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Current Club improvements

You may have noticed the recent work to upgrade the Club facilities. Our ongoing maintenance and upgrading has included:

- replacing unsafe stairs leading from the top bank to the Clubhouse
- garden weeding and tidying up
- levelling and resurfacing the area adjacent to court 4
- improving fencing to a number of courts
- repairing base lines in court 1
- erection of shade cloth over the deck (donated by Paul Kitchener)

While some of this work was undertaken by professionals, maintenance of facilities relies heavily on volunteers. All Club members can contribute in some way - can you spare a few hours to help with maintaining your Club?

Grant Application

The Club has applied for a grant from Sport and Recreation Tasmania's Major Grant Program for funds to resurface court 1 and widen the adjacent entrance path to comply with accessibility requirements. The anticipated total project cost is \$39 836 (inclusive of GST), with SRT funding up to 50% of the cost. The outcome will be known in May.

From the Treasurer

As at 31 January 2014, the Club had a balance of \$22 086.63. These funds will principally be used to upgrade Club facilities and Tennis Tasmania membership registrations. The Club still has an outstanding loan for previous improvements which is now under \$13 000.

Vacancy – purchasing officer

While at the Clubhouse, if you have ever had a drink from the fridge, or cleaned the kitchen bench, it's because someone keeps the Club stocked. And that person has been Jill Davie. After fulfilling that very important (but mostly unnoticed) role for the last few years, it's now time for someone to take over from Jill.

So, if you would like to continue to enjoy that cool lemonade after a tough set, or just because you want to contribute to your Club, contact Ros Williams to discuss what's involved in becoming our purchasing officer.

The Committee expresses our appreciation to Jill for her contribution to the Club.

History Book

Want to find out how the Club started? Looking for the names of your teammates from the pennant-winning side in 1985? What was the Club like in 1969? Answers to these and many more questions are in the Club history, written by member Gloria Schmalfluss. The book was launched on 15 December by life member Tony Dalton. To thank Gloria for her extensive research and dedication in compiling the history, the Committee provided Gloria with an honorary membership for one year and flowers.

Copies are available for purchase from Ros Williams and cost \$15.

Fundraising

Dog Racing

The committee are looking to hold a different fundraising event at the dog races in April or May 2014. We have 8 sponsors who have indicated they will sponsor a race. If you know of a business who would like to participate (\$100 for a named race as a good way of promoting your business), contact Steve Psaila or a committee member – we need 2 more. Once 10 sponsors have been confirmed, we will set a firm date – stay tuned.

Easter Raffle

An early notice for our Easter raffle. Tickets will cost **\$1 each or 3 for \$2** and the raffle will be drawn on 16 April. Stay tuned for more details in the next newsletter or talk to Ros Williams.

Tennis Events



Tasmania

The Club was a host club for the 2014 Australian Tennis Seniors Teams Carnival from 13 to 17 January. The Carnival hosted players (ranging in age from 35 to over 80) came from all around Australia and even internationally. It was a great success across all host clubs, with feedback generally glowing. All participants loved Hobart, and the friendliness and hospitality of Tasmanians. Queensland was named overall team trophy winners.

The Committee expresses our appreciation to all the volunteers who assisted during the Carnival. The Club raised over \$450 from canteen sales – thanks to the sterling work of Lisa McKay and Sheila Cocker.



MLC Tennis Hot Shots Community Play is a nation-wide program currently being rolled out in tennis clubs and centres across Australia. Hot Shots is designed especially for children of **primary school age** to provide an opportunity for them to play tennis in a fun supportive environment.

St Therese's is now taking registrations for the second round. The program will run on Saturday mornings from 9.30am – 10.30am, starting on **15 February 2014** for six weeks.

To register please contact: Coordinator: Lisa McKay
Phone: 0459 023 529
Email: mckay99@internode.on.net

For more information on MLC Tennis Hot Shots visit the website hotshots.tennis.com.au

There will be a small charge of \$2 per child per week, with a cap of \$5 per family.



The Medibank Junior Development Series is a group of round-robin tournaments with a developmental focus. These tournaments are conducted around Australia. The MJDS is a great introduction to tournament play for juniors who are developing their tennis skills. The 2014 MJDS events are open to all male and female tennis players who are aged 9, 11, 13, 15 and under as at 31 December 2014.

The Club is hosting two MJDS tournaments in 2014:

- 29 and 30 March
- 15 and 16 November

Check the Clubhouse notice board for further details, or visit www.tournaments.tennis.com.au

CDF Club Championships

The 2014 CDF Club Championships will be held over two weeks from Monday 31 March to 13 April, with finals to be held on 13 April. We encourage players of all standards to enter, as this is about participation – doubles are handicapped to provide an equal chance of success. The more players, the better the tournament.

The Championships are supported by the Catholic Development Fund.

Events include: Ladies' Singles; Ladies' Doubles; Men's Singles; Men's Doubles; Mixed Doubles; Junior Boys; Junior Girls; and 60+ Doubles. Singles are best of 3 tie-break sets. Doubles are handicapped events.

Entry details:

Entries to Di Horne (di_horne@yahoo.com.au) or see entry form attached.

Entries close **26 March**

Entry cost: \$4 per event for adults; \$3 per event for juniors.

Coaching

Paul Hart is available for coaching from beginners up and is available during the week as well as weekends. If interested please contact him on 6228 5812.

Lost property

A St Therese's navy winter jacket has been left at the clubhouse for the past 3 months. Is it yours?

St Therese's Tennis Club Management Committee

President:	Fay Ibbott	
Vice-President:	Paul Kitchener	
Hon Treasurer:	Ros Williams	
Hon Secretary:	Mark Green	
Asst Secretary:	Lisa McKay	
Committee:	John Brereton	Sheila Cocker
	Steve Psaila	Janaya Horne
	Di Horne	Sandra Halliwell

The voluntary committee puts in many hours to run the Club. We welcome any comments or suggestions for improving the Club - particularly offers to assist with fundraising events, social events, working bees etc. Remember – you don't need to be on the Committee to contribute to making your Club a place of which we can all be proud.

Did you know?

3 March 2014 is World Tennis Day – an annual celebration of tennis around the world to promote increased participation.



For your diary

HOT SHOTS

SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY TO 22 MARCH

9.30 - 10.30AM

ST THERESE'S TENNIS CLUB

MEDIBANK JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SERIES

29 & 30 MARCH (IF REQUIRED)

ST THERESE'S TENNIS CLUB

CDF CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

31 MARCH TO 13 APRIL (FINALS)

ST THERESE'S TENNIS CLUB

EASTER RAFFLE

DRAWN 16 APRIL

