



# 24 Hour Festival of Tennis

**12.00pm Saturday 28 October to 12.00pm Sunday 29 October**

## What is it?

This is the 8th year of our annual Fundraising event run by Hornsby Kuring-gai District Tennis Association to raise funds for the Children's Ward, Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital and this year also for the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter. At the same time as we are raising funds for some of our much needed local services, we get to play as much tennis as we like over a 24 hour period, in a wonderful bushland setting, including those special games as the sun rises over the magnificence of the Ku-ring-gai National Park early on Sunday morning!

## How long do I have to play for?

If you are feeling adventurous you can try to play for the full 24 hours, or just play for one session, or play for a part of the day on Saturday, and come back and play some more on Sunday! However long (or short) you wish to play for, we can accommodate you over the 24 hour period!

## Who can take part?

Players of all standards are welcome to attend. Throughout the 24 hours we offer matchplay, social play, and for small donations there are coaching sessions, skills challenges and other activities.

Come by yourself, or bring a group of friends – you will all be welcome!

## When is it?

The event starts at 12.00pm on Saturday 28 October, 2017, and concludes at 12.00pm on Sunday 29 October, 2017.

If the weather is not favourable, it will be moved to the following weekend, 4-5 November.

## Where is it?

It all takes place at the [Mills Park Tennis Centre](#) (10 courts), Stratford Close, Asquith (entry to the complex is through the driveway at the end of the cul de sac).

## What is the cost?

The cost will be \$80 per player for the full 24 hours, or \$30 per session\*.

This cost includes use of the courts, the provision of balls, meals and drinks (water & cordial).

\*The nominal sessions are **A** – from 12.00pm – 8.00pm; **B** – from 8.00pm – 6.00am, and **C** – 6.00am – 12.00pm, but naturally we are fairly flexible, with the basis being that a “session” includes play and one main meal.



## **What if I am only coming for the live music?**

If you are only coming to catch the performance of “The Quiet Ones” there is a \$10 per person cover charge. Food will be available to purchase from 6.30pm, but drinks are byo. If you are planning to eat, please rsvp beforehand so that we can cater for enough people.

## **Are there discounts for children or family groups?**

Yes! The cost for children (Under 16) is \$45 for the full 24 hours, or \$25 per session. The “Family price” (2 adults & up to 3 children) is \$180 for the full 24 hours, or \$90 per session.

## **What are the activities?**

You are welcome to just come along and play with your friends, or you can join the social group who will have mix’n’match games throughout the 24 hours, or to enter one of our “**Short Competition**” events. Of course you can also do a combination of all these!

## **Short Competitions & other events**

Ad hoc competitions (Singles, Doubles, Mixed or Uni-sex Doubles) can be organised throughout the 24 hours. Basically once we have 4 players (for singles) or 4 pairs (for doubles) we will play pool matches, plus a final, with small prizes on offer.

### **Mix-n-Matchplay**

Alternatively you can join one of the “Mix-n-Match” groups where you play once with every other player in your pool, and once against each other possible combination of the players in your pool.

### **Points Challenge**

Similar to Mix-n-Matchplay, except that players only play 40 points in each set, 120 points in total, and the winner is the player who won the most points in their matches. Gold coin entry fee, with the winner taking half the challenge money and the rest donated.

### **3 on 3 Tennis**

Think your passing shots are good do you? Take on the challenge of having to get it past 2 players on the net and a 3rd backing them up as you play with 3 players on each side of the court!

### **Yesterday’s Heroes!**

Do you remember that delicious feeling of a wooden racquet springing as you caress that volley deep into the far corner? Relive those memories with our collection of classic racquets (unfortunately white balls are a bit more difficult to find!)

### **Coaching sessions**

There will be a number of coaching sessions provided by the coaches of the Mills Park Tennis Centre which, for a small donation, you can join to fine-tune your game!

Various other **skills challenges and novelty events** will be available, including serving with 10-pin bowling pins as a target, “tennis limbo”, and a speed gun to see how fast you really do serve. Some activities will require a “gold coin donation”, others are free, and some even have prizes attached to them!



### **Live Music – 7.30pm to 10.00pm**

**The Quiet Ones** was formed in Hornsby in the early sixties and broke up in 1970. Thirty five years later they reunited to play a gig with the Aztecs (of Billy Thorpe and the Aztecs fame) and Vince Maloney lead guitarist for the Aztecs and the Bee Gees. Since 2007 they have performed as a great 60s rock music band raising funds for charities.

The current band lineup is Phil Naylor, vocals and guitar, Phill Beazley, drums, Laurie Facer, bass guitar, Peter Cookson, lead guitar, harmonica and vocals and Ian Taylor, keyboards, guitar and vocals.

### **What facilities are available?**

The Mills Park Tennis Complex has a full Pro-shop, including a canteen, and toilets, showers, and changerooms. The main clubhouse is a 2 story building with the Proshop downstairs and meeting rooms upstairs which also contain a television, and table tennis and foosball tables to fill in any spare time you may have.

In the evening upstairs will become the dance floor for anybody wishing to show some ‘off court’ moves, and later on a ‘community bedroom’ for anybody who wants to have a few hours sleep before taking on the early morning games (bring your own sleeping bag!)

There are also 2 smaller (single room) club houses, as well as a bbq and picnic area available for people to use.

### **What food is provided?**

On the Saturday we will start with a lunch at around 1.00pm, dinner (an international bbq & smorgasbord) at approximately 7.00pm, a light supper at about 9.30pm, and there will be cool water, cordial, tea, instant coffee and other “nibbles” available throughout the day. Other drinks, juices, espresso coffee etc can be purchased through the Pro-shop.

Sunday morning starts with breakfast at about 8.00am with eggs, bacon, sausages, tomato etc plus a few cereals, and lunch at midday will be an “Aussie BBQ” to celebrate the completion of the 2017 Festival of Tennis. Of course the drinks and ‘nibbles’ will also be there throughout the day.

If you would like to bring along your own wine, beer etc you are more than welcome.

If you have any special dietary requirements please let Mai know by 26 October on 9482 1370.

### **Sponsorships**

A great way to increase the amount that we will raise is to have a few friends/colleagues sponsor you for the number of hours that you will take part in this event. Please ensure that you get the names and addresses of all your sponsors, and receipts will be posted to them all directly from the hospital (sponsorships of \$2 and over are tax deductible). Forms to list your sponsors (and for certification of your ‘performance’) will be available on the day. Any sponsorships from your business will also be gratefully received! If your business would like to become involved as a sponsor of this event, please contact Mai Donnelly on 9482 1370 to discuss the appropriate acknowledgement on the day of your generous contribution.



## How do I book my spot for this event?

You can either complete the Entry form at the end of this document, and post it to HKDTA – 24 Hour Tennis, PO Box 1628, Hornsby Westfield 1635, drop it in to the Pro-shop at Mills Park, scan and email it to [contact@hkda.net.au](mailto:contact@hkda.net.au) or contact Mai Donnelly on 9482 1370 or 0428 222 305.

You can also enter online through the [Festival of Tennis](#) page on our website.

To ensure that we can cater for the right number of people, we need to have a good idea of how many are attending, so please book your spot, or at a minimum advise Mai of your intention to attend, by Wednesday 25 October.

## When do I need to pay?

Payment in advance is preferred, and can be sent in along with the Entry form. Payment on the day will also be accepted.

## Other questions?

If you have any further questions regarding this event please don't hesitate to contact Mai Donnelly in the Pro-shop on 9482 1370.

## Registration form

2017 Festival of Tennis Registration Form					
Player Name(s):					
Email address*:					
Sessions planning to attend: (Please circle)		All	A	B	C
Payment total: <b>\$</b>	<i>Cheque made payable to: Hornsby Ku-ring-Gai Tennis District Association Inc</i> <i>Cash payments can be made in the Pro-shop at Mills Park, or credit card as below.</i>				
Credit Card ( <i>Visa or MasterCard</i> )	Card Number:				
	Expiry date:				
	Name on Card:				
	Signature:				

*\* Any further announcements/notices regarding this event will be sent to this email address and posted on the HKDTA website.*

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