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EVENTS TO MARK IN YOUR DIARIES

Garage Sale – Saturday 17th April – Tennis Club Rooms - this is a fundraiser for the club – More information at the end of the newsletter.

CLUB CAPTAIN REPORT

It is pleasing to be able to report on the successes of our interclub teams, both at senior and junior level. We have continued to build on the success we experienced from last season, fielding teams in both the ASB Regional Interclub Competition, Wellington's premier interclub competition and in Hutt Valleys Interclub competitions.

Whilst not achieving the milestones experienced last season, in part due to retirements and injuries from some of our senior campaigners, *Tennis* Upper Hutt performed creditably in all the fiercely contested Regional competitions it was represented in.

The Women's Regional 1 Team led by Tania Martin with Nichola Boyles, Michelle Barr and Karen Martin acquitted themselves well recording 6 wins. They lost their last must win match against the highly fancied Titahi Bay to narrowly miss out on winning the post Christmas competition, finishing second for the 2nd year running. They have shown enough for the club to be confident of more success in next year's competition.

The Regional 2 men's team of Denzil Boyles, Serge Ritossa, Josh Hinton, Conor Quinn were again led by Simon Osborne

and performed well in their part of the competition, finishing in a highly creditable 3rd place.

The young Regional 3 side of Michael McGlinchey, David Quinn, Lucas Miller and led by veteran Kevin Hinton lost only one game in the whole competition. They needed to win their last game of the season on Saturday against Wellington and rely on the unbeaten Avalon team tripping up against Thorndon, who were battling relegation. Upper Hutt routed Wellington 6-0 with Thorndon beating Avalon, making Upper Hutt the Regional 3 champions. This was a fantastic result for our young team.

The club is also represented in the Hutt Valley interclub competition. This year it was able to field a Men's Division 1 team, 2 Men's Division 2 teams and 2 Ladies Division 1 teams as well as 10 teams in the Junior section, all experiencing various levels of success.

The men's Division 1 team, captained by Bryan Keen with Scott Hunter, Kevin McGlinchey, Paul Edwards, Josh Osborne and Mike Quinn won their competition.

The future success of the club is looking good; our junior club is stronger this year than last and seeing the juniors representing us at senior level giving such a good account of themselves can only motivate others.

COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE

<i>President:</i>	Ian Hard	971 7490
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<i>Secretary:</i>	Dale Ritossa	528 5859
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Christine Coulson	526 8242
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JUNIOR COMMITTEE

<i>Don Kai</i>	526 6284
<i>Kerri Cogger</i>	970 8739
<i>Steve Houston</i>	526 4678

FUNDRAISING

The club is running a number of fundraising initiatives, including the forthcoming garage sale and a membership raffle.

1. The \$10 membership raffle is for full adult membership. It will be drawn when all 50 tickets are sold.
2. The Garage Sale is on Saturday 17th April at clubrooms – donations including jam, cakes, produce, anything - nothing turned away.

The tennis club is grateful to all the people who have already given – but we do need more.

Estelle Marshall has kindly offered to be the contact for both of these ventures; if you have something to donate but can't drop the

stuff off, she will pick it up. Estelle can be contacted on Ph 9739665

COURT FEES

A REMINDER TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS OF CLUB POLICY:

If you are playing with family, friends or anyone who is not a member of the club, there is a fee of \$5 payable per player per match for use of the courts. There are no exceptions; non-members **MUST** be accompanied by or playing with a financial member while on the club premises. After 3 such visits, it is expected that they will register and become members of our club.

Anyone not known and using the courts may be asked to identify themselves.

TAKING CARE OF YOUR CLUB

Our clubrooms were broken into on the last weekend in March so a timely reminder about security; please ensure the court gates are locked when you leave the premises. Give them a pull to ensure they are shut, especially if you are the last to leave and particularly at night. Please also switch off the floodlights as they are costly for the club. If you used the clubrooms, please ensure the doors are locked.

Any empty water bottles and other litter should be placed in the litter bins provided and should not be left on the courts.

ADVERTISING SIGNAGE

A GREAT WAY TO HELP OUR CLUB FUND RAISE

There is the opportunity for the Club to benefit financially by selling advertising signage on boards available around the Club.

Signs available measure 2400mm by 600mm.

Some of the existing ones are due for removal or are no longer required. They will be cleaned to allow for new advertisers.

Cost of signage will cost:

Full size sign \$400 (plus GST) for 1 year or \$1000 (plus GST) for 3 years) or

Half size sign \$200 (plus GST) for 1 year or \$500 (plus GST) for 3 years.

The cost of sign writing is extra and can either be arranged by the advertiser or the Club can make arrangements with our signage contractor, UVS Signs Ltd (04) 528-8500 to undertake the work and bill the advertiser direct.

For information on the above, please check with the club captain, Mike Quinn, Alistair Montgomery or Dale Ritossa.

NIGHT TENNIS

Tuesday Night Tennis has just finished its post Christmas season with some outstanding tennis being played.

The team's event once again proved very popular with a wide variety of ages and abilities being catered for in this social but at times keenly competed for contest. Each Tuesday night 32 players took to the courts to battle it out to its ultimate conclusion at the end of 7 rounds. While the winning team each received an engraved tennis trophy to keep, this year thanks to the sponsorship of Serge Ritossa, the losing teams didn't do too badly either with plenty of confectionary to sweeten the taste of defeat. Liquid refreshments were also provided by Serge.

The winning team post Christmas 2010 was
Team Serge:
Serge Ritossa, Sophie Ritossa, Jarrod MacDonald, Daniel Salter.

Second was
Team Simon:
Simon Osborne, Claude Collier, Brian Robinson, Des Riley with reserve Yusuke.

Thanks to all who participated in the Tuesday Teams Event – regular team members and those who played as reserves. We were blessed with some beautiful nights which helped make this a very enjoyable competition.

Dale Ritossa

CLUB CHAMPS – SENIOR

Draws are displayed on the clubroom windows. The senior club champs are progressing well having reached the semi-final or final stages in all competitions.

We are hoping to have all the finals completed by the 18th April. If you are still involved in any competition, please be prepared to play on the weekend of the 17/18th April.

All results will be in the next newsletter and will be posted on the website.

CLUB CHAMPS – JUNIOR

Thanks to all for participating in this years Junior Club Champs (including the parents in getting the kids to the matches).

Despite a couple of rained off Fridays and the need to reschedule some of the matches, all of them have now been completed.

Congratulations to the following:

Junior Boys Singles

Winner

Jarrold McDonald

Runner-up

Scott Joyce

Finals result 6-4, 2-6, 7-5

Junior Boys Doubles

Winners

Kristin Yorston/ Daniel Kai

Runners-up

Scott Joyce & Jarrold McDonald

Finals result 6-1, 5-7, 6-4

U12 Boys

Winner

Aniruddh Kirtikar

Runner-up

Aidan Cogger

Finals result 6-3, 6-4

U12 Boys Doubles

Winners

Aniruddh Kirtikar & Aidan Cogger

Round robin result 2 wins (9-0, 9-4)

Runners-up

Aidan Graham & Jitte van der Zee

Round robin result 1 win 1 loss (9-7, 4-9)

U12 Girls Singles

Winner

Laura Houston

Round Robin result 2 wins (9-1, 9-1)

Runner-up

Hannah Bushby

Round robin result 1 win 1 loss (9-1, 1-9)

It is indicatively planned to have junior prize-giving in conjunction with the senior club on Sunday 18 April 2010 – further advices will follow in due course.

JUNIOR SECTION NEWS

SUNDAY MORNING COACHING

What a wonderful deal the juniors at Tennis UPPER HUTT get! On March 28 the final coaching session was held for the 2009/2010 season and all those who turned up for this day were very spoiled indeed with prizes for all and lots of yummy food.

Coaching has been offered for more than 12 weeks in total, with a mixture of skill sessions, games and playing practice designed to meet the needs of all the junior participants.

Our wonderful coaches: Tania Martin and Denzil Boyles were able to relate really well to the considerable mix of age, size and ability and showed a much appreciated commitment to the junior coaching programme of Tennis UPPER HUTT.

We hope to have them back for next season. Good coaches are a great asset and we would urge all those interclub players who didn't avail themselves of the coaching offered to do so later in the year.

Dale Ritossa

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QUICK LINKS

For good local, national and international information, tournament contacts etc Visit www.tennisnz.com

It is intended to publish this newsletter monthly through the summer months. This will be by email to all of our members and will also be available on our website. Our club has over 150 members and covers a wide spectrum of the local population.

Advertising your business through the club makes sense as it is guaranteed to reach this large audience. We can put together an advertising and sponsorship deal for you.

For more information, please contact Mike Quinn or Dale Ritossa.

TENNIS FOR PARENT

Do you want to play some tennis but you still have preschool children?



Come to:

Upper Hutt Tennis Club, King Street, Upper Hutt

Friday mornings (during the school terms only)

9.30am – 11.30am (Players may come for all or part of this time)

Starts: FRIDAY 23RD APRIL – FRIDAY 2ND JULY

All levels of ability are catered for.

Children will be supervised while you play.

Please wear **NON- MARKING** shoes. **FREE racquet hire available**

Cost: \$10/session (free for Members)

Enquires:

Estelle Marshall

Ph: 973 9665

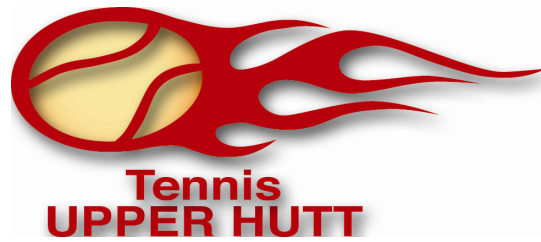
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PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL ESTELLE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT.



GARAGE SALE

PLEASE BRING ALONG ITEMS
YOU WOULD LIKE TO
DONATE TO THIS
FUNDRAISING VENTURE.

You can leave them in the
clubrooms anytime up till the
16th of April.

Sale starts 8am on the 17th April
Wet or Fine