



Newsletter - May 2016



We have some good news for Club members – and it will enable St Therese’s Tennis Club to continue its wonderful history and keep our membership together.

Following a resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting on 1 May, we have made arrangements with the [Domain Tennis Centre](#) to hire their courts. Importantly, costs will be covered by Club funds.

This arrangement will begin with a 3 month trial period from 1 June, with the expectation that it will become a longer-term arrangement. Agreed court hire times are based on groups’ current times.

Details are as follows:

Commencement: 1 June for 3 month trial (likely becoming a longer-term arrangement)

Available courts: courts 14, 15 and 17 (artificial grass on Aberdeen Street side; courts are numbered)

Times:

Mon:	1 - 3pm
Tues:	9 - 1pm 1 - 3pm 3 - 6pm
Wed:	1 - 3pm
Thurs:	9am - noon 3.30 - 6pm

Simply turn up with your group and start playing!

Once the Domain’s online booking system is in place, individuals will be able to book court times, again with costs covered by the Club.

Non-members playing with Club members are to pay a \$5 fee to the Club, and ball fees will continue at \$2. Group captains are to collect fees and provide to Treasurer Ros Williams.

St Therese’s will be able to enter teams in the 2016-17 AYC competition, with home games to be played at the Domain on either Tuesday or Wednesday evenings.

Club members will be able to make full use of the Domain’s facilities (tea/coffee, showers, lounge etc).

This is an excellent result for the Club and our members in light of our recent circumstances. After the Archdiocese required the Club to leave the Amy Street premises and then being unable to find a suitable home, we were facing the prospect of winding-up the Club. We appreciate the Domain’s support in making this arrangement happen and helping keep our Club together. Thanks to Sandra Halliwell for liaising with the Domain.

Information about the Domain Tennis Centre:

- Address and entry is Davies Avenue, Hobart
- Free and paid parking is available nearby - on-site, and Davies Avenue and Aberdeen Street. Make sure you check signs for any parking restrictions.
- Contacts: ph: 6234 4805 or email: manager@domaintennis.com.au



The Committee recognises that members have not been able to enjoy the full benefits of Club membership this year. To help compensate, the 2015-16 membership period will be extended until 31 August 2016.

The Committee has proposed that membership fees will be reduced to 50% of current levels for the next membership year, which will be from 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017. New members will pay a one-off joining fee of \$25. The proposed fees will require endorsement at the Annual General Meeting (see below). The new fee recognises the reduced operating costs of the Club without a facility to maintain, while providing sufficient income to allow arrangements with the Domain to continue well into the future.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Club's Annual General Meeting will be held on **Sunday 7 August 2016**, at a location and time to be confirmed. As well as the usual agenda items, we will be seeking feedback from members on the arrangements with the Domain. We would also encourage you to consider nominating for the Management Committee. Further details will follow in due course.

Did you know the Club has a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/StTheresesTennisClub)? Visit the page for information on the Club's activities.

We also have a website (www.tennis.com.au/sttc) where you'll find useful information and documents, such as newsletters and our current Constitution.

St Therese's Tennis Club Management Committee 2015-16

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