WEST BEACH TENNIS CENTRE

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# CLUB NEWSLETTER

**Season in Review**

* *Premierships* for Boys Div. 6 and the Saturday Morning Mens Div. 2 doubles teams. Mighty efforts indeed.
* It was great to have new members across all playing types.(And we can cater for many more).
* The Airport Tennis Club continued to hire the facilities for their Thursday night competition. As do the PROBUS Club for their monthly meetings.
* We managed to undertake some maintenance and upgrades on the tennis facility.

So all in all a pretty good season.

**Teams Wrap-up**

***Midweek Ladies Lawn***

We entered three teams into the Mid-Week competition. Divisions 1, 3 & 4.

For the first time in many years no Xavier teams made the finals. Ann Mallia had the highest % of sets won for Xavier with 70%, Kelly Bell in Div. 1 with 53% and Brenda Calder in Div. 3 with 47%.

Social members enjoyed playing also on Thursdays, and sometimes there were 10 or more  ladies who came to play.

New members both competition and social players are welcome.

New members contact Anne Holmes 8298 8250.  For social tennis contact Beth Fairlie 8296 9227.

The Mid-Week ladies thank the greenkeepers, Dave and Sharon, and Peter for having the courts ready for play on Thursdays throughout the season.

***Morning Mens Lawn***

Eight teams, including 3 doubles teams, played in the morning comp.

**Div. 3,** they had a very successful season, finishing 3rd. Unfortunately the finals series didn’t go to plan. The younger players certainly stepped up with Alex winning 11 of 13 singles.

**Div 4 Maroon**, had their best season, finishing 2nd after the minor rounds. The Prelim Final win was the highlight. Kensington were just too strong in the GF. Well done to Frank who won 12 of 16 doubles. (Congrats also to his numerous partners of course)

**Div 4 White,** a new team of primarily juniors and their first season on the grass. Regulars at practice, they competed hard, displayed great sportsmanship and respect for the game. But found the grade a bit high. Congrats to Tyson on winning 5 of 5 singles. Next season will be easier fellas.

**Div. 6 Maroon**, Peter once again had a consistent season with 10 out of 14 singles wins at No.1. A couple of new players (Ricky & John) were blooded which all goes well for next season.

**Div. 1 Doubles,** after a slow start to the season, the boys recruited well and with the addition of Bjorn Faaborg, made it to the Preliminary Final.

All looking forward to next season.

**Div. 2 Doubles Maroon**

We welcomed a new team to the Doubles only competition this season, with the boys from Metro Afternoon moving to the elite morning comp! They had a great season, only to lose to our other Xavier team in the Prelim Final.

**Div. 2 Doubles White**

A fantastic effort from Geoff, Alistair, Peter and Michael to take out the pennant in the Div. 2 Doubles competition. Well done gents!

Thanks to all who played and contributed to the enjoyment of playing throughout 2014/15.

See you next season!

***Afternoon Metro Lawn***

Our club was able to field four teams in Metro Lawn, with one team in Div’s 1 & 3 and 2 two teams in Div. 2.

**Div.1,** This season the Div. 1 comp went back to an all grasscourt competition, which suited our players better. They had a very competitive year and finished 6th.

**Div.2 Purple,** just missed the finals by a few points, but had another enjoyable year on and off the court.

**Div.2 Gold,** once again made it to a Preliminary Final, another solid year from those boys.

**Div.3,** after making the GF last year the boys suffered a bit of a hangover and missed the finals, but are looking to bounce back next year

***Hardcourt Seniors***

**Div. 3 Men.** The Div 3 team led by James had a consistent season, they just missed making the finals and finished 5th. Well done to all team members.

**Div 2 Women**, up from Div 3 last season and found some good form in the latter part of the season. There were some new players which all goes well for next season.

**Doubles :-**Western Youth/Airport used our courts and we enjoyed their company during the season they finished runner-up .

***Hardcourt Juniors***

Though a number of matches were cancelled due to the weather, the season went well.

**Girls Premier League**, Friday night premier league is an extremely competitive grade. Our girls acquitted themselves very well and finished a commendable 5th.

**Girls Div. 3**, promoted from Div 5 last season, so it was a big jump in grade. Some tremendous individual performances and all girls showed improvement in standard. Well done girls.

**Boys Div. 1,** the boys were competitive in a tough Div. There were a couple of new players which strengthened the team. The boys had a solid season finishing 6th.

**Boys Div. 6,** promoted from Div. 7 last season after being premiers. The boys had another very consistent season finishing the minor round 2nd. They lost to the minor premiers in the 1st Semi , went on to win the Prelim and then defeated the minor premiers 4/2 in the GF. CONGRATULATIONS to Matthew, Harrison, Alec and Alexander---***BACK TO BACK*** ***PREMIERS.***

**WANTED JUNIORS**

**Contact Peter on 0401 122 649**

**Please join us at the Annual General Meeting** – The AGM is to be held at the club on **Monday 3rd August commencing at 7.45pm.** Come along and support your club. *Please also consider if you would like to be involved with the club and take on a role.*  Supper and refreshments will be provided.

**Winter Tennis**

We have 2 mens teams (Divs. 6 & 8) playing in the afternoon winter pennant comp. We wish them an enjoyable and successful season.

**Night Tennis**

If you are looking for a hit on a Tuesday night give Peter Clark a call on 0434 618 567**.** Peter is always looking for fill-ins and permanent men and women players.

**Grasscourts**

A huge thank you to the greenkeepers, Dave and Sharon, they have done a fantastic job in maintaining the courts. The courts have now been closed and they have already been scarified and top dressed, so work is well underway to have them in even better condition for next season.

**Entertainment Books**

The 2015/16 books are now available for $65.00. Please contact Melanie on 0414 441 313 to obtain a copy or pick one up from the club.

### Summer Tennis2015/16

### Though the next season is still a few months off, we need to start getting teams organised. We are always looking for new players so why not spread the word across your networks. We will be in touch with team contacts over the coming weeks to check player’s availability.

**Club Website**

The 21st Century is here!

We now have a web site and plan for season 2015-2016 to integrate social media (facebook and twitter) into it.

Anyone who is interested in assisting with the web site development or would just like to provide ideas please contact

Chris Jeffs (phone 0401120844 or email [chrisjeffs@adam.com.au](mailto:chrisjeffs@adam.com.au))

In the meantime, have a look at the website, <http://www.tennis.com.au/westbeachtc/>

**Facility Hire**

The clubrooms and courts are available for hire to club members and the general public at very reasonable rates. Please spread the word and contact Peter on 0401 122 649 for all the details.

**Helpers**

In addition to the Management Committee the Centre needs members to look after various aspects of keeping the club functioning. Many thanks to the following volunteers:-

Soft drinks/snacks etc - Paul Reichstein

Bar duties – Paul, Kevin, Craig, Peter, Tony, James and the many others who assisted.

BBQ cookers –Ric, Tony, Kevin & Peter

Grasscourt Net Repairs – Frank Tripodi and Kevin

Marketing/sponsorship – Tony Stone

Garden – Melanie Howard

Recycling cans/bottles - Dave Eblen

Competition representatives – Anne Holmes, Mel Howard, James Luscombe, Tony Stone, Paul Reichstein & Peter McGrath. We will be looking for more hands on volunteers in the coming season.

**Sponsors**

* Elders Real Estate, Hindmarsh (call Gary Krievs 8354 2424)
* ASC Training & Development (call Tony 8410 2627)
* Lakes & Portside Real Estate (call Greg 8235 2333)
* Sip n Save West Beach (8356 9704)
* Total Workwear Richmond (call Jeff 8443 3868)
* Cappo Seafoods Parkside ph 8272 6755 & Adelaide Central Markets ph 8231 9046
* cdh Cabinets, Chris 8354 0331
* Francos Fruit& Vegetables Plympton 8297 8060
* Bendigo Bank West Beach 8235 0208

**Membership Database**

We continue to create a database of our members, however we are missing a few email addresses. If you didn’t receive this newsletter via email could you send an email to our club address westbeachtennisclub@gmail.com

so we can include your details on our contact list.

**The Facility**

Ladies bathroom, was upgraded during the summer through the fabulous efforts of Peter. After the upgrade, the bathroom is much brighter and more functional. A big thanks to Chris of CDH Cabinets (8354 0331) who very kindly donated the vanity shelving.

During the season repairs were made to the clubroom’s southern roof leaks and the curator’s shed erected at the eastern end of the grasscourts. Again, Peter and Pat (Pat McGrath Plumbing (0409 404 940) did a great job in re-building the old shed frame.

More works are planned for the winter season.

The Tennis Centre is an ageing facility and as a consequence the infrastructure is deteriorating.

We continually need to undertake repairs and maintenance; any assistance would gratefully be appreciated.

**Xavier Allstars – Berri May 16-18, 2015**

We have a team of aspiring players going to the Berri Vets Event in May 2015. It is 3 days of tennis played on grass courts in the Riverland. There are currently 5 players but we are always looking for more to join the Allstars team. If you are interested, please contact Kevin at [westbeachtennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:westbeachtennis@gmail.com)

for more details.

***Thank You*** *to all members for supporting the club, to the management committee for just keeping the Centre in the black, to competition reps, cleaners, gardeners, social activity organisers and helpers we thank you and hope that you will be able to continue to spare the time in the future. Our club needs the help of all members even if you cannot volunteer you time for the committee we are looking for people on sub- committees for next season.*

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