coming season.

The junior players are encouraged to compete 100% at all times but respect their opponents when playing competition. As Hawthorn Tennis Club representatives, they have done so all year and deserve congratulations for demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and team spirit!

Thanks are extended to all the parents for helping to support the players and ensuring they reach the correct venue every week.



BSD 1 – James Macleod, Anthony Luppino Matthew Taylor, Matthew Mukhtar.



BSD 7 – Jackson Semmens, Max Ford, Lochy Meggs, Byron Gelagin.



GSD 3 – Marissa Sgro, Ella Walshe, Lydia Skabarm, Sasha Howell.

MEMBERS 2011-12

David Abbott Elaine Abbott Scott Aitken AbdulhakimAlmutarrid Sultan Alshalan Wilma Anderson

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